

MOAB TAILINGS PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE

Quarterly Meeting

Anchor Location: County Commission Chambers 125 East Center Street, Moab, UT 84532

Held virtually on Zoom

MTPSC MINUTES

Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at 3:00PM (MST)

A. CALL TO ORDER

The October 25, 2022 quarterly meeting of the Moab Tailings Project Steering Committee was called to order at 3:03pm. The following committee members were in attendance:

Mary McGann (Grand County Commission), Kelly Thorton (Department of Workforce Service), Rani Derasary (City of Moab), Dana Van Horn (Grand Water & Sewer Service Agency), Jenna Gorney (Grand County Planning and Zoning Department), August Granath (Grand County Community and Economic Development), Noelle Gignoux (Grand County Planning and Zoning Department). Due to technical issues, the remaining committee members in attendance could not be determined...

The following non-committee members were in attendance:

Ken Kisiel (North Wind Portage, Remedial Action Contract), Liz Moran (Pro2Serve, Technical Assistance Contract), Stephanie Lein (Pro2Serve, Technical Assistance Contract), Sasha Robertson (Department of Energy), Matt Udovitsch (Acting Federal Cleanup Director – DOE), Russ von Koch (Site Futures Committee), Lee Shenton (Citizen), and Jessica Thacker (Grand County UMTRA Liaison/Technical Inspector).

Per Resolution 3198 at least seven committee members were present to constitute a quorum.

B. INTRODUCTIONS

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Dana van Horn motioned to approve the minutes for the July 26, 2022. Kelly Thornton seconded. All in favor – motion passes.

D. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

No citizen comments were provided.

E. MOAB UMTRA PROJECT UPDATE

Matthew Udovitsch stated that within the week, the Project will have moved 13 million tons of tailings materials to the disposal cell in Crescent Junction and stated appreciated to the team and the stakeholders for their support. He stated that the Project hoped to move another million tons in 2023. Matthew Udovitsch stated that the RAC contract had been awarded to North Wind Portage and that they had been tasked with creating a closure scheduling plan, which was initiated in October. He stated that in 2023, the Project would begin uncovering the legacy Atlas Mill from the tailings pile and that the team would be working to remove these items efficiently and safely. Matthew Udovitsch stated that fourteen (14) autoclaves would also be removed with a singular autoclave being removed at the beginning of 2023 with the intention of gaining further understanding of the size of these items and how to safely transport them to the disposal cell. He stated that a more detailed update would be provided in the next MTPSC meeting. Mary McGann requested clarification on what an autoclave was and Matthew Udovitsch provided a brief explanation. Matthew Udovitsch stated that Christopher Pulskamp had been working on the 90% design for the evaporative-transpiration (ET) cover at the Crescent Junction disposal site and providing responses to comments received by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). He stated that the Groundwater Compliance Action Plan (GCAP) is

currently in development with hopeful approval in 2025. Liz Moran provided an update on the progress on the development of the GCAP with a 60% design due in the spring of 2023. She also stated that the Project was testing hydroxy apatite injection tests to remediate uranium at other sites along with other remediation techniques for groundwater. Liz Moran stated that the Project had been partnering with the National Laboratory Network to brainstorm groundwater remediation plan concepts with a short list provided in the beginning of 2023.

F. AIR MONITORING AND LIAISON ACTIVITIES STATUS UPDATES

Jessica Thacker provided a brief status update with specific focus on physical changes that had occurred at the Project. However, due to delays in air monitoring data processing, no slides were provided on the air monitoring network. The full status update can be found on the Grand County Moab UMTRA website or by email at jthacker@grandcountyyutah.net

G. SITE FUTURES COMMITTEE STATUS AND 2023 COMMUNITY VISION UPDATE

Russ von Koch stated that the Site Futures meeting was held on October 17, 2022 and had full attendance with great participation and support from the community. He stated that the 2013 and 2018 Community Visions Plans had been presented to provide an update to the community. Russ von Koch stated that development of the 2023 plan had begun with an Open House session planned for November 16, 2022 and the creation of a media outreach group. He expressed appreciation to the Grand Count Planning and Zoning department for their assistance in the development of this program via Grand County Connects. Russ von Koch provided a summary of the activities such as workstations, a survey, and presentations that would be available at the Open House. He stated that on November 9, 2022, he would be participating in the Las Colonias Park tour in Grand Junction, Colorado. Mary McGann expressed her appreciation to Russ von Koch for taking the lead on the Site Futures Committee.

H. STAKEHOLDERS UPDATE

August Granath expressed appreciation about being a part of the Site Futures Committee and the possibilities it can bring to the County.

I. FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

Mary McGann stated that during the next MTPSC meeting, she would provide an update from the Las Colonias Park tour held in Grand Junction, Colorado. She stated that lobbying efforts would begin in the last week of March in 2023 and a brief summary of the focus of their lobbying efforts. Lee Shenton requested clarification on the removal of sub-grade contaminated soils (aka sub-pile) and Matthew Udovitsch stated that the process had not begun and would not begin until the end of the Project. A brief discussion on the size of the autoclaves ensued.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Mary McGann adjourned the meeting at 3:38PM.