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Umiat Landfill Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) Partnering Workshop

On 21 and 22 August 2024, representatives from the following organizations met to increase trust and collaboration between all involved stakeholders to facilitate the environmental investigation and response at Umiat Landfill Formerly Used Defense Site:

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC)
- Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF)
- Community Representatives from Utqiagvik, The North Slope Borough, The Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope, Kuukpik, and Arctic Slope Regional Corporation
- Project Contractors: Paragon Central Joint Venture, Jacobs, and Galen Driscoll

In the two-day partnering workshop, attendees conducted the following activities: (1) assessed existing partnering team membership and evaluated potential membership additions; (2) assessed future project partnering actions based on project risk assessments; (3) drafted a partnering charter to reinforce stakeholder commitments to the partnering team's mutual goals; (4) drafted a partnering team communication plan; (5) drafted a partnering team risk management plan; (6) drafted a partnering team issue resolution plan; (7) drafted a partnering maintenance plan; and (8) discussed possible additional partnering workshops and public involvement planning. Attendees also participated in team building sessions to increase trust and collaboration.

Partnering team members committed to quarterly communication to provide pertinent project updates and continue strengthening relationships which are vital to the success of the Umiat Landfill FUDS project.

For more information on this meeting or the Umiat FUDS project, please contact Aaron Acena at (907) 753-5568 or by email at Aaron.Acena@usace.army.mil, or the USACE Public Affairs Office by email at Public.Affairs3@usace.army.mil