

**Final Meeting Minutes**  
**Former Galena FOL Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting**  
**Galena, Alaska**  
**15 April 2015**

**Time/Place:** 7:00 pm, 15 April 2015 – Larson Charlie Hall, Galena, Alaska

**Attendees (not a comprehensive list):**

Approximately 36 people attended the meeting including representatives from the Air Force Civil Engineer Center (AFCEC), the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), and the Galena Restoration Advisory Board (RAB). The following is a partial list of people at the meeting.

AL Weilbacher, Air Force Civil Engineer Center (AFCEC)  
Richard Compton, Air Force Installation Contracting Agency (AFICA)  
Steve Lufkin, Air Force Legal Operations Agency/Environmental Law and Litigation Division (AFLOA/JACE)  
Donna Kozak, Booz Allen Hamilton (BAH)  
Bruce Henry, Parsons  
Jason Bidgood, Parsons  
Win Westervelt, CH2M HILL  
Ashley Olson, Ahtna Environmental Services  
Dennis Shepherd, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC)  
Monte Garroutte, ADEC  
Guy Warren, ADEC  
Sam Myers, Alaska Department of Transportation (ADOT)  
Margaret Moody (ADOT)  
Diana Osborne (ADOT)  
Jon Korta, Mayor, City of Galena  
Shanda Huntington, City Manager, City of Galena  
March Runner, Loudon Tribal Council  
Phil Koontz, Loudon Tribal Council  
Cherie Sullivan, Gana-A'Yoo Limited

**Agenda:** See Attachment 1

**Introduction:**

AL Weilbacher opened the meeting by referring to a special edition of the Galena Newsletter (Attachment 2) that contains fact sheets for an open comment period for Time Critical Removal Actions (TCRA) proposed in 2015. Copies of the Newsletter were made available during the meeting, and Mr. Weilbacher indicated that additional fact sheets will be available at City Hall and other public locations in Galena. Mr. Weilbacher explained the review period and how comments can be submitted to the Air Force. Mr. Weilbacher provided business cards at the meeting with his contact information, and encouraged people to submit comments to him by 14 May 2015.

**Presentations:**

A presentation (Attachment 3) was provided to update the status of the Performance Based Remediation (PBR) Contract. Bruce Henry (Parsons) described the work Parsons is planning

for the 2015 field season, and described the rationale for the TCRA planned for Site DP023 (Disposal Site West of Dike).

A presentation (Attachment 4) was also provided to update the status of the Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP), including results of a Munitions Response Site Prioritization Protocol (MRSSP) and a TCRA for the Small Arms Firing Range. Ashley Olson (Ahtna) described the results of the MRSSP and the rationale for the TCRA planned for the Small Arms Firing Range.

### **Questions/Discussion**

Jon Korta asked if there was a flood that breached the dike, would contaminants leach out of the soil if flooding occurs. Mr. Korta indicated he is looking for reasons to support the raising the dike. Bruce Henry indicated that most of the contamination is not at the surface. Some leaching would occur to groundwater but there would not likely be sheens of petroleum resulting from the existing contamination.

Jon Korta asked whether the Small Arms Firing Range could be used after the TCRA was complete. ADOT replied that the firing range was to be closed permanently.

Guy Warren, ADEC, clarified that there is one more MMRP site associated with Galena that has not been closed. Responsibility for closure of the EOD range is being discussed between the Air Force and USACE to determine whether or not the site will be addressed under the Formerly Used Defense Sites program.

### **Attachments:**

- 1 – RAB Agenda
- 2 – TCRA Fact Sheets
- 3 – Performance Based Remediation (PBR) at Former Galena FOL
- 4 – Status of Former Galena FOL Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP)