

**Mather Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting
Draft Summary Meeting Minutes
19 August 2009**

Time: 6:00 PM

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

RAB Members

Name	Affiliation
Doug Fortun	AFRPA Program Manager representing AF Co-Chair
Sandra Lunceford	RAB Community Co-Chair
Bob McGarvey	RAB member
Arne Sampe	RAB Member

Other Attendees Present

Name	Affiliation
Bill Hughes	ASE (AFRPA Contractor)
Brian Sytsma	(AFRPA Contractor)

1. WELCOME

Mr. Fortun welcomed everyone to the meeting. Attendees introduced themselves. A sign-in sheet was circulated (Attachment 1). The meeting agenda was distributed (Attachment 2). Ms. Lunceford pointed out that no one from any of the regulatory agencies are present at the meeting, and asked that the Air Force request their attendance at future meetings. Ms. Lunceford asked that even if the regulatory agencies cannot be present they provide a written statement or an update from their perspective.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Sytsma pointed out the minutes were distributed much later than they should have been. Ms. Lunceford stated that she feels that with not having an opportunity to review minutes in a timely manner, with little to no input on the agenda, as well as no participation from the regulatory agencies, we may as well call the RAB quits because there is no real community participation and input. Mr. Fortun promised Ms. Lunceford that the draft minutes would be provided to her

within two weeks. Mr. Fortun also said the Air Force would provide a draft agenda to Ms. Lunceford at least two weeks prior to the next RAB meeting. Ms. Lunceford said she knows this will be fixed, but she just felt obligated to point it out.

Ms. Lunceford also commented on the dwindling attendance and poor attendance at the meetings. Mr. Sytsma pointed out that 850 meeting announcement flyers were distributed in the mail, and there were several people who called interested in receiving the meeting handouts, which is unusual. Mr. Sampe said he could distribute additional flyers around the community if extras were provided to him. Ms. Lunceford suggested mailing the meeting agenda instead of the flyer, or in addition to the flyers to entice more participation in the meetings. Mr. McGarvey suggested checking with various neighborhood associations to see if they would be a source for more interested community members. He suggested checking with City Hall to obtain a list of these associations. He pointed out there are a few new neighborhood associations, and people involved with new associations are typically more enthusiastic.

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.

Ms. Lunceford asked if the Water Board had considered the impact of adding more water into Morrison Creek into flooding. Mr. Hughes said the County and Department of Water Resources is more likely to be concerned about potential flooding than the Water Board, since they are more concerned with water quality. Mr. Hughes said that had not heard of any concerns of flooding. He added Aerojet also discharges significant amounts of water into the creek, but they are under their permit levels. Ms. Lunceford asked that the Air Force let the regulatory agencies know that she is concerned about the potential flooding issues. Ms. Lunceford asked if anyone is interested in the clean water. Mr. Hughes pointed out there is a chance that someone, such as the County, may become interested in the clean water from the Air Force treatment systems, but as of now there is no agreements in place.

Ms. Lunceford asked if the County planned on placing businesses on Parcel G-3, after it's changed to an Economic Development Conveyance. Mr. Hughes said as he understands it, they are hoping to create some sort of college campus on this property, which would be considered to be creating jobs.

Mr. McGarvey asked if the source was known for AC&W. Mr. Hughes said that the concentrations at the leading edge of the plume are dropping, so it looks like there is no longer a source, but the new monitoring wells added at AC&W will provide more data. The Air Force will continue watching the area, and continue pumping water until it's clean. Mr. Sampe asked if there is a concern that the wells in that area will be going dry. Mr. Hughes said that as of now, the water levels aren't dropping very much, if at all, so this isn't an immediate concern.

In regard to the Capture Zone Analysis, Ms. Lunceford requested that in any communications with the public the Air Force do not say the plume is captured because it is obvious this isn't really the case at this point. Mr. Hughes agreed that this is true, however, a vast majority of the plume is captured.

Mr. Hughes pointed out on slide #15 that the Air Force has sampled several off-base wells, which provided good news in that none of the wells sampled indicated there was any contamination present. These wells will be sampled on a routine basis.

Ms. Lunceford stated that the County needs to be informed about the long-term groundwater treatment of the area south of Site 7, to ensure their development plans do not impact the cleanup and vice-versa.

Mr. McGarvey pointed out EPA held a meeting at the Rancho Cordova City Hall about Aerojet on August 11. They said they are spending more money in the past to treat more water that gets the more highly contaminated areas. Mr. McGarvey asked, as a strategy, if one is going to spend huge amounts of money to treat water, why not focus on the source. Mr. Hughes explained that a typical approach is two-pronged approach to address the leading edge of the plume as well as the source. There are different philosophies and approaches, and the best approach and strategy can only be taken using the information available at the time.

Mr. Sampe asked how much contamination is still left in the groundwater. Mr. Hughes replied that calculation is only a "best-guess" and hasn't been done recently. However, it is known how much contamination has been removed to-date. That information is provided in the regular BCT handouts.

Mr. Hughes said Site 20 ROD stated that soil cleanup needed to take place, which has happened, but phalates were still present. The Air Force and Water Board have an agreement that the water can be monitored to determine the last piece of information required to close this site.

Mr. Sampe asked if cement is used to decommission wells. Mr. Hughes said that a very fine cement grout is used to essentially fill the well, then it is cut down approximately five feet below surface to allow for installation and maintenance of regular utilities. Mr. Sampe asked how long the grout lasts. Mr. Hughes said that he isn't sure exactly, but a very long time, if not essentially forever.

4. KEY DOCUMENTS

The key document list is included in the PowerPoint slides located in Attachment 3.

5. ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Hughes went over action items from previous RAB meetings. These are included in Attachment 3.

6. TOPICS FOR FUTURE RAB MEETING

Potential topics identified for future meetings include:

- Southwest Plume and Site 7 update
- IC Compliance Report
- Information about Teichert's willingness to cooperate
- Biodegradation of 10C/68 modeling
- Well shut-down proposal overview

7. FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next RAB meeting was tentatively scheduled for mid-January 2010. Mr. McGarvey would check his calendar to determine which dates would work best for him and pass that along to Sandra and Doug.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned.