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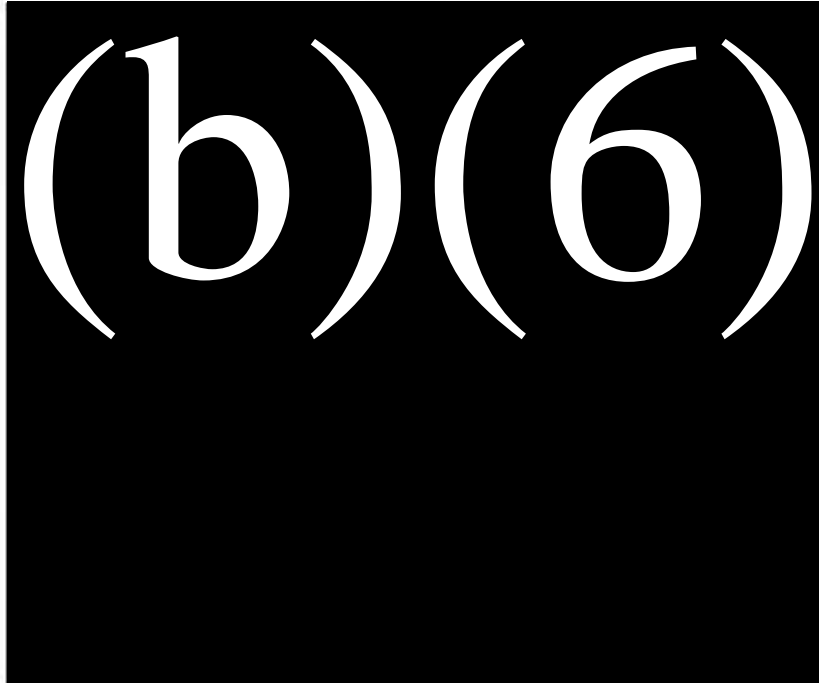
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**BORDER BARRIER SYSTEM PROGRAM MANAGEMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
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TUCSON SECTOR - U.S. BORDER PATROL**

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date and Time: 25 May 2004 – 10:00 am
 Meeting Location: Tucson Station
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MEETING PURPOSE

TCA PDT Meeting

ACTION ITEMS

ACTION	RESPONSIBLE	STATUS
1. Follow up on contract for GSRC to prepare EA for RVS in Douglas AO - AERC still has not received any funding for Douglas/Willcox RVS project. (b)(6) will follow up with HQ BOR to determine status. (b)(6)	(b)(6)	Pending, (b)(6) to Check
2. Lighting design test follow up with Castro Electric. Scope for Baker Design.		Done, Pending Baker Responce
3. Ephraim Ridge Report		Pending
4. Move the 1" HDPEP waterline in Naco		Pending
5. 100% Naco 10 mile 22 June 2004		Pending
6. 100% remainder of 5 miles DGL East of POE 27 May 2004		Done

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ACTION	RESPONSIBLE	STATUS	
7. Asphaltic Concrete arranged for August National Guard deployment	(b)(6)	Douglas contract in place, (b)(6) to provide quantity, (b)(6) to procure	
8. BOM and order for USBP landing mat fence construction in DGL		Done	
9. 3.6 Miles Douglas comments due 11 May		Done	
10. Corridor Report comments due 11 May		Done	
11. 15% Nogales Design due 11 May		Done (at PDT)	
12. SOW for GSRC to do a Phase I on Ephraim Ridge property		Done	
ACTION Environmental Working Group			
1. San Pedro engineering recommendations, due 11 May		Done (follow-up based on (b)(6) comments)	
2. Copies of UAV environmental documents for JTF-6 missions to (b)(6)		Pending	
3. Narrow down options on San Pedro water mitigation plans		Pending data from (b)(6)	
4. WWD 404 permit mitigation plan – GSRC contract to contracting.		(b)(6)	Pending, (b)(6) to follow-up

RVS

IMC update attached to these minutes provided by (b)(6) (correction per (b)(6) IMC was purchased by L-3/GSI and is no longer in existence. All RVS activities are not under L-3/GSI; correction per (b)(6) noted that RVS was on hold pending contract resolution with GSA)

MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS

Arizona National Guard

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WWD – West of DGL POE

- Successful mission by the Alaska National Guard in placing WWD foundation during May. Photos and reports of construction can be found at the Kleinfelder Webpage (SEE CONSTRUCTION FOR LINK)
- Oregon National Guard – 5 to 19 June, 30 soldiers

Douglas Roadway West of POE

- Illinois National Guard 10 July 2004 (70 troops to perform: 3 LWCs on Kings Ranch Road; 1000' of bollard and landing mat fence - possible backup on WWD)
- Arizona National Guard paving WWD 6 August

