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GRAND FORKS AIR FORCE BASE, NORTH DAKOTA

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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTIION

FROM: 319 CES/CEIE

SUBJECT: GFAFB Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health Council Meeting
Minutes

1. The Grand Forks AFB Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health (ESOHC) was held at 1330, 24 Aug 21. The briefing was in-person in the WCR, building 307. The briefing was also available via Teams presentation. The meeting was chaired by 319 RW/CV.

2. The following notes accompany the ESOHC PowerPoint slides (atch 1) which were presented during the meeting. These minutes are supplemental to the ESOHC slides presented.

3. Presenters by Functional Area:

a. Environmental Compliance, Mr Raknerud, 319 CES/CEIE, slides 3-9

(1) The results of the 22-26 Mar 21 external environmental management system (EMS) audit were briefed and approved as presented. Two of the three minor findings were closed. The remaining open finding addresses the need for an updated environmental commitment statement (ECS). The EMS Cross-Functional Team (CFT) has previously approved a revised ECS which is in route for 319 RW/CC signature. (OPEN), OPR: GFAFB CFT

(2) The current EMS conformance status was briefed. The recommendation of the 25 Mar 21 external audit report was that GFAFB reaffirm its current in-conformance EMS self-declaration. The ESOHC approved, thereby declaring the GFAFB EMS as in-conformance. (CLOSED)

(3) The current regulatory compliance inspection schedule was briefed for information only. (CLOSED)

(4) The current controlled burn schedule was discussed. The controlled burn for the areas west of the flight line are on schedule for this fall. (OPEN), OPR: 319 CES

(5) The status of the University of North Dakota (UND) and GFAFB cooperative bird research study was discussed. There is interest by The City of Grand Forks, Grand Forks International Airport and the United States Department of Agriculture to join the effort and expand the project to create a regional product. (OPEN), OPR: 319 CES/CEIEC

b. Fire Prevention, MSgt Dudden, 319 CES/CEF, slides 10-17

(1) Open Fire Safety Deficiencies (FSD) I and II were discussed to include current status of projects planned and programmed to correct deficiencies. There were no recently closed projects to address deficiencies.

(2) 319 RW/CV requested that open fire safety deficiencies (FSD) for geographically separated units (GSUs) be briefed at the current and future ESOHC meetings. (OPEN), OPR: 319 CES/CEF

c. Bioenvironmental Engineering (BE), Capt Seimetz, 319 OMRS/SGOJ, slides 18-22

(1) The FY21 third quarter Occupational and Environmental Health Surveillance Schedule was briefed. The installation water vulnerability assessment (WVA) is scheduled for 18-22 Oct 21. (CLOSED)

(2) The current status of the drinking water program was briefed. GFAFB has completed the required sampling and analyses for perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances. Also samples were below detectable limits. SGOJ is currently coordinating similar sampling efforts in support of Cavalier Space Force Station. (CLOSED)

d. Public Health, Capt McBroom, 319 OMRS/SGOL, slides 23-25

(1) The Hearing Conservation Program status was briefed including the Hearing Conservation Trend Analysis. (CLOSED)

e. Occupational Safety, Mr Swenson, 319 RW/SEG, slides 26-34

(1) The status of the current FY21 Mishaps reports was briefed. (CLOSED)

(2) The FY21 Unit Assessment Schedule was briefed. (CLOSED)

(3) 319 RW/CV requested that open risk assessment codes (RACs) for GFAFB GSUs be briefed at the current and future ESOHC meetings. (OPEN), OPR: 319 RW/SEG

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Attachment:

1. ESOHC Meeting Slides

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