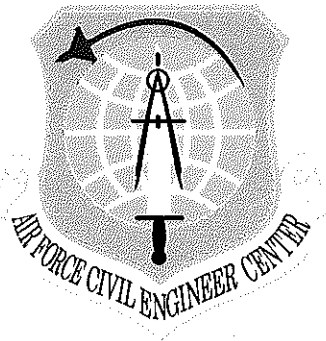


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Community Relations Plan Update Fairchild AFB RAB November 2018



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Overview

- Community Relations Requirements in CERCLA
- Purpose of Community Relations Plan (CRP)
- Elements of CRP
- Community Interviews
- Where to from here

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CERCLA Community Relations requirements

- **CERCLA requires the public be informed**
 - Fact sheets
 - Media releases
- **Public has input into decisions**
 - Technical Review Committee (RAB)
 - Public comment periods
 - Public meetings
- **Community Relations Plan**

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Community Relations Plan

- **Sets direction for community outreach and accomplishing CERCLA goals**
- **Ensures required community relations actions are accomplished**
- **Helps organizations know how to respond to different situations**
- **Profiles the community**
 - Demographics
 - Understand how people get information

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Elements of the CRP

- **Community Profile**
 - Site description/history
 - Demographic data (census data)
- **Chronology of community involvement**
- **Community interviews**
- **Community Concerns**
- **Community Outreach Plan**
 - Developed from all of the above elements of the plan
 - Specific actions designed to address community concerns, tailored to how people want to get information

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Community Interviews

- **Community interviews conducted in September 2018**
- **Interviewed most of the RAB members and others who would have a good pulse on community**
- **Most were willing to speak with me**
- **All provided valuable information**

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Highlights of Community Interviews

- Almost everyone indicated the need for Fairchild to tell its story more effectively
 - Those directly affected get information, but little beyond that
 - The larger community is interested in Fairchild
 - Information vacuum filled with speculation
- Fairchild AFB is held in high regard in the community
- PFOS/PFOA issue has damaged credibility

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Where to from here

- CRP will be written over the winter months
- Hope to have a draft for the Spring 2019 RAB
- Will work with AFCEC/Fairchild staff to develop actions to address community concerns
 - Particular focus paid to providing information to general public
 - Communicate more frequently with those affected by contamination
 - Regular updates on PFOS/PFOA issue

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Questions

