



MEETING MINUTES

Industrial Sites Committee

November 3, 2009

Summerlin Library
1771 Inner Circle Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89134

Members Present: Kathy Bienenstein (Chair), Robert Gamble (Nye County), Ted Oom, Jim Weeks, Walt Wegst

Members Absent: Helen Neill (UNLV)

U.S. Dept. of Energy: Kelly Snyder, DDFO

Facilitator: Denise Rupp, Navarro Research & Engineering, Inc.

The Committee discussed Corrective Action Unit (CAU) 114 closure scenarios for the Engine Maintenance Assembly and Disassembly (EMAD) Facility. Proposed closure scenarios include contaminant removal for future facility use; demolition to slab; and, contaminant removal and conversion to museum. Kelly Snyder advised the Committee future use of the facility is no longer being considered, as no interested parties have been found.

In response to the Committee's October 13, 2009 letter to the Industrial Sites Federal Sub-Project Director, the Committee received a response November 3. This letter provided a cost estimate for demolition to slab and for conversion to a museum as well as current Nevada Test Site public tour information.

Committee discussion topics included:

- The Reactor Maintenance Assembly and Disassembly (RMAD) Facility is in the process of being demolished
- The need to respond to existing contamination and the mission of the Environmental Management Program makes it unfeasible to leave EMAD as is with fencing/posting
- ETS1 is not an Environmental Management (EM) project
- The difference in cost between EMAD demo and conversion to a museum is ~\$3 million dollars, plus excluded items
- There is no EM funding for museum conversion; alternative funding sources were suggested including DOE Line Item addition, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, State of Nevada, historical organizations, and public fund raising

The Committee agreed converting EMAD to a museum would be the optimal solution but acknowledged it was not financially feasible given the current information available to them. The committee will request DOE provide additional information concerning interest in retaining EMAD as a historical site by other entities including the Nevada Test Site Historical Foundation.

The Committee also discussed an additional work plan task regarding the disposition of the locomotive and train cars. Ms. Snyder advised the Committee several museums have come to view the trains and there has been interest from some train organizations including Ely Train. Additional information regarding the previous use of the locomotive and train cars will be provided at the next meeting.

Ms. Snyder suggested the Federal Sub-Project Director attend the next meeting as a resource upon review of the additional requested information for EMAD as well as to provide an update on the locomotive/train cars. The Committee will meet again on either December 1 or December 8, 2009 to develop a recommendation for the Full Board.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.