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Figure 1. Vicinity Map

Los Villareales
Roma Creek
FYI

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Here is the information you requested. If you need anything else please let me know.

Good Afternoon

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Thanks,

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Legend
- Revised_Alternative_for_O1
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BW11 FOIA CBP 004727
Talked with [REDACTED] and the 31st or 1st works. Note, I sent a tentative for the 31st at 9am.

Also, [REDACTED] was correct the dark stars are “X’’ for no fence.

As it was explained to me, by [REDACTED] OBP will forgo Fence if they can get road and [REDACTED] If they cannot, then they want the Fence in the locations they identified and will forgo other fence in perpetuity.

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[Redacted]
ECSO TI Branch Chief
Fort Worth, Texas 76102
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Thanks,

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Per your request, attached are the final notes and O-segment Maps with Markups.

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O-1 Current and Proposed Fence Alignments

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March 28, 2012
Michael Baker Jr., Inc.

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Executive Summary

The below trip report and notes are to capture the requirements, challenges, and conversations held in and throughout the Rio Grande Valley Sector, to include OBP HQ and Station representation. The week of events were driven by OBP HQ as a result of the DHS Secretary’s approval of the Southwest Texas Campaign. The below notes include information that may directly or indirectly impact the BPFTI office to include discussions on Tactical Infrastructure (O-1, O-2, O-3, RGV Gates Phase 1 & 2, Roads), CTIMR, New / Relocation of Towers & Access Roads, C2 Facilities, Facilities, Checkpoints, FOBs and Mobile needs by Border Patrol. Briefings and Google Earth points for tower & TI locations were presented by each Station, but are not in the procession of any OTIA or BPFTI participants. They may be available upon request to OBP HQ but are not readily available at this point in time.

OBP HQ commented that they would take all the requirements from this week and sit down to review Station priorities once back in DC over the next couple of week. At that point they will have a better view of what is needed for RGV Sector. A date for this determination was not established, funding is not currently available for new requirements, and knowledge on whom will be briefed was not provided at the end of the week in the field.

A few points of observation:

OBP HQ continued to express to Stations that they need to “think about the cost” or “be cost effective”, but on more then one occasion the RGV Sector PAIC expressed and guided the Stations that this is a requirement gathering meeting and that they should focus on the operational requirements they have and provide the raw need to OBP HQ and OBP HQ would review cost effective manners.

Regarding tower location, OBP HQ acknowledged towards the end of the week that they should have been asking the stations instead of having station report location of towers. They noted that they were doing this backwards, but all Stations did present tower locations. Access Roads, nor Real Estate were not taken into account when placing towers. Additionally, Environmental impact was not discussed either unless it was on USFWS land. Many stations do have existing facilities for future C2 Facilities, some better then others but could be taken into account when working through this requirement for future use.
Participants

- Participates included (OTIA: Program), (OTIA lead for ENV/Real Estate), (BPFTI), OBP HQ (Chief, and 2 other BP Agents from HQ), RGV Sector PAIC, RGV TI Sector team and 25+ Border Patrol Agents representing each of the Station within RGV Sector.

Agenda

- Monday June 18th was included a site visit to Brownville Station to the C2 Facility (~2 hour travel time; ~2 hours at the facility)
- Tuesday June 19th was a site visit to the RGC AOR and McAllen AOR (8am - 5pm)
- Wednesday June 20th was located at Weslaco Station all day with presentations from OBP HQ (Chief), OTIA, BPFTI, Division Director, Technology Lead, and Station Briefings (Falfurrias Station, Kingsville Station, Harlington Station, and Brownsville Station.
- Thursday June 21st was located at Weslaco Station all day with presentations from the remaining Stations (Rio Grande City, Ft. Brown Station, Weslaco Station, and McAllen Station)

