

Meeting Minutes
Special Restoration Advisory Board
St. Paul Island, Alaska
June 12, 2007

Attendees:

Phyllis Swetzof	City of St. Paul	non-RAB member
Faith Rukuvishnikoff	Tribal Government	non-RAB member
Phillip Zavadil	Tribal Government	RAB member
John Lindsay	NOAA	non-RAB member
Aquilina (Debbie) Lestenkof		at-large RAB member
Bernie Denno	NOAA	RAB co-chair
Laura Johnson	Booz Allen Hamilton	non-RAB member

Meeting Agenda:

Purpose of the meeting is to present for review and solicit public comments on the draft NOAA deliverables in compliance with the requirements of the Memorandum of Agreement with the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer. NOAA is required by the MOA to provide the final deliverables to them by September 2007. The two deliverables presented are the:

1. Interpretive, interactive historical information on St. Paul and St. George, Alaska presented in HTML format on DVD.
2. NOAA environmental restoration geographical information system (GIS) data base and additional custom built GIS attributes.

Ms. Johnson led the presentation regarding the HTML DVD. The DVD replicates the look and feel of a typical internet page. This format is well known and is very interactive allowing searches, links, etc. Key to this process, and to ensure accuracy of the final product, is the collection of additional footnotes and information regarding the included photographs, as well as the other information presented. Following an informative presentation by Ms. Johnson there were several positive comments from the attendees:

- Mr. Zavadil: This DVD is great - very well done!
- Ms. Swetzof: Awesome! Thanks to NOAA for creating such a great resource!

It was clear from the onset that the DVD (and GIS) contains a vast amount of information – too much for a short review. The attendees requested that Ms. Johnson provide them with a copy of the DVD to allow them to hold another Community meeting. This would allow them an entire day to review the information and comments would be collected and forwarded to NOAA for potential inclusion into the DVD. NOAA committed to sending copies of the DVD to the attendees ASAP via FedEx. Ms. Swetzof and Mr. Zavadil will coordinate the community meeting as soon as is possible.

A lot of discussion was focused on how other groups could use the DVD and GIS information/tools. It was discussed that it would be great if the school could use the information during normal curriculum – reports, projects, etc.

Ms. Johnson also led the GIS presentation involving the enormous amount of information collected and generated during the NOAA environmental remediation efforts for that past several years. The data is precise and provides a great deal of information that has several potential uses. Phylis commented that the City could use the “utilities” information. Also, the City has many property issues that could rely on the GIS to assist in decisions, etc. The City alone has many potential uses for the GIS information. The GIS data is something that the community can add on to well into the future. Mr. Zavadil has the software and knowledge to fully use the GIS information, his plan is to also train several of the local students and residents to use the software. This would provide the best chance that the community will benefit from the GIS information.

NOAA will await the community meeting for additional comments and input. Ms. Johnson will collect the information and modify the deliverables appropriately. NOAA will finalize the products and forward to AK SHPO in September 2007.

The meeting ended at 4:30 PM local time.

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