

**WAIKOLOA MANUEVER AREA
RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB) MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2003
WAIKOLOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
WAIKOLOA, HAWAII**

1. Charles Streck, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and welcomed everyone.
2. Those in attendance included Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Government Co-Chair Charles Streck, Jr., U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu Engineer District (USACE-HED). RAB Board members present included: Wayne Awai, Pete Hoffmann, John Schick and Brandi Beaudet.

Consultants present included Clayton Sugimoto and Ty Hiraki of Wil Chee-Planning, Inc.

Other government interests included LTC Jerry Schmitz, Pohakuloa Training Area.

Interested community members present included John Schick representing Waikoloa Village Association.

3. Chuck Streck reported that a commitment from Washington for a significant amount of funding means there will be many activities coming soon.

Chuck Streck's powerpoint presentation begins.

The whole Waikoloa project encompasses over 123,000 acres. The Waikoloa area served as a training camp for 40,000 men during WWII. The site was used for artillery firing range and troop maneuvers. DoD activities terminated in June 1946. The purpose of this meeting is to inform the RAB and the public of project progress and planned activities. The agenda of this meeting includes:

- I. Review of completed and initiated project actions
- II. Discussion of institutional controls
- III. Discussion of ordnance safety construction support
- IV. Discussion of status of ordnance clearance contract
- V. Discussion of planned project activities, scheduling, and future meetings

A review of completed project actions:

- Preliminary Assessment – 1993
- Phase I Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) – 1997-1999. Done at the request of Parker Ranch in the late 90's on restricted areas of property. It was discovered that the problem was bigger than anticipated, which resulted in the second EE/CA.
- Phase II EE/CA – 1999-2002. Completed last January and covered the whole 123,000 acres.
- Time Critical Removal Action-2001. Emergency clearance of 300 acres after reports of children finding hand grenades.
- Phase III EE/CA – 2003-2005. Will probably be awarded during the next month. It will be assessing the whole area between Queen Kaahumanu and the ocean and also a strip between Kawaihae to Waimea. There were many property owners that did not give rights of entry during phase II. Phase III will be another opportunity for the property owners to have a chance to participate in the program.
- Ordnance Clearance Indefinite Quantity Contract (IDIQ) – 2002-2007. In December 2002, an IDIQ contract was awarded to American Technologies Inc. for a maximum of 50 million dollars over a 5 year period. This is the second highest funding for a Fuds program.

Status of Institutional Controls:

- Draft safety video completed. Shown later in this meeting.
- School activity book, magnets, and bookmarks in production. Discussions with area schools to be initiated.
- Posters and brochures in production. Samples shown at the meeting for public review and comment. They will be used at schools, libraries, shopping centers, police and fire departments, etc.
- Draft warning signs produced. Coordination with land owners to be completed. A sample was shown at the meeting for public review and comment. They are planned to be used in public access areas in Waikoloa and Waimea. They were purposely made to not look like official federal or state signage. The signs were made to inform the public without causing a panic.
- Display cases awaiting discussions/materials from Army EOD.

Status of construction support:

- Support completed at Waimea Middle School, 2002.
- Preconstruction investigations completed for Parker Ranch/Shuler Homes construction, Waimea, March 2003.

- Scheduled preconstruction survey for Waikoloa Village emergency access road, May 2003.
- Preconstruction site evaluation, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Lalamilo, June-July 2003. A historic preservation plan is required before starting evaluation.
- Ordnance escort support for USDA activities, 2002.
- Communication initiated with State Department of Transportation for proposed road corridors, Kawaihae-Waimea, and Mamaloa-Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway
- Consultation with Hawaii State Department of Education.
- Communication initiated with private developers for residential construction projects (primarily Waikoloa).

Draft safety video shown. It is a draft video and all comments for improvements are welcome. Chuck Streck is trying to negotiate funding for a 20 minute video about community briefing.

4. Eric Brundage (Donaldson Enterprises, Vice President) reporting on the level of work and what was found at Parker Ranch/Schuler Homes Project during construction support. Powerpoint presentation shown. This area is adjacent to Waimea Elementary School where the hand grenades were found.

The 60 acre parcel was divided into 100 foot by 100 foot grids for quality control and to simplify the geological surveys.

Geophysical locating uses various electromagnetic methods to find buried metallic objects:

- Mag and flag
- 4 person crew
- 208 grids surveyed
- 28 days to complete
- 39 grids w/ >50 anomalies

Anomaly Resolution:

- 2-3 person dig team
- 5746 Total anomalies
- Dug 3250 anomalies
- 4 live ordnance items
- 10 inert ordnance items
- Hundreds of small arms

Live UXO found:

- Two Mark II hand grenades found in adjacent grids
- One Japanese type 97 hand grenade found
- One unfired 20mm. high explosive projectile

Inert ordnance found:

- Five empty MKII
- Three 37mm. armor piercing projectiles
- One 75mm. artillery cartridge case

Metal scrap found:

- Over 30 horseshoes
- Rifle barrel assembly
- Bayonets
- Eating utensils (forks, knives, spoons, etc.)
- Tent guy wires

5. Chuck Streck:

They dug up 3,300 items and found 4 live ordnance. Although it is a very small percentage of live ordnance discovered, each live ordnance could kill someone. Even if only one live ordnance was found, it would still be deemed a successful project.

In March 2003, the contract was awarded to American Technologies Inc. as the prime contractors to perform the cleanup. They are now in the process of writing the work plans to begin the work. Chuck introduces Roger Van Huss of American Technologies, Inc.

6. Roger Van Huss speaking.

American Technologies, Inc. (ATI):

- Roger Van Huss, Pacific Rim Project Manager.
- Richard G. Wesner, Waikoloa Site Project Manager
- Wayne Evans, UXO Operations Manager

ATI subcontractors are all Hawaii based companies:

- Wil Chee - Planning, Inc.
- Donaldson Enterprises, Inc.
- G-tek
- Pre-Approved Subcontractors

American Technologies, Inc. (ATI), founded in 1990, is an award-winning Minority Owned, Small Business. The firm provides a complete compliment of environmental, engineering, remediation, facility management, Unexploded Ordnance / Ordnance and Explosives / Chemical Warfare Material (UXO / OE / CWM), and technical support services to major governmental and commercial clients throughout the U.S.

ATI's highly qualified staff is composed of more than 150 knowledgeable and experienced facility managers, engineers, scientists, UXO / OE / OEW specialists, and support personnel. Our UXO / OE / CWM personnel are registered at the U.S. Army Engineering Support Center in Huntsville, AL.

UXO / OE / CWM Services:

- With over 13 years of experience ATI offers a full range of unexploded ordnance / ordnance and explosives and Chemical Warfare Material (UXO / OE / CWM) services, from detection and identification, through removal and disposal.
- ATI is a major contributor to numerous full-scale site characterizations, risk assessments, remedial investigations, feasibility studies, remedial designs, engineering evaluations / Cost analysis (EE/CA) and corrective action management plans at sites throughout the US, US Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico.
- Our highly skilled staff has extensive training in the safe detection, removal, and recovery of UXO on over 55 UXO Removal Actions Projects.

Scope of work task requirements:

- Task 1. Initial site visit GPO test plots
- Task 2. Prepare OE removal action master work plan
- Task 3. Surveying, base mapping, GIS
- Task 4 & 5. Perform unexploded ordnance removal

Proposed project schedule:

The project will start on approximately December 1, 2003 and the first task will continue for approximately one year. There will be approximately 69 employees working on this project from ATI. They will not all be based in Hawaii at one time, but instead, they will come and work in Hawaii in shifts. There will be three ATI office locations working on this project, they are:

- 765 Amana St. Suite 400
Honolulu, HI 96814
- 68-1845 Waikoloa Road
Waikoloa, HI 96838

- 142 Fairbanks Road
Oak Ridge, TN 37803
Phone: (865) 481-4844
(865) 482-2400
FAX: (865) 481-4850

When ATI does a project in a community, they are very careful to prevent making a large disturbance in the project area. ATI would like to come in and finish the project without leaving a large footprint.

For this project, ATI will use Hawaii based subcontractors and Hawaii based residents as much as possible. The largest work force will be UXO technicians, which will be as large as approximately 30. Resumes have been received from some technicians on the Big Island and a conscious effort will be made to hire Hawaii residents.

7. Chuck Streck:

As part of the project, a very broad based GIS system will be set up and open to the public. The entire area will be made available to the public digitally. A report on the field work findings will also be readily accessible to anyone through the internet.

8. Question (Q) and Answers (A):

Q: What was the total amount of money and total amount of acreage?

A: *Chuck Streck: The 680 acres was for the first task order. With the IDIQ, there is a cap of how much can be awarded for each of the option years. There is a 5 year life and each year life of the contract has a 10 million dollar cap that can't be exceeded. Until that 10 million is reached, task orders are awarded until funding is satisfied. All the funding now is coming from the DERP-FUDS national program. There is a potential to attain funding from other programs. However, we are assured of the 10 million dollars for every year for the next 5 years.*

Q: Does that 10 million dollars for 5 years operate as a "use it or lose it" type of deal?

A: *Chuck Streck: Yes, it's military appropriations. The money doesn't have to be used by the contractor in one year but the money has to be awarded during the fiscal year that it has been appropriated for.*

Q: Does that mean you can award 10 million dollars of work, but it may not be done within that year?

A: *Chuck Streck: No. The actual work that is awarded is actually longer than that. The 5 years is funding years. The FUDS program is funded on an annual basis through Congress.*

Q: What is the time frame for the 5 tasks that was discussed?

A: *Tommy Hudson: Between November and December there is the development of the work plan, GIS, approvals from the DDSF. Those are the types of things we need to do for the project. Those things will carry over into delivery order 2, 3, and 4 for future years. We are doing the paper work between now and October and November and we will have 12 or 13 months period where we will actually be in the field doing the field work.*

Chuck Streck: 680 acres doesn't seem like a big area for 10 million dollars. The first task order includes many measures that has to be done to support the whole project. All the one time items are all wrapped into the first task order. The following task order will increase the amount of acreage covered. I have been assured, with the exception of something that drastically affects the entire national program, we are set for the next 4 years to receive another 10 million a year.

9. If there are any comments on the safety video shown today, please notify Chuck Streck today or later by email. The video will be reproduced in video cassette, digital format and cd. It will be made available to all schools, local institutions, community groups and anyone who request one. It can be used with construction groups in an orientation type atmosphere for new employees.

We need to speak with other RAB members to determine the next RAB meeting.

10. There being no further business, Chuck Streck adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.