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1 MR. CARROLL: Just want to call this
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- 2 meeting to order. This is the Restoration Advisory
- 3 Board for the former Chanute Air Force Base and today
- 4 is August 22nd, 2013, believe it or not. Time flies
- 5 when you are getting lots of things done.
- 6 We want to give everybody an update here,
- 7 but before we get started I would like to go around
- 8 the table and have everyone on the RAB introduce
- 9 themselves, then we will go along the outside wall.
- 10 (Those in attendance introduced
- themselves as follows:)
- 12 Lorraine Wirges, RAB member.
- 13 Caryl Fothergill, RAB member.
- 14 Bruce Sandahl, RAB member, co-chair.
- Jack Anderson, RAB member.
- Denise Becnel, RAB member.
- 17 Debra Rawlings, RAB member.
- Doug Rokke, RAB member.
- 19 Chris Hill, Illinois Environmental
- 20 Protection Agency.
- 21 Howard Sparrow, CB & I.
- 22 Amar Bumb, CB & I.
- Jim Husbands, Booz, Allen, Hamilton.
- 24 Paul Foraci, Illinois Department of

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      Commerce.
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                Bob Carson, Illinois EPA.
                Jay Timm, Illinois EPA.
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                Bob Bajek, Rantoul Press.
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                Diane Gill, CB & I.
                (Also present after the meeting started
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      were Ian Wang [RAB member] and Michael Streff.)
                MR. CARROLL: Let's go to the action items.
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      We have the transcripts from the May 16th, 2013
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      meeting. Can we get a motion to approve?
                MR. ANDERSON: I'll move to approve.
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                MR. SANDAHL: I'll second.
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                MR. CARROLL: All in favor?
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                (All said aye.)
                MR. CARROLL: Any opposed? Okay. Motion
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                The second item on the action items is to
      finalize the Library User Guide and Dr. Schneider
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      sent that out the last couple of days and I forwarded
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      it to everyone in the RAB, I believe. And I'll talk
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      about it. I'm carrying the water for him so I will
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talk about it here next. We'll go through that.

and Bruce is going to meet with the RAB, he hasn't

Possible adjournment of the RAB discussion

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done that yet, but I think that item is still
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- 2 pending. We can discuss that, probably talk a little
- 3 bit about it right before we adjourn today. But
- 4 we're not going to talk at length about it today.
- 5 Also, community outreach opportunities.
- 6 This is something that's been ongoing for a while.
- 7 We've been getting a little better and better at that
- 8 and we had some ongoing actions, but if there are
- 9 opportunities for us to brief at civic groups, other
- 10 groups and things like that, we have presentations
- 11 ready to do that at any time and we welcome, invite
- 12 invitations from community groups and members of the
- 13 RAB to do that kind of thing.
- MS. RAWLINGS: Would you consider
- 15 contacting the high school to see if science classes
- 16 might be interested? Is that a possibility?
- MR. CARROLL: We could do that.
- 18 MS. RAWLINGS: I don't know what their
- interest would be, but I -- it seems like a good
- 20 place to --
- MR. CARROLL: Here in Rantoul?
- MS. RAWLINGS: Yeah.
- MR. CARROLL: Okay. We can do that. All
- 24 right. Anything else?

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DR. ROKKE: I'd like to come back again,
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- 2 remember I got the representative to come on my radio
- 3 show, Warrior Connection, and you and I talked about
- 4 that before. I mean that's getting to all the
- 5 military throughout the nation.
- 6 MR. CARROLL: All right. Next item is the
- 7 Air Force Update. A couple things going on that I
- 8 can talk about and then Howard will talk about all
- 9 the environmental cleanup activities that are going
- 10 on.
- 11 The two things that we've been waiting on
- 12 to get done, working on to get done, one is an FAA
- 13 approval to reduce the airport footprint in order to
- 14 transfer this property via an Economic Development
- 15 Conveyance. We've received that approval as of a
- 16 couple of weeks ago. We are moving ahead toward the
- 17 EDC process now and we've been working with the
- 18 Village, having weekly calls with the Village to go
- 19 through that and get things done there. So everyone
- 20 should see some action on that within the next two to
- 21 three months. And those property transfers will
- 22 follow very soon behind that. So late
- 23 September/October time frame we'll be starting to
- transfer some property here.

