

Air Force proposes clean-up at Cape Lisburne

The 611th Civil Engineer Squadron (611 CES) at Elmendorf Air Force Base announced the Proposed Plan for Remedial Actions at Cape Lisburne Long Range Radar Site (LRRS). The Proposed Plan outlines the remedies selected for cleanup of four sites at the LRRS. Cape Lisburne LRRS consists of 1125 acres of land along the Chukchi Sea and is within the Alaska Maritime Wildlife Refuge.

The four sites proposed for cleanup include the Landfill and Waste Accumula-

tion Area, White Alice Site, Upper Camp Transformer, and Lower Camp Transformer Buildings. The proposed remediation at the Landfill and Waste Accumulation Area includes a geophysical survey to assist in locating buried drums of waste for excavation. Previous sampling indicates the presence of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), solvents, and petroleum hydrocarbons in the soil. It is estimated that approximately 2000 cubic yards of soil and 400 drums will be excavated.

A 30-day public comment period regarding the Proposed Plan begins May 31, 1996, and ends July 1, 1996. A public meeting is scheduled in Point Hope, June 4, 1996 at 1:00 p.m. in the Kalgi Building. Written and oral comments will be accepted. The Air Force expects to conduct the first phase of cleanup this summer. This phase includes the drum and soil excavation and containment. The second phase which begins in 1997 includes treatment and off-site shipment of the waste.