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01 CAMP CROFT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
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02 PLACE: SC School for the Deaf and the Blind
03 Swearingen Conference Center
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04 DATE: Tuesday, March 10, 1998
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05 TIME: 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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06 PRESENTATION
06 GIVEN BY: Jim Truelove
07 Project Manager
07 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
08 Charleston District
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09 Greg Parsons
09 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
10 Huntsville District
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11 BOARD MEMBERS
11 PRESENT: David Mullinax, Chair
12 Joseph L. Crissinger
12 Ed Y. Hall
13 Gary Hayes
13 William B. Littlejohn, Jr.
14 W. Brownlee Lowry
14 Conley McIntyre, Sr.
15 George D. Mullinax
15 Gerard Perry
16 Robert W. Powell, Jr.
16 Clary H. Smith
17 Sanford N. Smith
17 Stonewall J. Stewart, Jr.
18 Sherry Wheeler
18 Darwin J. Wilson
19 BOARD MEMBER
19 NOT PRESENT: James B. Thompson
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20 ALSO PRESENT: Suzy Cantor-McKinney
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01 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

02 I'd like to welcome everybody to the March
03 meeting of the Camp Croft Restoration Advisory Board.
04 I'd like to welcome our new members. There will be a
05 formal introduction of them in just a few minutes, and
06 at this time, I'll have some comments here in a
07 minute, but I'll turn it over to Jim Truelove.

08 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

09 Good evening. I thought I'd just read out the
10 names, and, if you would, identify yourselves so that
11 I can start learning faces. I'm new. My name is Jim
12 Truelove. I've been to the last couple of RAB
13 meetings. I've taken Wayne's place with the Corps of
14 Engineers.

15 The new members are Chris Crissinger.

16 BY MR. CRISSINGER:

17 Yes.

18 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

19 Ed Hall, Gary Hayes. Now, somebody told me you
20 go by Bubba. Bubba Littlejohn.

21 BY DR. LITTLEJOHN:

22 Every board has got to have one.

23 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

24 Dr. Lowry, Conley McIntyre. It doesn't look
25 like he's here.

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01 BY DR. LOWRY:

02 He's supposed to be sitting right here.

03 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

04 Okay. Dave Mullinax, George Mullinax, Gerry
05 Perry, Dr. Powell, Clary Smith, Sanford Smith,
06 Stonewall Stewart, James Thompson. He's absent
07 tonight. Sherry Wheeler and Darwin Wilson.

08 Okay. What we've done is prepare, mostly for
09 the new members and also for the other members to help
10 show what we've done and where we are, a little
11 booklet. Suzy McKinney will just kind of briefly give
12 a description of what's in it so it will help you find
13 some things.

14 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

15 Good evening. I'm Suzy McKinney. I'm with
16 Zapata Engineering, and for those of you who are new
17 this evening, Zapata Engineering is out of Charlotte,
18 North Carolina, and we provide all the logistical
19 support to the RAB. We support the Board in any way
20 that they need as far as meeting facilities, as this
21 evening, and for the preparation of correspondence
22 we've prepared two -- I guess it's been two
23 resolutions that have gone out on behalf of the Board
24 supporting actions for the Corps.

25 So during the course of these meetings or in

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01 between these meetings, if anyone needs to get in
02 contact with me, feel free to do so. If they need to
03 get in contact with the Corps and don't have that
04 access, again, feel free to contact me and I'll work
05 to coordinate that. We do have a toll free number for
06 the benefit of the Board.

07 I'd like to quickly walk through the notebook.
08 We won't spend much time on this. We prepared
09 Background in the notebook, and that starts with a
10 list of acronyms and abbreviations to help you when
11 you're reviewing the technical documents or listening
12 to some of the presentations if you're not familiar
13 with some of the terms.

14 We then have a very brief history of the camp
15 and a map that illustrates some of the training areas.

16 This project is being developed under the
17 DERP-FUDS Program, and there's a brief explanation of
18 the objectives of that program. We talk about the
19 current uses of the former camp and what it is today.

20 Then we have a couple of pages that describe the
21 removal actions, what's been found, what reports have
22 been prepared and kind of brings everyone up to date
23 with where we are on the status of the project.