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1 And then another couple of things that
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- 2 we've gotten done, Howard will talk about them a
- 3 little bit also, but the Skeet Range out here toward
- 4 the western end of the runways, we've been approved
- 5 and funded and it's on contract now to clean the
- 6 sites up to residential.
- 7 DR. ROKKE: Thank you very much.
- 8 MR. CARROLL: Okay. So we're going to do
- 9 that this fall.
- 10 Then there's also Water Tower, Facility
- 11 968, one of the water towers we demolished down
- 12 toward the southeast part of the base that is going
- 13 to need some lead cleanup and that will be cleaned
- 14 also to residential levels.
- 15 We also had a site visit this last week at
- 16 the Steam Plant where the contractor is going to come
- in and abate asbestos there and do demolition and
- 18 that's upcoming over the next year.
- 19 And then as we talked about, this will
- 20 follow this EDC agreement as well. So there will be
- 21 more to report once the EDC is signed, the Economic
- 22 Development Conveyance is signed.
- 23 And then Dr. Schneider, since we moved the
- 24 RAB to this week, Dr. Schneider already had a prior

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- 2 sent us this Guide to Environmental Documents and if
- 3 you would all take a look at that when you get time.
- 4 I know you were all instrumental in helping develop
- 5 this.
- This is his draft final version, I believe,
- 7 so if there are any major issues, please contact him.
- 8 I did see something that we had missed. I wanted to
- 9 add a section on Proposed Plans because that section
- 10 is the time where we get public input on all of our
- 11 decisions. So he'll go ahead and add that section.
- 12 And he's worked to simplify it as much as
- 13 he can to make it as easily understandable as
- 14 possible given the cleanup regime we are under under
- 15 CERCLA. It's pretty complicated so he tried to make
- it as user friendly as he could.
- 17 So if you all look over this and you still
- have any confusion about what it's trying to tell
- 19 you, where it's leading you, please let us know and
- 20 we'll see if we can work through that and get it to
- 21 where it's easily understandable.
- 22 MS. RAWLINGS: I do have some -- I won't
- share them now, I will send them to Dr. Schneider.
- 24 Generally there are some parts I thought were

1 extremely well done with bringing language down to a

- 2 layman's level, there were a few places not so much.
- 3 But generally speaking I think it's pretty much
- 4 there. But like I said, I'll submit my concerns to
- 5 him.
- 6 MR. CARROLL: Okay. Good. Thank you.
- 7 And the figures, the reason I re-sent this
- 8 out is the figures weren't very clear. So the
- 9 figures on your latest e-mail version should be
- 10 clearer.
- 11 And also there's recommended reading for
- 12 more detail and that's the Environmental Site
- 13 Closeout Process Guide. A copy has been placed at
- 14 the Rantoul Public Library as well. Any questions on
- 15 that?
- 16 MR. STREFF: Does the Air Force have a plan
- for abandoning all the monitoring wells that are on
- 18 base?
- 19 MR. CARROLL: Yes, that is actually part of
- our contract with Shaw. Once they get done with all
- of their work they're going to abandon all of the
- 22 monitoring wells.
- 23 MR. STREFF: Ones like outside the building
- and over there across the street, not just in the

1 areas that Shaw is currently working in, but all the

- 2 monitoring wells throughout the base.
- 3 MR. CARROLL: Well, they are covered for
- 4 all of the sites that they are under contract for.
- 5 So I think we may have provided a list of monitoring
- 6 wells. We have the ability to abandon other
- 7 monitoring wells if some show up that we weren't
- 8 aware of, such as possibly an underground storage
- 9 tank that had already been closed that the well
- 10 hadn't been abandoned on. We see those from time to
- 11 time at some of our bases and they pop up.
- MR. STREFF: At the south end of this
- 13 building there is a monitoring well and I know that's
- 14 not involved with Shaw.
- 15 MR. SPARROW: That's one of our sites here.
- 16 But the quick answer is once we get a site cleaned up
- and we make sure that we have monitored it for an
- 18 extended duration, the regulators have agreed that
- 19 we've met the cleanup requirements or remedial goals,
- 20 the last step is to come back and abandon those
- 21 wells. So we don't want to take them out until we
- 22 are sure it's cleaned and everybody has signed off on
- 23 that site.
- 24 MR. CARROLL: Yeah, Shaw will take care of

- 1 theirs and if there are any others that are not under
- their contract, we are obligated to take care of
- 3 those.
- 4 MS. RAWLINGS: Could you clarify, does
- 5 abandon and take out, does that mean the same thing?
- 6 MR. SPARROW: Abandon is a specific term
- 7 and there's a process to go in and seal the well. So
- 8 you have to seal it up, you have to remove the
- 9 structure, you have to fill out forms with the state
- 10 to make sure that it's documented, and then maybe a
- 11 grass area where you come back and refinish it.
- 12 So it's kind of a specific term. It sounds
- 13 like you are just going to forget about it, abandon
- 14 it, but that is not the case. We actually go in and
- make sure that it's sealed up properly.
- MS. RAWLINGS: Thanks.
- MR. CARROLL: That's a very oft confused
- 18 term because we have used that term abandon, we have
- 19 used plug, we've used decommission. So, yeah, that's
- 20 pretty common.
- 21 All right. Howard?
- 22 MR. SPARROW: Again, my name is Howard
- 23 Sparrow, Project Manager for CB & I. We'll try to
- 24 give you an update of progress since our last RAB

