

SITE MANAGEMENT TEAM MONTHLY CALL SUMMARY
FORMER DEFENSE DEPOT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE
15 December 2015
10:30-11:15 AM EDT

LOCATION: Conference Call

ATTENDEES:

Army, Base Realignment and Closure Division (DAIM-ODB): Carolyn Jones

USACE: Mobile – Laura Roebuck (not present); Tulsa - Tyler Jones

CALIBRE: BEC - Joan Hutton

TDEC Division of Remediation, DDMT Project Manager: Jamie Woods

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, DDMT Project Manager: Diedre Lloyd (Due to other commitments, Ms. Lloyd participated in only a portion of the call.)

HDR EOC: Tom Holmes

GENERAL

Agency procedures for responses to media requests were discussed initially. (The discussion was in response to a media request to TDEC for a November 13 segment by Fox 13 Memphis on Superfund sites, which included DDMT.) Mr. Woods stated TDEC's response was generally based on the seriousness of the request. A serious inquiry will get a serious response. General requests that did not reflect review of site information received a general response, while requests for clarification of issues presented in site documents received additional attention. Ms. Jones stated all requests to the Army BRAC program go through the public affairs office (PAO), which gathers relevant information and prepares a generalized response without going into specifics. Ms. Jones stated Army would like to see responses by EPA and TDEC prior to submittal if possible. If time constraints did not allow prior review, Army would like to receive a copy of the response. Ms. Lloyd agreed that the PAO is important. All participants agreed that sharing responses was appropriate. Ms. Hutton asked if there had been any blowback from the Fox 13 segment. Ms. Jones and Mr. Woods stated there had been none at Army or TDEC, respectively.

MAIN INSTALLATION

Remedial Action - No current remedial action

Supplemental Remedial Investigation/Focused Feasibility Study

Mr. Holmes stated the SRI Phase 1 summary report was still in preparation for submittal to USACE/Army for internal review. Mr. Woods indicated he had a Tier III meeting on December 16 and asked about plans for further remedial action at the MI and whether enhanced bioremediation treatment (EBT) would be continued. Mr. Holmes replied that plans for remedial action were not set, but it was likely EBT would be used based on site conditions and past experience. Ms. Lloyd stated a preference for more aggressive remedial action in order to reduce concentrations below levels requiring investigation or mitigation for vapor intrusion (VI). Mr. Holmes stated that the goal of additional remediation was to reduce groundwater concentrations below maximum contaminant levels, which are less than concentrations for VI risk, and thus should be sufficiently aggressive.

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DUNN FIELD

Remedial Action - FSVE system shut down in 2012. AS/SVE system operating.

Mr. Holmes stated AS/SVE operations continued without any problems. The air sparge system manifold was closed on 10 December in accordance with the current operations schedule. System operations after December will be limited until a new task order for operations and maintenance is in place.

LONG TERM MONITORING

LTM continuing with 99 wells on the MI and 85 wells in the Dunn Field/Off Depot Area.

Mr. Holmes stated preparation of the 2015 annual LTM report was in progress.

OTHER ISSUES

Ms. Hutton discussed the status of the new contract for 2016 site work and noted the primary tasks were a membrane interface probe (MIP) survey in the northeast corner of Dunn Field, AS/SVE operations in 2016 and installation of new air sparge wells. USACE Mobile is currently finalizing the statement of work and project award is expected in February. Ms. Hutton stated Mr. Jones, Mr. Holmes and she had discussed maintenance of the AS/SVE systems in the period between the end of the current task order for AS/SVE (December 2015) and the start of the new task order. It was agreed that HDR would operate the system on a limited basis in order to avoid damage to the system from being shut down for two months; a contract modification was not required. Ms. Lloyd stated she would like to know the plan for system maintenance if funding was not required. Mr. Holmes described plans for limited operation, but Ms. Lloyd felt additional consideration was needed. (Ms. Lloyd had to leave the call at this point.)

Ms. Hutton requested Mr. Woods's opinion on plans for disposal of IDW from the MIP survey and AS well installation. She stated Army would like to screen, stockpile and sample soil cuttings and dispose them at Dunn Field based on analytical results rather than simply send the soil to a landfill. Mr. Holmes noted this was the procedure used for the SRI Phase 1 soil cuttings. Mr. Woods stated he did not have a problem with disposal at Dunn Field as long as proper characterization of the soil IDW was performed.

Ms. Hutton also raised the requirements for use of Site-wide and Project Specific QAPP with Mr. Woods. QAPP-format work plans are planned for the MIP survey and the AS well installation. Mr. Holmes stated the work plans would reference procedures in the Site-wide QAPP where changes were not necessary. Mr. Woods stated that references to the site-wide QAPP would be acceptable.

The final item was to use the term "Site Management Team" in relation to the monthly calls. The term had been used in the Federal Facilities Agreement but was later replaced by "BRAC Cleanup Team". The BRAC Cleanup Team was adjourned once all Federal property was approved for transfer. Mr. Woods thought the change was fine.

Ms. Hutton stated the next call would be on 12 January and that she would send meeting invitations for 2016.