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# Kelly Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)

## Meeting Agenda

10 October 2006

Port Authority of San Antonio  
143 Billy Mitchell Blvd., Bldg. 43, Suite 6  
San Antonio, TX 78226

**6:30 – 6:40 Introduction**

**Mr. Jose Martinez**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Moment of Silence
- C. Overview
- D. Roll Call
- E. Agenda Review
- F. Packet Review

**6:40 – 6:50 Public Comment**

*Comments limited to four minutes*

**Community Members**

**6:50 – 7:35 AFRPA Update**

- A. AFRPA Update to RAB
- B. BCT Update
- C. Library documents

**Mr. Adam Antwine  
Ms. Norma Landez  
Ms. Norma Landez**

**7:35 – 8:00 July 2006 Semiannual Compliance Plan Report**

**Mr. Don Buelter**

**8:00 – 8:15 Questions and Answers**

**Community Members**

**8:15 – 8:35 Site D-10 Closure Report**

**Mr. Don Buelter**

**8:35 – 8:50 Questions and Answers**

**Community Members**

**8:50 – 9:00 Public Comment**

*Comments limited to four minutes*

**Community Members**

**9:00 Adjournment**

**Notes:** Next RAB Meeting: 9 January 2007, 6:30 p.m. : Port Authority of San Antonio, 143 Billy Mitchell Blvd., Bldg. 43, Suite 6, San Antonio, TX 78226

**October 10, 2006**  
**Kelly Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)**  
**Port Authority of San Antonio**  
**143 Billy Mitchell Blvd., Bldg. 43, Ste. 6**  
**San Antonio, Texas 78226**

**DRAFT Meeting Minutes**

**RAB Community Members:**

Rodrigo Garcia, Jr.  
Nazirite Perez

**RAB Government Members:**

Adam Antwine, Installation Cochair  
Sal Aguinaga, Port Authority of San Antonio  
Kyle Cunningham, San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (SAMHD) (Alternate for Melanie Ritsema)  
Gary Miller, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)  
Mark Weegar, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)

**AFRPA Staff:**

Summer Allen, Air Force Real Property Agency (AFRPA) Contractor  
Leslie Brown, AFRPA  
Don Buelter, AFRPA  
Sonja Coderre, AFRPA  
Todd Colburn, AFRPA Contractor  
Jose Martinez, Facilitator

**AFRPA Partner Agencies:**

Alan Ferrell, SAMHD  
Greg Lyssy, EPA (Alternate for Gary Miller)  
Abigail Power, TCEQ (Alternate for Mark Weegar)

**Elected Officials:**

David Rodriguez, office of U.S. Rep. Charles A. Gonzalez

**Public Participants:**

Esmeralda Galvan  
Juan Gonzalez  
Robert Silvas

The meeting began at 6:32 p.m.

**I. Introduction – Jose Martinez**

A. Mr. Martinez called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- B. Mr. Martinez called for a moment of silence.
- C. Mr. Martinez reviewed the 10 October 2006 Kelly RAB agenda and pointed out the agenda was final.
- D. Mr. Martinez conducted Roll Call.

Community RAB members in attendance were: Rodrigo Garcia, Jr. and Nazirite Perez

Mr. Martinez discussed the Final RAB Rule, and the reason only three RAB members were announced during Roll Call.

Mr. J. Martinez referred to a one-page handout from the packet outlining rules of conduct and stated the purpose of the Air Force Real Property Agency for all visitors. He said AFRPA mailed letters to RAB members explaining RAB member eligibility determinations and requesting proof of eligibility if they disagreed with their status. He stated the RAB members had four opportunities to submit their eligibility application and provide confirmation of eligibility.

Mr. Silvas asked Ms. Coderre to give a reason why the letters sent to RAB members were not included in the meeting packet. Ms. Coderre stated it was a privacy issue and AFRPA didn't want to distribute private information that could potentially be released to the public. Mr. Silvas requested the letters be included in the meeting packet and an additional copy of the letters be sent to him. Mr. Silvas also disagreed with his ineligibility and stated he faxed in his application and provided AFRPA with an address of his late mother-in-law within the affected area. Ms. Coderre replied he was ineligible because his name was not on the deed to the property. Ms. Leslie Brown explained that if Mr. Silvas' name was not on the deed, the deceased property owner had to have willed the property to his wife or him to have property rights. Mr. Silvas asked to see in writing that his name has to be on the deed in order for him to be the property owner and to be eligible to serve on the RAB.

- Ms. Galvan stated that she intends to move back into the affected area and would like an amendment be added to the Final RAB Rule stating a person becomes eligible once they moved back into the area.

Mr. Silvas wanted said the Final RAB Rule was developed to be in favor of kicking people out and shutting out the voice of the community.

Mr. Juan Gonzalez, member of the community, stated the reason why there is no public participation at these meetings is because people argue about repetitive technicalities, and don't discuss the cleanup program issues.

## **II. Public Comment**

Mr. Martinez recommended proceeding to the presentations regarding the environmental cleanup program. No public comments were made.

### **III. AFRPA Update**

A. Mr. Antwine provided an introduction of the two presentations and what the subject matter would be. Mr. Antwine announced a Hispanic Outreach Forum hosted by the Environmental Protection Agency, to discuss environmental issues that impact Hispanics. Mr. Silvas spoke up and said it was not going to be in an area where it is heavily populated by Hispanics, but did not provide a location of the meeting.

B. Ms. Norma Landez provided a BCT update, and noted minutes from the 12 July 2006 and 12 September 2006 BCT meetings were included in the packets. Ms. Landez reviewed the BCT meeting which took place 10 October 2006, and noted minutes from that meeting would be provided at the next RAB meeting.

C. Ms. Norma Landez provided a summary of the new documents that will be placed in the Kelly RAB Community Cochair Library following the meeting. She reviewed two reports, and 14 letters between AFRPA and regulatory agencies. Descriptions of these documents were provided in meeting packets.

### **IV. July 2006 Semiannual Compliance Plan Report Presentation – Mr. Don Buelter**

Mr. Don Buelter gave a presentation on the July 2006 Semiannual Compliance Plan Report, and noted both reports he would be reviewing were located in the Information Repository. Handouts from this presentation were included in meeting packets.

Mr. Silvas asked a question on the MCL levels of TCE. Mr. Gary Miller, representative of EPA, said that the MCL levels have not changed for TCE or PCE. Mr. Silvas asked about the drums buried on the golf course. Ms. Norma Landez said Lackland AFB is responsible for developing a cleanup plan. Ms. Sonja Coderre asked if everyone could please stay focused on the presentation at hand, which was the Semiannual Compliance Plan.

### **V. Site D-10 Closure Report Presentation – Mr. Don Buelter**

Mr. Don Buelter gave a presentation on Site D-10 Closure Report. Handouts from this presentation were included in meeting packets.

Mr. Mark Weeger, TCEQ, asked about the lawsuit involving the Air Force and Exxon. Exxon was originally thought to be responsible for the contamination. Ms. Leslie Brown said the Air Force is pursuing Exxon through CERCLA to recover money spent on cleanup, but the lawsuit would probably take many years to be resolved.

### **VI. Public Comment**

Mr. Martinez asked if the public or RAB had any comments.

Mr. Garcia said he would like to get together with Ms. Coderre to come up with ways to solicit more public participation in RAB meetings. Mr. Silvas asked Ms. Brown if she had a chance to look at some legal documents he provided to Mr. Antwine regarding the sale of Agent Orange. Ms. Brown said she had not seen the documents. Mr. Silvas also asked Mr. Antwine if he could complete the RAB's TAPP applications with Mr. Ray Nieto. Ms. Coderre said she would take that into consideration. Mr. Perez asked for a yearly calendar with RAB meeting dates highlighted.

**VII. Meeting Adjournment**

Ms. Coderre announced the next scheduled RAB meeting 9 January 2007. The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

Next RAB Meeting: 9 January 2007, 6:30 p.m. – Port Authority of San Antonio - Boardroom

**Attachments:**

- 10 October 2006 RAB Agenda
- Handouts for overall meeting slides for October 2006 RAB meeting
- Meeting Minutes - 12 September 2006 BCT meeting
- Meeting Minutes - 12 July 2006 BCT meeting
- List of Kelly RAB Community Cochair library documents, October 2006
- Notice - EPA Region 6, Hispanic Outreach Forum
- News Clippings: a) SA Current, Re: carcinogens, b) WOAI, Re: Kelly AFB Barrels Contain Toxic Waste,
- Meeting notice ads for 10 October 2006 RAB meeting – placed in Express-News (30 September 2006), La Prensa (10 October 2006), Southside Reporter (28 September/10 October 2006)
- Full Page ads, Re: 2006 Kelly cleanup update – placed in La Prensa and Southside Reporter

_____ Date Community Cochair	_____ Date <b>Adam Antwine</b> Installation Cochair
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# ***Air Force Real Property Agency***

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## **Kelly Restoration Advisory Board**

**10 October 2006**



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# ***Public Comment***

- *Comments limited to four minutes per person*



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# ***AFRPA Update***

**6:50 pm – 7:35 pm**

- A. AFRPA Update to RAB
- B. BCT Update
- C. Library Documents

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# ***AFRPA Update***

## ***AFRPA Update to RAB***

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### ■ **Cleanup Overview**

- Number of cleanup sites: 687
- Number of sites closed: 419

### ■ **Class 3 Modification on Zones 4 and 5**

- A Class 3 Modification is a record of proposed changes to the original Compliance Plan for sites in Zones 4 and 5
- Response to TCEQ's Technical Deficiency on the Class 3 Mod for Zone 4 and 5 submitted 17 May 2006
- TCEQ sent the Initial Draft Compliance Plan (IDCP) for AF review and comment on 27 July 2006
- AFRPA responded to the IDCP on 10 Aug 2006
- Next step – TCEQ will send the Final Draft Compliance Plan and request to publish notice



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# ***AFRPA Update***

## ***AFRPA Update to RAB***

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### ■ Radium Program

- Draft Final Report for Phase III (Final Phase) of the Decontamination & Decommissioning of the Sanitary Sewer (SS) System for the former Radium Paint Shop in Building (B) 326 (1942-52) submitted to EPA and the U.S. Air Force Radio Isotope Committee (RIC) 12 April 2006.
  - EPA responded to draft report with no comments.
  - RIC responded to draft report with no comments
  - **Site is 100% closed, 11 September 2006**
- All sites No Further Action (NFA) status, except Bldg1530 currently occupied by Lackland – no updates until tenant moves out



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# ***AFRPA Update***

## ***AFRPA Update to RAB***

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### ■ Leon Creek Guar Spill

- The spill occurred October 2004 and approximately 20,000 gallons of guar was released into Leon Creek during the construction of the Zone 2 Permeable Reactive Barrier (PRB)
- Air Force Legal (SAF/GCN-RPO) responded to TCEQ petition recommending enforcement order, TCEQ considering AFRPA proposal



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# ***AFRPA Update***

## ***AFRPA Update to RAB***

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### ■ **Kelly Area Collaboration (KAC)**

- Economic Redevelopment Roundtable, 13 January 2007 – Location to be determined
- Health Roundtable took place 23 September 2006 at Dwight Middle School
- Environmental Roundtable took place 24 June 2006 at Hoelscher Center
- Initial KAC Meeting – 13 May 2006 at Dwight Middle School



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# ***AFRPA Update***

## ***BCT Update***

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### **BCT Update**

- Meetings: 12 July & 12 September 2006
  - Copies of final BCT meeting minutes included in RAB member packets.
- Meeting: 10 October 2006
  - Review of Zone 1 Corrective Measures Study
  - Review of ongoing projects
  - Review of documents to be submitted in next 90 days
  - Copy of final BCT meeting minutes will be provided at next RAB meeting.