- 1 meeting. I think most of you were here at the last
- 2 RAB meeting. And really what I want to talk about is
- 3 just the things that we have done over the last three
- 4 months on site initially.
- 5 Some of our accomplishments, we did do the
- 6 completion of the ETBuffer around Landfills 2 and 4.
- 7 I think we were working on that at the time of the
- 8 last RAB, but that's all complete and finished so we
- 9 now have ETBuffers around Landfills 2, 3 and 4.
- 10 We have done a lot of in-situ
- 11 bioremediation. That's not very exciting or fun, you
- don't see a lot of equipment or things going on, but
- 13 we've got 13 sites we are continuing to work to treat
- 14 the groundwater on and I've got a map that I will
- show you where those sites are here.
- And then we have done a lot of performance
- 17 monitoring. That's really what we are going to be
- doing for the next several years out here is just
- 19 continuing to monitor to make sure we are getting the
- 20 groundwater cleaned up and that it stays cleaned up.
- We have been doing some work around the
- 22 landfills. There were some detention basins. I've
- got a slide on that here. But we are trying to come
- 24 back in and address some of the stormwater detention

1 basins that were originally constructed with the

- 2 landfills.
- I talked about the ETBuffer. There's a
- 4 couple slides here. This is three months ago and
- 5 then just recently a slide on the ETBuffer trees.
- 6 The one thing, if you notice these trees were 16-feet
- 7 tall when we got them, when they came in. They are
- 8 planted to 12 feet below ground. So I don't know how
- 9 many people would like to go out and dig those trees
- 10 to 12 feet deep. That's relatively unusual and we
- 11 had to core drill down to get the roots down to that
- depth, but that's where the groundwater is.
- 13 These trees, these hybrid trees are really
- 14 designed to be able to go down deep and get that
- 15 water and that's what's different between the hybrid
- trees that we use and the more common species of
- 17 trees that are around in the area.
- 18 You can see these trees, just the tips,
- 19 after we installed them. And the tree growth, it's
- 20 going to take them a few years, it will take a couple
- 21 more years before they will get standing up tall like
- 22 they are on Landfill 3 there. It's a pretty unique
- 23 approach to treating groundwater and containing
- 24 leachate from landfills.

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- 2 the nomination for that?
- 3 MR. CARROLL: Yeah.
- 4 MR. SPARROW: Is that okay with you?
- 5 MR. CARROLL: Yeah. I don't know anything
- 6 about it (the results), but as far as --
- 7 MR. SPARROW: Just to let you know that the
- 8 Air Force has submitted this ETBuffer concept to the
- 9 White House Council on Green Government for a White
- 10 House award nomination from the Air Force. So this
- 11 could get some national recognition and actually some
- 12 national attention from the Air Force in applications
- 13 at other sites. So I think we, CB & I, and I think
- 14 the Air Force is proud of being able to submit
- 15 something like that to that level.
- DR. ROKKE: I'm going to come back to a
- 17 question again. We got the trees planted in there,
- 18 okay, to suck everything up or whatever happens to
- 19 it, okay? What's going to happen to the contaminants
- 20 once they are absorbed into the tree, the plant
- 21 material, and what is going to happen to --
- 22 MR. SPARROW: If you would like, I can send
- 23 you references. There are many references of
- research on that and what happens to those

- 1 contaminants in a tree. The ones that we are
- 2 treating here are volatile organics. The volatile
- organics are simply taken up by the trees, first they
- 4 are digested by their root systems that are there and
- 5 then any contaminants that are volatile that may be
- 6 in the tree will volatilize. There is nothing in the
- 7 leaf or woody bark material.
- 8 There's literally hundreds of studies, and
- 9 I can send you references so you can look at those if
- 10 you want to look at those specific to the compounds
- 11 that we have here.
- 12 There are some locations where that is an
- issue and is a concern, but not for the contaminants
- 14 that we have here. Particularly if you had a
- 15 radionuclide, that would certainly be a concern that
- the tree could uptake that and it would be in the
- 17 tree material.
- 18 DR. ROKKE: Once it gets up into the tree
- 19 material and then through the transrespiration and
- 20 everything, it revolatilizes, what does that compound
- 21 then change into? Is that compound then converted
- into a harmless compound before it's released?
- 23 MR. SPARROW: Chlorinated compounds like we
- are dealing with in the groundwater, they degrade

1 from a trichloro- to a dichloro- to vinyl chloride to

- 2 an ethane. So the ethane is the one that
- 3 volatilizes, it's innocuous and it has no health
- 4 hazards from the ethane. So it breaks down the
- 5 chlorinated compound basically.
- 6 DR. ROKKE: That's the answer I was looking
- 7 for.
- 8 MR. SPARROW: Sure. Absolutely.
- I do have a map here, this one is not very
- 10 clear on the board, but I think you've got one here
- and there is a larger size handout for the map.
- 12 There's a couple things. First it does show the 13
- 13 sites that we have been doing the injections on this
- 14 year. Those are the sites that we have ongoing
- treatment for the groundwater. It's going to be
- another year or two years or in some cases three
- 17 years to get that groundwater cleaned up, but we're
- 18 continuing to be very aggressive at getting that
- 19 treatment in place.
- 20 We have substantial reductions in
- 21 concentrations and extent of those plumes, but there
- 22 are still very small little pockets and this is a
- 23 high clay soil, it's going to take lot of diligence
- and that's what we have been doing to try to go back

- 1 and do the treatments for those sites. We've
- 2 installed 291 injection points, injected 170,000
- 3 gallons of amendments to continue that process. So
- 4 we will continue that process and we will continue to
- 5 monitor it.
- 6 The other thing that the slide, this
- figure, does indicate, first if you notice the sites
- 8 that are in green, those are sites that have been
- 9 closed and completed and that means that all those
- 10 sites have been determined to be ready for property
- 11 transfers and I think all of those are unlimited use
- 12 except the Skeet Range and I will talk about that one
- 13 a little bit later.
- 14 The ones that are in the green with the
- hash marks are ones that we are currently in the
- 16 process of closing. I think we counted nine of
- 17 those, Amar, that are currently closing.
- MR. BUMB: Yeah.
- 19 MR. SPARROW: So we have nine more sites.
- 20 I think we have closed 14 sites, we have nine more
- 21 that are currently in that process of being closed.
- 22 Make sure I've got the numbers right there, but I
- 23 think that's pretty accurate. So we are about 23
- 24 sites closed at this point. Yes.

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1 MR. FOTHERGILL: On this Hangar 3, it has
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- 2 Carbon Tetrachloride. Isn't that a border around the
- 3 building, contamination you found, not in the
- 4 building itself but wasn't it a border?
- 5 MR. SPARROW: It was an area outside some
- 6 soil. That one had both soils and groundwater, so we
- 7 dug the soils out. We did some groundwater treatment
- 8 in that area and that's cleaned up. That one
- 9 wasn't -- it was fairly low concentrations in the
- 10 groundwater.
- 11 The ones that are in the very light green,
- those are sites that are clean, they met remedial
- 13 goals, but we do have to continue to monitor those to
- 14 make sure that they stay clean. So really the ones
- 15 that are in the blue are the ones that we are
- 16 continuing right now to work on to get the treatment
- 17 completed on those sites.
- 18 The ones shown in orange are the landfills
- 19 and they will continue to be maintained by the Air
- 20 Force. So they will not close.
- We are going to be doing a lot of
- 22 groundwater sampling. We have 217 monitoring wells
- out here. We have collected just in this year alone
- over 600 groundwater samples. And if you look at the

- 1 amount of data that comes, because we analyze for
- 2 multiple parameters for each one of those samples we
- 3 take, we probably have over 10,000 data points that
- 4 we have collected just this year.
- 5 So it's a large amount of data coming back
- 6 that we use to monitor and determine when we meet
- 7 cleanup standards and where we need to do additional
- 8 treatments on site.
- 9 The landfills, I have mentioned the
- 10 modifications to the landfills. This is a photo of
- 11 Landfill 1 here. The landfills were constructed
- originally, there's a space in the bottom of the
- 13 ponds. There are one or two ponds with each of the
- 14 landfills and the space in the bottom is meant to
- 15 collect sediment as it may erode off of the landfill
- 16 until you get grass and everything established onto
- 17 that.
- 18 Well, those landfills have been there for
- 19 10 plus years. The grass is well established,
- there's no additional erosion going on, so we've gone
- 21 back and filled in the bottoms of those ponds where
- 22 the sediment is supposed to accumulate. There was
- 23 water that was standing in the bottom of those ponds.
- 24 The water does create mosquito hazards and other

- 1 issues.
- 2 So we're going back and modifying those
- 3 ponds. If you drive by and see that, that's why
- 4 we're out working on those ponds there. I think
- 5 there was a lot of debris and stuff like that in
- 6 those ponds, we've cleaned all that out of those
- 7 ponds there.
- 8 MR. CARROLL: The stormwater detention will
- 9 still be there though.
- 10 MR. SPARROW: The stormwater detention,
- 11 yeah, Paul mentioned, we are leaving the ponds. The
- 12 upper portion of the pond above the outlet is
- designed for stormwater detention. You have
- 14 stormwater problems already around on the base. The
- 15 stormwater still gets stored. That bottom part was
- 16 just for sediment. It does not help for stormwater
- 17 detention at all, so we just filled that in. The
- 18 storage portion for rainfall above that still remains
- in place.
- 20 Paul mentioned the Skeet Range. If you
- 21 recall, we did do a small removal action on the Skeet
- 22 Range a couple of years ago. We did go through a
- 23 closure process on the Skeet Range to restrict land
- 24 use and we restricted any residential development on

