# CAMP CROFT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

PLACE:

Marriott Renaissance Hotel Spartanburg, South Carolina

DATE AND TIME:

Thursday, December 5, 2013

6:30 p.m. to 6:58 p.m.

REPRESENTATIVES:

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John Moon

Jimmy Tobias Paul Savko

Rebecca Hawkins

Gary Hayes Donald Gibson Hugh McMillan

**BOARD MEMBERS** 

NOT PRESENT:

William B. Littlejohn, Jr.

James Herzog

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#### 1 BY MR. MOON:

- 2 I would like to welcome everybody to the Restoration Advisory Board
- meeting this Thursday, December 5th, 20113. And if nobody has any
- 4 questions, we'll jump right into the agenda, go ahead and get started. I
- didn't see my email list. Shawn is not going to be here; is that right?
- 6 BY MS. HISCOX:
- No, I'm Shawn's replacement for the evening. Julie Hiscox from the
- 8 Savannah District.
- 9 BY MR. MOON:
- 10 All right.
- 11 BY MS. HISCOX:
- 12 Shawn's up on baby watch.
- 13 BY MR. MOON:
- 14 I gotcha. All right.
- 15 First part, new business, is the remedial investigation feasibility study
- update and project update.
- 17 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- Well, I'm Spencer O'Neal. Due to government shutdown and all the
- turmoil that we've had, we've had to slow down a little bit, and we've
- fallen behind on the review. We've gotten Zapata -- we actually did an
- 21 initial review sent back pages and pages and pages of comments, and
- 22 they've revised it, and we are reviewing it a second time to make sure that
- 23 they've encompassed, included all the things that we asked them to
- change in the report.

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Right now, we're looking at -- actually I was looking at my email

- prior to coming in here, and I've got the comments for the second look.
- 2 So we'll get those back to them, and we're looking at at least two or three
- more months before we're able to include those into the report and have it
- 4 available as a draft final for the review, the final review.
- 5 So DHEC will get it after this next generation, and so will our
- 6 Center of Expertise, to ensure that it abides by the standards that we have
- 7 out there.
- 8 Yes, sir.
- 9 BY MR. SAVKO:
- Paul Savko. Do you have a final date for the feasibility study being
- reviewed, and -- what's the final date?
- 12 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- I do not right now. And I'm kind of reluctant to give you a date because I
- don't know if the government's going to shut down next month. It will
- most likely take us until June timeframe until we can get it, and that's just
- ballpark, depending on what Congress does, what the government does.
- 17 MR. HAYES:
- 18 June?
- 19 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 20 Right.
- 21 BY MR. SAVKO:
- Thank you.
- 23 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 24 Uh-huh (indicates affirmative response).
- 25 MR. HAYES:

- So that last update on the government for funding of the government just
- 2 lasts 'til the first of the year?
- 3 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 4 Yes. I believe it's 15 January timeframe, somewhere around there.
- 5 BY MS. HISCOX:
- January 15, yes. If they don't take action, we'll be shut down again.
- 7 BY MR. HAYES:
- 8 They'll be going on vacation soon, and then they'll pick back up first of
- 9 the year.
- 10 BY MS. HISCOX:
- 11 It's not exactly a vacation. They're not getting paid.
- 12 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 13 It's not a vacation.
- 14 MS. HISCOX:
- 15 Yeah, they may go on vacation, but...
- 16 MR. HAYES:
- What I'm saying is do they have to have it approved before Christmas,
- before their Christmas break, or do they pick up on it after the first of the
- 19 year?
- 20 BY MS. HISCOX:
- It has to be done by January 15th for any kind of work on it.
- 22 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- Now, our contractors continue to work. So if we can punch them all the
- stuff that we need for changes, they'll continue to work. However, we
- won't be able to work. So the government piece of it won't be completed.

- 1 BY MR. HAYES:
- Yeah, I wasn't saying y'all had a vacation, I was talking about the
- 3 Christmas vacation with Congress.
- 4 BY MR. SAVKO:
- 5 Paul Savko again. Is the staff of 28 reduced? Are you using less people
- 6 now? You had, at one time, 28.
- 7 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 8 Actually, it takes less people to do the reviews.
- 9 BY MR. SAVKO:
- Yes.
- 11 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- So what we're -- what I'm doing, I'm fighting for resources just like
- everyone else. Everyone's backed up, and everyone's trying to get all of
- their work completed. So I'm fighting for resources in order to do the
- reviews. But we still have our standard group of people that have been
- working on this project since the RIFS started, and the TCRA. And that
- group of people are going to be there for us.
- 18 BY MR. SAVKO:
- 19 And the cadre is five? Seven?
- 20 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 21 My cadre right now -- counting them up. Is five.
- 22 BY MR. SAVKO:
- Five, okay. A follow-up, please.
- 24 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 25 Yes, sir.