24 Following that discussion is a Gantt chart that
25 takes several of the key items, the activities and

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01 reports and the time frames in which they either were
02 prepared or anticipated to be prepared for future
03 activities.

04 There are then two color maps that represent the
05 OOU ordnance units identified in the Phase I EE/CA
06 that was prepared in '95, and the units which we will
07 discuss tonight in the final EE/CA for the Phase II
08 actions, and that report is dated 1997.

09 We then have some graphics that illustrate the
10 type of ordnance that have been found at the camp, and
11 we will have a presentation on that later this
12 evening, as well as some information that describes
13 the magnetometer sweeps, what they look like.

14 There's a photograph. There's a photograph of how the
15 grids were set for preparing those sweeps and then
16 also a photograph of the ordnance that has been found.

17 You will then find some tables and a brief
18 discussion that came out of this most recent EE/CA for
19 the units, what's been found -- not what's been found
20 -- the anomalies that have been detected during
21 testing and the recommended actions for each of those
22 areas, and those will be further discussed later this
23 evening.

24 You then have a discussion on community
25 involvement through the Restoration Advisory Board and

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01 what the efforts of the Board have accomplished over
02 the past two years. This is now our third year of
03 this effort in community relations.

04 You then have a copy of the By-Laws, and I'll
05 come back to those after we finish reviewing the
06 notebook, and we'll briefly run through the
07 responsibilities of the Board as stated in the
08 By-Laws.

09 You have copies of the two resolutions that have
10 been prepared and submitted. And the last page before
11 your Contacts tab is Reporting, what to do if you find
12 ordnance and the phone numbers to contact. Contact
13 911.

14 The Contacts tab, behind that you will find a
15 list of the Corps of Engineers' contacts and phone
16 numbers, how to contact myself, how to contact the
17 Camp Croft web site on the internet, and there's a
18 list of numbers and addresses for each of the Board
19 members, so you have access to contact each of
20 yourselves if the need arises.

21 There's a list of References of the significant
22 documents that are in the library, and Patti and I
23 were at the library this afternoon and double checked
24 this list. I need to add a few that are in the
25 library that are not on this list, as well as I have

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01 three items on this list that have not been submitted
02 to the library.

03 So we'll get those documents in within the next
04 three or four weeks. And when I send out the meeting
05 summary, I will send you an updated list of the items
06 that are in the library. Those are maintained in the
07 reference department on the second floor in the
08 Kennedy room, and most of these documents are held
09 within what they call the vault. So if you ever want
10 access to those, they are open to the public, but they
11 will escort you in to look at these.

12 There are copies of, I think, most of the
13 newspaper articles that I've been able to review over
14 the past two years. I try to keep that up to date.

15 There's some lined paper for taking notes, and
16 at the back of the notebook we have the OE Project
17 Flow, the Ordnance and Explosive Project Flow which
18 was prepared by the Corps of Engineers, and we revised
19 that to make it a little bit more specific to this
20 project.

21 This just outlines the superfund process for
22 identifying ordnance sites, time critical removal
23 actions, preliminary assessments to report
24 preparation. It follows through the process of
25 identifying a site and then ultimate remediation on

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01 that site.

02 Behind that is the safety policy on real
03 property containing ordnance and explosives for your
04 reference.

05 So real quickly let's walk through the By-Laws
06 for the benefit of the new members.

07 The first two pages are a brief introduction.
08 So if we can just turn to the third page, Camp Croft
09 Restoration Advisory Board By-Laws.

10 I see several new faces in the audience. I'd
11 like to read the first paragraph, the Mission
12 Statement.

13 BY DR. LOWRY:

14 What section?

15 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

16 We're back under the tab Background about
17 halfway through.

18 "The mission of the Camp Croft RAB is to provide
19 a forum through which the local communities, the U.S.
20 Army Corps of Engineers, and the regulatory agencies
21 work together in an atmosphere that encourages
22 discussion and exchange of information, and educates
23 the public on the investigation and removal of
24 ordnance and explosives (OE) at the former Camp Croft.
25 The RAB will review, comment, and advise the U.S. Army

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01 Corps of Engineers, Charleston District on
02 site-related documents, on the investigations, and the
03 proposed removal activities. All decisions regarding
04 OE removal activities are solely the authority of the
05 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Membership on the RAB
06 does not imply or infer any liability for incidents
07 related to removal activities."