- 1 that land use.
- 2 The Air Force has gone back, they have an
- 3 internal program to go back and look at those sites
- 4 and see if they can go back and clean these sites up
- 5 and get them to an unrestricted land use. The Air
- 6 Force did determine that this is one of the sites
- 7 that they would like to go back and so they have
- 8 awarded a contract to us to go back to this site and
- 9 clean this up to residential standards.
- 10 And what it means is the lead standard that
- 11 we cleaned up to originally was 1,093 milligrams per
- 12 kilogram and now we are going to go to a lead
- 13 standard of 400 milligrams per kilogram on this site
- 14 and that does mean additional excavations on the
- 15 site.
- 16 So we are going to go back out right after
- 17 the Farm Show, we are waiting until the Farm Show is
- 18 complete, we will go back out after the Farm Show,
- 19 we'll resample the site, determine where the areas of
- lead exist and then we'll do the excavations. We are
- 21 estimating there could be up to 8,000 cubic yards of
- 22 soil to come off, but again it depends on the
- 23 sampling and analysis that we do.
- 24 So that sampling will be done in September.

- 1 We hope to start the excavations either late
- 2 September or early October and it will probably take
- 3 about a month to do all of the excavations on that
- 4 site. So that's one place I think the Air Force
- 5 should be recognized that they are willing to come
- 6 back and look at these sites and clean up the
- 7 communities a little bit more and even this site that
- 8 is maybe a little bit questionable about the cost
- 9 benefit of cleaning that site up, but the Air Force
- 10 has made that determination and they have some pretty
- 11 strict standards to come back and determine that.
- 12 DR. ROKKE: As one who was the strongest
- 13 advocate of that, Paul, thank you very much for
- 14 coming back and getting that approved.
- MR. CARROLL: We appreciate your input
- 16 throughout the few RABs that we have talked about
- 17 this.
- 18 DR. ROKKE: We did get it done, you got it
- 19 done, so thank you very much, sir.
- 20 MR. SPARROW: Paul did mention the Water
- 21 Tower. This is the Water Tower in the backside of
- 22 the base over there that was taken down about a year
- 23 ago. In the process of removing that Water Tower
- they took some additional soil samples out there

- 1 around the footers. They did find some lead
- 2 contamination from the paint from the Water Tower,
- 3 lead-based paint, that is above the residential
- 4 cleanup goal. So the Air Force is going to come back
- 5 and resample that area and then we will take out any
- 6 remaining soils that are above cleanup standards for
- 7 that site.
- 8 One thing I do want to mention in this,
- 9 because we talk about the CERCLA process, we had
- 10 completed the CERCLA process on this. We had closed
- 11 that site. The Air Force found some additional
- 12 contamination. We do have to go back through a
- 13 significant portion of that process.
- 14 The first part of it is we have to do a
- 15 Proposed Plan. We will be issuing that Proposed Plan
- 16 shortly. It's a Proposed Plan Amendment and it comes
- 17 back and evaluates the options of what could we do.
- 18 And the Air Force will recommend what's called a
- 19 Presumptive Remedy and we'll go through a public
- 20 comment process.
- 21 Once we get through that we will have to go
- 22 through a ROD Amendment to amend the Record of
- 23 Decision and then we will come out and do the
- 24 investigation and cleanup.

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1 Sometimes you want to take the shortcuts
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- 2 and just go out there and clean it. We've already
- 3 gone through the ROD process, we have already got all
- 4 that signed off, we know the standard we need to
- 5 clean it up for, but the Air Force wants to make sure
- 6 they have gone through the full legal process and
- 7 that's what we're doing with this one here.
- 8 It sometimes is exhaustive, extensive and
- 9 tiring to everybody, but it does make sure that the
- 10 proper due process is followed. And I think the Air
- 11 Force Legal Department has really been on top of that
- one. We would like to just go out, get rid of it,
- 13 clean it and be done as quickly as we can.
- What we've got remaining for this year,
- 15 really all we have left other than the Skeet Range
- 16 and Water Tower, we're just going to be doing more
- 17 monitoring, so not a lot of on-site activity, and
- 18 that will probably go on through next spring. So we
- 19 are going to winterize, get ready after we have done
- 20 the Skeet Range cleanup and just continue the
- 21 operation and maintenance of the landfills.
- 22 So it's getting down to the mundane,
- 23 routine stuff that isn't very exciting, doesn't
- 24 involve a lot of tractors and trucks and fun

- 1 equipment and stuff like that.
- DR. ROKKE: I would like to bring something
- 3 up new at this time. At the last meeting, several
- 4 weeks after our last meeting, the individual within
- 5 the United States Air Force that was deliberately
- 6 responsible for the use of Agent Orange throughout
- 7 Chanute Air Force Base showed up here. He met with
- 8 several of us, provided us documentation. He did say
- 9 he had contacted the EPA who blew him off and same
- 10 thing happened with me in my conversation with the
- 11 EPA office in Champaign.
- But he raised the concern, very strict
- 13 concern because Agent Orange was deliberately and
- 14 willfully used throughout Chanute Air Force Base.
- 15 The individual that did it provided the
- documentation, he now has a 100 percent disability as
- 17 a result of his personal use of Agent Orange as the
- 18 Air Force official responsible for it.
- 19 And so the whole question came up and it's
- 20 something that we need to look into, investigate. I
- 21 mean it's easy for us to provide you his name. I
- 22 know he called Kelly AFB and Kelly AFB blew him off
- when he called them, but it's an issue that needs to
- 24 be looked into and contact him because he did have