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# ***AFRPA Update Library Documents***

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- AFRPA documents below will be placed in the Kelly RAB Community Cochair Library following this meeting.
  - **Report 692B, dated July 2006 – Final Semiannual Compliance Plan Report, January through June 2006, Former Kelly AFB**
    - In accordance with Compliance Plan Number 50310 issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), this report summarizes (1) the field and laboratory data associated with sampling at the four RCRA-regulated sites; (2) the field and laboratory data associated with sampling Leon Creek in January 2006; (3) the basewide groundwater gauging data collected in March and April 2006; and (4) an evaluation of ongoing groundwater Corrective Action Programs (CAPs) at the four RCRA-regulated units to determine if the CAPs have attained specified groundwater protection standards listed in the Compliance Plan.





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# ***AFRPA Update Library Documents***

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- AFRPA documents below will be placed in the Kelly RAB Community Cochair Library following this meeting (continued)
  - **Report 369B, dated August 2006 – Zone 3 Six Sites Soil Revised Closure Report, Former Kelly AFB**
    - This Closure Report presents the findings of additional data analysis for six sites (South Ramp Area, Defueling Cart Area, Bldg. 375 Oil Water Separator, Bldg. 385 Chemical Staging Area (CSA) and wash rack, Bldg. 375 CSA and cleaning room, Bldg. 316 pretreatment area) evaluated in the Zone 3 RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI). This report compares the analytical data to the TCEQ Risk Reduction Standards (RRSs) and proposes closure of the six sites in accordance with RRS 2 Industrial.



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# ***AFRPA Update Library Documents***

- AFRPA documents below will be placed in the Kelly RAB Community Cochair Library following this meeting (continued)
  - **EPA letter to TCEQ, 06/27/06** – Re: EPA’s comments to *Zone 3 Six Sites Soil Closure Report, Former Kelly AFB*
  - **TCEQ letter to AFRPA, 07/06/06** – Re: TCEQ’s acceptance of deed certification for IRP Sites CS-2, FC-2, IWCS, IWTP, OT-1, S-9, S4-A, SA-3, SA-4 and SD-2
  - **TCEQ letter to AFRPA, 07/06/06** – Re: TCEQ’s acceptance of deed certification for IRP Site SA-2 NOR Unit No. 1
  - **TCEQ letter to AFRPA, 07/11/06** – Re: TCEQ’s comment to AFRPA following a review of *Risk Reduction Standard No. 2 Closure Report for Bldg 1586 Oil/Water Separator NOR SWMU 046 & 055*
  - **TCEQ letter to AFRPA, 07/12/06** – Re: TCEQ’s review of *Risk Reduction Standard No. 2 Closure Report for Bldg 348 Vaulted Aboveground Storage Tank*
  - **TCEQ letter to AFRPA, 07/20/06** – Re: TCEQ’s Notice of Deficiency following a review of *Zone 3 Six Sites Soil Closure Report*

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  - **EPA letter to AFRPA, 07/31/06** – Re: EPA’s comments following a review of the *draft Finding of Suitability to Transfer (FOST) for the Test Cells Parcel*
  - **EPA letter to TCEQ, 08/07/06** – Re: EPA’s retraction of comments submitted 27 June 2006, following email clarification of the of the *Zone 3 Six Sites Soil Closure Report*
  - **AFRPA letter to TCEQ, 08/10/06** – Re: Response to Initial Draft Class 3 Compliance Plan Modification for Zone 4 and 5
  - **EPA letter to AFRPA, 08/17/06** – Re: EPA’s review of the *Draft Final FOST for the Test Cells Parcel*, with comment related to lead-based paint.
  - **TCEQ letter to AFRPA, 08/18/06** – Re: TCEQ’s acceptance of deed certification for Facility 3060 Warehouse and Facility 3774 Former Auto Repair Shop



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# ***AFRPA Update Library Documents***

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- AFRPA documents below will be placed in the Kelly RAB Community Cochair Library following this meeting (continued)
  - **AFRPA letter to TCEQ, 08/21/06** – Re: AFRPA's submittal of two copies of the *Revised Zone 3 Six Sites Soil Closure Report, Former Kelly AFB*, to TCEQ, in addition to a written response to TCEQ comments dated 20 July 2006
  - **TCEQ letter to AFRPA, 08/22/06** – Re: TCEQ's approval of the *Final Sampling and Analysis Plan and Quality Assurance Project Plan*, dated February 2006
  - **AFRPA letter to TCEQ, 08/28/06** – Re: AFRPA's request for an extension for the submittal of a deed recordation for the Building 348 Vaulted Aboveground Storage Tank, pending closure of other Zone 3 sites

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# ***July 2006 Semiannual Compliance Plan Report***

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**7:35pm – 8:00pm**

- July 2006 Semiannual Compliance Plan Report

**8:00pm – 8:15pm**

- Questions and Answers

# ***Air Force Real Property Agency***

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## **July 2006 Semiannual Compliance Plan Summary**



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# *History*

- *The Air Force maintains a permit and a compliance plan issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in 1998 for the former Kelly Air Force Base.*
- *The compliance plan requires the Air Force to submit updates on environmental conditions every six months to allow TCEQ, the Air Force and the public to check progress on environmental cleanup.*
- *The July 2006 Semiannual Compliance Plan Report (SCPR) is the update for the period of January-June 2006.*

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# Sampling/Monitoring Events

January<sup>1</sup>

- Semi-annual sampling of RCRA wells and Leon Creek, with elevations and flow measurements

March<sup>1</sup>

- Annual GW level measurements

Apr - June<sup>2</sup>

- Annual GW sampling of Waste Management Areas (basewide)

July<sup>2</sup>

- Semi-annual GW sampling of four RCRA-regulated units
- Semi-annual surface water/sediment sampling of Leon Creek
- Annual biological sampling of Leon Creek

<sup>1</sup> Reported in July Semiannual Report

<sup>2</sup> Reported in January Semiannual Report



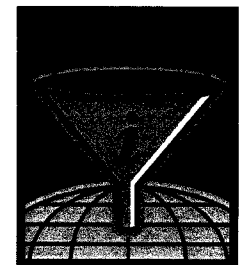


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# ***Project Scope***

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- ***Fulfill the monitoring and reporting requirements of the Compliance Plan issued by the TCEQ for the period January 2006 – June 2006***
  - ***Measurement of the depth to groundwater in 956 wells***
  - ***Sampling of 22 Zone 2 and 20 Zone 3 RCRA groundwater monitoring wells***
  - ***Leon Creek sampling including:***
    - ***Surface water samples from 41 locations***
    - ***Sediment samples collected from 28 stations***





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# **Overview**

***The July 2006 SCPR is divided into four parts:***

- ***Introduction***
- ***Annual Groundwater Level Measurements***
- ***Semiannual groundwater assessment for Resource Conservation and Recovery Act regulated units***
- ***Leon Creek semiannual assessment***



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## ***Part 2: Annual Groundwater Level Measurements***

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- ***Groundwater Level Measurements were collected between March 13 and May 1, 2006.***
  - ***956 monitoring wells were measured during this period***
- ***Basewide groundwater potentiometric surface maps are provided in the report***



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## **Part 3: Semiannual Assessment of RCRA Regulated Units**

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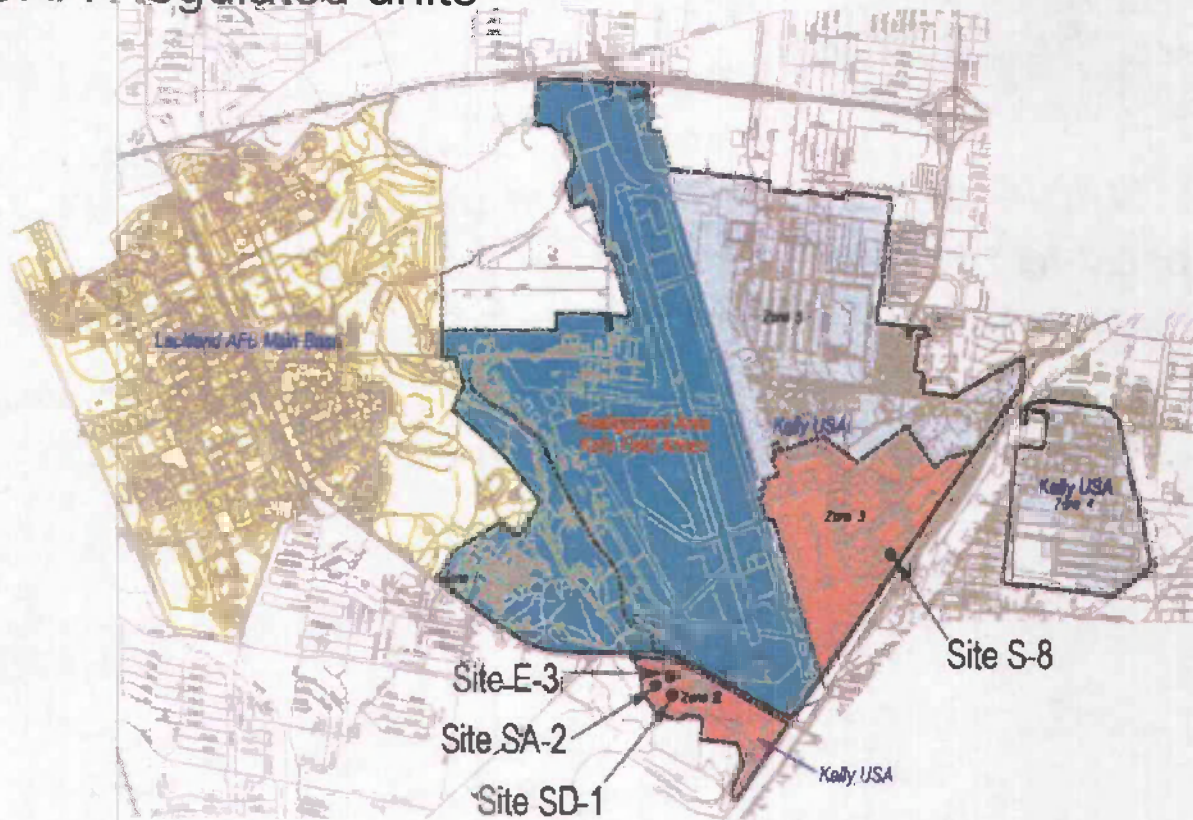
- **Part 3 of the SCPR contains a summary of sampling events for three of the four RCRA regulated units:**
  - **E-3, a former chemical evaporation pit in Zone 2**
  - **SA-2, sludge drying lagoons at the former IWTP in Zone 2**
  - **S-8, a former underground tank farm containing solvents in Zone 3**
  
- **Purpose:**
  - **Conduct semiannual sampling to fulfill requirements of the compliance plan.**
  - **Evaluate whether ongoing activities have attained GWPS for the units.**



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# Part 3: Semiannual Assessment of RCRA Regulated Units (cont)

Four RCRA Regulated units





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## ***Part 3: Semiannual Assessment of RCRA Regulated Units***

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### ***Site SD-1 Summary***

- ***TCEQ released site SD-1 from post closure care and approved the Air Force's request to stop monitoring in July 2003.***



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## ***Part 3: Semiannual Assessment of RCRA Regulated Units***

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### ***Site SA-2 Summary***

- ***All seven wells compliant.***
- ***TCEQ released site SD-1 from post closure care and approved the Air Force's request to stop monitoring in September 2006.***

