

MOAB TAILINGS PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE

Quarterly Meeting

Anchor Location: Grand County Commission Chambers 125 E Center St, Moab, UT 84532

Held virtually on Zoom and Livestreamed on YouTube

MTPSC MINUTES

Tuesday, July 30, 2024 at 3:00PM (MST)

A. CALL TO ORDER

The July 30, 2024 quarterly meeting of the Moab Tailings Project Steering Committee was called to order at 3:04pm. The following committee members were in attendance:

Mary McGann (Grand County Commission), Cora Phillips (Grand County Office of Emergency Management), Joette Langianese (Grand County Resident Representative), Bryce Rogers (Grand County Planning and Zoning Department), Phil Goble (Utah Department of Environmental Quality), Kent Wilson (Representative from the Utah Senate District 26 State Senator's Office), Tony Mancuso (Department of Natural Resources), Matt McKetrick (Department of Natural Resources), Amy Tendick (National Park Service), and Larry Ellertson (Representative from the Utah 3rd Congressional District U.S. Senator's Office).

The following non-committee members were in attendance:

Barbara Michel (DOE), Liz Moran (Pro2Serve, Technical Assistance Contract), Michelle Shaffer (Pro2Serve, Technical Assistance Contract), Steve Rima (North Wind Portage, Remedial Action Contract), Thomas Bachtell (Pro2Serve, Technical Assistance Contract), Ken Kisiel (North Wind Portage, Remedial Action Contract), Shawn Hawkins (Pro2Serve, Technical Assistance Contract), Christopher Pulskamp (DOE), Kenny Schafer (DOE), Jim Ritchey (North Wind Portage, Remedial Action Contract), Ken Pill (DOE), Jessica O'Leary (North Wind Portage, Remedial Action Contract), 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 APRIL 23, 2024 MINUTES

MOTION: Joette Langianese motioned to approve the minutes for the April 23, 2024 meeting. Seconded by Tony Mancuso. All in favor – motion passes.

D. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

No comments were received.

E. STAKEHOLDER INQUIRIES & MOAB UMTRA RESPONSE

The Steering Committee was provided the opportunity to present questions to the DOE and were presented by Jessica Thacker. The questions and subsequent responses are as follows:

1. It was previously discussed that the project would file Floodplain Development Permits with the County to help with tracking and record keeping at the Federal level. Is this still in progress or has the plan for that tracking changed? *(As Provided by Bryce Rogers, Grand County Associate Planner)*
 - a. Ken Kisiel provided a response stating that until remediation had been completed, no floodplain development permits would be filed.

2. There is mapping and a CLOMR-F proposed (or ongoing) for adjacent properties to the east of the site. Has it been proposed to extend this work downstream to aid in mapping the entire developable river corridor? (As Provided by Bryce Rogers, Grand County Associate Planner)
 - a. Ken Kisiel stated in the negative and once completion and final grading level had been reached, a more in-depth response would be available.
3. Provide any information regarding what if any the June storms had on the projects process or any damage sustained and what mitigation/repairs have been completed or planned. (Bill Jackson, Grand County Roads Department)
 - a. Minor damage was encountered during these storm events. However, there were no disruptions to operations and expressed appreciation to Union Pacific for keeping the rail tracks cleared to avoid disruptions in tailings transportation. A brief discussion on hillside rock fall monitoring and situation that might trigger monitoring and inspections ensued. Cora Phillip requested information on the atmospheric monitoring data and if the DOE would be willing to share that information in order to more thoroughly develop weather pattern recognition and response for Grand County.

F. MOAB UMTRA PROJECT UPDATE

Christopher Pulskamp provided a detailed project update stating that Ike White had been re-assigned at the DOE and replaced by Candace Robertson and that a FOIA request for GIS information had been requested from the City of Moab. Joette Langianese and Mary McGann requested assistance in setting up a conversation between the stakeholders and Candace Robertson to discuss a continued relationship between the community and DOE. He stated that the Project was ahead of schedule in regards to tailings removal with approximately 15 million tons had been removed. Christopher Pulskamp stated that the Final Design had been submitted in January for the ET cover at the Crescent Junction site. He stated that the RAP (Remedial Action Plan) had to be revised to include the revised cover and submitted to the NRC as well. He stated that once approved, they could begin construction. A detailed discussion regarding the viability and appropriateness of an ET cover at the Crescent Junction ensued. Christopher Pulskamp briefly discussed the budget of the Project. Kenny Schafer stated that field work for the Final Status Survey via soil surveys and sampling began on July 15th with the goal of sampling approximately 1000 sites sampled by end of the fiscal year. Steve Rima provided a brief explanation of the soil surveying process. A discussion on how the sampling sites are selected ensued.

Lis Moran provided a project update in regards to groundwater sampling such as the development of the GCAP (Groundwater Compliance Action Plan) and stated they had partnered with the National Lab Network to identify data gaps and provided a timeline for the completion of these items. She stated that they had partnered with the Savannah Rivers National Lab to develop regulatory framework to increase transparency, develop remedial strategies, and implement cost-savings measurements. She stated that they were also working with headquarters to develop the End State Vision with the goal of completion by the end of the year and would keep the Committee informed of that progress.

G. PRESENTATION OF THE DOE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CONTINUED COMPLIANCE WITH GRAND COUNTY'S CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE MOAB UMTRA PROJECT

Mary McGann provided a brief explanation of the Annual Statement of Continued Compliance process to the Committee stakeholders.

H. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CONTINUED COMPLIANCE

MOTION: Joette Langianese motioned to approve the Annual Statement of Continued Compliance 2023-2024 and send to the Grand County Commission for consideration and approval. Seconded by Phil Goble. All in favor – motion passes.

I. AIR MONITORING AND LIAISON ACTIVITIES STATUS UPDATES

Jessica Thacker provided a detailed presentation regarding activities observed at the Project along with a summary of air monitoring data for both sites (Moab and Crescent Junction). She indicated that this presentation contained information that had been previously unavailable, specifically air monitoring data spanning 2Q23 to 4Q23, as well as an updated description regarding the technical inspection sites that she monitors. The status update can be found on the Grand County Moab UMTRA website or by email at jthacker@grandcountyutah.net

J. STAKEHOLDERS UPDATE-

No stakeholders update were provided.

K. FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

Mary McGann stated that a tour of Los Colonias had been scheduled and Barbara Michel had confirmed the tour date with time consideration provided to the individuals traveling.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Mary McGann adjourned the meeting at 4:18PM.