08 It then reviews the responsibilities of the
09 Board to hold regularly scheduled meetings, to review
10 Corps documents.

11 We then discuss the membership. That the
12 membership of this Board reflects diverse community
13 interests. The Board will serve a two year term and

14 may submit application to serve a subsequent two year
15 term.

16 On page three, we do have a set of procedures
17 that apply to the Board. RAB members shall have one
18 vote at the Board meetings. Each RAB member is not to
19 act individually in discussions and comments. You're
20 acting as a group.

21 Regular on time attendance is a requirement for
22 continued membership. We will follow a process
23 similar to Robert's Rules of Order in conducting the
24 meetings.

25 These meetings are open to the public and public
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01 participation is encouraged, and we do call and allow
02 for old business and new business on our agenda, so we
03 encourage all of you to participate as well.

04 Special committees may be established as needed.
05 A special meeting may be called as needed by the
06 Chair.

07 Members are prohibited from publicly
08 representing opinions, their own opinions, concerning
09 RAB members as views of the Board.

10 Excuse me. Let me read that one again.

11 "RAB community members are prohibited from
12 publicly representing their opinions concerning RAB
13 matters as the views of the RAB."

14 If you are unable to participate fully, we
15 request a written resignation.

16 A member may be removed from the Board by a
17 majority vote if it is determined that the actions of
18 the individual are not in the best interest of the
19 RAB.

20 In the event of a dispute, resolution will be
21 raised to the Corps of Engineers.

22 And a quorum must be in attendance before a
23 meeting can be held. A quorum is defined as 25
24 percent of the Board members.

25 We do have a Chair. The Chair will serve a one
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01 year term, and, as a Board, we will probably need to
02 re-evaluate how the language is written under Section
03 V since our timing has been shifted. Dave will serve
04 as Chair today, and at our upcoming meeting we will
05 take that opportunity to take nominations and solicit
06 interest for the next Chair for the upcoming year.

07 We have an Army Facilitator, Jim Truelove, and
08 I think the rest of this just reviews the general
09 responsibilities of attendance and participation.

10 Proposed amendments can be changed to this
11 By-Laws by three-fourths majority of a quorum. So any
12 revisions to the By-Laws, if you would like to propose
13 that, they can be voted on.

14 Any questions?

15 BY DR. POWELL:

16 Suzy, how often are we going to be meeting?

17 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

18 We'll meet quarterly, three months, unless we
19 have significant activity, and you all decide that you
20 would like to meet more frequently.

21 Anything else?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

24 Okay. Jim, I'll turn it back over to you.

25 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

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01 Are there any questions so far?

02 (NO RESPONSE)

03 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

04 If not, then I'll turn it back over to David.

05 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

06 Okay. Under the old business part I just want
07 to review a few things that we've done in the past.
08 If you do have questions, I ask that you hold them
09 until the end of the presentation, unless the
10 presenter responds to address your question.

11 In consideration of Mr. Truelove, understand
12 that he is new to the project. So if any
13 correspondence has been made to the previous project
14 manager, understand that he may not be aware of it.
15 So that we'll ask anything in the past be addressed in
16 writing to him so that he'll have time to research it
17 and then study it.

18 Okay. Mr. Truelove, I think that's all I have.

19 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

20 Okay. To try to bring people up to speed, the
21 new members and everything and the people that haven't
22 been involved up to this point, we were going to make
23 a presentation of the last -- the Phase II EE/CA.

24 Most of you saw this last time. At that time
25 the EE/CA was out for public comments. Since then, it

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01 has gone final, but there were no major comments made
02 so what you saw at the last presentation is basically
03 the same thing that we have now.

04 The purpose of the Phase II EE/CA was to further
05 investigate some of the areas that have been
06 identified previously.

07 (BRIEF INTERRUPTION TO MOVE MAP)

08 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

09 As I said, the purpose of the Phase II EE/CA was
10 to further investigate some of the areas that have
11 been identified previously in the Phase I EE/CA, but
12 have not necessarily had the degree of investigation
13 that we thought was necessary.

14 We went back and did a supplementary search of
15 the archives, and based on that archive search, we
16 ended up identifying some more areas, and this is what
17 the process was trying to do is to help group the
18 common sites, simplify the ordnance analysis and come
19 up with the criteria and see if there was some more
20 investigation. So based on that, we went in and did
21 some sampling.

22 These were the areas of investigation, ordnance
23 areas that we did further investigation on.

24 Most of you know the area better than I do.

25 Area 3 is up in Wedgewood. Area 9 is split up into

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01 several areas. A few of them, A, B, C, D and E -- A,
02 B, C, D and E are all inside the park. There were
03 also some more small arms areas that were outside the
04 park, and so they were grouped into F, G and H. F, G
05 and H (indicating on map).

06 Unit 10 was inside the park. 11 was some more
07 of those small areas outside the park. And you can
08 come look at this. There is also, for the
09 RAB members, there is a small map in the book that has
10 this same information on it.

11 And, again, 12 was also some unexploded ordnance
12 areas outside the park.

13 Now what we want to do, based on the sampling

14 that we've done, there were -- each one of the areas
15 could be assigned the risk reduction alternative.
16 This would be the action that we would take based on
17 what was found for that area.

18 Of course, if it's limited and nothing was
19 there, just small arms or miscellaneous little stuff
20 -- no further action, institutional controls, surface
21 clearance and clearance for use. So those are the
22 alternatives.

23 Here's what was recommended by the EE/CA and
24 what we will be pursuing in Phase III. Phase
25 III, again, was the one that was up in Wedgewood. And

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01 the recommendation there and the one we will be
02 pursuing will be clearance for use.

03 The cost estimate that we put for the expanded
04 area for Unit 3 is estimated at \$3,000,000. So we're
05 going to go -- we've got to go find the money and come
06 in and do that cleanup.

07 Also, if you'll look, some of this same
08 information is in your notebook as well, so you have
09 that and you can take it with you.

10 Unit 9 was -- several of the areas inside the
11 park and three on the outside, if you remember
12 correctly, and they were all small arms areas. We
13 didn't find much and we didn't expect to find when we
14 did our sampling. It really present minimal hazard on
15 what you do find. Mostly shell -- the shell casings
16 and things, not anything of any particular big danger.
17 So the action here is no further action -- I mean,
18 recommended action in the EE/CA is no further action.

19 Area 10 were grenades and mortar areas. A, B, C
20 and D were inside the park, and there we recommended
21 surface clearance. And with the surface clearance it
22 would be approximately \$700,000 as the current
23 estimate.

24 11, A, B, C and D, the grenade and mortar areas
25 outside the park, it would be clearance for use

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01 because of the park. It has control over those areas,
02 and those are the areas that are going to be used.
03 When you get outside of the park, there's a lot more
04 of a chance that the area is going to be used for
05 other things. So this one is a clearance for use.
06 This one is going to be approximately \$700,000.

07 Area 12, again, is outside the park. A, B and
08 C. These areas are planning to be -- or the proposal
09 is for clearance for use and the cost, \$2,600,000.

10 Here's -- based on what we've done in the Phase
11 II EE/CA, and I don't know if you can see it. The
12 total of what the proposed clearance in the Phase
13 II EE/CA is \$7,000,000.

14 Now we'll be going out trying to seek the money
15 to do this and do the follow-up actions necessary to
16 do the cleanup actions on it and prioritize them to
17 see what actions we want to do and we're looking for
18 your input to help us do that.

19 If anyone wants to come up after the meeting,
20 I'll be happy to talk to them about the individual
21 areas and where we are and what the proposals are.

22 Okay. I'll turn it back over to David.

23 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

24 Okay. I have a presentation of ordnance
25 from ---

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01 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

02 Greg Parsons.

03 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

04 --- Greg Parsons from the Huntsville office in
05 the Corps of Engineers.

06 So if you would, we'll direct our attention over
07 to Greg over on the other side.

08 BY MR. PARSONS:

09 My name is Greg Parsons. I'm the ordnance
10 safety specialist out of Huntsville, and I was asked
11 to come here and give you a general overview of some
12 of the ordnance we found out at Camp Croft and outside
13 the boundaries of Camp Croft.

14 Some of these items are readily identifiable and
15 some of them aren't. I like you to keep in mind, the
16 people who have property in the area, that if you come
17 across something on your property and you don't
18 recognize it -- I'll pass this around. This is a Mk
19 II hand grenade for practice, but a lot of you may not
20 be able to -- or really identify it if you were to see
21 it in the ground. So I'd like you to keep that in
22 mind.

23 If you need -- if you find something like that,
24 I'd like you to contact your local law enforcement
25 agency, 911. The Spartanburg County Sheriff's office

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01 has it's own arms explosive deputy. He's right here.
02 Rick Renna. This is Rick Renna. He's Army trained.
03 We all go to the same school, marine corp trained arms
04 explosive technician.

05 Okay. Some of these items that we found out
06 here in the park area at the equestrian site -- we
07 were at the equestrian site.

08 BY MR. LANCASTER:

09 Is that in --- (inaudible).

10 BY MR. PARSONS:

11 I believe it is, yeah.

12 We uncovered several 60 millimeter high
13 explosive ordnance or mortars. I believe it was just
14 under the surface. We also found some -- and I don't
15 have a 81 millimeter, but it looks similar to this,
16 except it's this diameter, 81 millimeter ordnance.

17 BY MR. JOHNSON:

18 All -- all the things are empty, ain't it?

19 BY MR. PARSONS:

20 No. Well, these up here?

21 BY MR. JOHNSON:

22 These are not alive, is it?

23 BY MR. PARSONS:

24 These up here are fine, yeah. No, they frown on
25 us bringing live ones in and around the public.

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01 Dr. Lowry's property has several of these on it.
02 This is 105 millimeter either illumination or smoke
03 round. They also come in HE.

04 If you have any of these at home, you might want
05 to call your local law enforcement agency and have Mr.
06 Renna come out and look at it and make sure it's not
07 high explosive and it's empty and non-hazardous.

08 They fired these out there. These are 75
09 millimeter HEs or this happens to be a shot round, but
10 a 75 millimeter HE looks the same without the fuse on
11 the end. These are -- this portion right here is the
12 fuses. There are several hundred of them, so I won't
13 go over them.

14 This is also a mortar. This is called a 4.2 or
15 107 millimeter.

16 I'd like to stress the importance of safety with
17 these things. Some of them can be very, very
18 dangerous. If you have any or see anything, make sure
19 you call your local law enforcement, 911. If you say
20 it's a piece of ordnance or a projectile that looks
21 like a bomb, Mr. Renna there will be more than happy
22 to come out and look at it for you.

23 Do you have any questions?

24 BY MR. HALL:

25 What are you all doing? Do you blow them in

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01 place or what?

02 BY MR. PARSONS:

03 The Corps of Engineers has a policy to blow in
04 place if it's fused. The military on inside has a
05 procedure called render safety procedures. It depends
06 on the fuse. With the contractors and being --
07 anymore, we don't do that. We just blow them in
08 place.

09 BY MR. LANCASTER:

10 Do you check them? Are there any of those out
11 there?

12 BY MR. PARSONS:

13 There probably are -- I can't say that there
14 aren't, but ---

15 BY MR. LANCASTER:

16 I gave them to the Corps.

17 BY MR. PARSONS:

18 3.5s or 2.36s?

19 BY MR. LANCASTER:

20 About the size like the one on the table.

21 BY MR. PARSONS:

22 This one here?

23 BY MR. LANCASTER:

24 About that size.

25 BY MR. PARSONS:

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01 2.36.

02 BY MR. LANCASTER:

03 About this long.

04 BY MR. PARSONS:

05 I'm sure they are there, but I didn't have one
06 to bring. They usually don't stay together very well.
07 They're very light skinned even to practice.