JTF-6

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Scheduled Deployments FY'04

- Naco (Fence & Barriers) 917th Prime Beef Squadron 1 May - 15 June

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- Douglas (LWCs 11, 12, & 13 and Bollard Fence) MWSS 373 1-30 June. (b)(6) to arrange survey support prior to units arrival.
- Naco (Low-water crossings) MWSS 371 6 Jul - 6 Aug ((b)(6)(b)(7)(C))
- Nogales, Az USBP (Nogales 0.5 Mile Roadway just east of Deconcini POE) 10 Jul - 23 Aug
- Possible October deployment into Douglas for roadway construction

ENGINEERING

Baker Eng. - (b)(6) delivered the following products at the PDT meeting:

100% Douglas 3.6 Miles West of Douglas POE

Geotechnical Study Report Naco 10-Mile Roadway

Geotechnical Study Report Douglas 3.6 Miles ((b)(7)(E))

Nogales Schematic Design (15% Design Nogales 10 Mile Roadway)

Discussions centered on the Nogales schematic design. Baker presented a GIS overview and detail of the design, including land ownership. This facilitated answers to questions on environmental survey corridors and real estate issues.

Maps at the end of these minutes depict the active projects and where deliverables pertain. (b)(6) requested maps depicting both facilities constructed and those under design. (b)(6) was tasked with development of this map.

- Douglas, Lighting, pending NTP
- Douglas, Construction Oversight, and Staking. (see project completion reports and pending deployments)
- Douglas, International Ditch, Preliminary Design to begin
- Naco, 10-miles Roadway, Final Design due 22 June
- Naco, Lighting (5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE, Pending NTP
- Naco, Primary Fencing,
- Naco, Construction Oversight and Staking (see project completion reports and pending deployments)
- Sonoita, Preliminary Design (see Sonoita Station US/Mexico Corridor Report)
- Nogales, 1-1/2 Miles Roadway (design complete, note Real Estate)
- Nogales, Construction Oversight and Staking (pending deployment)
- Nogales, Aerial West of Nogales (done)
- Nogales, Schematic Design (complete, pending comments from PDT)
- Permanent Survey Markers, being placed with deployments
- Temporary Vehicle Barriers (SON, NGL, TUC Stations). note EA development below

ENVIRONMENTAL

(b)(6) from GSRC updated the PDT
PEIS Tucson & Yuma (AERC 225)

The Revised Draft PEIS for the Tucson/Yuma Sector Operations is on hold pending receipt of information concerning expanded operations relative to the ABC Initiative. (b)(6) has requested this information from each line station and provided a deadline of 28 May. GSRC has received information regarding the number of ground sensors and agents assigned to each station. Schedule of the next version of the Revised Draft PEIS is dependent upon receipt of this information and the UAV documentation from OSI.

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BA – Operations – Tucson & Yuma (AERC 51)

The Tucson BA is also on hold pending receipt of the information described above. (b)(6)

(b)(6) still needs information regarding agents and their dependents for the Naco Station in order to narrow down options for water mitigation within the San Pedro Basin. Conceptual designs of the crossing at San Pedro were provided by HDR. (b)(6) will provide comments to (b)(6) and the revised description will be distributed by 4 June. (b)(6) stated that the (b)(7)(E) Station would prefer to have a low water crossing at the border, with vehicle barriers to halt cattle traffic.

Whitewater Draw 404 Permit

(b)(6) is supposed to provide comments on the Whitewater Draw mitigation plan; his main concern was to remove the City of Douglas as an identified participant since there has been no Section 404 process started for the city as yet. (b)(6) reminded GSRC to include costs for the implementation of the mitigation plan. (b)(6) acknowledged that the mitigation would probably cost more than the in lieu compensation, but that the long-term "good environmental steward" would pay off bigger dividends.

Cabeza Prieta Road Report

The Cabeza Prieta road report has been finalized. A SOW for an EA to complete the work on the remaining 18 miles has been forwarded to (b)(6) for staffing, (b)(6) to follow up. (b)(6) is still attempting to get funds to construct vehicle barriers on the Cabeza Prieta NWR as a mitigation action. The PDT agreed to go forward with the Cabeza Prieta road EA (subsequent decisions were made to add the vehicle barriers to this EA as well). A SOW for an EA to complete the work on the remaining 18 miles has been forwarded to (b)(6) for staffing.

Ephraim Ridge Reclamation

The SOW for a Phase I ESA for Ephraim Ridge has been submitted to (b)(6) for staffing. The Phase I ESA will address the entire 82-acre parcel (expanded from 70 acres). (b)(6) reminded the PDT to use the term Phase I instead of ESA due to possible conflicting terminology.

Checkpoints (b)(7)(E) (AERC 499) and (b)(7)(E) (AERC 227)

The (b)(7)(E) checkpoint near (b)(7)(E) has not been started--AERC has not received the funds and GSRC has not been scoped to prepare a supplemental EA. (b)(6) stated that (b)(6) (Luke AFB/BMGR) will need to be coordinated with during the preparation of the EA.