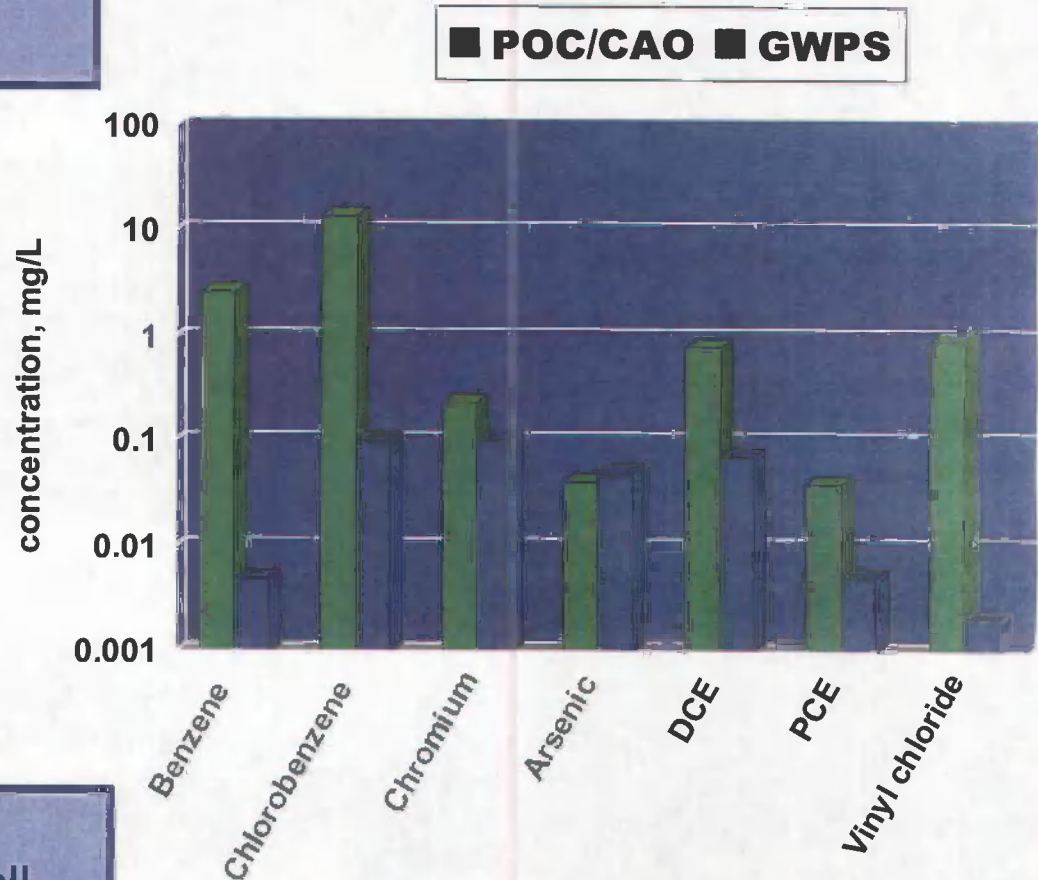


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# RCRA Sampling Results – E-3

## Site E-3

- E-3 undergoing active soil and groundwater remediation
- Several chemicals dissolved in groundwater exceed the cleanup criteria, mostly solvents (VOCs) – 7 of 17 wells non-compliant
- VOC plumes in the shallow groundwater have reduced over time and now remain stable and confined within the recovery system perimeter
- Current monitoring network is adequate to evaluate the extent of these constituents
- Contaminants are still above GWPS, system operation and monitoring to continue.



POC: point of compliance well  
 CAO: corrective action observation well  
 GWPS: groundwater protection standard

PCE detected in downgradient well. Likely from Zone 3 Plume.



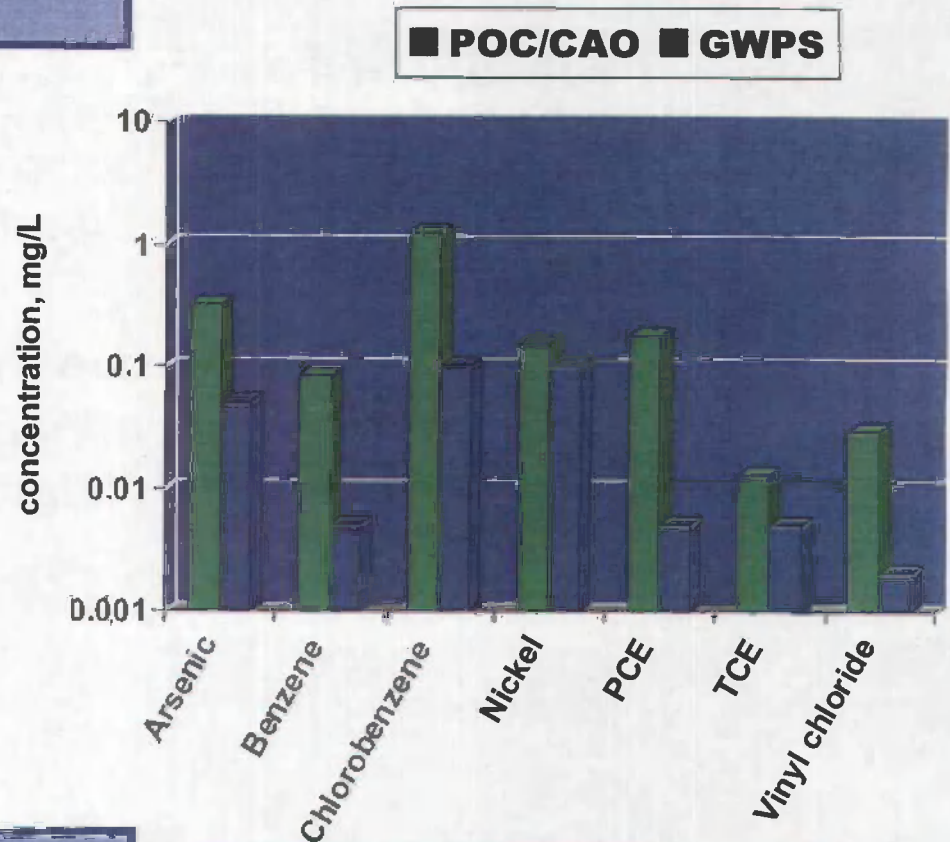


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# RCRA Sampling Results – S-8

## Site S-8

- S-8 undergoing active soil and groundwater remediation
- Several chemicals dissolved in groundwater exceed the cleanup criteria, mostly solvents (VOCs) – 13 of 20 wells non-compliant
- Monitoring indicates that natural degradation is occurring
- Current monitoring network is adequate to evaluate the extent of these constituents
- **Contaminants are still above GWPS, system operation and monitoring to continue.**



POC: point of compliance well  
 GAO: corrective action observation well  
 GWPS: groundwater protection standard

PCE and TCE are in background wells.  
 Source is likely Building 301 Area



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## ***Part 3: Semiannual Assessment of RCRA Regulated Units***

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### ***Recommendations from Part 3, RCRA Regulated Units:***

- ***Continue operation of soil and groundwater treatment systems***
- ***Although groundwater conditions are improving for sites S-8 and E-3, levels of contaminants are still above the GWPS, and groundwater monitoring should be continued at these locations.***

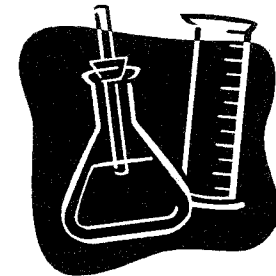


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# **Part 4: Leon Creek Semiannual Assessment (cont)**

## **Chemical Assessment**

- **Water and sediment**





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## **Part 4: Leon Creek Semiannual Assessment (cont)**

- ***Samples collected from the creeks consist of: surface water, sediment, and effluent from seeps and outfalls.***
- ***Sampling is also completed at three 'reference' creeks not impacted by the former Kelly AFB for comparison (Salado Creek, Medio Creek and Medina River)***





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## ***Part 4: Leon Creek Semiannual Assessment (cont)***

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- ***Results of the samples are compared to:***
  - ***Historic trends of contamination and biological assessments to assess changes in Leon Creek***
  - ***Texas Soil and Water Quality Standards to determine if levels are below those of concern to regulatory agencies***



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## ***Part 2: Leon Creek Semiannual Assessment (cont)***

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- ***Texas Water Quality Standard (TWQS) guidelines come from the Guidance for Assessing Texas Surface and Finished Drinking Water Quality Data, 2004***
  
- ***The criteria from this document are screening criteria and do not necessarily mean that exceeding one or more indicates a risk to human health and the environment, but that possible risk exists.***
  
- ***The results from samples taken from Leon Creek showed no constituents in the surface water, four constituents in groundwater seeps and 27 constituents in the sediment were found to be above TWQS guidelines. However, based on the Ecological Risk Assessment, approved by the TCEQ in November 2005, Leon Creek is protective to ecological receptors.***



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# Part 4: Leon Creek Semiannual Assessment (cont)

- **Chemicals in sediment above TWQS are listed to the right:**
- **Chemicals in seeps above TWQS were chromium, cyanide, PCE and TCE.**

<u>Inorganics</u>	<u>Organics</u>
Arsenic	benzo(a)anthracene
Cadmium	benzo(a)pyrene
Chromium	benzo(b)fluoranthene
Copper	benzo(k)fluoranthene
Lead	bis (2-ethyl-hexyl) phthalate
Mercury	Chrysene
Nickel	Di-n-octyl phthalate
Selenium	Fluoranthene
Silver	Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene
Zinc	Phenanthrene
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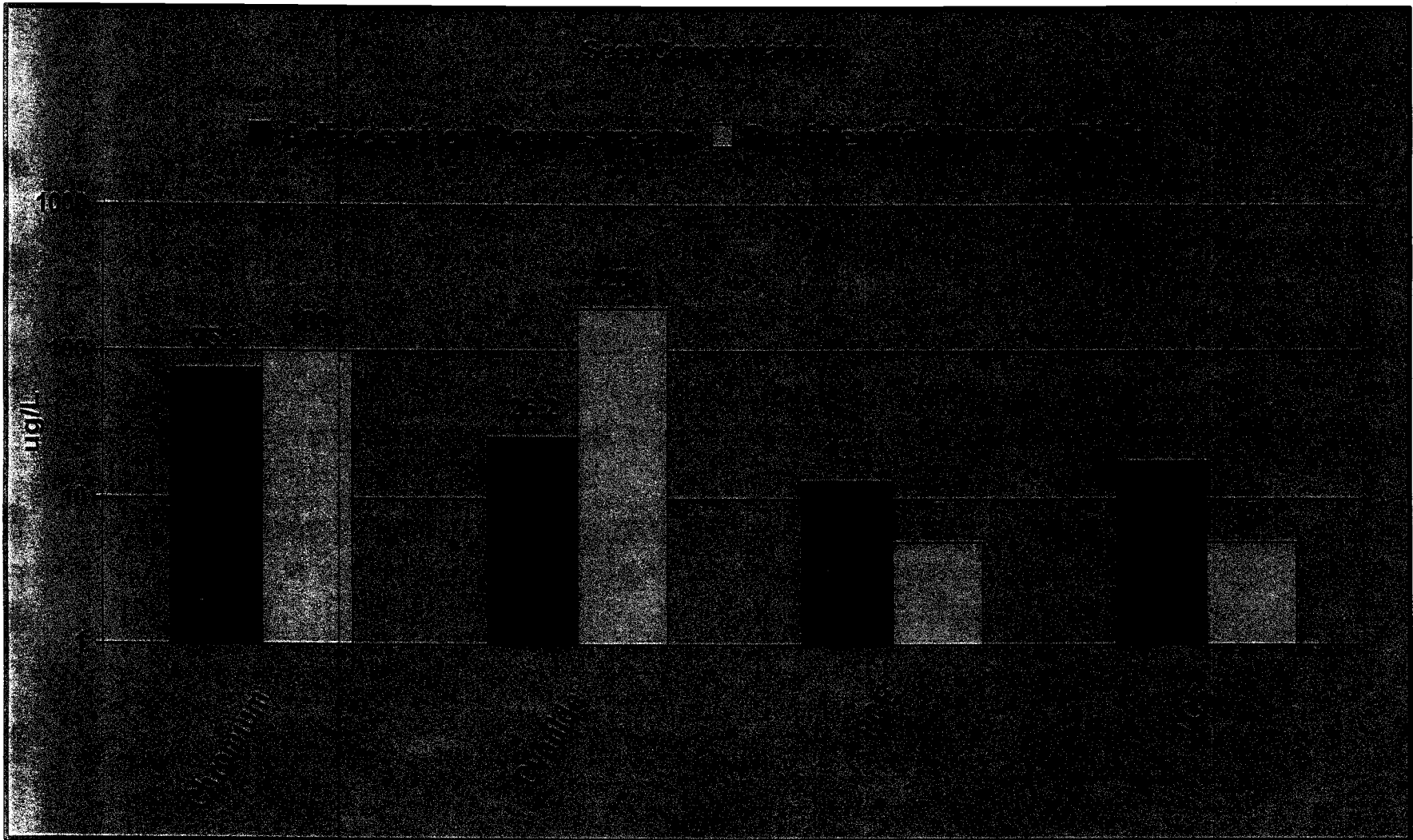






# Leon Creek Seep Results

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## **Part 4: Leon Creek Semiannual Assessment (cont)**

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- **Surface Water and Sediment Observations:**
  - **Some constituents found in Leon Creek surface water are potentially related to nearby groundwater plumes. However, other constituents directly related to upstream conditions, onsite storm water and wastewater outfalls draining into Leon Creek.**
  - **Trend analysis for Leon Creek have identified that the majority of exceedances for surface water and sediment have occurred in Zone 2.**
  - **Samples collected from the three reference creeks identified cadmium, lead, selenium and zinc above TWQS in both the water and sediment.**



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# ***Questions ??***

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## **Report Available for Review at:**

### **(1) Public Library - Downtown**

Central Library - Government documents (2nd floor)  
600 North Soledad St.