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1 total information where it was used, how it was used,
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- where it was buried out here with the remainder of
- 3 it. And so it's something that showed up brand new.
- 4 I was unaware of it.
- 5 One thing that bothered me is one of the
- 6 areas that he specifically showed me that he had used
- 7 Agent Orange and buried it, I had been digging in
- 8 right the week before he came and showed us. And so
- 9 that was a significant concern. So --
- 10 MR. SPARROW: Has that been addressed to
- 11 the Air Force, Paul?
- 12 MR. CARROLL: We did get a relayed e-mail
- 13 from Bruce about something that you had sent out, I
- 14 guess. But not having a name and not knowing the
- 15 specifics, we've had this thing come up before, there
- 16 was a person who had been in contact with Illinois
- 17 EPA and the Air Force a few years ago. We
- investigated, we did look into it. All of our
- 19 sampling around the base does not indicate the
- 20 components of Agent Orange at levels that would
- 21 require cleanup and we have investigated 80 sites on
- 22 the base. So there was some report of a couple of
- 23 drums in Landfill 3?
- 24 MR. HILL: One of the landfills, I don't

- 1 recall which one.
- 2 MR. CARROLL: 2 or 3, I don't remember
- 3 which one. But those are understood and the landfill
- 4 cap and we monitor that situation and that's what
- 5 we've done there on that report. We have not been
- 6 able to locate any components of Agent Orange on the
- 7 base, though, at levels that would require cleanup.
- DR. ROKKE: If we get you guys in direct
- 9 contact with him, with the individual, which we can
- 10 do, and then go from there. So, again, it does -- I
- 11 mean maybe -- I mean maybe there is no concern, I do
- 12 not know, but the individual showed up, total
- 13 confirmation, 100 percent disability because he used
- it here, not even a question, no doubt at all, and so
- now it's just one of those things that we have a
- 16 question about.
- 17 MR. FOTHERGILL: When did he use it?
- DR. ROKKE: Throughout the '60s and the
- 19 '70s. And when we talked to some of the medical
- 20 staff at the hospital that were involved in treating
- 21 people, they then go, okay, now I know what happened.
- 22 And the medical staff that did treat people for Agent
- Orange exposure are still here, they were unable to
- 24 come today.

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1 MR. HILL: You say they contacted EPA. I
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- 2 haven't been contacted so if you have information,
- 3 specific information about where it was used, when it
- 4 was used, that sort of thing, you can send that to
- 5 me.
- 6 DR. ROKKE: We will get you in direct
- 7 contact with him.
- 8 And then again the question has been raised
- 9 and the best thing to do is now to look into it and
- if there are no concerns, we're in hog heaven. But
- if his concerns and what evidence he has provides
- awareness, a concern to look into, then we need to
- 13 take a step in that right direction.
- MR. CARROLL: Okay.
- MR. SPARROW: All right. There was one
- 16 other item that I wanted to bring up. I talked about
- 17 the Water Tower there, the soils beneath that. We do
- 18 have a Public Meeting, we will have a Proposed Plan
- 19 Amendment and a Public Meeting and a public comment
- 20 period for that additional excavation under that
- 21 Water Tower. We are trying to push that as quickly
- 22 as we can. The Air Force wants to get this work
- done.
- 24 Right now we have tentatively scheduled

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1 this for October the 9th. That is not official and
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- 2 formal because there are a few more reviews that have
- 3 to be done. The RAB certainly will all be notified,
- 4 the Proposed Plan Amendment will be sent to the RAB,
- 5 as well as put in the library, and notices in the
- 6 paper of this additional meeting that we will have.
- 7 It's relatively brief and it's relatively simple.
- 8 There's soils that we identified under the
- 9 Water Tower that needs to be removed, we're going to
- 10 go out and remove it to residential standards, but we
- do have to go through that process and hold the
- 12 formal Public Meeting for that. So you will see
- 13 notifications coming out and we will make sure
- 14 everybody on the RAB is aware of that.
- 15 And then the last one was RAB adjournment
- 16 discussion.
- 17 MR. CARROLL: I can discuss that. Not a
- 18 very long discussion. I know that we have talked, it
- 19 was brought up by the RAB a few times ago and the
- 20 fact that we are at the point we are, it's time to
- 21 start talking about RAB adjournment or changing the
- 22 RAB meeting frequency until such a time we can
- 23 adjourn.
- 24 Bruce and I were just talking out in the

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1 hall before we started and if you all want to talk
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- about it, we have the RAB quarterly and that's the
- 3 current schedule. The RAB could discuss going back
- 4 to once every six months, twice a year for the next
- 5 few RAB meetings.
- 6 MR. FOTHERGILL: I thought we discussed at
- 7 the last meeting we were going to change it to every
- 8 six months.
- 9 MR. CARROLL: Did we agree to do that?
- 10 MR. SANDAHL: I don't think we agreed to
- 11 it. But I agree with the majority of RAB members
- 12 that if there is a continuation of cleanup efforts I
- think the RAB needs to still be in place. The
- 14 frequency might not be the right thing. Certainly
- 15 six months. I would recommend that we have our
- 16 normally regularly scheduled next meeting and then
- 17 after Howard's update on where we are at, at that
- 18 point then going to the six month.
- 19 And then once all monitoring -- I shouldn't
- 20 say that. Once all cleanup activities are completed
- 21 and we are in a full monitoring phase, then I think
- 22 we should entertain the discussion of ending the RAB.
- 23 MR. CARROLL: And to put something concrete
- to that, we're thinking that all the groundwater

- 1 cleanup is going to be pretty much done by 2016 or
- 2 2015, 2016 time frame. Majority of it will even be
- 3 before that.
- 4 MR. SANDAHL: Might get an occasion to also
- 5 bring everybody up to speed in this type of a meeting
- 6 on the Steam Plant environmental issues and
- 7 demolition. And the same thing with once we get
- 8 through the approved MOA [Memorandum of Agreement]
- 9 and property transfers, the White Hall cleanup and
- 10 demolition, just so everybody in the community fully
- 11 understands that first of all, yes, it is going to
- take place and, second of all, we should all feel
- 13 welcome to participate in that, even though we won't
- 14 have an input as to the -- how it's done and that
- 15 type of stuff, but in fact it is being done.
- 16 MR. CARROLL: Yeah, there is a lot going on
- over the next 12 to 24 months --
- 18 MR. SANDAHL: Yeah, a lot of stuff.
- 19 MR. CARROLL: -- to get all of those done.
- 20 MS. RAWLINGS: I don't know how your
- 21 scheduling works. Is it possible if we went to a six
- 22 month that if we needed another one that another
- 23 meeting could be called like at a three-month
- 24 interval?

1 MR. CARROLL: Oh, yeah, we could work that.

- 2 There is a lot going on.
- 3 MR. SANDAHL: Absolutely, if something pops
- 4 up we will want to get together anyhow.
- 5 MR. CARROLL: That's right.
- 6 MR. STREFF: What is the tentative schedule
- on the demolition of White Hall and the Steam Plant?
- 8 Is there one yet?
- 9 MR. CARROLL: Well, we don't have an EDC
- 10 signed yet, Economic Development Conveyance
- 11 agreement, we don't have that signed yet. When we
- 12 get it signed I'll be glad to tell you the schedule.
- 13 We have the schedule, but it's based on day zero when
- 14 that happens, so we know it will take about two years
- 15 to get all of the White Hall work done once that's
- 16 signed.
- 17 MR. SANDAHL: Great. As Paul mentioned
- 18 earlier, we do have our weekly conference calls
- 19 concerning the EDC and the issues of White Hall and
- 20 the Steam Plant. All those things, let me assure
- 21 you, are moving forward. It's going to be a very,
- 22 very great day when all of that activity is
- 23 completed, this portion of the Village is going to
- 24 look totally different.

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1 But let me assure you those things are
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- 2 taking place. But it has to do with the Memorandum
- 3 of Agreement that we have with the Air Force. You
- 4 have to remember that the White Hall was privately
- 5 owned. Through negotiations the Village acquired the
- 6 property because of commitments that the Air Force
- 7 made in how we're going to deal with that facility.
- 8 So all that is happening. It's firm.
- 9 MS. RAWLINGS: So then it's a matter of
- 10 moving through a legal process.
- 11 MR. SANDAHL: Correct. There's all kinds
- 12 of things. Paul and I sit through a weekly meeting
- in which we have several attorneys on the phone and
- 14 we fall asleep and get things hashed out. But it's
- working.
- 16 MR. STREFF: Yeah. You have acquired White
- 17 Hall now?
- 18 MR. SANDAHL: Yes. That was the only way
- 19 we could legally work with the Air Force to have it
- 20 removed.
- 21 MR. STREFF: So once the EDC is signed,
- 22 what do you think, Paul, as far as your time
- 23 schedule? Are we looking at six months from that
- 24 date or --

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1 MR. CARROLL: We have a lot to do following
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- that day. We have a lot of property transfer that's
- 3 going to take place. There will be two pieces of
- 4 property that will be ready to transfer right after
- 5 that happens and there will be about 200 acres that
- 6 will come over on the EDC side, then another 60 to 80
- 7 on the FAA still in the airfield. But then we're
- 8 talking the contracts for the demolition, the
- 9 abatement, really the abatement is what we are most
- 10 concerned with is to make sure we get the buildings
- 11 cleaned up and abated and then demolished because
- they're unsafe and unusable.
- 13 So, as the government does, we have to do
- work plans, we have to do health and safety plans and
- 15 all those kind of things. Those will be shared with
- 16 the regulatory community. Chris will share them with
- 17 their asbestos people.
- 18 We've got to go through the State Historic
- 19 Preservation Office on White Hall, because it's part
- of the Historic District, to get their thumbs up on
- 21 the demolition, and then actually get out in the
- 22 field and actually get the work done. I understand
- there is about a million bricks in White Hall.
- 24 That's the exterior brick.