08 Yes, sir.

09 BY MR. SMITH:

10 Where did you find that 4.2 at Camp Croft?

11 BY MR. PARSONS:

12 The 4.2 is not from Camp Croft.

13 BY MR. SMITH:

14 That's right.

15 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

16 Oh, okay. I was going to ask the same thing.

17 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

18 Excuse me, sir. Your name for the record. The
19 last one.

20 BY MR. SMITH:

21 I'm Russell Smith.

22 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

23 No, right along -- beside you, Mr. DuBeau.

24 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

25 You name, sir?

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01 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
02 Your name, sir?
03 BY MR. LANCASTER:
04 Lancaster.
05 BY MR. PARSONS:
06 Any other questions?
07 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:
08 Was the 75 found at Camp Croft?
09 BY MR. PARSONS:
10 I don't know about this particular 75, but 75s
11 have been found there.
12 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:
13 Have they? Okay.
14 BY MR. RENNA:
15 I can tell you one has been turned into me.
16 Somebody had it in their home.
17 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:
18 What area did it come from?
19 BY MR. RENNA:
20 He really didn't know. He said his daddy had
21 it, and he had it in his house and wanted to get rid
22 of it.
23 BY MR. PARSONS:
24 If there are no other questions, I'll turn it
25 back over to Suzy.

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01 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
02 Okay. We'll move on to the next item on the
03 agenda, back to Mr. Truelove.
04 BY MR. TRUELOVE:
05 We're going to watch the presentation.
06 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
07 Okay. We're going to watch a brief video, and
08 then Mr. Truelove will talk about remediation of Area
09 6.
10 (PRESENTATION OF VIDEO)
11 BY MR. TRUELOVE:
12 Okay. I think that's, as you can tell, some of
13 it has progressed beyond where we were at that point.
14 That was back when the EE/CA was out for public
15 comment. Since that time, the comment period has
16 closed, and we have issued the final EE/CA.
17 The next part of the agenda was to give a status
18 of where we are on the removal action.
19 The current removal action is on Unit 6, and
20 that's the area located on Dr. Lowry's property. We
21 have a crew out there now that is doing removal action
22 on that property.
23 We have changed slightly the technique that we
24 were going to use. They were finding a large number
25 of anomalies at the site, and because of that

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01 tremendous number, we're going with a different
02 technique of locating it.
03 They brought in some new equipment. This is
04 called a mapping operation, and it's supposed to help
05 identify any shrapnel to where the actual ordnances
06 are, and so we hope that process will help speed up
07 the process. It was going very slow because of the
08 large number of anomalies that we were finding.
09 We should know -- we should be getting the first
10 results of that mapping operation later this week, and
11 we should be knowing whether or not that's going to
12 help us in the process.
13 Any comments, Doctor?

14 BY DR. LOWRY:

15 No.

16 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

17 Okay. That's the status. With that, I'll turn
18 it back over to David.

19 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

20 Let me back up just a minute. I've kind of
21 skipped over the old business, and I wasn't here last
22 month, so I'll ask the Board to help remind me. Is
23 there any old business that needs to be discussed for
24 this meeting?

25 Yes, sir.

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01 BY MR. COLEMAN:

02 Can I say something, please?

03 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

04 Yes, sir. Would you state your name?

05 BY MR. COLEMAN:

06 Clyde Coleman.

07 I don't want to be -- be negative about anything
08 or anything, but the Corps had promised me twice they
09 would get this gas off of my property, and to this day
10 it is still there, as far as I know.

11 And the last time I met here, they say when they
12 got back to Dr. Lowry's place, they would come back
13 and get it up. They said it would be about January
14 the 5th. Now I don't know what you Board members are
15 supposed to do, and I'm not trying to run your
16 business, but aren't you all supposed to follow up on
17 some of this stuff?

18 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

19 Let me back up. Mr. Coleman, if you would,
20 since Mr. Truelove -- and I don't know if that was
21 addressed at the last meeting?

22 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

23 This was addressed to me.

24 I was under the understanding that Carl had
25 talked to you about following up on that, but I --

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01 we'll follow up on it. Yes, sir. I thought he had
02 talked to you at the last meeting and that there was
03 some understanding. If there wasn't, then I will
04 follow up on that and get back with you.

05 BY MR. COLEMAN:

06 I don't know, but they said they would start it
07 on January the 5th, and they would complete it by
08 April. Now April is just about around the corner, and
09 I haven't seen nobody.

10 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

11 I don't believe there was ever -- that we were
12 going to complete your property. During that period
13 is when we were going to be at Dr. Lowry's property.
14 It was during that period that we were going to get
15 back with you and discuss what further action and if
16 there was anymore sampling to be done on your
17 property.