- 1 BY MR. SAVKO: How many different groups or organizations have to approve or review and approve the final assessment? 3 BY MR. O'NEAL: It's going to be the same. There's a number of disciplines that take a look 5 at it. The environmental --BY MR. SAVKO: 7 Three? Five? BY MR. O'NEAL: Five. 10 BY MR. SAVKO: 11 12 Five? BY MR. O'NEAL: 13 Close to five. But we also have to throw in there risk assessment, and 14 also the Center of Expertise, who does the validation that they adhere to 15 the standards. So actually, it would look more like seven. 16 BY MR. SAVKO: 17 Gotcha. Thank you, sir. 18 BY MR. O'NEAL: 19 Uh-huh (indicates affirmative response). Any other questions? 20 Did I have a update on TCRA on there as well? 21 BY MR. HAYES: 22 Uh-huh (indicates affirmative response). 23
- Okay. TCRA report is actually at the draft final stage. It will be

BY MR. O'NEAL.

- circulated and sent out to DHEC in the next couple of weeks, barring
- 2 Christmas. And we will be ready to turn that one in to final after the
- 3 Center of Expertise takes a look at that one for awhile. So we're looking
- at probably in the next two months on that one.
- 5 BY MS. HAWKINS:
- Rebecca Hawkins. Are you keeping this update on your website?
- 7 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 8 I'm not changing the schedule on the website, because it ebbs and flows
- 9 so much, it's kind of -- it's a moving target at this point. There's so many
- outside possibilities and things that could affect it. We have not been
- 11 updating.
- 12 BY MR. HAWKINS:
- Okay.
- 14 BY MR. MOON:
- Any more questions on remedial investigations, feasibility study, or a
- time critical removal action at all? Anybody got any questions on that?
- 17 (No response)
- 18 BY MR. MOON:
- All right. Have we got an update at all, Lt. Dyas? I don't -- I think you're
- in for him tonight.
- 21 Mr. Ted Beaty:
- Ted Beaty, Sheriff's Office. We've had several calls down in the area.
- 23 Everything's been inert. People going in areas, digging where they
- shouldn't be. But other than that, we haven't had any other recoveries in
- 25 that area.

1 BY MR. MOON: Is that private property they're digging? 2 BY MR. BEATY: 3 Private property. BY MR. HAYES: 5 Do you know what it was they dug up? 6 BY MR. BEATY: 7 Well, we've had some 60 millimeters, and a couple of (unintelligible) 9 grenades. BY MR. HAYES: 10 11 What area was that? 12 BY MR. BEATY: It's down close to Dot Lowery's property, off of -- I can't remember the 13 name of that road. 14 By Mr. 15 It's around Red Hill area. 16 17 BY MR. BEATY: Yeah, down in that area. 18 BY MR. TOBIAS: 19 20 Have you got a number, like, how many, since last meeting? BY MR. BEATY: 21 We got nine -- nine next to Dot Lowery's place. At one time, a guy went 22 over in the woods over in there digging, just running a metal detector and 23 he just brought them home with him in a Tupperware box. He thought 24

they were neat. So he brought them home to show everybody. And the

others are grenades that have been in homes, people brought them back 1 from World War II. 2 BY MR. TOBIAS: 3 I gotcha. 4 BY MR. BEATY: 5 And just miscellaneous. 6 BY MR. HAYES: 7 So they've been in their home all that long, and --8 BY MR. BEATY: 9 Yeah. Yeah. 10 BY MR. HAYES: 11 12 So it wasn't just --BY MR. BEATY: 13 We've seen a lot of that now. People will move stuff of the top shelf that 14 hasn't been moved in years, and a 60 will roll off, or a grenade, something 15 roll off the top shelf. It's just common. 16 17 Yes, sir. BY MR. SAVKO: 18 You said they were digging where they weren't supposed to? Is that 19 20 posted? BY MR. BEATY: 21 It was on private property. It's not posted. 22 BY MR. SAVKO: 23 And what were they using, digging? Were they using shovels and picks, 24 or equipment? 25

BY MR. BEATY: 1 2 He has a little entrenching tool and a metal detector. 3 BY MR. SAVKO: Okay. 4 BY MR. HAYES: 5 Was he trespassing? 6 7 BY MR. BEATY: He was trespassing. The property owner didn't prosecute. It was on 8 private property, it wasn't on, like, you know, the park property. But he 10 brought his little tote home to show mama, and then figured it could be a little dangerous, so we had to go take care of it. 11 BY MR. SAVKO: 12 Are you aware -- did he find anything? 13 BY MR. BEATY: 14 15 He brought nine inert grenades --BY MR. SAVKO: 16 From home? 17 BY MR. BEATY: 18 -- back. 19 20 BY MR. SAVKO: 21 Brought these from home? BY MR. BEATY: 22 23 Brought them from the woods, brought them to his home. BY MR. SAVKO: 24

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Oh, I gotcha.

