



## **Strategic and Legacy Management Committee**

**North Augusta Community Center, N. Augusta, SC  
January 18, 2005**

The Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Strategic and Legacy Management (SLM) Committee held a meeting on January 18, 2005, 5:00 p.m., at the North Augusta Community Center, N. Augusta, SC. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Recommendation Update, Historic Preservation Annual Report, the 2005 Budget Update and hear public comment. Those in attendance were:

### **CAB Members**

William Lawrence\*  
Meryl Alalof\*  
Murray Riley\*  
Wendell Lyon  
Bob Meisenheimer  
Perry Holcomb  
Mary Drye

### **Stakeholders**

Lee Poe  
Mike French  
Joe Ortaldo  
Rick McLeod  
Tracey Carroll  
Todd Crawford  
Walt Joseph  
Ranowul Jzar  
Larry Baratto  
Manuel Bennencourt

### **DOE/Contractors**

Jim Buice, DOE  
Steve Baker, DOE  
Denis Godbee, DOE  
George Mishrar, DOE  
Teresa Haas, WSRC  
Tom Feske, WSRC  
P. K. Hightower, WSRC  
Jim Moore, WSRC

\*Members of the WM Committee

\*\* Mel Galin, Carolyn Williams, Gloria Williams-Way and Bill Vogeles are members of the SLM Committee but were unable to attend..

William Lawrence, SLM Chair, welcomed those in attendance and asked them to introduce themselves.

### **Recommendation Update:**

William Lawrence recommended that CAB Recommendations 189, Performance Management Plan 2004, and 190, Risk Based End State Vision Document, be moved from Pending to Open status. With no comment from the committee, the recommended move was approved.

### **Historic Preservation Annual Update:**

Dennis Godbee, DOE, filling in for John Knox, DOE, reviewed the first Annual Historic Preservation Report. He proposed that the presentation be given to the CAB at the full Board meeting in March to satisfy the Programmatic Agreement (PA).

The Annual Report was completed in October and describes the 2004 activities per the PA. The period covered is from October 1, 2003 to September 30, 2004.

The National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) requires all Federal agencies to consider the impacts to historic properties. The regulations applicable are the National Register of Historic Places (36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 63), Determination of Eligibility for Inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (36 CFR Part 63), and The Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (36 CFR Part 68).

DOE has been consulting with the South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) on the NHPA. SHPO is the implementing agency for NHPA in South Carolina. The site was inventoried and 732 facilities were constructed between 1950 and 1989. Two hundred and thirty-three SRS structures were considered historic. Eleven of these properties were individually eligible. They are: C-, K-, L-, P-, and R-Reactor, F-Canyon, H-Canyon, Savannah River National Laboratory Main Technical Laboratory, Physics Laboratory (777-10A), Mockup Building (717-F), and Chemical Semiworks Building (678-T).

The PA requires a Cultural Resources Management Plan (CRMP) that was developed and completed on December 9, 2004. Mr. Godbee identified the consulting parties that signed the PA and reviewed and signed the CRMP. Some of the goals completed were an Artifact Selection Team was established to recommend ways of Cold War artifact identification, retrieval and preservation. A website was developed to provide information on the progress. The website address is [http://sro.srs.gov/hist\\_prsvn/hp\\_main.html](http://sro.srs.gov/hist_prsvn/hp_main.html). A second team was established to focus on SRS Cold War Heritage tourism. Reactor buildings and support buildings in C-Area were removed from the SRS Decommissioning Schedule. Lee Poe requested that the SRS Cold War Heritage Tourism Team be advertised so the public knows that it exists, its function and that it is open to the public. William Lawrence said they would inform the SLM Committee.

In the area of curation, all of the small and medium sized artifacts were moved to 105-C as well as the artifacts previously stored in 777-10A, 707-C, and 777-18A. While 105-C does not meet 100 percent of the humidity controlled requirements, this building is far and above better than the previous environments in which they were stored. The site is in the process of determining what would be required to meet the requirements.

Mr. Godbee reviewed the many activities taking place to complete the field work on the mitigation activities. While much work has been done, the curation effort is more complex than originally anticipated. Areas of improvement include clearly defined process and durations for historical activities integrated into the deactivation and decommissioning process and solve the facility climate and temperature controlled deficiency.

It had been suggested during the meeting that a CAB recommendation be forthcoming. The recommendation would request that the information that SRS has sent to SHPO on the historical buildings be included in the reading rooms, that the facilities designated for curation activities be modified to meet the climate and temperature control requirements, and that the CAB support the on-going effort. No action was taken at this time

#### **2005 Budget Update:**

Jim Buice, DOE Budget Director, reviewed the site Environmental Management (EM) budget. While we are four and one-half months into the year, the budget was just appropriated by

Congress in December. During that time, the site couldn't start new projects. However, there were no new projects in EM so there was virtually no affect in the EM work scope.

The EM work scope is divided into about 11 projects, called Project Baseline Summaries (PBSs). These projects can be easily divided into projects by CAB committees, for example, the CAB Waste Management Committee would have projects SR-0013 and SR-0014C. Mr. Buice then reviewed the work scope of each of the PBSs. In addition, he presented the life-cycle end state/end dates on each PBS noting that by 2025, the EM clean-up would be complete. To monitor the actual work against the projected target, Mr. Buice reviewed the performance measures used by the site. These are called the Gold Metrics.

For fiscal year 2005, the total budget is \$1.461 million. This includes \$160.2 million for the Waste-Incidental-to-Processing (WIR) related activities specifically identified by Congressional Legislation. The 2005 authorized budget is \$60 million less than requested. \$26 million of this shortage will be for the Salt Waste Processing Facility. This money couldn't have been spent in 2005 anyway so that takes the actual shortage to \$34 million. The site will work to determine what scope of work will be affected by the shortage. Mr. Buice mentioned that regulatory milestones would be met.

The 2005 budget request supports processing 250 containers of high-level waste for disposition, dispositioning 840 cubic meters of Transuranic (TRU) waste, disposing of 10,364 cubic meters of low-level/low-level mixed waste, remediation three contaminated waste sites and deactivation and decommissioning of 20 excess facilities.

**Public Comment:**

Lee Poe asked about the objective of the SLM Committee. He stated that he felt there were two areas of concern that the committee should be more involved in, they were the strategic planning area and long-term stewardship. He was concerned on the strategic level about the closure of an area and what is being left behind. On the long-term stewardship aspect, he felt that the SRS public should be playing a role in how the site was going to be closed in 2025. Mr. Poe felt that other DOE sites that are closing are setting president on the closure without input from the SRS public.

Ranowel Jean expressed her concern that in working with elementary schools they need to know where to go to get input in the future on the condition of the land and where you can or can't build public schools.

**Action Item:**

The following are the action items from the meeting:

- Dennis Godbee requested to be placed on the March CAB agenda to present the Historic Preservation Annual Report. The Programmatic Agreement states that DOE will give a presentation to the CAB on the Report. - Jim Moore/Dennis Godbee
- Lee Poe requested that the SRS Cold War Heritage Tourism Team be advertised so the public knows that it exists, the function and that it is open to the public. William Lawrence said they would inform the SLM Committee.