### **(2) Environmental Health and Wellness Center**

911 Castroville Road



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## ***Site D-10 Closure Report***

**8:15pm – 8:35pm**

- Site D-10 Closure Report

**8:35pm – 8:50pm**

- Questions and Answers

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# ***Air Force Real Property Agency***

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## **Site D-10 Closure Report**



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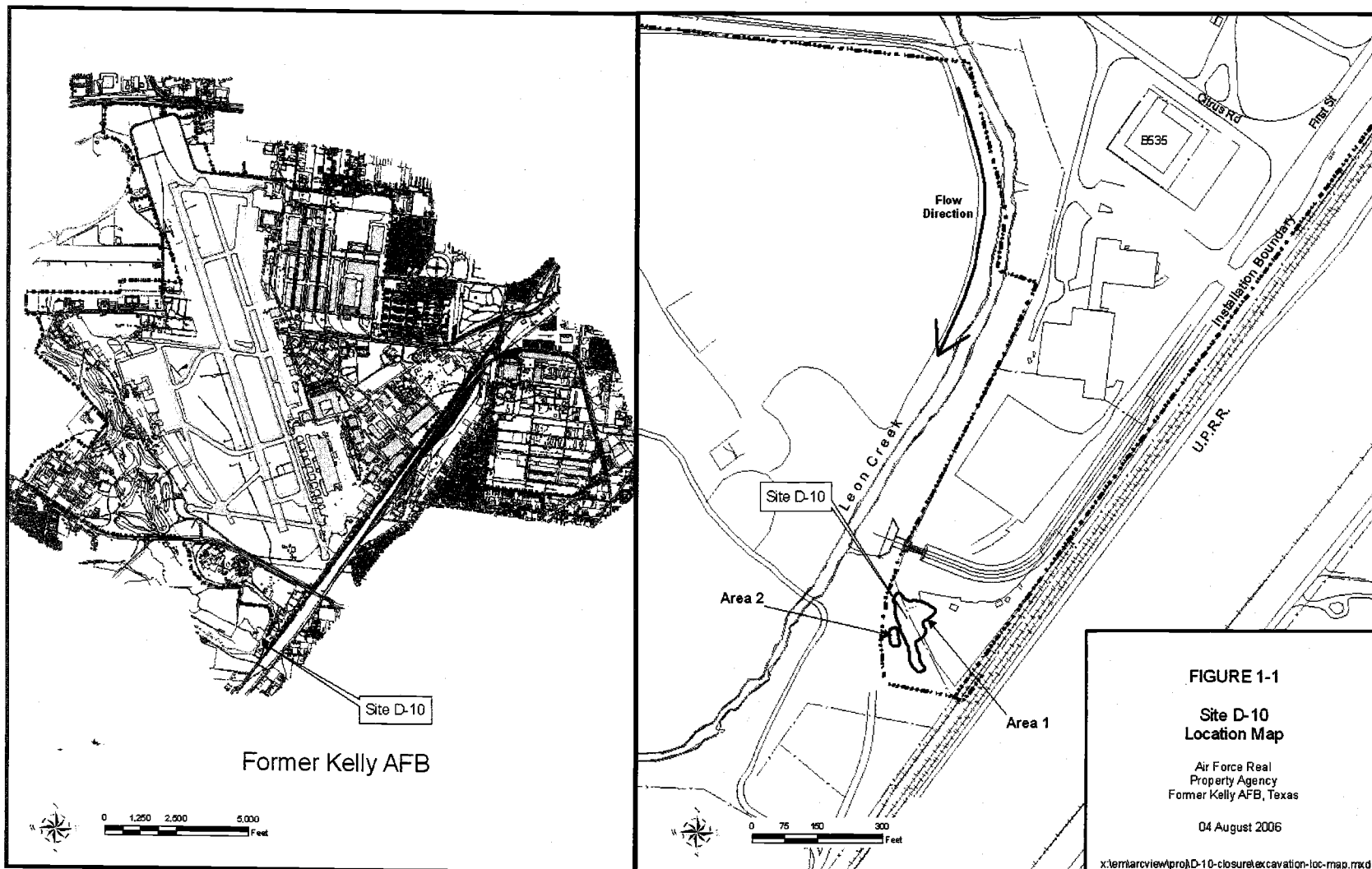
# ***Site Background***

- 1/3 acre in size
- Located at the southern tip of former Kelly AFB
- Two distinct disposal areas
  - Area 1
    - Approximate size was 180' x 20' x 9'
    - Tar-like acidic wastes
  - Area 2
    - Approximate size was 40' x 10' x 2'
    - Mainly oily waste residue
- Source is unknown, suspect abandoned oil and gas refinery



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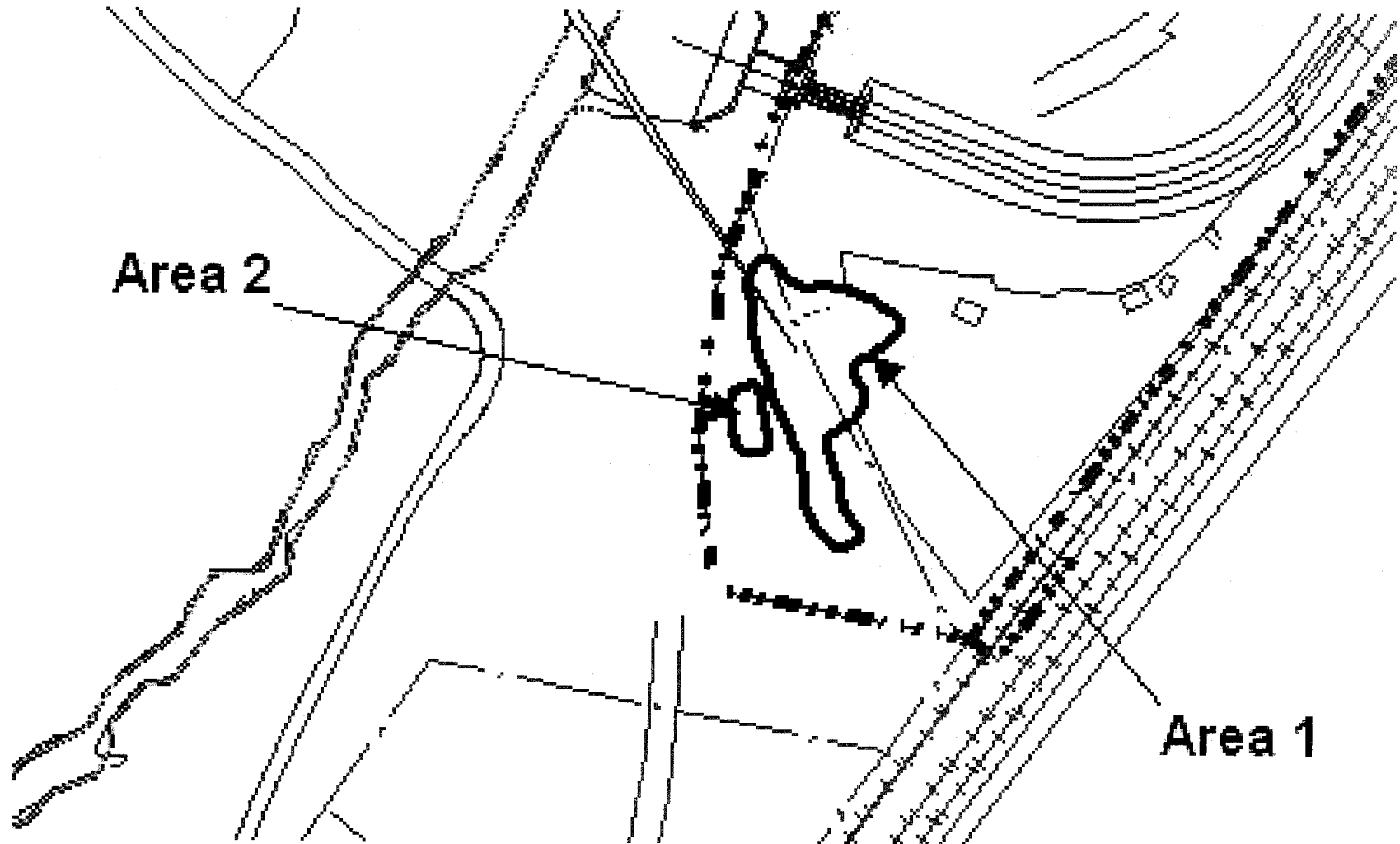
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# *Site D-10 – During Investigation*

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# ***Historical Investigations***

- Phase I Remedial Investigation – 1987
  - 4 soil borings, 6 subsurface samples
  - PCBs, TPH, lead, zinc, copper, cadmium and pH less than 2.0
- Phase I Remedial Investigation – 1993 & 94
  - 11 soil borings, 2 waste test pit samples
  - DDT, TPH, SVOCs, lead, copper, and cadmium
- RI/FS – 1998
  - Summary of extent
  - Selected excavation with off-site disposal



## ***Remedial Action – Close to RRS No. 2***

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- Excavated 2,337 CY
  - Class I – 1,277 CY
  - Class II – 860 CY
  - Characteristic Hazardous Waste (D002, D008) – 200 CY
- Excavated in 4 Phases
  - 1<sup>st</sup> phase targeted VOCs, SVOCs, metals, pesticides, PCB, and TPH
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> phases targeted metals and TPH
  - 4<sup>th</sup> phase targeted TPH
- Collected confirmation samples every 20 feet from sidewall and floor
  - Total of 62 samples
- Backfilled with certified clean soil, re-graded and seeded the area