BY MR. BEATY: 1 2 From a wooded area. BY MR. SAVKO: 3 I gotcha. Okay. Thank you. 4 BY MR. BEATY: 5 He said he put them outside of his house, we went and picked them up and 6 disposed of them. 7 BY MR. SAVKO: 8 Thank you. 9 10 BY MR. HAYES: Was that the homeowner, or one of his sons? 11 BY MR. BEATY: 12 It was their son, homeowner's son. 13 BY MR. SAVKO: 14 15 I understand why she didn't process. BY MR. HAYES: 16 Did he say that was what he was looking for? 17 BY MR. BEATY: 18 He was just looking for relics. 19 20 BY UNKNOWN SPEAKER: 21 He was basically just goofing off with a metal detector. BY MR. BEATY: 22 23 Yeah. BY UNKNOWN SPEAKER: 24

And digging up what he found.

BY MR. BEATY: 2 And he found it. By Ms. Hawkins: 3 Rebecca Hawkins. I have a question. If a property owner is using a metal detector on their own property and digs something up, is that a problem with the --6 BY MR. BEATY: 7 Dig something up, you need to call us and let us come take care of it. 8 Even though we're finding a lot of inert, or non-dangerous ordinance, there's still a lot of live ordinance down there that we're getting. 10 By Ms. Hawkins: 11 Well, are there any charges that can be brought against a property owner 12 digging on their own property? 13 BY MR. BEATY: 14 15 No. 16 By Ms. Hawkins: Okay. I wanted to make sure, because I use a metal detector to check all 17 the trails where my tractor goes. 18 BY MR. BEATY: 19 20 No, that's fine. If you find something, call us. 21 BY MS. HAWKINS: 22 Okay. 23 BY MR. BEATY: That's all. 24

BY MR. HAYES:

- Now, where you found all those, were they in one area, or how big of an
- 2 area?
- 3 BY MR. BEATY:
- They were under a tree, like they disposed of them next to a big oak tree.
- 5 and they were all in one little confined area.
- 6 BY MR. HAYES:
- Was that where maybe somebody had a garden there or something, and
- 8 just got them out of the garden?
- 9 BY MR. BEATY:
- 10 Probably where they were training, and just left them there.
- 11 BY MR. HAYES:
- Do you think somebody needs to go in there to check, like Zapata or
- somebody, go in and check?
- 14 BY MR. BEATY:
- 15 It's in some of the area we checked.
- 16 BY MR. HAYES:
- 17 Oh, it is? Okay.
- 18 BY MR. BEATY:
- 19 And they've been notified
- 20 BY MR. HAYES:
- 21 So it's going to be divided up in quads and checked?
- 22 BY MR. BEATY:
- 23 They've been notified of the location, we gave them the GPS coordinates
- and everything. We're getting those taken care of.

BY MR. SAVKO: Paul Savko. On the nine ordinance that you found, did you, demolition 2 department, did you explode those? Or did you destroy them? 3 BY MR. BEATY: We just destroyed them. 5 BY MR. SAVKO: Oh, okay. BY MR. BEATY: They were training -- they were inert trainers. 10 BY MR. SAVKO: Oh, they were inert. 11 BY MR. BEATY: 12 Yes, sir. 13 BY MR. SAVKO: 14 Oh, I gotcha. Thank you, sir. 15 BY MR. BEATY: 16 They were inert trainers. 17 BY MR. SAVKO: 18 Thank you. 19 BY MR. HAYES: 20 Do you know, did you happen to see the quadrants where the last lines 21 were put in? I forgot what you call them. 22 23 BY UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Transects? 24

BY MR. HAYES:

- 1 Transects, yes. Do you know how far that was from a transect? Or did
- the transect come close to that, or if that was in a 100 foot wide, or 400
- 3 foot wide area?
- 4 BY MR. BEATY:
- 5 It's on down from where we'd been working. It's on down toward Red
- 6 Hill, down below, past (inaudible). Down in that area.
- 7 BY MR. HAYES:
- 8 Okay.
- 9 BY MR. MOON:
- 10 Any more questions on that?
- 11 BY MR. SAVKO:
- 12 Maybe one here, please.
- 13 BY MR. MOON:
- Go ahead.
- 15 BY MR. SAVKO:
- Will you look at the transect lines and see how close or how far that
- transect line was from that position that they found those inert ordinance?
- 18 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- We can do that, yes. What will happen is if he's called in the coordinates
- 20 to Zapata or if he provides them to me, then what will happen is I'll have
- 21 them identify that on their map to include it in their report. And the
- report then, will, once it goes up and the decision is made for any type or
- other remedial action in the area, that'll be one of the areas that will
- 24 generate us some --
- 25 BY MR. SAVKO:

