



groups were cooperatively sharing information and data layers, and that duplication should not be an issue.

## **TIEHH**

- Dr. Anderson reported that in the months of December and January, TIEHH had sampled medium sized mammals. Blood and thyroid testing would be conducted on these mammals. The team co-collected water samples near the locations where the mammals were caught. Dr. Anderson also indicated that Dr. Jackson completed leaf and plant sampling.
- Dr. Anderson indicated that TIEHH would obtain access to four heifer calves via a subcontractor to conduct an enclosure study. The plan is to obtain the calves at a livestock auction. Two of these calves will be kept on a property that only has access to drinking water from a stream contaminated with perchlorate (reference site). The other two calves will be placed on another property (Hollan place) and will have access to water from non-perchlorate impacted sources. This study will be conducted for a period of four months concluding in June 2003. Upon completion of the study, all four animals will be sent to the slaughterhouse for processing. One animal from each location will be sent to two different slaughterhouses, and various portions of the animals will be tested. Blood and urine samples will be taken every month during the study. Two of the older cows that have occupied the Hollan property approximately five years will also be sent to the slaughterhouse and various portions of these animals will also be tested.
- Mr. Ebersold inquired about the market basket study to be conducted by TIEHH. Dr. Anderson responded that they were working on the plan and would be conducting this study in the near future.

## **MWH**

- Mr. Hartline reported that the monitoring wells and the mini-trolls had been installed and handed out graphs showing the initial groundwater level data collected from the mini-trolls.
- Mr. Hartline said that the “Final Lake Belton Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler Field Sampling Plan” had been submitted to the project team. The “Draft Lake Belton Anoxic Study Field Sampling Plan” had also been distributed to the project team, and MWH had received comments from USACE. MWH is currently awaiting comments from the other team members. Mr. Hartline stated that MWH is waiting to obtain more data from the mini-trolls to obtain a better understanding of the interaction of groundwater levels and stream levels before completing the “Draft Groundwater Dye Tracer Study Field Sampling Plan”.
- Mr. Hartline said that the investigation-derived waste, which was obtained from drilling the monitoring wells, is currently being characterized for disposal.
- Mr. Hartline presented maps of longitudinal stream sampling stations and perchlorate data collected since the start of sampling though January 16, 2003.
- Mr. Hartline distributed copies of the Field Audit report and the Laboratory Co-ordination report. He summarized the report stating that the way the samples were collected, chained in at the BRA laboratory, shipped to the USACE laboratory, chained in at the USACE laboratory and analyzed was performed in accordance with the QAPP. He felt that there were basically a few minor issues of communication that needed to be worked out.
- Mr. Condike inquired about the overall project schedule and said that he had noticed that it incorporated separate reports from MWH and TIEHH, but he was under the impression that there would be one final report that integrated all data at the end of the project. The project team agreed with this suggestion. Mr. Ebersold stated that he thought that it would be a good idea for the project team to meet and obtain a consensus on the contents of the report, so that each organization could work on their assigned sections, and allow ample time to co-ordinate any sections, between the contributing organizations.

- Mr. Hartline suggested that it would be a good idea to conduct a pair of public meetings in the near future (one each for Waco and Temple areas). The project team agreed with the suggestion and Mr. Condikey said that he would speak with Ms. Anita Horkey (USACE Public Affairs Specialist) to set up a date for April 2003. Tentative dates for the public meetings will be 14 & 15 April, with 7 & 8 April as alternate dates. The meeting plan includes a Stakeholders' meeting on Monday afternoon, and a Team Meeting and Workshop on Tuesday to design the final report outline. BRA will organize the Stakeholders' meeting, while the Corps will arrange the two public meetings.
- Mr. Condikey inquired about the progress of sampling at the intake structures every month. Mr. Gandhi reported that MWH and BRA had collected the samples from the intake structures in Lake Belton for the month of January 2003. Mr. Condikey asked MWH to display the data on the project website. Mr. Gandhi agreed and said that he will work with Mr. Howard to obtain corresponding data for Lake Waco.

### **BRA**

- Mr. Headley announced that Mr. Herchman would be the new point of contact for the BRA field team.
- Mr. Headley thanked MWH for incorporating his comments onto the project website and would send additional important information from the Navy RAB meetings to ensure that the project website stays current. Mr. Headley also reported that the next RAB meeting would be on March 13, 2003.

### **Next Meeting.**

Mr. Condikey said that the next team meeting would be scheduled in April 2003 in conjunction with the public meetings, and he would speak to Ms. Horkey and also send out his scheduling spreadsheet to help select the date.

### **Adjourn**