



**Environmental Management Budget
& Prioritization
Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 14, 2011, 4 p.m.**

Members Present

Norman Mulvenon
Bob Olson

Others Present

Pat Halsey, Department of Energy (DOE)
Spencer Gross, ORSSAB Support Office

Absent

Bob Hatcher
Jenny Freeman
Ron Murphree
Steve Stow

Ms. Halsey wanted members of the committee to review the process of making a recommendation to DOE Oak Ridge on its FY 2013 environmental management budget request. This was the first year that the Dynamic Planning Model (DPM) was available to chart various funding scenarios and how they affect cleanup schedules.

She wanted the committee to consider the use of the DPM and how it can best be used for making a recommendation on the FY 2014 budget request. She thought a workshop with all the federal project directors to explain their issues would be helpful in setting priorities for cleanup on the Oak Ridge Reservation. After the workshop she thought the board could do an exercise in setting priorities and making a recommendation for 2014.

Mr. Olson and Mr. Mulvenon noted that the three funding scenarios of \$450, \$550, and \$600 million all have the same end points of FY 2043 (Attachments 1,2, and 3). They thought with different funding levels the end points would be different. Mr. Olson also noted that the scenarios had a lot of peaks and valleys and wondered if work could be leveled out to keep employment steady. He wondered how cleanup priorities would affect the peaks and valleys.

Ms. Halsey also wondered why funding for base operations in later years go up. She thought base operation expenses should go down as cleanup progressed.

She said the board needs a clear understanding of what projects need to be done based on risk. She said the Consortium for Risk Evaluation with Stakeholder Participation was working on that and she thought perhaps the committee should meet with them to learn what they are doing.

Mr. Mulvenon thought the board should also learn how UCOR, the new cleanup contractor for DOE, plans to handle jobs.

Ms. Halsey came back to the idea of having a workshop of federal project directors explaining their projects. The workshop would include representatives of the regulators, the Consortium, and UCOR. She thought the September timeframe would be a good time to have the workshop.

Mr. Olson and Mr. Mulvenon thought the committee should have a better understanding of how the DPM works. They suggested having Tyson Ramsey, Pro2Serve, who developed the program, to talk to the committee to explain why the scenarios have the same end dates with different funding levels, and if it can be programmed to level out peaks and valleys. Mr. Olson said Dave Adler, the board's DOE liaison who first explained the DPM to the board, should be included in the meeting.

After the committee better understands how the DPM works then Mr. Olson and Mr. Mulvenon thought a workshop could be set up.

Ms. Halsey said she would talk with Mr. Adler and Mr. Ramsey about talking with the committee in more detail about the DPM and how it works.

Action items

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1. Ms. Halsey will talk with Mr. Adler and Mr. Ramsey about discussing the Dynamic Planning Model in more detail about how it works with the committee.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m. No next meeting time was established.

Attachments (3) are available through the ORSSAB support office.

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