18 BY MR. COLEMAN:

19 Well, the point that I'm making is let's don't
20 let everything run out and be done discontinued all of
21 them and that gas still sitting down there on my
22 property. If there's any there and ---

23 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

24 If there's any there, that's the question, sir.
25 It hasn't been determined that there is any gas on

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01 your property, and we were going to see what we could
02 to do. If there was anymore investigation that we, as
03 the Corps, we're -- and we told you when we discussed
04 it with you, we're not here -- if there is some gas,
05 we'll take the actions to do that, but the current
06 efforts are to remove unexploded ordnances. And if we
07 determine there are some gases, we will follow up on
08 that, but that takes a different type of removal and a
09 different type of operation where DHEC is involved.

10 BY MR. COLEMAN:

11 Well, this is ---

12 BY DR. LOWRY:

13 May I say something?

14 BY MR. COLEMAN:

15 Yes.

16 BY DR. LOWRY:

17 This new kind of geophysical something or other
18 that I don't understand that they're using on my
19 property, it's possible that it could be used on your
20 property. They've got to see if it works on mine
21 first, but it is very good at finding large objects
22 under the ground at large distances, and so it may be
23 that they use this same technique. I don't know.
24 They're trying to see if it's going to work, and I got
25 lost real quick talking to this geophysicist.

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01 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

02 But we haven't forgot about your property, and
03 we will not go -- we will not go away without
04 discussing with you and talking with you about what
05 further actions we need to take on your property.

06 BY MR. COLEMAN:

07 Well, I appreciate that, but it's been about a
08 year and a half.

09 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

10 Yes, sir. And until we -- it takes some time to
11 get the money in place and some time to get the right
12 people to do the right types of investigation.

13 BY MR. COLEMAN:

14 Okay. Let me say this.

15 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

16 Yes, sir.

17 BY MR. COLEMAN:

18 The last time the money run out and you still
19 didn't do this, and they told me they would get it in
20 this group when this money was started up the second
21 time, they would be there and get it in there while
22 the -- before the funds run out.

23 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

24 We told you that we -- during this
25 investigation, we would check into and determine what

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01 appropriate actions we need to take on your property.
02 Yes, sir, we did, but now that -- we -- the sampling
03 that we've done before on your property does not
04 indicate -- that the sampling that I know of that we
05 did on your property did not indicate that there was
06 any gas there.

07 We found several small items. The determination
08 is whether we need to come in there and do some
09 additional sampling to make you feel and make other
10 people feel that there is no gas on the property.

11 BY MR. COLEMAN:

12 But I was told at that particular time that they
13 would do no digging there because it would cost too

14 much. They would have to move all them people out and
15 they weren't going to mess with it.

16 And I'm fixing these buildings going up down
17 there now, and the population in these areas are
18 booming down there for homes, and I'm going to start
19 trying to do some digging down there for some homes or
20 something or another, and I don't want to dig in no
21 gas.

22 And at the time I had this cattle down there,
23 and that seemed to be all right with them, but it's
24 not all right with me now to start digging in there.

25 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

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01 Is there any other old business?

02 (NO RESPONSE)

03 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

04 Hearing none, I'll move on to new business.

05 Suzy, do you have anything under the new business?

06 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

07 No, I don't. You can open it up.

08 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

09 Does anybody have anything under the new
10 business?

11 Yes, sir. Could you please state your name?

12 BY MR. WILLIAMS:

13 Jerry Williams.

14 I've been working and studying this Camp Croft
15 site for well over two years now, and I'm trying to
16 write a book on it, and I'm hitting a stone wall
17 everywhere I go trying to find information on it, but
18 I do every now and then find some fairly good
19 information.

20 And this looks like it's a lot, but it's triple
21 spaced in my computer now, so don't worry about it.
22 It's a lot more than it looks. I'd like to read this.

23 "The Croft site contains several locations where
24 drums were placed inside water wells during the years
25 of training. The contents of some of the drums are

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01 unknown and some potential sources of contaminants."

02 Okay. The other section I have, "Areas from
03 Spartanburg to Pacolet are a potential hazard.
04 Contamination from drums of chemicals and drums
05 containing chemicals is suspected that wells -- were
06 dumped into water wells and medical waste was also
07 dumped into landfills. Hazards are to the
08 groundwater, surface water, including contamination,
09 fire and/or explosive conditions from unexploded
10 ordnance."

