

MINUTES
LOCAL PRIORITIES WORKING GROUP

May 17, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by James Dwyer. Those in attendance were:

Donovan Larson, St. Louis Water Company
Sally Price, Task Force
Jan Titus, Lambert Airport
Thomas Binz, Laclede Gas
Kay Drey, Coalition for the Environment
Jack Frauenhoffer, Mallinckrodt
James Dwyer, Facilitator
Lorraine (Lori) Batton, City of Berkeley

SLAPS PROPOSAL. After considerable discussion regarding the \$500,000 proposed project, the following motion was passed:

The Priorities Working Group requests that the Task Force ask the DOE to reconsider and temporarily delay its decision to add dirt and crushed stone on the northernmost 4% of the Airport Site in light of such concerns as public utility repairs, drainage, and a potentially incorrect public perception that remediation is under way.

Motion carried with five (5) YES votes, one (1) NO vote, and one (1) ABSTENTION.

Ms. Price reported her impression from the National Stakeholders Conference that funding is a major challenge, and stated she was left with the impression, "You have to fight long and hard for what you want" by effective lobbying of Congress.

The following information was distributed at the meeting:

- o Fernald, Proposed Plan for Operable Unit 5, Environmental Media, April 1995
- o Letter of May 11 from David Adler (DOE) to David Shorr (MDNR) concerning the SLAPS proposal. (Attachment No. 1)
- o Letter of May 12 from David Shorr to David Adler concerning the SLAPS proposal. (Attachment No. 2)
- o Graph depicting the results of paired comparison exercise conducted at the February Task Force Meeting to establish priorities upon which to reach conclusions. (Attachment No. 3)



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Dear Mr. Shorr:

ST. LOUIS AIRPORT SITE - STABILIZATION MEASURES

As requested by your staff, I am transmitting summary information on a stabilization measure proposed for the St. Louis Airport site. While I do not believe these measures are necessary to address any imminent health risks, they will serve to reduce the elevated exposure potential posed by a publicly accessible portion of the site. Both Environmental Protection Agency and Missouri Department of Natural Resources representatives have expressed concerns over this portion of the site. In fact, our current proposal to cover this area with clean soil is primarily a response to concerns expressed by your agency and the EPA.

Several points need to be understood regarding this proposal. These include;

- the cover is not intended as a permanent remedy for the underlying soils;
- implementing the proposal will not constrain future long-term alternatives for managing the underlying soils;
- a liner will be placed between the contaminated soil and the imported clean soil;
- if the contaminated soil is ultimately excavated, the imported clean soil can be used as backfill, and as such, would not be "wasted";
- City of St. Louis and Airport authority officials support the proposal; and
- other options for eliminating the exposure hazard presented by this area would cost much more than is available in the current year budget.

Some members of the St. Louis Site Citizens Task Force have questioned the need for this activity. Questions have centered primarily on whether or not current conditions require any near-term response, and whether this activity should be a budget priority given current funding limitations.

Mr. David A. Shorr

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If MDNR doesn't support this proposal, I will not proceed with implementation. Since we are nearing completion of other field activities at the airport site, a quick decision to proceed would avoid the cost inefficiencies associated with demobilization/remobilization under a lengthier decision process. We do have the option of cancelling the project and quickly redirecting these FY 95 funds to other projects in the area.

Thank you in advance for your input on this matter. If there are any related issues you care to discuss, please feel free to contact me at (615) 576-9634.

Sincerely,



David G. Adler, Site Manager
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RE: St. Louis Airport Site - Missouri FUSRAP

Dear Mr. Adler:

This letter is in reference to your request for an emergency action at the St. Louis Airport Site (SLAPS) to control erosion and to essentially cover "hot spots" that are presently exposed.

As you are aware, the state of Missouri has had considerable concerns regarding previous proposals for installation of a containment facility at the SLAPS site. It is our understanding that this is a temporary measure in an effort to stabilize the site and is not part of an on-going planning strategy for final resolution of the site. This is to remind you that the state of Missouri objects to the previous proposals to provide for an unlined site in contact with groundwater at the St. Louis Airport.

With regard to a temporary action to contain "hot spots," the state of Missouri is supportive of this action to provide cover over locations within the perimeter. Our understanding is that the conditions relating to this concurrence are as stated in your letter received May 11, 1995.

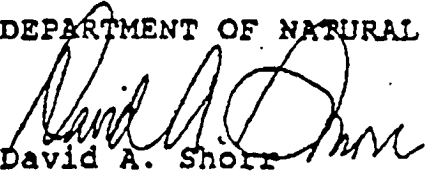
In addition, I am reminding you of the state of Missouri's definitive position of the requirement that you must receive a stormwater permit for this site. While we do not believe that a stormwater permit is absolutely necessary for this interim action, a final stormwater permit for this site is still required. We eagerly await your application.