Douglas/Willcox RVS project

AERC still has not received any funding for Douglas/Willcox RVS project. (b)(6) will follow up with HQ BOR to determine status.

Nogales Schematic Design

The 15% design was received from Baker. GSRC will need to identify the proposed survey corridor and then Sacramento will obtain the ROEs.

Ajo Phase I ESA

Comments were received from (b)(6) on the Ajo Phase I ESA; revisions are being made. The draft EA for the expansion is still on hold pending coordination. (b)(6) reported that the BLM withdrawal application was submitted to BLM on 21 May.

Temporary Vehicle Barriers (SON, NGL, TUC Stations)

The Temporary Vehicle Barriers preliminary draft EA was sent out on 24

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Monday. The deadline for comments is 15 June. The draft SOW for the permanent vehicle barriers on the TON (which covers CAG and AJO) has been forwarded to Fort Worth for staffing.

Sonoita Roadway

GSRC has completed the biological surveys for the Sonoita border road project; cultural resources surveys were scheduled to start but will now be on hold pending the receipt of a final ROE for access road A. GSRC had understood that all ROEs had been obtained.

The Ajo and Tucson Station RVS EAs are still on hold pending information regarding the access road and power ROWs, as well as any alternate locations. (per (b)(6) (b)(6) (BLM) stated that the 3 Points site was owned by BLM but that the School District has a Recreation and Public Purposes lease on the property and has two more years to prove up on it. Thus, the Tucson Sector needs to work out an arrangement with the school district.")

under Checkpoints, you need to complete the first sentence; 3) under Ajo Phase I ESA-

I would change the name to just Ajo Land or Ajo Expansion and it was the draft withdrawal application that was submitted for review by BLM.

REAL ESTATE

USACE - (b)(6)

Douglas Lighting (5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE, pending NTP Douglas, 13-Miles Roadway West of POE, ROEs out for signature and (b)(6) (b)(6) is coordinating with BLM. Deployments have ROEs in place for FY'04 Douglas, International Ditch, pending NTP

Naco, Lighting (5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE, pending NTP Nogales, 2-Miles Roadway East of POE, (b)(6) beginning acquisition process, boundary surveys and legal description due from Baker Eng. And decision on aquastiion of land between the border and the roadway Nogales, Construction & ROW Acquisition (Pending Alignments) Nogales, Schematic Design, USFS ROEs in place, private property pending final alignments

Sonoita, Preliminary Design, and Coordination, USFS in place, continuing ROE issues on private property, one owner to be followed up with ASAP based on Baker GIS data, see Sonoita Station US/Mexico Corridor Report Permanent Survey Markers, pending NTP Temporary Vehicle Barriers, Pending NTP

(b)(6) Ephraim Ridge Reclamation, Final report pending, (b)(6) assigned development of an appraisal for the entire property.

PROCUREMENT

Whitewater Draw (National Guard), BOM in place material ordered and ready for next deployment in June. (b)(6) requested that BOMs be placed into categories as defined in the cost matrix. (b)(6) will e-mail the cost matrix to the team again.

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CONSTRUCTION

Kleinfelder inspectors ready for WWD deployment (National Guard) for superstructure placement and for Douglas LWC deployments (JTF-6). Kleinfelder has a web site where reports and photographs can be viewed.

To access the site go to:

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- Click on the **Client Link** link at the left of the page.
- Select **Border Patrol Construction Oversight** from the drop-down menu.
- For a User Name enter (b) (7)(E)
- For a Password enter: (b) (7)(E)
- (The User Name and Password are case-sensitive, so make sure you don't capitalize.)
- Select the deployment you wish to view

OTHER ITEMS

The USBP TCA plans to construct landing mat fence in DGL with its own forces as needed. Procurement is underway and this project will probably begin 1 June

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8. 15% Nogales Design comments due 22 June	
9. (b)(6) need to know if ROW for Nogales 1.5 mile will include area between roadway and border	
10. Project Maps – existing & in design to (b)(6) (b)(6) due 4 June	
ACTION	RESPONSIBLE
Environmental Working Group	
1. Cabeza Prieta EA SOW status – needs follow up w/ (b)(6) (b)(6)	(b)(6)
2. Temp. Vehicle Barrier EA comments due by 15 June	All
3. Contract for GSRC (404 permitting issues)	(b)(6)

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ACTION	RESPONSIBLE
4. San Pedro Crossing Report revised based on (b)(6) comments, due 4 June	(b)(6)

NEXT MEETINGS

- 25 May 2004 – Tucson Station, 10:00 am
- 22 June 2004 – HDR Phoenix, 10:00 am
- 27 July 2004 – Tucson Station, 10:00 am
- 24 August 2004 – HDR Phoenix, 10:00 am
- 14 September 2004 – Tucson Station, 10:00 am

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