Program Overview Briefs by OBP HQ, OTIA, and BPFTI

- Chief briefed the group to explain that the purpose of this week was to review each Stations’ challenges and issues which could be fixed by future Technology, Tactical Infrastructure, CTIMR, Facilities, and mobile / manpower. No funding currently exists, but they are using this meeting as a preplanning for future funding by DHS. discussed the need to collect and prioritize technology & TI requirements.
- briefed on the OTIA program. No funding currently existing for RGV Tower Construction.
- briefed O-1, O-2, O-3 Real Estate. We mentioned that this was briefed to OBP HQ and a decision is waiting on the priority and need for this Fence Segment so we can move forward with Real Estate at BPFTI. Reviewed RGV Phase 1 Gates Project: Under test Project which is fully funded and all county and state roads are in Phase 2 which is not funded.
Station Brief

- Tower locations for Laydown and were provided.
- Station stated that
- New Checkpoint is #4 on the construction list, fully funded, and is currently slated for a construction completion of February 2016 per last months BPFTI Report (OBP pulled up the report during the meeting). Two Real Estate locations are currently under Market Research and hasn’t been finalized - (1) Preferred Location: along the Highway or (2) Alternate Location: along the Highway.
- The existing C2 Facility would not work at the existing Checkpoint, but the preferred location for a new C2 facility would be a the new Checkpoint with an alternative site at the Station. Noted that we may want to look into any existing facility drawings for the station C2 Room and LAN Room.
- Station is going to go back and review

Station

- Station currently cover Zone , but they do have current roads in
- A new Station is currently being planned and is funded. The draft public EA has just recently ended, Real Estate has almost concluded and construction is schedule for next year.
Station

- Currently has of border fence and 8 fencing segments.
- Station AOR covers total border miles.
- Has wildlife refuges land and sandpit challenges.
- Border zones.
- POE - issues.
- Port of.
- (Current Gate is being tested)
- Discussed the relocation of some existing towers and making other exiting towers. A few tower locations are around the Fence Segment.
- Many of the access roads for the proposed tower locations are caliche.
- Fence Line has a sand pit area that has an existing tower that they want to move to assist with this trouble spot.
- The Ocolots are present in this area and propose the “IBC Road” Tower to help for visibility.
- OBP HQ is going to inquire with OFO if they could from the Port.
- Looking to place.
- Since access roads to proposed tower sites are existing, may be able to cover with CTIMR.
Station

- Covers [redacted] miles.
- Identification of [redacted] Boat Ramps in the area that may need assistance, but are existing. Were created with old landing mats.
- Currently [redacted] and the proposed [redacted]. Muddy, but may be able to use current tower for new technology.
- Proposing a new tower in [redacted]. Land owner previously sued government for fence area. Road is a mix between calicha road and dirt, so help may be needed on the access road. There is an existing [redacted]. The land owner has water access in the area. There is also a new development that is being constructed in that area.
- IBWC [redacted] problems.

Station

- Station covers [redacted].
- A lot of private land owners along most of the roads – no big ranches.
- Project is currently being worked for roadwork in [redacted] area.
- Proposed Tower locations were not based on Access Roads access, only operational. Alternate sites were not chosen.
- Discussed O-1 & O-2 Fence Segment and Roads (See Map). Station would like to keep original fence alignment access roads (red line) but go with the proposed fence alignment (yellow line).
- [redacted] coverage in DOI land.
- New boat ramps proposed (locations unknown)
Station

- No current location for a C2 facility. Possibility to agree to a Co-location with Station. This would help to share resources and space.

Station

- Currently has C2 Facility space ready with workstations for SESs and a raise floor. Also has a separate room for LAN space.
- (b) (7)(E) Station) is the key issue area. Near POE,
- of current Road Project has no road to use and
- Fence Segment

Station

- Discussed O-3 Fence Segment and Roads (See Map). Station did provide fence segment that is most significant, but stated they would like the original road more then anything if funds were tight.
- 78% of border area is owned by USFWS
From: [redacted]
To: [redacted]
Subject: Re: RGV O1-O3
Date: Monday, July 16, 2012 1:12:15 PM

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