Mr. David Adler
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In conclusion, you have the support of the state of Missouri to take your interim action provided it is not a final remedy at this location.

Very truly yours,

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

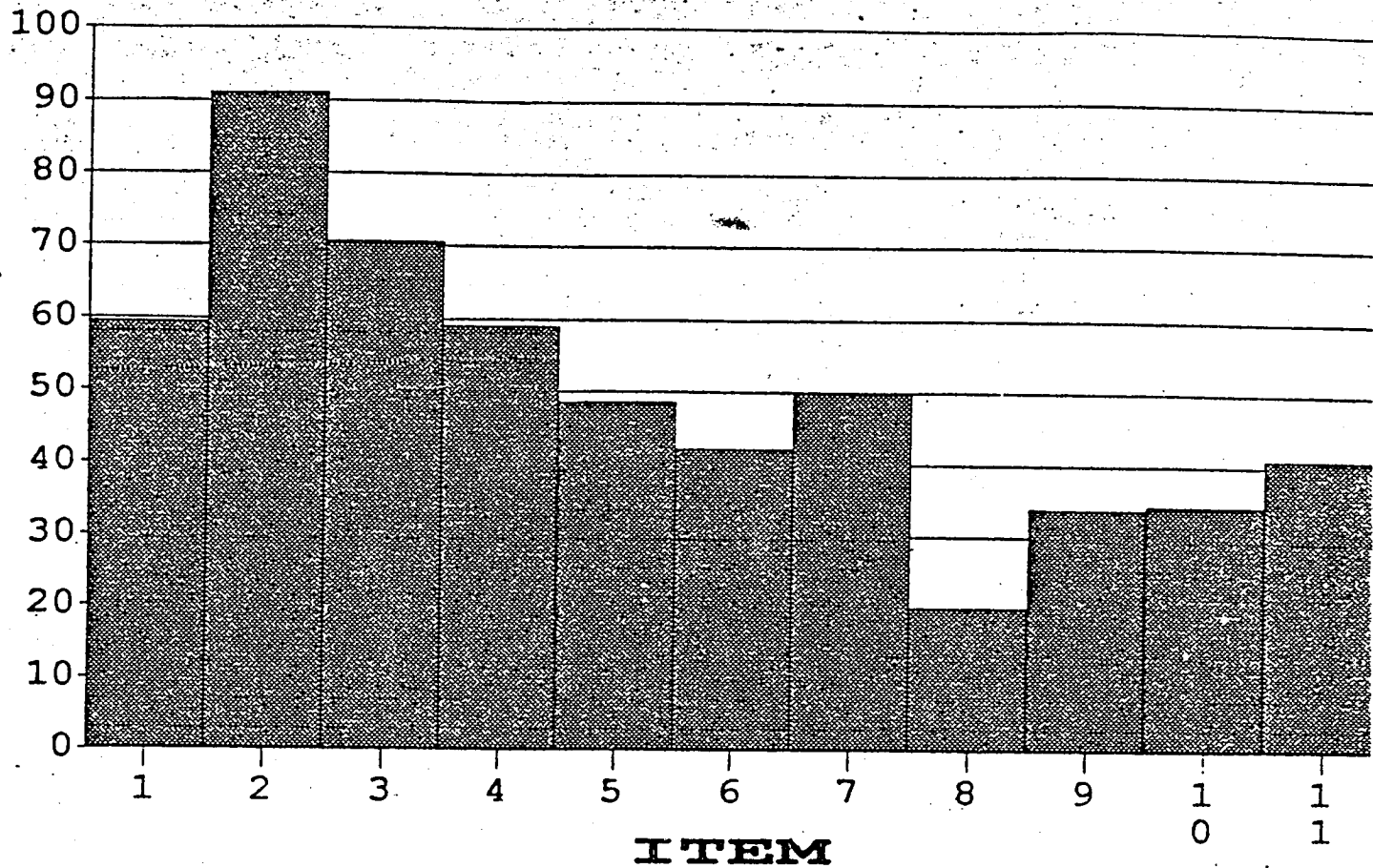


David A. Shorr
Director

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Enclosure

PERCENTAGE



ITEMS

- 1-Cleanup Standard
- 2-Protection of Human Health
- 3-Protection of the Environment
- 4-Suitability of disposal site
- 5-Technical suitability
- 6-Permanence of Alternative
- 7-Community Acceptance
- 8-Political Acceptance
- 9-Time to complete clean up
- 10-Cost to complete clean up
- 11-Impact on disposal site

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