

St. Louis Site Remediation Task Force

A G E N D A

Meeting of November 1, 1994
Hazelwood Civic Center

1. Welcome, Opening Comments, Announcements--Dr. Bryan
2. Public comment (signed guest cards will give name and subject matter)
3. Update on soil washing tests--David Adler
4. Status of residential cleanup--David Adler
5. Process overview, including timeline--James Dwyer, Miranda Duncan
6. Review and adoption of Charter
7. Review and adoption of ground rules
8. Appointment of Vice Chair
9. Review subcommittee's suggested values, criteria and information to be used in reviewing and comparing alternatives and for developing recommendations
10. Prepare agenda for next meeting

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St. Louis Sites Remediation Task Force

October 11, 1994

Attendees

Mayor David Farquharson
 Glenn Carlson
 Don Drummond
 Miranda Duncan
 Nancy Lubewski
 Patrick McSheehn
 Thomas Horgan
 Ron Johnson
 Conn B. Roden
 Cynthia Pavelka
 Col. Leonard Griggs
 Dr. Alpha Fowler Bryan
 James Dwyer

Chris Byrne
 Dr. Wayne Black
 J. K. Grant
 George Eberle
 Dan Tschirgi
 Linda Meyer
 David Adler
 Kay Drey
 Steve Roberts
 Sally Price
 E. Dean Jarboe
 Patti Hazel

Craig Lecce
 Rex Florea
 Neal Slaten
 Jack Fraunhoffer
 Bob Geller
 Eileen O'Connor
 Daniel Wall
 Ed Mahr
 David Miller
 Martin Pion
 Jean Leadbetter
 Jerry Palau

Agenda Item

Welcome/Public Comments

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Dr. Bryan opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the new St. Louis Sites Remediation Task Force's first meeting. Two individuals requested and were given the floor to present their comments.

Ed Mahr discussed the history of the current sites and reminded everyone they were good location choices at the time, but population growth and business expansion engulfed those sites. He mentioned McDonnell-Douglas employees, air passengers, etc., who have been in close proximity to these sites for many years. Mr. Mahr stated there used to be a "blue book" which gave radiation lines for various types of radiation in the area, but he has not seen anything like that for a very long time.

Mr. Mahr pointed out the importance of the continued work of McDonnell-Douglas and other defense manufacturing companies. Continued development and expansion of defense technology is vital to U.S. strategic defense and global standing.

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Mr. Mahr recommended making the highest and best use of the land, such as turning this type of property over to an entity such as McDonnell-Douglas, after clean-up, to use in furtherance of their business. The property could be used for expansion of businesses in each area which would promote growth and profitability into the 21st Century.

Martin Pion commented also about the sites and evaluating the real risk involved. The response he has seen thus far has been too emotional, too hyped by the media and politicians. He has a scientific background and prefers to deal just with the facts. He expressed his hope that this task force would also adhere to the facts and not let emotion run the program.

Dr. Bryan rearranged the agenda slightly to allow the reports on soil washing and the residential cleanup to proceed before introducing the facilitators and allowing them to lead the remainder of the agenda. Dr. Bryan added the establishment of ground rules to the facilitators' portion of the agenda.

Reports on soil washing tests and residential cleanup

David Miller of Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) spoke concerning the soil washing tests currently being made for the SLAPS/HISS locations. He outlined factors for testing and actual treatment, probable costs, and indicated this method is also being tried in New Jersey and New York. The type of soil involved determines the success rate of this type of treatment. Mr. Miller outlined the time line from the RFP to do the study in April, 1994; through sampling in September, 1994; testing in October, 1994; bench-scale testing in early 1995; to field tests by spring of 1995. All testing is done to determine probable cost and whether this is an effective alternative for the St. Louis sites. Kay Drey asked for more information about the soil-washing technique, and asked

David Miller (SAIC) presented information about soil washing and status of testing.

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	for specific details concerning the treatment of the water used in washing. The task force will be updated as progress is made.	
	<p>Jerry Palau of FUSRAP updated the task force concerning cleanup in the residential areas along Hazelwood and Cross avenues. Actual cleanup should begin within the next week or so. Mr. Palau provided aerial views of the HISS site and the residential areas to be cleaned up. He detailed how the work would be done and precautions taken to avoid further contamination. The excavated dirt will be containerized (sealed in liners inside containers), and transported via intermodal carriers. He indicated there would be a short-term hold on the first containers as permission must be obtained from Utah before actual transport begins. He described the protective measures that will be provided for the workers who will be involved in the cleanup. The proposed start date for cleanup is October 17, with about three to four weeks of work, depending on weather. Then they will backfill to return the property to its original status. Cost for this cleanup will be approximately \$2,200,000. Labor and equipment is about half the cost, and transportation and disposal takes the other half, with a small amount for miscellaneous materials and supplies.</p> <p>Mr. Palau provided a list of hazards in the order of importance as they saw them. Traffic safety is the number one hazard: detours, flagmen, etc. will disrupt traffic in a rather heavily traveled area. Utility identification and avoidance is another very large hazard. Radiological safety and contamination control represents another concern, but there is fairly low risk to the workers. Industrial safety is a concern because heavy equipment will be involved.</p> <p>Mr. Palau agreed to provide copies of the information he presented.</p>	<p>Mr. Palau gave an update re residential clean-up. He will provide copies of information presented.</p>

