

Robins Air Force Base Restoration Advisory Board



Welcome

The premier public participation forum for sharing environmental restoration information with stakeholders in the Robins Air Force Base community.

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The RAB Mission



Warner Robins Air Logistics Center (WR-ALC) provides repair and depot maintenance services to Air Force units worldwide.

The mission of Robins Air Force Base's RAB is to encourage community participation in the Air Force's Environmental Restoration Program cleanup process and allow community members and other stakeholders to have meaningful dialog with installation officials. The RAB specifically serves to provide advice on the ERP and disseminate information to the public.

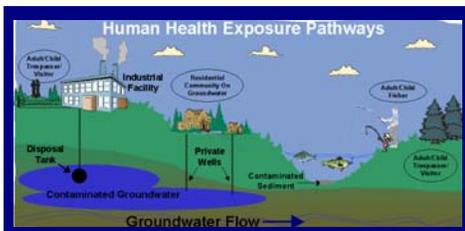
The RAB endeavors to achieve its mission by pursuing the following:

- ◆ To educate and inform the community on issues related to the clean-up process.
- ◆ To act as a conduit for the exchange of information between Robins AFB, regulatory agencies, and the community.
- ◆ To base its actions on its concern for the public health, the environment, and the social responsibility.

“What is the ERP?”

The Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) is the program tasked to identify, investigate, and clean up hazardous waste sites at the installation. The ERP is modeled after Superfund and related legislation. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines are applied in conducting all investigation and remediation work in the ERP.

The RAB Vision



WR-ALC EM staff and contractor technical presentations include the scientific and engineering background necessary to interpret and communicate complex environmental restoration issues to RAB community and regulatory representatives.

The vision of the RAB is to be a world-class organization, successfully accomplishing its mission in an exemplary manner.

The RAB will achieve its vision by pursuing the following:

- ◆ To be recognized as providing outstanding advice to Robins AFB.
 - ◆ To garner the full support and participation of the community.
 - ◆ To provide the community with timely, accurate, and understandable technical information.
 - ◆ To maintain its availability as a diverse, balanced, conscientious, and open forum with the goal of restoring the environment.
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What's involved in a RAB meeting?

RAB meetings are held once each quarter in the Warner Robins area on the second Thursday of the designated month, from 7 to 9 p.m. Most RAB meetings are held at facilities on Robins Air Force Base; once each year the RAB meetings move off base to encourage more participation by the public.

The meetings are attended by RAB members, Robins AFB personnel, and members of the local community, as well as contractors, briefers, and others with an interest in the environment. Frequently distinguished guests attend; these may include Base leadership and local elected officials. RAB meetings are presided over by the Installation Co-chair and the Community Co-chair. Meetings normally open with welcomes, announcements, and with introduction of RAB members. Various briefings are presented by installation personnel and others, supported with graphics and storyboards as appropriate. The topics presented are timely and of great interest to the membership and the general public. Once each year the meeting is conducted as a tour of several environmental sites at the base.

All RAB meetings are open to the public and are announced in three local newspapers by public notices that run the week prior to the meeting.

For meetings held on-base, visitors are cleared to attend by passing through the Visitor Gate (Gate 2) near the intersection of Route 247 and Watson Boulevard.



The RAB provides community access to the decision-makers and lead implementers of environmental restoration programs at Robins AFB.

Visiting the RAB

As stated above, visiting a RAB meeting is as easy as showing up at the meeting site. Visitors and members are asked to sign an attendance record and wear a name tag, but no other attention is focused on visitors. Visitors are welcome to observe, to take notes, and to ask questions during meetings. Visitors are also invited to confer with members, presenters, or Base personnel on a one-on-one basis before the meeting, at a break, or after the meeting concludes.

If you have questions related to visiting a RAB meeting, call the RAB Manager at the number listed on the back page.



Each meeting offers RAB members the opportunity to interact with EM staff and contractors regarding ongoing and completed restoration activities.

Membership in the RAB

Membership in the RAB is open to individuals with a dedication and long-term commitment to understanding and improving the environment of Robins Air Force Base and to communicating the environmental issues, concerns, and successes to the community. Members are expected to attend all meetings, but are allowed one absence per year. Individuals interested in becoming RAB members may contact the RAB Manager at the telephone number listed on the back page.



Robins AFB encompasses a variety of environmental settings.



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RAB Membership for 2001

Mr. Steven Coyle, Robins AFB Installation Co-Chair	Dr. Dan Callahan Warner Robins Community Member	Mr. Mike Maffeo Macon Community Member
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Mr. Brent Rabon GA EPD Hazardous Waste Management	Dr. Joyce Jenkins Fort Valley Community Member	Ms. Kathy Stege Macon Community Member
Mr. Kevin Long, Robins AFB Chief, Compliance and Restoration Division	Mr. Steve Johnson Macon Community Member	Dr. Joseph Swartwout Fort Valley Community Member
	Mr. Broderick Lowe Warner Robins Community Member	Mr. Don Thompson Macon Community Member