



Installation Restoration Program



Air Force Civil Engineer Center

Air Force Civil Engineer Center Community Involvement Plan Update

Doug Karson, AFCEC

JBCC Cleanup Team Meeting
7 December 2022

What is a Community Involvement Plan (CIP)?

- The CIP mandates required public participation activities through the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), also known as Superfund, and through the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP).
- The CIP was developed through a collaborative effort of the Installation Restoration Program (IRP), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). It replaces previous versions of the CIP.
- The CIP explains community involvement activities that the Air Force Civil Engineer Center (AFCEC) conducts at Joint Base Cape Cod (JBCC).

CIP History and Questionnaire

- 1989 – Otis Air National Guard Base/Camp Edwards was added to the U.S. EPA National Priorities List (NPL) under the Superfund program.
- 1991 – Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) issued.
- 1991 – First Community Involvement Plan (CIP) issued, jointly produced by Air Force, U.S. EPA, and MassDEP. It was attached to the FFA.
 - Revisions:
 - 2000
 - 2003
 - 2010
- July 2021 – CIP Questionnaire issued; 60 responses received. Summary of responses provided at 01 December 2021 JBCC Cleanup Team meeting.

Path Forward

- Regulatory review of the Draft CIP by U.S. EPA and MassDEP has been completed. The CIP has been updated based on comments received.
- The Draft CIP will be provided to the JBCCCT members the week of 12 December 2022 for review and comment before the CIP is put out for a 30-day public comment period. JBCCCT comments will be due 10 days after the draft is issued to the team for review. Members can also comment during the public comment period that will follow.
- After the JBCC Cleanup Team members' review, the draft CIP will be revised in consultation with U.S. EPA and MassDEP and then issued for a 30-day public comment period in early 2023. The comment period can be extended if there is a request from the public.
 - Paid advertisements (four Enterprise Newspapers and Cape Cod Times) and emails to stakeholder email lists, including news media, to be conducted.
 - Written comments can be provided by mail, email or call/text: Douglas Karson, AFCEC/JBCC, Attn: CIP, 322 East Inner Road, Otis ANGB, MA 02542; douglas.karson@us.af.mil; or (508) 524-9206.

Path Forward Continued

- AFCEC, U.S. EPA and MassDEP will consider all comments received during the public comment period and the CIP will be revised as appropriate. A responsiveness summary addressing all comments submitted **during** the public comment period will be included in the final CIP. Comments received outside of the comment period will be responded to informally through a phone call, emails, letter, text, etc.
- The CIP will then be finalized and posted on the AFCEC webpage, online administrative record, and local libraries and announced to AFCEC's stakeholder email lists.