11 Okay. A couple more and I'll be through.

12 "Contamination due to leakage of drums
13 containing hazardous and toxic wastes in wells. The
14 contaminants were dumped during the closure of the
15 military site. The well openings were then closed
16 after the drums and other materials were dumped into
17 them."

18 Okay. I have a report from a person that was
19 involved in some of this.

20 It says, "After Croft was closed, just prior to
21 being returned back to Spartanburg County, county
22 officials requested that the 48th OEU in Columbia did
23 contaminant the military site. The 48th OEU asked the
24 Department of Defense for information about what was
25 left at Croft in the way of explosives and chemicals

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01 so that they would know what to expect when they came
02 here to decontaminate Croft. The response from the
03 Department of Defense was they told the 48th OEU to
04 drop the request because the information they
05 requested was classified."

06 Now that simply just -- that just doesn't sound
07 right to me.

08 Okay. I also have here a risk assessment --
09 risk assessment for Camp Croft.

10 "Unexploded ordnance and potential chemical
11 weapons are a tremendous threat to the health and
12 safety of the public and the environment. Chemical
13 agents, radiological materials munitions on a scale
14 from 1 to 25 report -- in this book report states,
15 'That these chemical agents are toxic chemical agents
16 consisting of choking, nerve, blood, blister and
17 gas.' Croft is rated a scale of 25 on a scale from 1
18 to 25, 25 being the highest."

19 The last one. "Total ordnance and explosive
20 waste at Croft, the value of -- had reached the value
21 of 45 and the maximum was 61."

22 Now, has anybody got any questions?

23 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

24 Mr. Williams, on the sources of your
25 information.

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01 BY MR. WILLIAMS:

02 Yeah.

03 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

04 Can you provide that with each -- for each one
05 of the identified items?

06 BY MR. WILLIAMS:

07 Yes, sir. They come right out of your office.

08 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

09 They came out of my office?

10 BY MR. WILLIAMS:

11 They are Corps of Engineer ordnance. I have the
12 project numbers on the ordnance.

13 BY MR. TRUELOVE:

14 Okay.

15 BY MR. WILLIAMS:

16 I'll give it to you.

17 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

18 Could we have that?

19 BY MR. WILLIAMS:

20 Yeah. Sure.

21 BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

22 David, didn't Wayne tell us, though, he sampled
23 some wells that he thought was chemical that he state
24 at one of our meetings? I remember something about
25 some wells being sampled.

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01 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

02 Does anybody remember?

03 BY MR. PERRY:

04 Yeah, he checked quite a few wells at Camp Croft
05 -- I mean, at the park.

06 BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

07 At the park. I knew he had talked about it.

08 BY MR. WILLIAMS:

09 I personally gave Mr. Bogan well sites, and they
10 were never even looked in -- looked at, and the wells
11 do contain explosives, drums of chemicals, and you
12 know, as well as I know, that a drum will not stay
13 hung in a well for 50 years without leaking, and it

14 just concerns me that someone somewhere down the road
 15 is drinking some of this water.
 16 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
 17 Mr. Williams, will you provide that same list to
 18 Mr. Truelove?
 19 BY MR. WILLIAMS:
 20 Sure.
 21 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
 22 Since Mr. Bogan is no longer with us.
 23 BY MR. WILLIAMS:
 24 Uh-huh (affirmative response).
 25 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

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01 Then he will have the opportunity to ---
 02 BY MR. WILLIAMS:
 03 Oh, sure. I've got everything well documented.
 04 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
 05 Okay. Thank you.
 06 BY MR. WILLIAMS:
 07 Okay.
 08 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
 09 Is there any other new business?
 10 (NO RESPONSE)
 11 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
 12 I'd like to thank everybody for coming tonight
 13 and for your cooperation and courtesy in tonight's
 14 presentation.
 15 If nobody has anything else, we'll entertain a
 16 motion to adjourn?
 17 BY DR. LOWRY:
 18 So move.
 19 BY DR. LITTLEJOHN:
 20 Second.
 21 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
 22 All those in favor indicate by saying aye.
 23 (ALL RESPOND)
 24 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
 25 All those opposed say no.

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01 (NO RESPONSE)
 02 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
 03 Hearing none, so moved.
 04 (MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8:00 P.M.)

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