- For me, personally, I cannot imagine the engineering in those transect
- 2 lines missing that. I just -- I mean, they're overlapping three feet on each
- 3 end. I cannot imagine missing it.
- 4 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- And we have to take a look at that. Now, there's other factors that are out
- 6 there as well. Now, we may not -- we may or may not have had a right of
- 7 entry to go into that area.
- 8 BY MR. SAVKO:
- 9 Now, that's possible.
- 10 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 11 So we --
- 12 BY MR. SAVKO:
- That possible.
- 14 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- 15 You know, if there was transects that went through there, there is a
- possibility that we identified that area, but we didn't get under that
- 17 specific tree.
- 18 BY MR. SAVKO:
- I understand. I think there were 37 homeowners that would not sign.
- 20 BY MR. O'NEAL:
- I think there were more than that, but I'm not sure.
- 22 BY MR. SAVKO:
- 23 I remember 37, but...
- 24 BY MR. HAYES:
- Well, some of those transects were 100 to 400 feet wide.

BY MR. SAVKO: 1 Yes. 2 BY MR. HAYES: 3 4 So there's a lot of ways they could miss that. 5 BY MR. SAVKO: But in the known areas of the ranges, they were very close together and 6 overlapping. 7 BY MR. O'NEAL: 8 Now, if you remember, what we did was we took the transects, and we 9 10 created our transects based on what was most likely in that area. So some of them were 100 foot wide, others of them were 200 foot wide, and so on 11 and so forth. So there's possibility that, once again, we might not have 12 13 had a right of entry to that area, so therefore we wouldn't be able to check it. 14 BY MR. SAVKO: 15 16 Sure. BY MR. O'NEAL: 17 18 But what I'm going to do is I'm going to take that back to Zapata and find out, make sure that if they don't have the information, that I get the 19 information, and we make sure -- and put it into the --20 BY MR. SAVKO: 21 22 And would you be kind enough to give this group a follow-up? BY MR. O'NEAL: 23 24 I will.

BY MR. SAVKO:

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Please? Thank you, sir.
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    BY MR. BEATY:
           Ted Beaty, with the Sheriff's office. The areas where we find them
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           stacked like this, like this guy we described found them, is more of a
           firing point than an impact point. So we need to differentiate between
           finding a firing point and an impact point. When we get these impact
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           points, and correct me if I'm wrong, but where we're finding it, is like
          rocks.
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    BY UNKNOWN SPEAKER:
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           Gotcha.
    BY MR. BEATY:
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           And then you may go ten feet over here, there's nothing. So when we find
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           them in a neat little pile like that, that's more than likely a firing point,
           and there is nothing behind it. More so than an area that they transected
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           and checked out that thoroughly.
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    BY MR. O'NEAL:
           And you did say Red Hill area?
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    BY MR. BEATY:
           Yes.
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    BY MR. O'NEAL:
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           Okay.
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    BY MR. MOON:
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           Any more questions?
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    (No response)
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BY MR. MOON:

1	Moving along in the old business, at our last meeting, we spoke about the			
2	2014 meetings for the Restoration Advisory Board. Scheduled on the first			
3	Thursday of every third month, so it'd be March the 6th, June the 5th, and			
4	September the 4th, and December the 4th next year. You guys,			
5	everybody still on board with that? That's good for everyone? That way,			
6	we all know exactly when these things are going to occur, and they don't			
7	just spring up on us all of a sudden. It makes it a little bit easier to			
8	schedule and remember it. I think that would help the public as well, to			
9	know ahead of time when these things are going to come instead of, you			
10	know, catching an email or a card in the mail. I think more so, now, it			
11	kind of, you know, gives them a lot of information ahead of time, too, to			
12	plan on.			

Are there any new topics, anything else we need to ask of the Army Corps of Engineers, Zapata, or anything like that? Anybody have any questions?

# 16 BY MR. SAVKO:

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Paul Savko. I would like to advise the board that I will be leaving in

2014. The project seems to be winding down, and I've been on here now

four years. Perhaps it's time to get a new viewpoint. So I will be leaving

after this meeting. For 2014, you can find a new member. Thank you, sir.

# 21 BY MS. HAWKINS:

- You're going to be missed.
- 23 BY MR. MOON:
- 24 Anything else?
- 25 (No response)

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BY MR. MOON:
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          If nobody has any other questions, make a motion to adjourn.
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    BY MR. HAYES:
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          I make a motion to adjourn.
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    BY MR. SAVKO:
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    BY MR. MOON:
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This is to certify that the within RAB meeting was taken on the 19th day of September, 2130;

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