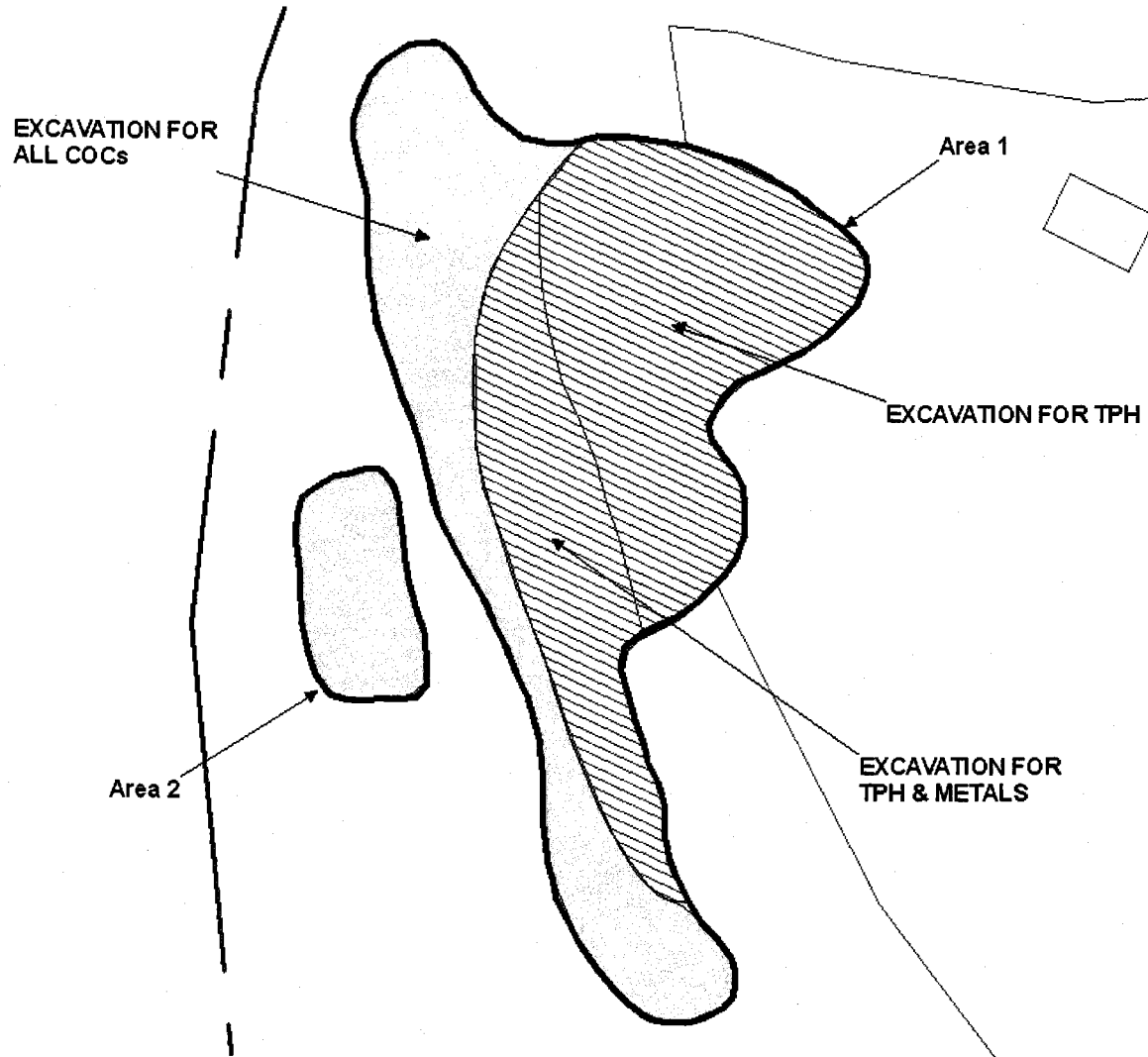
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# Excavation Phases





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# *Site D-10 – Ready to Excavate*



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# *Site D-10 – Excavation*



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# *Site D-10 – Excavation*



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## ***Conclusion***

- Organics and inorganics in surface and subsurface soil detected above RRS No. 2 were excavated and disposed of in approved off base landfill
- After excavation, soil and groundwater at Site D-10 meet RRS No. 2 criteria for closure
- After approval of closure from TCEQ, Public Notice and Deed Recordation to complete RRS No. 2 Closure for Site D-10



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# ***Public Comment***

- *Comments limited to four minutes per person*

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# ***Adjournment***

**9:00pm**

- **Adjournment**



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# ***Notes – Upcoming Meetings***

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## **■ Next RAB Meeting:**

- 9 January 2007, 6:30pm
- Port Authority of San Antonio

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## ***Notes – ATSDR reports***

- The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) has released three Final health reports for the former Kelly AFB
  1. Health Consultation, Past Air Emissions – 27 September 2006
  2. Health Consultation, Leukemia Update, Health Outcome Data Evaluation, October 2005
  3. Health Consultation, Health Outcome Data Evaluation, May 2005
  
- For questions about these reports, or to obtain a copy, contact:

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## Former Kelly Air Force Base (AFB) BRAC Cleanup Team (BCT) 12 September 2006 Meeting Minutes

BCT Meeting began at 1:45 p.m. on 12 September 2006 in Conference Room #2 at the Air Force Real Property Agency Chief Operations Office – Kelly (AFRPA/COO-K) in San Antonio. Listed below are the attendees and a summary of the BCT meeting.

Item #	Lead	Support	Discussion Topic	Comments	Discussion Topic Concluded	Disposition/Action Items
1.	Landez, N.	Coderre, S.	Final RAB Rule	Review impact of the final RAB Rule and pre-brief the BCT on the planned RAB presentation.	Yes	Issues briefed at the BCT include: Final RAB Rule overview highlighting RAB eligibility requirements, use and operation of a selection panel to identify RAB members, and the October RAB meeting. These issues were presented to the RAB the evening of 12 September 2006.
2.	Landez, N.		Property Transfer Status	Review status of Test Cells Parcel transfer. Review Port Authority of San Antonio's Early Transfer request.	Ongoing	Test Cell Parcel on schedule for transfer this year. TCEQ helpful with quick turnaround on a Class I permit modification, and USEPA provided a quick review and concurrence on the Finding of Suitability for Transfer (FOST). Negotiations continue for Early Transfer for Kelly.
3.	Landez, N.	Zone Managers	Zones 2 – 5 Updates	Review of major project status for IRP Zones 2, 3, 4, and 5.	Yes	Current site status and progress update of remedial actions provided for sites in Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Zones 2, 3, 4, and 5.  Building 324, 348, 360, and 522 contract planned for award 1 Oct 2006.  An overview of the Site D-10 closure report was provided. The report is planned for submittal to the regulatory agencies in approximately two weeks.
4.	Landez, N.	Zone Managers	Pending Document Submittals	Review of documents to be submitted for regulatory review within the next 90 days; Status of documents already in review.	Ongoing	Ms. Landez took the action to email the pending documents list to BCT members.
5.	Weegar, M.		New TCEQ policy on issuing permits, and plan reviews to owners with fees and fines	Beginning 1 Sep 2006, TCEQ has a new policy that no permits or plan reviews will be completed if an owner has fees or fines owed to the Agency. For AFRPA, this may include Air Force components not associated with BRAC, and not under AFRPA control.	Ongoing	Mr. Weegar stated he had only been briefed on this policy as a group and was unsure of the applicability to the Air Force. Mr. Weegar took the action to research how this policy will be applied to AFRPA documents.

Item #	Lead	Support	Discussion Topic	Comments	Discussion Topic Concluded	Disposition/Action Items
6.	Tareton, K		Zone 1	Lackland plans to continue investigations at Building 894 CSA and Building 966 UST.	Yes	No time frame is available for when funding will be available to complete the work.

## Former Kelly Air Force Base (AFB) BRAC Cleanup Team (BCT) 12 July 2006 Meeting Minutes

BCT Meeting began at 10:00 a.m. on 12 July 2006 in the Port Authority San Antonio Map Room and at approximately 11:30 a.m. moved to the Air Force Real Property Agency Chief Operations Office – Kelly (AFRPA/COO-K), Conference Room in San Antonio. Listed below are the attendees and a summary of the BCT meeting.

Item #	Lead	Support	Discussion Topic	Comments	Discussion Topic Concluded	Disposition/Action Items
1.	Landez, N.	Zone Managers	Zones 2 – 5 Updates	Review of major project status for IRP Zones 2, 3, 4, and 5.	Yes	The briefing prepared for the July Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting was summarized. Current site status and progress update of remedial actions provided for sites in Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Zones 2, 3, 4, and 5.
2.	Landez, N.	Zone Managers	Pending Document Submittals	Review of documents to be submitted for regulatory review within the next 90 days; status of documents already in review.	Yes	The following documents are projected for regulatory review:  Class 1 <sup>1</sup> modification (MOD) to the Permit and Compliance Plan in support of the Test Cells Property Transfer and to formally close out the sites located on the Test Cells Property.  July 2006 Semi-Annual Compliance Plan Report will be submitted by July 21, 2006.  Class 3 Modification and Corrective Measures Implementation Workplan (CMI WP) for Zones 2 and 3 will be submitted in November 2006.



Item #	Lead	Support	Discussion Topic	Comments	Discussion Topic Concluded	Disposition/Action Items
3.	Ravichandran, M.	Braddy, G.	Zone 1 Update	Review of project status for IRP Zone 1 to include field activities conducted in June.	Review concluded	<p>Lackland Air Force Base (LAFB) provided an update to the Landfill 12 and Landfill 14 preliminary investigation conducted by Weston as part of the Corrective Measures Study evaluation. The preliminary investigation identified several drums that contain sludge/tar-like material. Samples collected from the sludge/tar material identified less than 2% trichloroethene (TCE) and other volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Additionally, TCE has been identified under the drums. The next planned step in this project is to evaluate and propose the remedy for these sites. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and TCEQ have indicated a preference for removal of drums and contaminants. TCEQ asked if the contaminated soil was close to groundwater. LAFB stated that the source of contamination was not close to groundwater. During the discussion it was identified that soil removed to look at the contaminants of concern (COCs) was returned to the original location. TCEQ requested that this information be included within the document.</p> <p>TCEQ requested a timeline for the project. Weston stated Volume 1 of the CMS has been submitted to the regulators for review and requested review comments as soon as possible so field work can begin near the end of the summer. In addition, Volume II of the CMS, the Human Health Risk Assessment has been sent to the TCEQ and forwarded to the state's Risk Assessor for review. Comments are expected by the end of August. Weston expects to submit Volume 3 of the CMS by the end of September 2006.</p>

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4.	Ravichandran, M.		Zone 5 - SWMU Closure Update	Review of closure activities at Zone 5 Compliance Plan (CP) SWMUs – Bldg 894 Container Storage Area and Bldg 966 UST and OWS.	Review concluded	Samples collected from temporary groundwater monitoring wells (MWs) showed high levels of arsenic. TCEQ recommended permanent MWs be installed, properly developed, and sampled in accordance with the Compliance Plan. Data should then be evaluated to determine the path forward at each site.

Item #	Lead	Support	Discussion Topic	Comments	Discussion Topic Concluded	Disposition/Action Items
5.	Anderson, J.	Weegar, M.	TCEQ Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Program Overview	Information provided on TCEQ's TMDL Program.		<p>Mr. Anderson requested AFSPA provide supporting documentation data for the TMDL program. According to Mr. Anderson, the TMDL program is in the process of being developed to further evaluate the contaminants, specifically polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), in the tissue of fish located in Lower Leon Creek and to look into programs to further reduce contaminant concentration in fish tissues to levels that constitute an acceptable risk to consumers.</p> <p>Mr. Anderson asked what programs were in place to identify PCBs and to what extent the historical studies have been accomplished.</p> <p>AFSPA stated many studies by various contractors have been conducted including bioassays and data collections on the fish and Leon Creek that could be provided to TCEQ for review. However, it was noted that the study was limited in one area and with the minimum number of fish species.</p> <p>San Antonio River Authority indicated the Public Center for Environmental Health and the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District has applied for a grant to sample fish to further evaluate the potential sources for PCB contaminants located in fish tissue. It was suggested that the source of PCBs located in the fish tissue may actually be from an upstream source, not the former Kelly AFB.</p>
6.	Landez, N.		Tour of Former Kelly AFB	Tour of former installation for TMDL Project Manager	Tour completed	



**EPA Region 6 Hispanic Outreach Forum****2<sup>ND</sup> NOTICE**

On October 18, 2006, EPA Region 6, will be hosting a Hispanic outreach forum in San Antonio, Texas. The purpose of the forum is to bring together the leaders from Hispanic communities and the leaders of EPA to seek out ways to better understand environmental issues that impact Hispanics as a whole, develop ways to improve our communication and involvement strategies, find additional ways to share information on project funding and assistance, and create a work plan that ultimately highlights EPA's relevance in the Hispanic community. We hope to use this forum as a catalyst for your programs to reach out to the Hispanic community in our region so as to create a better understanding of EPA's regulatory requirements, public participation opportunities, information and awareness initiatives, grant and contract opportunities. The forum will likely create extensions to your existing networks of public information, and promote possible employment opportunities through broader recruitment.

Please share this message with leaders representing Hispanic communities in the States of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas, and New Mexico.

