



PORTSMOUTH EM SITE SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the Thursday, January 5, 2012, SSAB Meeting • 6 p.m.

Location: The Ohio State University Endeavor Center, Room 160, Piketon, Ohio

Site Specific Advisory Board (SSAB) Members Present: Chair Richard Snyder, Vice Chair Val Francis, Shirley Bandy, Gene Brushart, Martha Cosby, Ervin Craft, William Henderson, Brian Huber, Sharon Manson, Daniel Minter, Cristy Renner

SSAB Members Absent: Franklin Halstead, Michael Payton, Terri Ann Smith

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and contractors: Joel Bradburne, Greg Simonton, DOE; Julie Galloway, Cindy Lewis, EHI Consultants (EHI); Rick Greene, Restoration Services, Inc. (RSI); Jerry Schneider, Marc Jewett, Karen Price, Dennis Carr, J.D. Chiou, Jennifer Chandler, Julie Loerch, Frances Mullins, Fluor-B&W Portsmouth (FBP)

Board Liaisons and Related Regulatory Agency Employees: Maria Galanti, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); Joe Crombie, Ohio Department of Health (ODH)

Facilitator: Eric Roberts, EHI

Public: Stephanie Howe, Ani Ruhil, Ohio University (OU); Mark Johnson, Tri-State Building and Construction Trades Council; David Manuta, MC2.; Geoffrey Sea, SONG; Raymond Fischels

Approved by Richard Snyder, Board Chair

Richard Snyder

Call to Order:

Francis: I would like to call the meeting to order.

Roberts: I would like to welcome everyone and I will be facilitating the meeting. There will be a public comment period after the presentations. The board should stay within its defined scope and follow the meeting ground rules adopted.

January Agenda:

Roberts: Are there any modifications or proposed changes to the January agenda?

- *Manson:* I make a motion to approve the January agenda, *Craft:* I second the motion
 - *Motion carried, agenda approved*

December Minutes:

Roberts: Are there any modifications or proposed changes to the December minutes?

- *Snyder:* I make a motion to approve the December minutes, *Renner:* I second the motion
 - *Motion carried, minutes approved*

DDFO comments provided by Joel Bradburne, Deputy Designated Federal Official (DDFO)

- Plant Updates
 - Process Building D&D
 - Balance of Plant D&D
 - Waste Disposition
 - Waste Shipped Off-site
 - Asset Recovery
 - Environmental Remediation
- Regulatory Progress
 - Regulatory Decisions and Document Strategy-Integrated Target Schedule
- Public Outreach
- Calendar

A copy of the DDFO presentation is available on the SSAB web site (www.ports-ssab.energy.gov)

Question/Comment:	Answer:
<p><i>Huber:</i> How many cylinders have the DUF6 plant processed?</p> <p>I have asked for a foot tour of the woodlands, including the potential on-site waste disposal cell sites C and D, habitat survey area, archeology study area and any other areas that other SSAB members are interested in seeing. Can we get a tour together?</p>	<p><i>Bradburne:</i> I am not sure of the exact amount of cylinders. The last couple of months they have been running some start up testing. Over the holidays they ran one line, but not up to production mode yet.</p> <p>I have no issues setting up a tour, the problem is we cannot have one person at a time and we have to keep everyone safe and sound</p>
<p><i>Minter:</i> Can we get an actual number of cylinders processed for the next meeting?</p> <p>Has a letter been sent out to the bordering neighbors regarding the fenceline neighbors meeting?</p>	<p><i>Bradburne:</i> Yes I can get the numbers</p> <p>Yes, Fluor-B&W has sent out notifications about the fenceline neighbors meeting on January 12th</p>
<p><i>Brushart:</i> Is the focus on people whose property border the plant, or is the meeting open to everyone?</p>	<p><i>Bradburne:</i> The target is the fenceline neighbors.</p>

Federal Project Coordinator comments provided by Greg Simonton, Federal Project Coordinator:

Simonton: I do not have any comments at this time.

Liaison Comments provided by Maria Galanti, Ohio EPA

Galanti: We have a lot to do with approvals with the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) process building, and a few other technology documents. Working with the X-701B groundwater reviews.

Liaison comments provided by Joe Crombie, ODH

Crombie: I do not have any comments at this time.

Presentations:

Site Characterization, Habitat and Land Use Mapping and Data/Wildlife Management Plan-Summary of Year 1 Field Work and Data Collection delivered by Bob Eichenberg and Rob Wiley, OU

- Background
- Habitat and Land Use Study Area
- Overview
- Project Rationale and Objective
- Methods and Processes
- Habitat Delineation Concepts
- Supporting Data
- GIS: Aerial Image
- Surface Analysis: LiDAR*Returns
- Surface Analysis: Digital Elevation Model
- Surface Analysis: Topography and Drainage
- Surface Analysis: Slope
- Surface Analysis: Aspect
- Tree Canopy Heights
- Infrastructure
- Field DATA COLLECTION METHODS
- Field Plot Setup
- Quantitative Field Sampling Plots
- Field Plot Setup Bottom Land Hardwood Forest
- Field Plot Setup
- Field Data Collection
- Shallow Soil Assessment
- Field Tools
- Data Collected in Quantitative Plots
- Data Storage and Analysis
- Field Data Entry
- Quantitative Field Database Structure
- Data Collected in QA/QC Plots
- QA/QC Sampling Data Sheets
- QA/QC Sampling Grid
- Data Analysis
- Plant Species
- Age of Habitats
- Species List
- Species Dominance
- Habitat Delineation Process
- Some Preliminary Observations
- Indiana Bat Habitat
- Bottomland Hardwood Forest
- Mesic Forest
- Successional Forest
- Wet Meadow
- Successional Meadow

- Palustrine Emergent Wetland
- Uncommon Plants
- Weeds!
- Big Trees
- Wildlife
- Next Steps to Project Completion in Fall of 2012
- Next Steps to Project Completion
- TICKS!