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1 MR. SANDAHL: At least. Again, by no means
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- 2 has the Air Force or the Village been dragging its
- 3 feet on getting this completed. When you look at the
- 4 requirements of getting the FAA to give up airport
- 5 property, to give you an idea of how ridiculous it
- 6 gets, there was about a nine-month period where they
- 7 argued about whether or not there was one additional
- 8 aircraft going to be using the airport over a 20-year
- 9 period and they would not sign off on property
- 10 transfer because they didn't understand whether or
- 11 not that one aircraft coming in over 20 years was
- 12 legitimate. Right, Paul?
- MR. CARROLL: Yeah. We got the letter.
- 14 MR. SANDAHL: That deal is done, so, yeah,
- 15 everybody is feeling very good about it so things
- 16 will start moving along quicker.
- 17 MR. STREFF: In addition to the Steam Plant
- 18 and White Hall, I recall that the Air Force was going
- 19 to remove the steam tunnel vaults but not the steam
- 20 tunnels themselves. Is that still correct?
- MR. CARROLL: That's what the agreement
- 22 says.
- 23 MR. STREFF: Abate those tunnels because
- those things are filled with water and asbestos right

- 1 now.
- 2 MR. CARROLL: It's more of a health and
- 3 safety concern that we have agreed to do the vaults
- 4 to ensure that we don't have a problem with health
- 5 and safety issues. The tunnels are typical of Air
- 6 Force and DOD transfers. And under BRAC,
- 7 infrastructure goes with the property and it's "as is
- 8 where is", that's the law. And I think we have done
- 9 all we can to do the vaults because we could justify
- 10 doing that due to health and safety concerns.
- 11 MR. SANDAHL: But the steam lines
- themselves will be sealed off where the vault
- 13 junctions.
- 14 MR. CARROLL: Okay? And the next slide
- would be talking about action items for the next
- 16 meeting, proposed agenda items for the next meeting.
- 17 Do we have any action items?
- DR. ROKKE: Obviously the Agent Orange
- 19 stuff. I gave you the name and contact. Chris also
- 20 has it.
- 21 MS. GILL: Contact the high schools.
- 22 MR. CARROLL: Contact the high schools for
- 23 briefing. All right. Science classes.
- MS. GILL: Is there just the one high

- 1 school here in Rantoul?
- MS. RAWLINGS: Yes. Miss Becnel was saying
- 3 what about the middle schools. It would depend on
- 4 the nature of the presentation and if you felt that
- 5 was appropriate, so maybe that's --
- 6 MR. CARROLL: We will make the offer to the
- 7 high schools and see what kind of response we get.
- DR. ROKKE: Middle school, seventh grade,
- 9 we teach the biological sciences and Beth might be
- 10 amenable to that, that would fit into her curriculum.
- 11 MR. CARROLL: Can you give us a contact
- 12 name for Beth?
- DR. ROKKE: Yeah.
- MR. CARROLL: All right. Next meeting,
- 15 Howard, updates on environmental progress will be
- 16 November 21st, the week before Thanksgiving. We may
- 17 have some work done on the Skeet Range by then.
- 18 MR. SPARROW: Should be complete by then.
- 19 MR. CARROLL: Okay. And we will have had
- 20 the Public Meeting for the Water Tower. And we'll
- 21 give you progress on what Bruce and I just discussed
- 22 about all of these -- this EDC agreement.
- 23 Anything else? I don't know if you all are
- looking at the clock, but we're 15 minutes early this

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1 time. This may be a first.
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- 2 MR. SANDAHL: That's progress.
- 3 MR. CARROLL: Okay. The next meeting,
- 4 November 21st, any problems with that with anyone?
- 5 Okay. I think we are good with that as
- 6 well.
- 7 MS. BECNEL: What about the community
- 8 outreach opportunities? Did you mention anything
- 9 about that?
- MR. CARROLL: Yeah, we are ready, we stand
- 11 ready to make those outreach briefings.
- MS. BECNEL: Okay.
- MR. CARROLL: So if anyone has civic groups
- 14 they work with interested in this, we have briefed a
- 15 few before, we are still willing to do that. Okay?
- 16 All right. Adjournment?
- MR. ANDERSON: Move for adjournment.
- 18 MR. FOTHERGILL: I second it.
- 19 MR. CARROLL: Motion carries. We are
- adjourned.
- 21 (Concluding at 12:47 p.m.)

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