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Introduction of Facilitators	<p>Kay Drey reported for the subcommittee to choose the facilitator. She complimented the work done by Patti Hazel to provide names and backgrounds of many individuals from which they could choose for interviews and selection. Kay introduced Jim Dwyer and Miranda Duncan, who were chosen by the subcommittee to act as a team. Jim Dwyer and Miranda Duncan took a moment to thank the task force for the opportunity, to give a little background on each, and to outline their activities to date. They plan to take over the detail of planning meetings, etc., so the task force may then concentrate on developing recommendations.</p> <p>Jim Dwyer complimented the proposed Charter and recommended that all task force members peruse it and provide comments or suggestions to Patti Hazel as soon as possible. They would hope the Charter can be adopted at the next meeting.</p> <p>Jim Dwyer proposed that he, Miranda Duncan and Dr. Bryan, with anyone else she may suggest, meet between this meeting and the next to discuss proposed ground rules to be presented at the next meeting.</p> <p>Jim Dwyer asked about the scheduled meeting dates. He recommended changing the November meeting to November 1, to avoid the election on November 8, and he also suggested moving the December meeting up to December 6 to move it further away from the holiday rush. Other date changes may be made at a later time.</p> <p>There was some discussion about the start times for the meetings. While there are some who have difficulty in making the 7:30 a.m. meetings, the majority concurred that it was the best time.</p>	<p>Facilitators introduced.</p> <p>Task force members to review Charter and provide comments or suggestions to Patti Hazel.</p> <p>Dr. Bryan, Jim Dwyer, Miranda Duncan, etc. to meet re ground rules.</p> <p>November and December meeting dates changed.</p> <p>7:30 a.m. start time maintained.</p>

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Kay Drey asked about developing a membership list. The need for commitment was discussed, including the need to have a named substitute, someone fully advised of the progress of the task force, who can step in when a primary participant cannot attend. There was discussion concerning including a representative from McDonnell-Douglas and other parties who may have an interest in the area. There was discussion about the idea of using a variety of times and locations, but that was felt to be confusing. It was the general consensus that primary participants should have the commitment to attend, and to have adequately informed substitutes for when they cannot attend. There will always be a changing group of observers at every meeting, since the public are welcome.

Locations and accommodations were discussed. All agreed the Hazelwood Civic Center was the best location for access and function. Mayor Farquharson agreed to initiate approval for our use of those facilities for our meetings. In the event that the Hazelwood Civic Center is not available for a given date, another location will be selected for that meeting. November 1, 1994, is the next meeting, from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Dr. Bryan and David Adler advised appointing a vice-chair. All agreed to the appointment of a vice-chair and to the suggestion that the appointment be from the City's commission. Glenn Carlson was asked to coordinate with the City's commission and bring a recommendation for appointment to the next meeting.

Dr. Bryan discussed the previous RFP and asked for suggestions on how to proceed at this point. After discussion, it was agreed that a new RFP specifically addressing our needs could be prepared when that need is determined more precisely. The funds are still available and an early determination can be made of the technical expertise we may need. The emphasis was to make a determination sooner rather than later.

Next meeting is November 1, 1994, 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., Hazelwood Civic Center.

Glenn Carlson to bring recommendation for Vice Chair from City's Commission to the November meeting.

RFP may be developed at a later time. Funds still available.

RFP

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Next Agenda, Adjournment	<p>After discussion, the agenda was agreed to consist of a public comment session, technical updates on the residential cleanup and soil washing, a process overview by the facilitators, to include a time-line, review and adoption of the charter, review and adoption of the ground rules, appointment of the vice chair, and suggestions concerning the values, criteria and information that may be used in reviewing alternative recommendations.</p> <p>Glenn Carlson proposed appointing a small group to brain-storm on values, criteria, etc. to bring to the full meeting on November 1. After discussion it was agreed that Glenn Carlson, David Adler, James Grant, Chris Byrne, Dan Tschirgi, plus any appropriate staff that may be needed, would meet on this matter.</p> <p>The December meeting date was discussed and, after agreement, changed to December 6, 1994, starting at 7:30 a.m. at the Hazelwood Civic Center. Future dates will be reviewed and set up as a change if it is felt to be necessary. The Tuesday of each month still remains the standard meeting date. These changes are exceptions to the rule.</p> <p>There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.</p>	<p>Agenda decided for the November meeting.</p> <p>Brain-storm group appointed to propose values, criteria, etc. for use in considering alternatives.</p> <p>December meeting date changed to December 6, 1994, at 7:30 a.m.</p>

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