

**Mather Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting  
Draft Final Summary Meeting Minutes  
8 June 2010**

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Place:** Days Inn, Mather Room  
3240 Mather Field Road  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**RAB Members**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Doug Fortun	AFRPA Remedial Project Manager representing AF Co-Chair
Arne Sampe	RAB Member

**Other Attendees Present**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Bill Hughes	ASE (AFRPA Contractor)
Stanley Pehl	Air Force Center for Engineering and the Environment (AFCEE)
Brian Sytsma	AFRPA Contractor
Scott Johnston	AFRPA Contractor
Nathan Schumacher	Public Participation Specialist for Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC)
Patrice Bowen	Chief, Public Participation/Community Involvement for DTSC
Conny Mitterhofer	Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley
Viola Cooper	Community Involvement Coordinator for U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA)

**1. WELCOME**

Mr. Fortun welcomed everyone to the meeting. The team discussed whether the meeting should proceed since the community co-chair was not present. There is no requirement for a quorum in the RAB charter. The team agreed that the meeting would proceed but that it could be repeated at a later date since some RAB and public members may have not been able to attend due to the election being held the same evening. [Note that the meeting was not repeated.]

Attendees introduced themselves. A sign-in sheet was circulated (Attachment 1). The meeting agenda was distributed (Attachment 2).

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was agreed that the meeting minutes for the last RAB meeting should be approved at the next meeting.

## 3. UPDATE ON REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Hughes provided a briefing using a PowerPoint presentation. Copies of the presentation slides are included as Attachment 3. Information directly included in the slides is not repeated in these minutes.

Groundwater Monitoring - groundwater monitoring for first quarter 2010 has been completed; monitoring for the second quarter is almost complete, there will be some sampling of private wells in the neighborhoods west and southwest of Mather.

Performance-Based Remediation - the Air Force expects the contract award for the performance-based remediation to occur later this month and an announcement will be made at the next RAB meeting.

Groundwater Cleanup Update – the purpose of the Operating Properly and Successfully (OPS) documentation is to transfer property with a covenant stating that all actions necessary to protect human health and the environment have been taken. The Air Force is also preparing documentation that would allow transferring property with a deferred covenant, i.e., promise the Air Force will take all necessary actions, to allow property transfer in case the regulatory agencies do not concur that the groundwater remedies are all operating properly and successfully.

Site 87 (Former Skeet and Trap Range)/Small Mammal Survey – the skeet and trap range was removed, but there is still some residual lead in the soil that meets the cleanup requirement. The Record of Decision (ROD) for the site required a survey to determine if there the residual lead in the soil causes adverse lead accumulation in mice or voles. There is still discussion among the regulatory agencies regarding the results because no clear benchmarks exist in the literature. The Air Force expects feed-back on the draft report from the regulatory agencies by the 21 June 2010.

Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) – three sites at Mather were cleared for military munitions. The Mather Lake shoreline was cleared because reportedly, practice grenades were fired into the lakebed. Mather has one Military Munitions Response Site that has clearance work still to be done – Site OT-69 - to ensure there is no ordinance that poses a threat; that work will continue to 2011 – note, this date is a correction to the slides.

Five-Year Review Status – the draft final report should be issued in July 2010.

There was a list of topics for which information had been requested by Sandra Lunceford, the RAB Community Co-chairperson; during the next meeting, she can clarify whether she would like to hear any additional information on any of these topics

- a) Westporter Drive Well – the well owner is required to sample the well periodically and the Air Force has also sampled the well when it was operable. The well never had any detection of contaminants. However, the well has been off line frequently and Mr. Hughes indicated he would try to find out why the well had been off line so much in the last year.
- b) Capture Zone Analysis – Southwest Lobe - Mr. Sytsma pointed out that the map shown is incorrect as the plume boundary (maximum contaminant level, MCL) currently includes MAFB-460; however, because concentrations in that well are below cleanup levels, this well should be outside the plume boundary.
- c) Site 29/71 – a shallow soil gas survey was conducted in 2009 to find out whether shallow soil contamination was at sufficient concentration to cause a safety hazard, i.e., spark an explosion during sewer line installation or similar. The concentrations in the deeper zone were above the lower explosive level (LEL) but not the shallow levels.

Mr. Sytsma summarized the concerns expressed during the last RAB meeting when the idea of adjourning the RAB was presented. The feedback from the RAB was that the Air Force should consider ways to reach out to the community to find out if people are really knowledgeable and comfortable about the cleanup program at Mather, prior to adjourning the RAB. The Air Force would like to suggest a working group meeting with the RAB to discuss details about what the content of should be of a website explaining the cleanup status of Mather. The idea is to address these issues outside a regularly scheduled RAB meeting to be able to talk ‘outreach only’ and not focus on cleanup.

Ms. Bowen wanted to know whether the outreach would extend to the Rosemont area since Ms. Lunceford had raised some questions about an inoperable well in that neighborhood. Mr. Sytsma responded that question would be addressed during the working group meeting. He indicated that the Grapevine has been a good resource for outreach, as well as the Cordova Community Council. He also indicated that the Homeowners Association was important to Mr. McGarvey. Mr. Hughes clarified that the groundwater contamination does not extend to Rosemont wells; the plume is being captured and is not expected to reach that area. Therefore, Rosemont is considered more of a peripheral community.

#### **4. KEY DOCUMENTS**

The key document list is included in the PowerPoint slides located in Attachment 3. There are two documents the RAB has had particular interest in: a) the *Basewide Operable Unit (OU) Explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) to clarify Institutional Controls* and b) the *Soil OU and Groundwater Plumes ESD to clarify Institutional Controls*. Both documents are waiting for signature.

Mr. Fortun pointed out that Ms. Lunceford receives a copy of most, if not all, of the documents that are being issued for Mather.

One of the other upcoming documents of interest to the RAB is the *2009 Institutional Control Compliance Report*. A summary of the compliance report should be available at the next RAB meeting as will be copies of the document. The Five-Year Review should be finalized in July. A public notice will be issued when the Five-Year Review has been finalized, letting the public know the report is available for viewing.

## **5. REGULATORY UPDATES**

Mr. Schumacher pointed out that the public participation names on presentation slide #29 were associated with the wrong regulatory agencies and should be corrected. Viola Cooper is the Community Involvement Coordinator for U.S. EPA, and Nathan Schumacher is the Public Participation Specialist for DTSC.

## **6. ACTION ITEMS**

Mr. Hughes went over the on-going action items from the previous RAB meetings. These are included in Attachment 3. Mr. Hughes indicated that there were no real new action items other than getting a working group meeting going and Mr. Sytsma is already working on that.

## **7. TOPICS FOR FUTURE RAB MEETING**

No new topics were discussed.

## **8. FUTURE MEETING DATES**

Mr. Hughes indicated that the team would contact the RAB members to find out when everyone could meet for a discussion about outreach opportunities. The next regular RAB meeting is scheduled for November 2010.

## **9. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

To find possible alternate meeting locations for future RAB meetings, Mr. Hughes requested that Mr. Sampe inquire about the costs for the Mather Community Campus or the Presbyterian Church and whether they would be willing to rent the facility to the Air Force for a RAB meeting.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned.