

Meeting Minutes
Umiat Landfill Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS)
F10AK0243-08
Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) – Virtual Meeting
15 November 2023

1. Attendees

Aaron Acena, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) – Alaska District
Rena Flint, USACE – Alaska District
Sean O'Donnell, USACE – Alaska District
Melissa Scully, USACE – Alaska District
Stan Wharry, USACE – Alaska District
Melody Debenham, Bureau of Land Management
Sam Myers, Aviation Leasing, State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF)
Diana Osborn, ADOT&PF
Kyrstyn Kelly, Alaska Department of Natural Resources (ADNR)
Alyssa Millard, ADNR
Kelly Walker, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC)
Andy Mack, Kuukpik Corporation
Richard Reich, Kuukpik Corporation Board
Joe Barron, Ukpeaġvik Iñupiat Corporation Oil & Gas
Erik Kenning, Arctic Slope Regional Corporation
Doreen Leavitt, Iñupiat Community of the Arctic Slope
Laura Christ, Galen Driscoll
Tim Silenus, Galen Driscoll
Phillip Stallings, Paragon Professional Services
Bryan Lund, private citizen
Rosemary Ahtuanguaruak*, RAB Member
Tara Bellion, AECOM
Arika Mercer, AECOM
Tasha Michael, AECOM

*Ms. Ahtuanguaruak appeared to attend via the AI Reader program but did not introduce themselves nor participate in another capacity.

2. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Tasha Michael, AECOM, at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Michael stated that the purpose of the meeting is to provide an update on the Umiat Landfill since the last meeting held in February 2023.

a. Invocation

Ms. Michael provided the invocation in English.

b. Safety Moment

Ms. Michael provided the safety moment topic on the current snowstorms that had occurred in Anchorage and to be mindful of the road conditions when driving or out walking. She also reminded attendees to look for others walking and to reduce speeds if necessary.

c. Meeting Goals and Objectives

Ms. Michael introduced herself as the AECOM meeting facilitator and Mr. Aaron Acena, USACE, as the USACE project manager and invited other attendees to introduce themselves and to provide the organization that they are representing or affiliated with.

Ms. Michael summarized meeting goals and objectives were to hear all concerns and comments from stakeholders and governing agencies.

d. Introductions

Ms. Michael facilitated the introduction of all virtual and phone attendees.

Mr. Acena introduced himself and his role as the Umiat FUDS project manager for USACE.

Mr. Acena began the presentation by discussing the topics presented in the PowerPoint presentation which was visible to all Teams meeting attendees. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 1.

3. February 2023 Meeting Action Items Review (Slide 3)

Mr. Acena stated that there were action items from February 2023 to summarize:

- During the February 2023 meeting, Mr. Richard Reich, Kuukpik Corporation Board, requested to be added to the stakeholder list. Mr. Reich was present at the meeting and had been added to the list.
- The second item was for USACE to distribute the grant program information for the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act Contaminated Lands Program. Mr. Acena added that the program is currently being run by Kenneth Andraschko with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

- The third action was that community members encouraged USACE to give examples of best practices to implement into the remedy planning. Ms. Michael stated in the previous February meeting Mr. Reich from Kuukpik Corporation had suggestions on best practices and asked him to share.

Mr. Reich noted that the oil industry has been in Kuukpik Corporation's backyard for over 40 years and stated community members were voicing their concerns about impacts to subsistence. He stated there was a level of expectation of engagement and consultation communication with the community. He stated the community wanted to be informed of what industry is doing in and around their land, key points being who used the land and who continues to use the land in and around Umiat. Mr. Reich stated there was a trilateral committee comprised of members from the City of Nuiqsut, the Native Village of Nuiqsut and Kuukpik Corporation. He added that communicating with the trilateral committee would be beneficial but that it would still be important to reach out to others in each community to see what resources they have.

Mr. Andy Mack, Kuukpik Corporation, added that the Native Village of Nuiqsut has been open to outside groups traveling to give short presentations at their monthly meetings and encouraged USACE to utilize those meetings.

Mr. Acena thanked Mr. Mack for his input and added they were planning on doing an in-person meeting for the next Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting. He asked if he had any suggestions on the best way to interface with people, if there was a community contact to work with. Mr. Reich stated in-person communication and meetings are ideal with person-to-person contact being best. He added people don't speak out as much in virtual meetings.

4. RAB Formalization (Slide 4)

Mr. Acena explained the purpose and intent of a RAB. He asked if residents in the communities had a desire to move into a more formal RAB with a community co-chair and bring in more people. He added they could keep it as an informal RAB but a formal RAB would allow more input from community members. He added that many of the RAB members were federal or state stakeholders and landowners and that he would like more local community participation.

Mr. Reich acknowledged the benefit of a formal RAB, and that having a local co-chair could add more community engagement but stated it could be demanding regarding time. He suggested presenting project information to the trilateral committee at their next meeting. This could include how to best address the community on the project. Mr. Reich stated Kuukpik has resources in the community, and it would be good for USACE to inform local stakeholders of employment opportunities.

Mr. Erik Kenning, Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, concurred with Mr. Reich that in person meetings were helpful in terms of engaging the community members and stated that working toward formalizing the RAB would be helpful.

ACTION ITEM: AECOM to follow up with City of Nuiqsut to find out when the next trilateral committee meeting would be to perhaps share information or updates on Umiat.

5. Umiat Landfill Update (Slides 5 and 6)

Mr. Acena provided an update on the Umiat Landfill, the annual site inspection and stated they awarded a contract for the remedial design phase. He added that the first task would be to conduct the remedial design investigation. This will include surveying the area, investigation work, test pitting and installing thermistors and monitoring wells and taking samples. He stated the work plan was in development. He further stated USACE had regulatory coordination meetings with landowners and would continue coordinating with other stakeholders but stated removal work would likely not begin until 2027.

Mr. Reich asked if there was a tentative project schedule. Mr. Acena replied that they were only at the remedial design phase and explained the remedial design process (Slide 6). He stated the main purpose is to determine if they can dig in the summer or if they need to remove it all in the winter. One main concern would be if they started digging in the summer and there was a major rain event if they would be able to mitigate the risk. Another concern was logistics and determining the infrastructure necessary to complete the work.

Mr. Reich stated a concern that once USACE begins to excavate the landfill they would be exposing chemicals and hazards to the environment. He stated there would be a lot of sensitivity to the possibility of anything draining into the Colville River. He recommended starting consultation as soon as possible.

Mr. Reich also noted collaboration between the oil industry and communities using winter access trails and ice roads. He suggested working with communities when transporting equipment for field work. Mr. Reich stated that working with the community regarding gravel could help to minimize impacts to the greatest extent.

Mr. Acena thanked Mr. Reich and stated they would need minimal equipment for the investigation but would likely spend several years preparing for field work. He told Mr. Reich that USACE was open to collaboration and minimizing impacts.

Mr. Kenning shared there were liability concerns that occurred in previous years when multiple entities discussed sharing trails. This resulted in parallel trails sharing stream/river crossings. Mr. Acena thanked him for his input.

6. Break

7. Partnering April 2024 (Purpose, Attendees, Logistical Planning) (Slide 8)

Mr. Acena described the Partnering purpose and process. He stated the goal was to have a partnering meeting in either February, March, or April located in Fairbanks,

Alaska. He added that through the RAB, USACE was hoping to identify community partners to invite to the meeting. He stated USACE has committed to paying for community representatives from Nuiqsut, Anaktuvuk Pass, and Utqiagvik to attend.

Mr. Reich asked how many representatives from each community they were looking for five from each community of Nuiqsut, Anaktuvuk Pass, and Utqiagvik. Mr. Acena replied they have five total representatives scoped but there may be some flexibility.

Mr. Kenning requested Arctic Slope Regional Corporation be added to the attendee list as they were a nearby landowner and that he would forward some community contacts from Anaktuvuk Pass. Mr. Acena thanked him for the feedback and contacts.

Ms. Alyssa Millard, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, requested to be kept in the loop with reports and the design process.

Mr. Acena suggested finalizing a list of Partnering participants at the next RAB meeting.

Ms. Doreen Leavitt, Iñupiat Community of the Arctic Slope, added that she would be happy to solicit names from Anaktuvuk Pass, Nuiqsut, and from within the Iñupiat Community of the Arctic Slope council.

ACTION ITEM: Mr. Acena to reach out to Mr. Kenning, Mr. Reich, and Ms. Leavitt to coordinate potential Partnering Meeting participants from the community.

Ms. Michael added that in February, there is a feast that the whole community of North Slope attends, the Messenger Feast. She asked Ms. Leavitt if she knew of any plans of holding another one in 2024. Ms. Leavitt noted she thought they may skip the coming year but would find out.

Mr. Acena stated next steps would be to correspond with communities and start a list of who they recommend for partnering.

8. Communication Planning (Slide 9)

Mr. Acena reiterated that community input is needed.

Mr. Reich suggested checking schedules and agendas for monthly meetings in communities and to reach out to leadership as much as possible to keep them informed between RAB meetings.

Mr. Acena asked Mr. Reich if the trilateral committee meetings had a hybrid option and Mr. Reich replied people could participate via phone.

9. Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (Slide 10)

Mr. Acena presented a slide (Slide 10) with contact information for ADEC for further information on test wells and historic data on the site. He added they can always report

found debris, fuel spills, or drums to ADEC. Ms. Kelly Walker, ADEC, introduced herself and noted she was available to hear any questions or concerns.

10. Local Updates/Public Comments (Slide 11)

Mr. Kenning gave an update on what the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation had been doing on lands near Umiat. He stated they have been identifying barrels and sites to clean up utilizing different funding sources. Mr. Acena asked if the location was near the Gubik wells. Mr. Kenning stated yes it was on Arctic Slope Regional Corporation properties.

Mr. Reich asked if there was a project website with previous presentations or meeting minutes. Mr. Acena replied no and that the best way to get caught up was to reach out to him. Ms. Melissa Scully, USACE, provided the link to the USACE website that has been updated with meeting minutes and agendas from the last two meetings. (<https://www.poa.usace.army.mil/Library/Reports-and-Studies/>). She added that Mr. Acena could provide minutes earlier than the last few years, if needed.

ACTION ITEM: Mr. Acena to reach out to Mr. Reich about previous RAB meeting minutes and summaries.

11. Review Next Meeting Dates/Identify Next Steps

a. Next RAB Meeting (Slide 12)

Discussion on dates for the next RAB meeting ensued. Mr. Acena stated they will focus on the middle to late half of February and will distribute possible dates soon.

b. Next Steps/Action Item Review

Ms. Michael reviewed the three action items (Attachment 2).

12. Contact Information (Slide 13)

In addition to the contacts provided on the slide, Mr. Acena also provided contact information for Mr. Sean O'Donnell, USACE Tribal Liaison, 907-753-5582, Sean.M.ODonnell@usace.army.mil.

The meeting concluded at 7:19 p.m.

ATTACHMENT 1

USACE MATERIALS – NOVEMBER 2023



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Phone Conference ID: 939 881 24#

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<https://tinyurl.com/Umiat-RAB-Meeting>

Meeting ID: 244 645 457 821

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VIDEO CONFERENCE:

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This meeting will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams on:

Wednesday, November 15, 2023
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. AKST

For more information, contact:

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Public Affairs Office | Public.Affairs3@usace.army.mil

Printed meeting materials can be picked up at city offices of Utqiagvik, Nuiqsut and Anaktuvuk Pass in advance of this meeting. If you need technical assistance to connect to the meeting please reach out to Tasha Edwards Michael at (907) 903-6699.

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Umiat FUDS Restoration Advisory Board Meeting



US Army Corps
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**Wednesday, November 15, 2023
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

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FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES



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Meeting materials from the February 7, 2023, Umiat Restoration Advisory Board meeting are available under Environmental Cleanup at <https://www.poa.usace.army.mil/Library/Reports-and-Studies>.

Contact Us!

For more information on this meeting or Umiat FUDS projects, please contact Aaron Acena, Umiat FUDS Project Manager at Aaron.Acena@usace.army.mil or call (907) 753-5568. USACE welcomes and encourages public feedback and involvement on all FUDS projects.

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Virtual Meeting Notice

**Date: Wednesday,
November 15, 2023**



**Meeting Time:
5:30 p.m. to
7:30 p.m.**



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What Is FUDS

The FUDS program began in the mid-1980s to remediate real property that was under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Defense and owned by, leased by, or otherwise possessed by the United States and transferred from the Department of Defense (DoD) control prior to 17 October 1986.

Through the FUDS program, the USACE, acting in accordance with the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), investigates and remediates military contamination that occurred during DoD use and before properties were transferred to other owners. More than 10,000 FUDS eligible properties have been identified nationwide, including 533 in Alaska. No hazards were found on approximately 395 Alaska properties, which is about 74 percent. More than half of the 138 remaining properties have been successfully remediated.