<http://www.epa.gov/earthlr6/6wq/beyondtranslation/index.htm>  
(Please visit this website for registration information)

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**“BEYOND TRANSLATION”  
HISPANIC OUTREACH FORUM  
(10/2/06 draft version)**

<b>OCTOBER 17, 2006 Welcome Reception - Celebrating Hispanic Heritage / Children's Health Month</b>	
<p><b>6:00 PM - 6:30 PM</b> Moderated by:</p> <p><b>Welcome Remarks</b> (10 min) - Forum Goals - Miguel Flores (10 min) - Children's Health Month - Carl Edlund (10 min) - NADBANK Representative <b>Roll-Outs /Announcements</b> (10 min) - Overview: Stormwater Pollution - Presented by: (10 min) - Overview: 3R's Community Toolkit - Presented by:</p>	<p><b>6:30 PM - 9:00 PM</b></p> <p><b>Exhibits / Refreshments</b> - 3R's Community Toolkit - Stormwater Pollution - Others???</p>

**"BEYOND TRANSLATION"  
HISPANIC OUTREACH FORUM  
(10/2/06 draft version)**

<b>OCTOBER 18, 2006 How can we be of greater relevance to the Hispanic Community</b>						
<p><b>8:00 - 8:30 AM</b> General Session</p> <p><b>Welcome</b> Miguel Flores (Water Quality Protection Division Director) Administrator or RA or both</p> <p>City Of San Antonio Mayor or City Official (Asked XA to contact)</p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:50 AM</b> General Session (80 min)</p> <p><b>"La Comunidad"</b></p> <p>1) <b>Census / Demographics / Future Outlook</b> - Lorena O. Carrasco (USDA) (20 min)</p> <p>2) <b>Academia's Perspective</b> - Dr. Antonio Flores (HACU President) (20 min)</p> <p>3) <b>Media's Perspective</b> - Mercedes Olivera (Dallas Morning News) (20 min)</p> <p>4) <b>Community Organizations' Perspective</b> - Richard Moore (NEJAC) (20 min)</p>	<p><b>10:00 - 11:30 AM</b> General Session (90 min)</p> <p><b>Challenges &amp; Opportunities Involving the Hispanic Community</b> Work that is being done, opportunities available, &amp; room for improvement. ... under each of the following categories...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public Health and the Environment (20 min)</li> <li>- Community Partnerships (20 min)</li> <li>- Economic Opportunities (20 min)</li> <li>- Education Pipeline (20 min)</li> </ul> <p>***Presented by a representative from each EPA Division/ Office</p>	<p><b>11:30 - 1:15 PM</b> Working Lunch (90 min)</p> <p><b>Community in Action</b> Organizations addressing children's health and the environment</p> <p><b>Keynote Speaker</b> Administrator or Regional Administrator (15-20 min)</p> <p><b>Dr. Adela N. Gonzales</b> UNT Health Science Center, VP for Strategic &amp; Institutional Affairs (15-20 min)</p> <p><b>Presentations / Panel</b> 1) <b>Water - Agua Para Beber</b> (UT El Paso / Promotoras) (20 min)</p> <p>2) <b>Air - Respira</b> (UT Laredo) (20 min)</p> <p>3) <b>Lead - Metropolitan Health District Childhood Lead Poisoning Preventive Program</b> (San Antonio Neighborhood Action Dpt.) (20 min)</p> <p>(back-up option) 4) <b>All - El Teatro Lucha De Salud del Barrio</b> (TEJAS)</p>	<p><b>1:30 - 3:30 PM</b> Breakout Sessions (2 hours)</p> <p><b>Community Feedback</b> Attendees will make recommendations for enhancing EPA's role under the following categories...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <b>Public Health &amp; the Environment</b> Room:</li> <li>2) <b>Community Partnerships</b> Room:</li> <li>3) <b>Economic Opportunities</b> Room:</li> <li>4) <b>Education Pipeline</b> Room:</li> </ul> <p>(1 hr) Attendees will address one topic</p> <p>(1hr) Attendees will address a second topic</p>	<p><b>3:30 - 4:00 PM</b> Open Time</p> <p><b>Open Time</b> - Open time for presentations on new tools / initiatives / etc.,</p> <p>(time to gather information and prepare for read-out)</p>	<p><b>4:00 - 5:00 PM</b> Wrap Up / Summary General Session</p> <p><b>Where do we go from here</b></p> <p><b>Read Out</b></p> <p><b>Next Steps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How will we continue the dialogue</li> <li>- Follow-Up</li> </ul> <p><b>Closing Remarks</b> Miguel Flores</p>
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## Work-Related (Or: How many lives can a carcinogen touch?)

By: Keli Dailey



Affectionately known as "Lulu," Mary Lou Ornelas.

Los Dos Gilbertos sing a conjunto farewell to accompany a photo slideshow projected near the closed, silver casket. "Hija Mia Nunca Te Olvidare" reads a banner draped over one of the floral arrangements; from the family viewing area, 80-year-old Janie Saenz sobs her daughter's name. "I remember that," someone in the Palm Heights Mortuary memorial room says when the constant in the photos, a composed middle-aged woman in oversized, blush-tinted glasses, appears with a young bride and groom.

From the slideshow alone, Mary Lou Ornelas's life would appear to have been one of celebrations, family milestones, leisure — various snapshots feature smiling guests sitting beside her on a couch in a wood-paneled living room. But the 59-year-old's life was also one of work; as a single mother of four, she'd often work two jobs, sometimes cleaning houses. And in 1978, she got a job at Kelly Air Force Base. Her family says working there killed her.

The Defense Department disputes the toxicity of chemicals used at its military bases, and had blocked public disclosure of the Environmental Protection Agency's 2001 findings about their carcinogenic risks. In July, a report affiliated with the National Academies of Sciences reaffirmed some of the EPA's risk assessments [see "Blinded With Science," August 9-15, 2006], which may contribute to discussions about the cause of Ornelas's liver cancer and the San

**"My mom wasn't a part of any litigation. She just wanted it to be**



Antonio native's death on September 3.

What is indisputable, however, is that her career brought her into prolonged contact with the chemical Trichloroethene (TCE), an industrial solvent used to degrease metal parts at the former Kelly Air Force Base's plating shop, where she worked for 18 years until the base was finally shuttered in 2001.

**known that those chemicals were dangerous."**

She appeared in a passage in a March 2006 *Los Angeles Times* article about TCE's health risks:

**— Jacob Moran**

"With her bare hands, she would dip cotton cloths into buckets of TCE and then wipe grease from aircraft parts. The air in the plating shop was a steamy, solvent-rich brew that turned the walls yellow and had a stench that made visitors wince, she said. The exposure made her dizzy and caused outbreaks of scaly rashes. 'I would scratch and scratch the sores,' recalled Ornelas."

Robert Alvarado Sr. put the *LA Times* reporter in touch with Ornelas, the cousin he grew up with. "We used to go and hear records, oldies but goodies, rock'n'roll, listening to 'Rock Around the Clock' together," he recalls. "She was so happy. If you met her, you'd walk away with a friend." Alvarado, 64, has lived in the Southside neighborhood surrounding the base for 36 years, and founded the Committee for Environmental Justice Action, a group that has been demanding that the Air Force clean up its former charge, which leaked harmful chemicals into the shallow groundwater beneath some 20,000 neighboring homes, an area known as the "Toxic Triangle." [See "Containment Policy," June 28-July 4, 2006.]

Alvarado suffers from thyroid cancer and partial blindness — the result of living above a plume of contaminated groundwater that "migrated approximately six miles off-site to the East and Southeast at concentrations above health-base limits," the EPA's website reads. Air Force documents show TCE, the nation's most widespread water contaminant, is present at 1,400 Defense Department pollution sites, according to the *LA Times* article.

"It's never going to change until the government accepts some responsibility because they came into the neighborhood and opened bases and then they leave everything behind without cleaning it up," Alvarado said.

But the high incidence of liver cancer, kidney cancer, cervical cancer, birth defects, and leukemia within the ZIP codes surrounding the former base and the need for a full-scale cleanup are only part of the tragedy, Alvarado said.

At one time, Kelly was the Air Force's oldest continuously operating flying base, and also the city's largest employer: It had more than 25,000 employees, both military and civilian, and in 1989 its payroll exceeded \$721 million. Anyone who worked at Kelly at least a year can get free health services from the city's Environmental Health and Wellness Center at 911 Castroville Road, just as those who lived near the base at least a year can. Since 2000, only 2000 people have visited the center, program manager and nurse Linda Kaufman said. People just aren't that informed; and you'd expect a disbanded population of workers might never hear about environmental health issues related to a former employer.

"My mom, she never sought any further information like hiring a lawyer or getting behind a group," Moran said. Ornelas kept her health concerns to herself, even as late as 2002, when she started vomiting blood. "The *LA Times* came down and met with her, and she still didn't want to pursue anything. My mom wasn't a part of any litigation. She just wanted it to be known that those chemicals were dangerous. She wanted to let other people know that she worked with TCE ... with her bare hands, no gloves or anything, she used to put her bare hands in," he said. "I just don't think she was involved enough politically to know, even though she's had a few other friends die from cancer from her shop ... Now that we lost our mom, we might get together something."

"I think this is one of the best times to talk about Kelly," said Alvarado, who hopes that more former Kelly employees will join the residents' fight. "Even though my cousin, she's gone, you know reality strikes and we have proof."

The family has not received Ornelas's death certificate, nor any confirmation from doctors about the cause of her cancer.

"But it was through direct contact with this stuff," her son insists. "She was a single parent, no child support, never took any welfare, and she raised us well," Moran said. "And she worked herself to death for us."

Ornelas was buried at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery on Monday, alongside her first husband, who died during a tour of duty in Vietnam. |

*The Committee for Environmental Justice Action is hosting a Kelly AFB health roundtable at Dwight Middle School, 2454 W. Southcross, Saturday, September 23, 8:30 am-12:30 pm. 922-2420.*



## Kelly AFB Barrels Contain Toxic Waste

News 4 WOAI has learned that toxic waste is among the sludge contained in barrels uncovered recently at the former Kelly Air Force Base.

An unknown number of 55-gallon drums are buried under the 15th tee of the old Kelly golf course. Air Force officials confirm some of the drums contain trichloroethylene, or TCE, which can cause lung and liver disease and death.

This month, the Air Force will recommend a plan to clean up the barrels.

News 4 WOAI's Jeff Coyle has been following this story. [Click here](#) to see his complete report.

If you have questions or comments about this story, or you want to send us a story tip, please email News 4 WOAI's Jeff Coyle at [JeffCoyle@woai.com](mailto:JeffCoyle@woai.com).

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# Randolph court-martial ends abruptly

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charged with forcing another cadet to fondle him in 1999. That charge was dropped last year, but he remained accused of raping her until Rogers issued his order.

Both incidents allegedly occurred at the academy in Colorado Springs, south of Denver, in her freshman year. Brakey, who went public about the case, said Harding raped her in a tent during a military exercise.

"There were no drugs, no drinking, anything like that," she told the San Antonio Express-News. "I didn't know him."

The case drew widespread attention when Harding's attorneys and a judge presiding over his rape trial at Randolph AFB sought to seize patient records kept by Colorado rape crisis

counselor Jennifer Bier, who treated Brakey. She feared going to jail because the judge, Col. David Brash, had pressed U.S. marshals to obtain the records.

The marshals, however, have neither arrested Bier nor searched for the records, but Friday's ruling left her furious.

"I think it's appalling," she said. "It sends a very clear message to victims that they must participate and be in violation of their privacy rights or their cases will not go forward, which says to a victim you can have justice, you can have healing but you can't have both."

But Murphy, who represents both Brakey and Bier, called the day's events a positive precedent because they could lead to civilian prosecutors picking up the case.

Murphy said she did not know if the district attorney's office has an agreement with the Air Force to let the military try cases involving its cadets, but noted that it would not stop civilians from taking the case.

Brakey, who dreamed of flying Air Force jets but now lives in another state, where she's planning to become a lawyer advocating on behalf of rape victims, said she met with the prosecutor who would handle Harding's prosecution.

"She didn't make any promises," said Brakey, who went public in hopes of raising consciousness about the issue. "She just promised to look over the evidence and come to a conclusion."

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# Former coach's lawsuit is latest Southside drama

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The second grievance was filed by Diana Montemayor, former principal at Freedom Elementary School. It alleges sexual harassment by interim Superintendent Fidel del Barrio, who denies the allegation.

"I just don't have a comment on it, because it never happened," del Barrio said. "They did an investigation and found that I was telling the truth."

In her grievance, Montemayor alleged del Barrio made her feel "uncomfortable" when he offered directions to his ranch "in case I ever wanted to stop by there one day." He followed up by saying he stayed there alone most weekend nights, the grievance alleges.

The district investigated, and, in an Aug. 7 letter, Brewer wrote that officials could not substantiate that del Barrio had harassed Montemayor, now a principal at Colonial Hills Elementary in the North East Independent School District.

Del Barrio was given information about the district's sexual harassment policy and directed to avoid further contact with Montemayor.

Montemayor said Friday that she left the district in July be-

cause she was unhappy that the board sided with del Barrio, who had been on the job for days, while she had been there for seven years at the time of her complaint. She said she has no plans to pursue further action.

Harrison appealed the board's decision not to renew his contract in June. But the Texas Education Agency ruled it could not take up the matter.

The former coach's lawsuit surprised at least one Southside trustee, Lisa Salazar, who is now the board president and was one of the four trustees of the seven-member board who voted against renewing Harrison's contract.

Salazar and Brewer argue Harrison wasn't fired, he resigned. Harrison said he submitted his resignation only after the board voted not to keep him on.

Time will tell which side in the latest Southside school drama wins. In the meantime, trustees are shopping for a new superintendent.

There are two finalists: Noe Saucedo, an assistant professor at the University of Texas Pan American who was ousted as Brownsville superintendent in 2003, and del Barrio.

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## Former Kelly Air Force Base Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)

The Air Force Real Property Agency invites you to attend the next Kelly RAB meeting.

**Tuesday  
October 10, 2006  
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Port Authority of  
San Antonio -  
Boardroom  
143 Billy Mitchell Blvd.,  
Bldg. 43, Suite 6  
San Antonio, TX 78226**

A variety of issues concerning the cleanup at the former Kelly Air Force Base will be discussed.

Call the Kelly Public Information Line at **(210) 925-0956** for more information.

If a Spanish translation or sign language interpretation is needed, call **(210) 925-0956** at least two days in advance.

10 October 2004 Kelly RAB meeting notice  
SFA Express-News  
30 September 2006

# for Palladium IMAX

More than 300 positions available for new local theater.

In anticipation of opening its new theatre, the Palladium IMAX in northwest San Antonio, Santikos Theatres, the largest family-owned theatre company in Texas, is holding a job fair from October 4, through November 10, from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. at the Palladium IMAX Theatre, currently under construction at Loop 1604 and IH-10, near Best Buy and the Bass Pro Shops at The Rim.

The Job Fair will be held every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 4 through Nov. 10, from

8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Palladium IMAX.

More than 300 positions are available, including ushers, wait staff, box office, projection, concession workers, and management positions. Employees enjoy flexible schedules and free movies.

"We are very excited to be bringing our Palladium IMAX theatre on line in the next two months," said Richard Cieplechowicz. "We encourage interested applicants to come to our job fair and are looking forward to meeting with individuals interested in joining the Santikos theatre

company."

Qualified candidates need to be years of age or older. Santikos is equal opportunity employer and supports a drug-free workplace.

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## Pharmaceuticals...

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MAP officially started in 2000 with only one employee to handle all cases, and has since grown to a 17-member department that negotiates free medicines from pharmaceutical companies before passing the savings to the patients. Over the years, it has generated tens of thousands of dollars for almost 20,000 needy patients yearly who can obtain their medications free or at a discount price through low-income Healthcare programs such as CareLink.

CareLink enrolls people who are essentially below 200 percent of the poverty level and normally don't have any other way to get their medicines, except through generous contributions from drug companies.

One such beneficiary is 63-year-old Angela Giroux, who had to rely on the MAP program benefits after suffering from a heart attack three-and-a-half years ago. In addition to the needed medication, she also

found a courteous, friendly staff that made her recovery period a lot smoother. And with the rising medical insurance, programs like MAP are even more appreciated.

"It is expensive to have regular medical insurance, especially when you are living on a fixed income," she said.

"These companies are making an enormous contribution in terms of money and health," added Dr. Robert Jiménez, chairman of the University Health System Board of Managers. "But in reality we can not add up the real value of what they are giving away. What they are doing for our patients is priceless."

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### La Junta Asesora Sobre la Restauración de la Antigua Base Aérea Kelly (RAB por sus siglas en inglés)

La Agencia de Bienes Inmuebles de la Fuerza Aérea le invita a asistir a la próxima junta de la RAB.

**martes**

**10 de octubre del 2006**

**de 6:30 p.m.**

**hasta 8:30 p.m.**

**Sala de reunión de la Port Authority de San Antonio**

**143 Billy Mitchell Blvd., Suite # 6 San Antonio, TX 78226**

Se discutirán varios temas acerca del programa ambiental de la antigua base aérea Kelly.

Para más información, favor de llamar a la Línea de Información Pública de Kelly al (210) 925-0956.

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to remain on the Board of Directors for the International Economic Development Council (IEDC). IEDC is a non-profit membership organization dedicated to economic developers do their job effectively and raising the profile of the profession. It is the world's largest membership organization serving the development profession with over 100 members across the United States, as well as Canada, Europe, Australia, New Zealand and other nations. IEDC is the only organization of its kind in the world. IEDC is the only organization of its kind in the world. IEDC is the only organization of its kind in the world.

**Wildlife Festival/  
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The second annual Wildlife Festival and Sale will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 14 at the Mitchell Lake Center, 10750 Pleasanton Rd. The community event will focus on the outdoors and learning more about the natural world. The event will include a plant sale featuring a wide array of drought-tolerant and wildlife-friendly plants including those used in the Center's butterfly garden for butterflies and birds. The San Antonio Water Authority (SAWA) will also hold its Autumn Waterway, at which the first 1,000 who attend will receive a complimentary, small water-saver plant. For all activities and exhibits will be open to the public. A raffle will be held for \$2 each or 6 for \$10. Proceeds will go to support water conservation education and conservation at MLAC. For more information contact MLAC at 210-628-1639, mlac@mlac.org, or go to www.mitchelllake.org. The rain date for the event will be Oct. 15.

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YWCA of San Antonio located at 503 Castroville Road is requesting sealed bids for the renovation of a pool and the connected locker rooms. Detail on the work to be done follows:

- Locker Rooms - replace and clean damaged tile in the locker rooms; demolish existing ceiling and replace with new acoustical type; install new hanging partition wall; resurface all locker room floors and hallways with Sundeck Classic finish; furnish and install new plumbing fixtures to all showers; demo 4 shower stalls for wheelchair access; install new lighting fixtures, emergency exit signs, and GFI outlets; remove and replace benches; remove old lockers; furnish and install 70 new plastic lockers; install 2 new stalls for wheelchair access, repair tile at new shower valves and replace damaged tile in showers; paint walls and accessories
- Pool - prime paint walls; prep and treat rust, prime and paint with enamel on ceiling deck and joists; remove exterior windows and replace with aluminum frames and glass; furnish and install new overhead fixtures; replace duplex outlets; remove and replace thermostats; remove water fountains and replace with double tier ADA fountain; resurface pool deck with epoxy material; re-plaster pool and repair damaged substructure; re-grout and repair deck tile; add wall tile at water line with depth markers, and replace lane tiles

Bidders must bid on both proposed jobs as one unit. Sealed bids to be presented to Alma Smith or Laura Garza at 314 N. Hackberry, San Antonio, TX 78202. Bids will be accepted until October 16th, 2006 at 4:00 pm. Bids will be publicly opened by a YWCA board member at 6:00 pm on October 17th, 2006. Please contact Estella Forhan or Chris Guzman at 210-433-9922 to schedule appointment to inspect job site.

This is a CDBG funded project. All bidders must comply with current Davis Bacon Wages, must be bonded and insured with current liability insurance and worker's compensation. All construction must be completed to all current City and building inspection code requirements.

All invoices must be completed in duplicate for payment. YWCA of San Antonio has the right to withhold payment of invoices if work is not completed in a satisfactory manner. There will be a 10% withholding of payment pending completion of work and release after final inspection.

The successful bidder shall comply with the City of San Antonio's Small Business Economic Development Program which in part, requires contractors to subcontract and demonstrate good faith efforts (as defined by the City of San Antonio) to utilize participation of Minority Business Entrepreneurs, Women's Business Enterprises and Small Business Enterprises.

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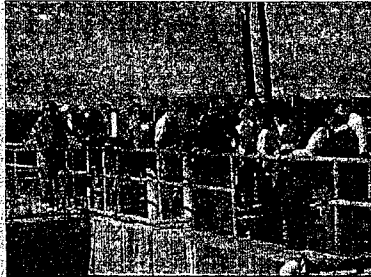
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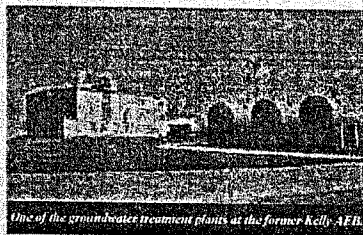
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# La limpieza ambiental progresa en Kelly

La agencia de Bienes Inmuebles de la Fuerza Aérea (AFRPA por sus siglas en inglés) anuncia el progreso del programa de limpieza medioambiental de la antigua base aérea Kelly. La AFRPA trabaja con la Agencia de Protección Medioambiental de los Estados Unidos (EPA por sus siglas en inglés) y la Comisión de Calidad Medioambiental de Texas (TCEQ por sus siglas en inglés) para asegurar que la contaminación sea limpiada a niveles que protegen la salud humana y el medioambiente.

## El Programa Ambiental en Kelly

Durante los años activos de Kelly, la base fue primeramente usada como un centro de fabricación y mantenimiento. Aunque la Fuerza Aérea implemento medidas de precaución necesarias para utilizar los químicos efectivamente, los impactos negativos no fueron descubiertos hasta después de muchos años de operación. Como resultado de la práctica aprobada de deschar durante la operación de la base, gasolina de aviones y solventes clorinados utilizados para desgrasar partes metálicas de aviones, contaminaron el suelo dentro de la base y el agua subterránea de poca profundidad dentro y fuera de la base.

La Fuerza Aérea ha evaluado e implementado una variedad de técnicas para remover y tratar la contaminación de la tierra y el agua subterránea de poca profundidad. Estas tecnologías incluyen el uso de micro-organismos para deshacer los químicos; y



Una de las plantas de tratamiento del agua subterránea de poca profundidad de Kelly.

el removimiento del agua contaminada en el suelo por medio de una técnica de bombeo hacia una planta donde es tratada y descargada dentro los arroyos Leon Creek y Six Mile. Estos arroyos son áreas de descarga naturales dentro de la zona de agua subterránea de poca profundidad. La Fuerza Aérea también utiliza un sistema de barreras permeable reactivas (PRB por sus siglas en inglés) dentro y fuera de la base. Las PRBs consisten de limaduras de hierro que reaccionan con los químicos en el agua, causando la degradación de los químicos y convirtiéndolos en subproductos menos dañinos.

Hoy en día, 69% de sitios con contaminación medioambiental (475 de los 687) dentro de Kelly han sido limpiados y cerrados. Los sitios sobrantes se están limpiando y están a tiempo para su fecha de cierre.

## Cambios en el Programa de Limpieza Ambiental

La Fuerza Aérea seguirá operando estos sistemas de limpieza hasta que el agua subterránea de poca profundidad cumpla con las reglas establecidas por la TCEQ. La TCEQ y la EPA supervisan el proceso de limpieza ambiental para asegurar la eficacia de las acciones de remedio y que la Fuerza Aérea continúe cumpliendo hasta que las reglas establecidas sean cumplidas.