A copy of the Site Characterization, Habitat and Land Use Mapping and Data/Wildlife Management Plan-Summary of Year 1 Field Work and Data Collection can be viewed on the SSAB web site.

Question/Comment:	Answer:
Crombie: How big is the circle on page 18?	Eichenberg: 10 meters radius. The smaller, white circles are one meter.
On one of your data slides you talked about biomass, what does that cover?	Wiley: Biomass covers any quality of a living thing. Like cubic feet of wood per acre.
Snyder: What is Ohio RET?	Wiley: Ohio rare endangered threat.

Information Portfolio presentation delivered by Karen Price, FBP

- Process Building D&D
 - Waste Disposition-Waste Streams
 - Process Building Decontamination and Decommission (D&D)

A copy of the Information Portfolio presentation is available on the SSAB web site.

FBP Community Commitment Plan presentation delivered by Jerry Schneider, FBP

- Four Categories of Commitment
- Community Giving Report
- Regional Purchasing
- Economic Development Work On Track
- Regional Planning Process Progressing
- Draft Regional Economic Development Strategy
- State, Regional Collaboration update
- Community Commitment Plan Report

A copy of the Fluor-B&W Community Commitment Plan presentation can be viewed on the SSAB web site.

Question/Comment:	Answer:
Francis: What kind of businesses are in the \$27.1 million in procurements? It would be interesting to see a breakout of how much in what type of business.	Schneider: Mechanical, sanitation, hardware, lumber, equipment, catering, services, supplies
Minter: Is there a way to track how many jobs are created because of the plan?	Schneider: No, it cannot be tracked. It has been tracked at other sites, but everyone was always discussing who gets the credit. Fluor-B&W wants to shoulder up with entities such as SODI and OhioMeansJobs and have a grand total of jobs being created.
Cosby: I would like to thank FBP for its donation to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). The NAACP (branch) serves a three county area, Jackson, Gallia, Lawrence counties. We also help Pike county because it does not have a NAACP branch.	

Administrative Issues:

Snyder: I would like to report on the Intergovernmental Meeting I attended in December. It was a very good meeting. It was interesting to see what Environmental Management (EM) is focusing on these days, like streamlining the budget. Interfaced with state representatives, it was interesting to see their views, but I was disappointed that there were no representatives from this area. Shelly Cimon from the Hanford Site and I were the only SSAB members attending. I would encourage you all to sign up next time and if funds are available, maybe we can send you.

Roberts: The Paducah site will be hosting the National Chairs meeting April 16-19.

Comments from the board:

Renner: FBP is having a Public Meeting Jan 31st. As a board member, we have seen different areas with different types of cells. In the 10-year plan, the future use is nuclear energy. We will be ready. If our D&D goes out 25 to 30 years, we will be too late to take advantage of these opportunities.

Huber: I would like to see EHI arrange for the Site Legacy Subcommittee to meet because we have not met for a few months. I would like an update on the virtual web site, archeology study.

Henderson: I would like a follow-up on the fracking education. OU said they could help us with some training on this and I would like to see this happen. Before people in this area are taken advantage of, like the surrounding areas have been.

Public Comment:

Sea: The Portsmouth plant has been shut down for more than 10 years. There is no reason for the secrets and classified information. I was disappointed when the question was ask about declassifying some of the information and Joel answered that they are waiting on headquarters and no one from the board had any follow-up questions. No businesses will want to locate on the site if they do not declassify that information. They will want to know what was here.

Manuta: The barrier is the technology. I do not think that they do not want to release the information, but because of lost, shredded materials, the information is not available. If you are tearing down the X-100-type buildings, which includes the hospital, please make sure they get all the file cabinets and all files out before the wrecking ball hits it, or that information will be lost, too. I will be testifying on a trial in West Virginia on fracking in February and this trial will affect what happens in Ohio.

Final Comments from the board:

Brushart: I would like to thank whoever is responsible for the Christmas Dinner at the golf course. It was very nice.

Francis adjourned the meeting. *Next Meeting Thursday, February 2, 2012, 6 p.m.*

Action Items:

- Galloway to send Galanti a copy of the “Nuclear Waste Dump” petition that is being circulated in the area.
- EHI to set up a meeting for the Site Legacy subcommittee in February as requested by Huber.
- EHI will get an update from OU about a fracking workshop as requested by Henderson.
- EHI will work with FBP and DOE about setting up a foot tour of the woodlands, including the potential on-site waste disposal cell sites C and D, habitat survey area, archeology study area and any other areas that other SSAB members are interested in seeing, as requested by Huber.