Umiat Air Force Station

The former Umiat Air Force Station (FUDS No. F10AK0243) is located on the banks of the Colville River approximately 105 miles southwest of Deadhorse, 170 miles southeast of Utqiagvik, 65 miles southwest of Nuiqsut, and 86 miles north of Anaktuvuk Pass. This property was used as a logistics site for development of Air Force facilities along the northern coast of Alaska.

Umiat Dump

Records indicate that the dump was created during a 1973 site-wide demolition and cleanup effort in which 409 tons of discarded equipment and scrap metal, as well as approximately 86,600 crushed drums, were reportedly buried in stable areas of the floodplain. Based on geophysical surveys, the depth of the buried debris ranges from 4 to 17 feet below ground surface, with an average depth of 14.5 feet. The volume of debris is approximately 100,000 cubic yards.

USACE has conducted annual site inspections since 2011 to visually inspect the dump for signs of recently exposed potentially hazardous waste sources such as transformers or batteries. Lead battery components were observed and removed in 2014, 2016, and 2020. No other potential hazardous waste sources have been observed during the annual site inspections.



The former terminal of the Umiat airport (2022).



Aerial view of Umiat dump at flood stage (2011).



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USACE conducted Remedial Investigations from 1998 through 2017 and released a Proposed Plan for public comment between 12 February and 23 April 2018. All stakeholders, landowners, and affected members of the public had the opportunity to comment and influence the remedy. The community provided feedback for USACE to modify the remedy. USACE prepared a Record of Decision for the selected remedy. The final remedy involves removal of the dump contents from the Colville River floodplain, with inert debris being placed into a monofill, offsite disposal of hazardous substances, and onsite treatment of contaminated soils.



Aerial view of Umat southwest of the main gravel pad area. Drums pictured were later relocated to dump location (1963).

Excavated soil that is contaminated may be treated onsite if feasible, using methods such as thermal treatment, landfarming, or stabilization. Treated soil that meets criteria may be used at the monofil for road maintenance or at the handling pad. If onsite treatment is not feasible, contaminated soil will be transported offsite for disposal.

The Record of Decision was signed by Headquarters, USACE on 27 September 2019. The project is now funded for the design phase to support the planning and subsequent implementation of the remedy. Once a design has been completed, remediation work will require multiple years to complete based on the project magnitude and seasonal limitations. USACE will continue annual visual inspections of the dump for signs of exposed potentially hazardous waste sources.

Meet the Team!

In June, the Umat Air Force Station FUDS Project Delivery Team (PDT) successfully awarded a single-award task order contract to Paragon Central JV, LLC. to begin remedial design activities for one of the largest FUDS projects in the nation. The remedial design phase is expected to last 2 to 3 years.

In August, the Contractor, Paragon Central JV, LLC, coordinated and conducted a site visit and a pre-design survey. The site visit was an opportunity for the team to discuss remedial approach considerations with boots on the ground, visit key project locations including the



Participants of the August 2023 site visit on top of the ridge overlooking the Umat airstrip and Colville River. The team hiked up to visit the proposed monofill locations and access routes.



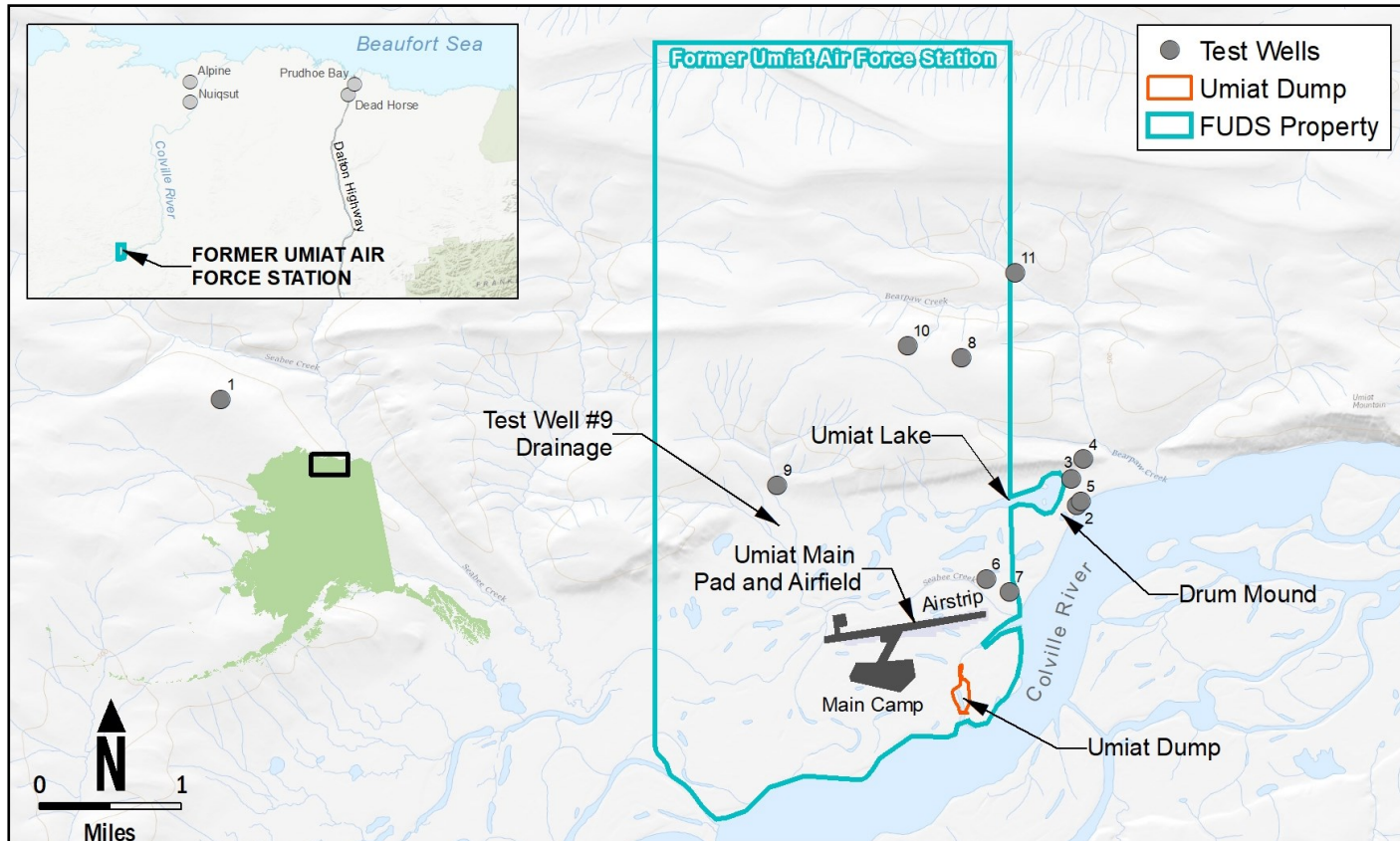
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Umiat Dump, the seasonal channel, three proposed monofill locations and access routes to the proposed monofill locations, the proposed borrow area, the proposed handling pad, and any necessary temporary access route locations.

The purpose of the survey was to establish survey controls, confirm site boundaries, and collect photographs to document site conditions to aid in planning. USACE, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, and Bureau of Land Management representatives attended the site visit. USACE also conducted their annual inspection of the Umiat Dump. No potential hazardous waste sources were observed during the annual site inspection.



The Paragon Central JV, LLC, team at the Umiat Dump Site in August 2023 from left to right: Bryan Cherry (Paragon Central JV Quality Control Manager), Doug Stocker (Paragon Central JV Site Safety Health Officer), Cory Hinds (Jacobs Landfill Engineer), Doug Holland (Paragon Central JV Site Supervisor/Erosion/Sed Control Lead), Phillip Stallings (Paragon Central JV Project Manager), and John Calanni (Jacobs Design Project Manager).



Location of the former Umiat Air Force Station

To: Umiat Stakeholder Email List and Umiat FUDS Restoration Advisory Board Members

Cc: USACE Project Delivery Team

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UMIAT FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITE (FUDS) RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB) MEETING

Aaron Acena
Project Manager
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District
15 November 2023



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MEETING AGENDA



- Welcome and Introductions
 - Invocation
 - Safety Moment
 - Roll Call/Quorum
- February 2023 Meeting Action Items Review
 - Best Practices
- RAB Formalization
- Umiat Dump Update
 - Remedial Design Timeline
- Partnering
- Communication Plan
- Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
- Local Updates/Public Comment
- Review Next Meeting Dates/Identify Next Steps
- Closing Remarks



FEBRUARY 2023 ACTION ITEMS REVIEW



- Add Mr. Richard Reich to stakeholder list
- USACE distribute contact info for grant program for ANSCA conveyed contaminated lands.
 - Ken Andraschko (andraschko.kenneth@epa.gov), 907-271-5079, ANCSA Program Coordinator
- Community Members encouraged USACE to include best practices into remedy implementation planning.
 - What practices should we focus on?
 - Who should we talk to?
 - What are the things we will do during the remedy which cause the most concern to the community?



RAB FORMALIZATION



- Informal vs Formal RAB Formalization
- Formal RAB
 - Formal needs consistent RAB membership/participation
 - Nominate RAB Co-chair
 - RAB needs to draft a mission statement and charter
- Informal RAB/Public Meetings
 - RAB membership will still be solicited
 - No charter/mission statement
 - Minimal membership participation
 - USACE will keep the same commitment in # of meetings, open lines of communication and soliciting community feedback.



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UMIAT DUMP UPDATE



- Annual Dump Site inspection conducted Aug 2023
- **Remedial design** phase underway
- Awarded contract to Remedial Design/Removal Contractor (July 2023)
 - Awarded to Paragon-Central JV
 - Conduct surveys/investigations/data gathering
 - Design and designate monofill location
 - On-site remediation planning
 - Site operations analysis
 - Value Engineering
- Regulatory/landowner coordination meetings
- Remedy Implementation/Construction estimated start 2027



UMIAT DUMP REMEDIAL DESIGN TIMELINE

Remedial Design - 06/2023-10/2026

- Restoration Advisory Board Meetings
- Partnering Workshop FY24
- Remedial Design Investigation
- Remedial Design Reporting



Remedial Design Investigation - 06/2023-10/2026

- Field Work 07/2024-04/2025
- Reporting 04/2025-01/2026



Remedial Design - Specs and Reports

- 60% RD and Draft Final Fast-Tracked Features 04/2025-12/2025
- 90% Design 11/2023-05/2026
- Value Engineering 01/2024 - 01/2025
- Final Design Report 05/2026





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PARTNERING APRIL 2024



- Purpose
 - Commitment, collaboration and communication
- Attendees
 - USACE
 - Federal and State stakeholders
 - BLM
 - AK DOT
 - ADEC
 - Community Representatives (5)
 - Nuiqsut
 - Anaktuvuk Pass
 - Utqiagvik
 - Other?
 - Contractors
- Logistical Planning



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COMMUNICATION PLANNING



- Methods to communicate with community/stakeholders
 - In-Person Annual Meetings w/ virtual option
 - ✓ Email meeting announcement (a month before meeting)
 - ✓ Email Meeting reminder with agenda and slides (a week before meeting)
 - ✓ Meeting announcement in Newspaper (Arctic Sounder)
 - ✓ Electronic Newsletters
 - ✓ Phone calls
 - Virtual Meetings
- Other ideas for communicating?

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation

- Umiat Air Force Station Project Manager:
 - Kelly Walker: kelly.walker@alaska.gov; (907) 451-2166
 - Available to answer questions or discuss overall site issues Monday thru Friday during regular business hours
 - Additional Information regarding Umiat:
 - <https://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/PublicMVC/CSP/SiteReport/773>
- Notification of contamination outside of Umiat:
 - Contact Prevention, Preparedness, and Response Unit
 - ReportSpills.alaska.gov
 - Call 1-800-478-9300
 - Contact Kelly Walker
- Examples of situations to report:
 - Buried debris (drums, batteries, old fuel cannisters)
 - Oily sheen in water
 - Fuel spills





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LOCAL UPDATES/PUBLIC COMMENT





NEXT MEETING DATE



FEBRUARY

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MARCH

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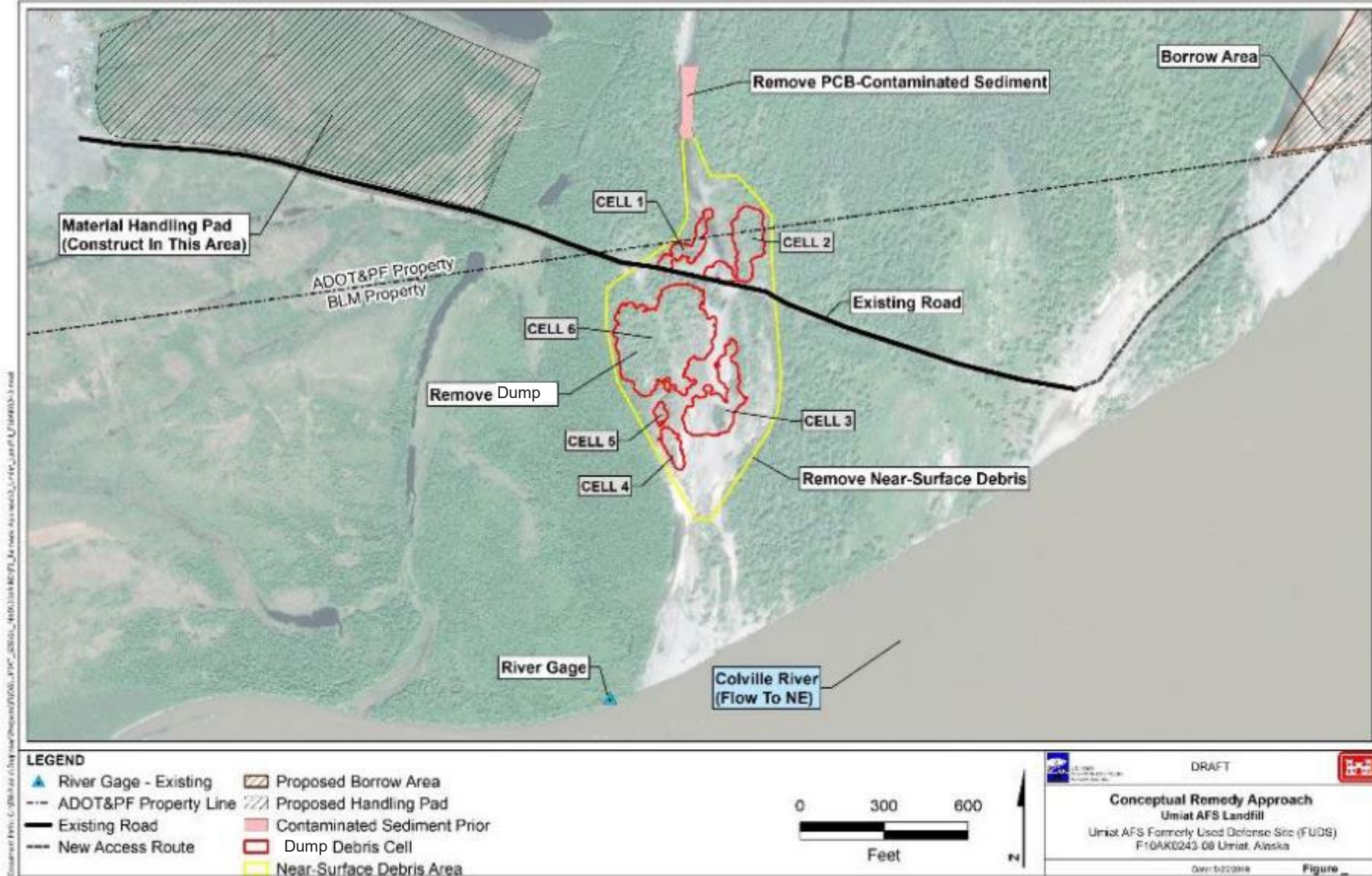


SUPPLEMENTAL SLIDES



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DUMP SITE MAP





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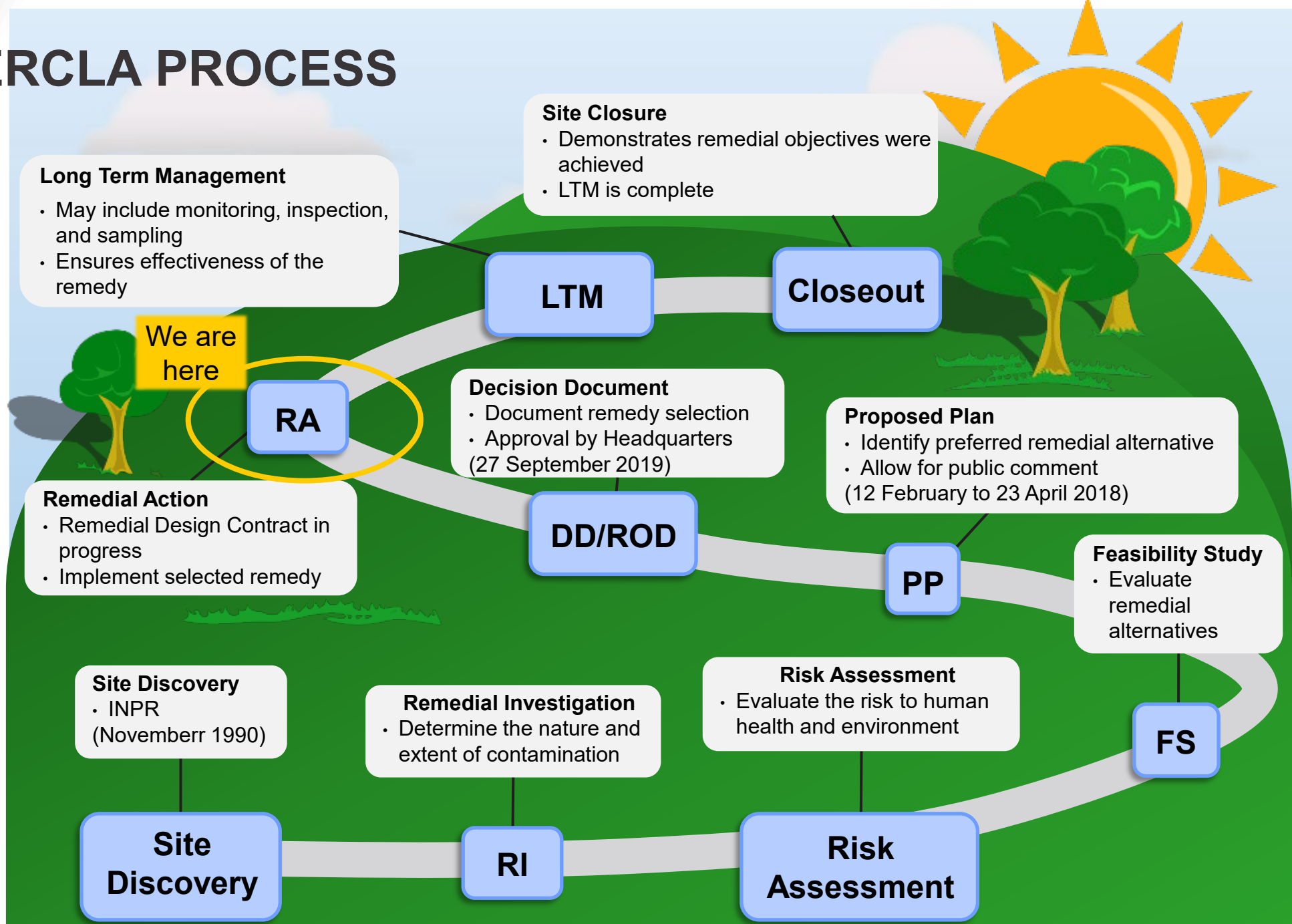
UMIAT DUMP SITE



Approximate Location Looking North (June 2019)



CERCLA PROCESS





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UMIAT SELECTED REMEDY

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- **Removal** of the dump contents from the Colville River floodplain
- **Separate** excavated material into waste streams
- Place inert debris into a newly created **monofill**
- **Offsite disposal** of hazardous substances
- **Onsite treatment** of contaminated soils, e.g., thermal treatment, landfarming, or stabilization
- **Treated soils** that meet cleanup levels may be used at the monofill, for road maintenance, or at the handling pad



CHANGES FROM PROPOSED PLAN



- Only **inert debris** to be placed into monofill
- **Onsite treatment** of contaminated soils, if feasible, using thermal treatment, landfarming, or stabilization
- **Treated soils** that meet cleanup levels may be used at the monofill, road maintenance, or at the handling pad
- Hazardous waste and contaminated soil (unable to be treated onsite) will be transported offsite for disposal
- Additional project implementation details to be addressed during **design phase**

ATTACHMENT 2

MEETING ACTION ITEMS

Meeting Action Items
Umiat Landfill Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS)
Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) – Virtual Meeting
15 November 2023

ACTION ITEM: AECOM to follow up with City of Nuiqsut to find out when the next trilateral meeting would be to perhaps share information or updates on Umiat.

ACTION ITEM: Mr. Acena to reach out to Mr. Kenning, Mr. Reich and Ms. Leavitt to coordinate potential Partnering Meeting participants from the community.

ACTION ITEM: Mr. Acena to reach out to Mr. Richard Reich about previous RAB meeting minutes and summaries.