## Contestando las Preocupaciones de La Comunidad

Se han conducido varios estudios para saber si hay una relación entre las actividades pasadas y presentes

de Kelly y las preocupaciones de la comunidad sobre la salud. Hasta la fecha, no se ha descubierto una relación entre las actividades de Kelly y la salud de la comunidad a sus alrededores. Sin embargo, la Fuerza Aérea entró en un trato cooperativo con el Distrito Metropolitano de Salud de San Antonio (SAMHD por sus siglas en inglés) en el 2002. El trato provee \$5,000,000 sobre un periodo de diez años. Estos fondos serán utilizados por el Centro Publico por la Salud Medioambiental (PCEH por sus siglas en inglés) para desarrollar e implementar estudios adicionales sobre la salud.

El PCEH ha implementado varios estudios para monitorear la posibilidad de contaminación del aire durante las actividades de limpieza ambiental. El PCEH también ha respondido a peticiones de la comunidad para examinar la posibilidad de contaminantes en las frutas y verduras crecidas localmente. Se ha determinado que las frutas y verduras en el área de Kelly son libres de contaminaciones y están listas para el consumo. El PCEH también monitoreó el aire durante la construcción e instalación de cuatro PRBs en la comunidad y no se encontró contaminación.

Adicionalmente, la Fuerza Aérea y el SAMHD identificaron y sellaron pozos privados de agua subterránea de poca profundidad en el área de Kelly. Aunque la mayoría de los residentes utilizaron estos pozos privados para la agricultura, la Fuerza Aérea y el SAMHD sellaron 75 de estos pozos para asegurar la protección de la salud humana y el medioambiente.

El Centro de Salud y Bienestar Medioambiental (EHWC por sus siglas en inglés), junto con financiamiento proporcionado por la Agencia de Substancias Tóxicas y el Registro de Enfermedades (ATSDR por sus siglas en inglés), provee exámenes de salud gratis e información a la comunidad. Hoy, casi 2,000 exámenes de salud se han realizado a la comunidad en forma gratuita.

## Informando la Comunidad

Para asegurar que los miembros de la comunidad reciban la información más completa y oportuna sobre los programas de limpieza del medioambiente de Kelly, la Fuerza Aérea utiliza varios métodos de comunicación. Al centro de estos métodos se encuentra la Junta Asesora Sobre la Restauración de Kelly (RAB por sus siglas en inglés) que busca y promueve la participación comunitaria en el programa de limpieza del medio ambiente de Kelly. La RAB se junta cada tres meses para discutir el progreso de la limpieza, proveer opiniones y consejos, revisar planes y sugerir proyectos potenciales. La Fuerza Aérea también se asocia con varios grupos comunitarios, provee excursiones para conocer la base y los sistemas de limpieza y atiende juntas de las asociaciones de comunidades.

## Trabajando Hoy Para un Mejor Mañana

Hoy en día, un total de 1,887 acres de terreno y el 96 por ciento de espacio industrial de la antigua base se está ocupando por el Puerto de San Antonio. El cierre y la urbanización de la antigua base aérea Kelly está progresando de forma próspera por medio de una participación abierta y frecuente con la comunidad, y reguladores federales y estatales. Aparte, la implementación de tecnologías de limpieza medioambiental innovadas, la transferencia de propiedad y urbanización, y un compromiso firme a la protección de la salud humana y el medioambiente han contribuido a esta prosperidad.

## La Junta Asesora sobre la Restauración de Kelly

Formada en 1994, la Junta Asesora para la Restauración de Kelly se reúne cada tres meses y promueve la participación publica en el programa de limpieza del medioambiente de la antigua base aérea de Kelly. La RAB consiste de un representante de la Fuerza Aérea, la Agencia de Protección Medioambiental de los Estados Unidos y la Comisión de Calidad Medioambiental de Texas, también como miembros de la comunidad incluyendo un representante de la Port Authority of San Antonio.

Los miembros de la RAB de Kelly han contribuido al programa de limpieza medioambiental de la Fuerza Aérea desde 1994 por medio de:

- Aumentando el entendimiento de la comunidad
- Revisando planes y documentos
- Proveyendo consejo
- Actuando como un recurso para la comunidad

Miembros de la comunidad interesados en participar en la RAB de Kelly deben comunicarse con la Agencia de Bienes Inmuebles de la Fuerza Aérea al (210) 925-0956.



## Reuniones de la Junta Asesora para la Restauración de Kelly en el 2007

Reúnase con nosotros el 9 de enero, 10 de abril, 10 de Julio, y el 9 de octubre a las 6:30 p.m.

El sitio de estas reuniones es sujeto a cambio. Favor de comunicarse con la Agencia de Bienes Inmuebles de la Fuerza Aérea para confirmar el local.

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# La limpieza ambiental progresa en Kelly

La agencia de Bienes Inmuebles de la Fuerza Aérea (AFRPA por sus siglas en inglés) anuncia el progreso del programa de limpieza medioambiental de la antigua base aérea Kelly. La AFRPA trabaja con la Agencia de Protección Medioambiental de los Estados Unidos (EPA por sus siglas en inglés) y la Comisión de Calidad Medioambiental de Texas (TCEQ por sus siglas en inglés) para asegurar que la contaminación sea limpiada a niveles que protegen la salud humana y el medioambiente.

## El Programa Ambiental en Kelly

Durante los años activos de Kelly, la base fue primeramente usada como un centro de fabricación y mantenimiento. Aunque la Fuerza Aérea implemento medidas de precaución necesarias para utilizar los químicos efectivamente, los impactos negativos no fueron descubiertos hasta después de muchos años de operación. Como resultado de la práctica aprobada de deshechar durante la operación de la base, gasolina de aviones y solventes clorinados utilizados para desgrasar partes metálicas de aviones, contaminaron el suelo dentro de la base y el agua subterránea de poca profundidad dentro y fuera de la base.

La Fuerza Aérea ha evaluado e implementado una variedad de técnicas para remover y tratar la contaminación de la tierra y el agua subterránea de poca profundidad. Estas tecnologías incluyen el uso de micro-organismos para deshacer los químicos; y



Una de las plantas de tratamiento del agua subterránea de poca profundidad de Kelly.

el removimiento del agua contaminada en el suelo por medio de una técnica de bombeo hacia una planta donde es tratada y descargada dentro los arroyos Leon Creek y Six Mile. Estos arroyos son áreas de descarga naturales dentro de la zona de agua subterránea de poca profundidad. La Fuerza Aérea también utiliza un sistema de barreras permeable reactivas (PRB por sus siglas en inglés) dentro y fuera de la base. Las PRBs consisten de limaduras de hierro que reaccionan con los químicos en el agua, causando la degradación de los químicos y convirtiéndolos en subproductos menos dañinos.

Hoy en día, 69% de sitios con contaminación medioambiental (475 de los 687) dentro de Kelly han sido limpiados y cerrados. Los sitios sobrantes se están limpiando y están a tiempo para su fecha de cierre.

## Cambios en el Programa de Limpieza Ambiental

La Fuerza Aérea seguirá operando estos sistemas de limpieza hasta que el agua subterránea de poca profundidad cumpla con las reglas establecidas por la TCEQ. La TCEQ y la EPA supervisan el proceso de limpieza ambiental para asegurar la eficacia de las acciones de remedio y que la Fuerza Aérea continúe cumpliendo hasta que las reglas establecidas sean cumplidas.

## Contestando las Preocupaciones de La Comunidad

Se han conducido varios estudios para saber si hay una relación entre las actividades pasadas y presentes

de Kelly y las preocupaciones de la comunidad sobre la salud. Hasta la fecha, no se ha descubierto una relación entre las actividades de Kelly y la salud de la comunidad a sus alrededores. Sin embargo, la Fuerza Aérea entró en un trato cooperativo con el Distrito Metropolitano de Salud de San Antonio (SAMHD por sus siglas en inglés) en el 2002. El trato provee \$5,000,000 sobre un periodo de diez años. Estos fondos serán utilizados por el Centro Publico por la Salud Medioambiental (PCEH por sus siglas en inglés) para desarrollar e implementar estudios adicionales sobre la salud.

El PCEH ha implementado varios estudios para monitorear la posibilidad de contaminación del aire durante las actividades de limpieza ambiental. El PCEH también ha respondido a peticiones de la comunidad para examinar la posibilidad de contaminantes en las frutas y verduras crecidas localmente. Se ha determinado que las frutas y verduras en el área de Kelly son libres de contaminaciones y están listas para el consumo. El PCEH también monitoreó el aire durante la construcción e instalación de cuatro PRBs en la comunidad y no se encontró contaminación.

Adicionalmente, la Fuerza Aérea y el SAMHD identificaron y sellaron pozos privados de agua subterránea de poca profundidad en el área de Kelly. Aunque la mayoría de los residentes utilizaron estos pozos privados para la agricultura, la Fuerza Aérea y el SAMHD sellaron 75 de estos pozos para asegurar la protección de la salud humana y el medioambiente. El Centro de Salud y Bienestar Medioambiental (EHWC por sus siglas en inglés), junto con financiamiento proporcionado por la Agencia de Substancias Tóxicas y el Registro de Enfermedades (ATSDR por sus siglas en inglés), provee exámenes de salud gratis e información a la comunidad. Hoy, casi 2,000 exámenes de salud se han realizado a la comunidad en forma gratuita.

## Informando a la Comunidad

Para asegurar que los miembros de la comunidad reciban la información más completa y oportuna sobre los programas de limpieza del medioambiente de Kelly, la Fuerza Aérea utiliza varios métodos de comunicación. Al centro de estos métodos se encuentra la Junta Asesora Sobre la Restauración de Kelly (RAB por sus siglas en inglés) que busca y promueve la participación comunitaria en el programa de limpieza del medio ambiente de Kelly. La RAB se junta cada tres meses para discutir el progreso de la limpieza, proveer opiniones y consejos, revisar planes y sugerir proyectos potenciales. La Fuerza Aérea también se asocia con varios grupos comunitarios, provee excursiones para conocer la base y los sistemas de limpieza y atiende juntas de las asociaciones de comunidades.

## Trabajando Hoy Para un Mejor Mañana

Hoy en día, un total de 1,887 acres de terreno y el 96 por ciento de espacio industrial de la antigua base se está ocupando por el Puerto de San Antonio.

El cierre y la urbanización de la antigua base aérea Kelly está progresando de forma prospera por medio de una participación abierta y frecuente con la comunidad, y reguladores federales y estatales. Aparte, la implementación de tecnologías de limpieza medioambiental innovadas, la transferencia de propiedad y urbanización, y un compromiso firme a la protección de la salud humana y el medioambiente han contribuido a esta prosperidad.

## La Junta Asesora sobre la Restauración de Kelly

Formada en 1994, la Junta Asesora para la Restauración de Kelly se reúne cada tres meses y promueve la participación publica en el programa de limpieza del medioambiente de la antigua base aérea de Kelly. La RAB consiste de un representante de la Fuerza Aérea, la Agencia de Protección Medioambiental de los Estados Unidos y la Comisión de Calidad Medioambiental de Texas, también como miembros de la comunidad incluyendo un representante de la Port Authority of San Antonio.

Los miembros de la RAB de Kelly han contribuido al programa de limpieza medioambiental de la Fuerza Aérea desde 1994 por medio de:

- Aumentando el entendimiento de la comunidad
- Revisando planes y documentos
- Proveyendo consejo
- Actuando como un recurso para la comunidad

Miembros de la comunidad interesados en participar en la RAB de Kelly deben comunicarse con la Agencia de Bienes Inmuebles de la Fuerza Aérea al (210) 925-0956.



## Reuniones de la Junta Asesora para la Restauración de Kelly en el 2007

Reúnase con nosotros el 9 de enero, 10 de abril, 10 de Julio, y el 9 de octubre a las 6:30 p.m.

El sitio de estas reuniones es sujeto a cambio. Favor de comunicarse con la Agencia de Bienes Inmuebles de la Fuerza Aérea para confirmar el local.

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