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All,

Attached are the draft meeting minutes from the second preliminary interagency planning meeting held at the Airport Sheraton in Phoenix, AZ on 20 October 2004. Please review the draft minutes and provide any corrections or additions you may have. I request that all comments be returned by close of business 10 November 2004. After all comments are incorporated or resolved I will submit the final meeting minutes.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

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**MINUTES
OFFICE OF BORDER PATROL
WESTERN ARIZONA TACTICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT
SECOND PRELIMINARY PLANNING MEETING**

Place: Phoenix Airport Sheraton
Phoenix, AZ
Date: 20 October 2004
Time: 9:30 AM

Attendees:

(b) (6)

USACE
OBP
OBP
CBP
AGFD
CBP
USACE
MCAS-Yuma
USFWS-CPNWR
56 RMO Luke AFB
56 RMO Luke AFB
USFWS-Phoenix
GSRC
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56 RMO Luke AFB
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GENERAL

(b)(6) distributed electronic copies of the *Final Supplemental Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed JTF-6 Support Services to the Immigration and Naturalization Service* (2001) and the *Revised Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Office of Border Patrol Operational Activities within the Tucson and Yuma Sectors in Arizona* (October 2004).

(b)(6) indicated DHS HQ has confirmed that the CBP and OBP cannot perform actions under another agencies Categorical Exclusion.

(b)(6) added that road maintenance will be a Categorical Exclusion item in the new DHS environmental regulations that are expected to be released after the first of the year.

(b)(6) still questions why CBP and OBP cannot act as his agent for refuge compatible actions. He said the refuge would be operating under the refuge's Categorical Exclusion and the OBP would only be operating as his agent. (b)(6);(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6) indicated funding triggers the need for CBP and OBP to have their own NEPA analysis.

NEEDS ADDITIONAL COMMENT

PROPOSED ACTION

(b)(6) informed the attendees that the proposed action has been revised since the first preliminary planning meeting on 31 August 2004.

The proposed action has been separated into an environmental assessment (EA) and environmental impact statement (EIS) that would be prepared concurrently. (b)(6) indicated that the CBP and OBP have decided to prepare an EA for 56 miles of permanent vehicle barrier along the southern border of the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge (CPNWR), improvements to the existing border road for construction purposes and use as a patrol road, improvements to north/south trending access roads between the El Camino del Diablo and existing border road, improvements to the El Camino del Diablo, installation of up to 10 water wells, establishment of staging areas, establishment of bivouac areas, establishment and/or use of borrow sites, and the installation of eight temporary vehicle barriers in mountain passes. The permanent vehicle barrier is not a continuous barrier and road. Currently the border road detours around north-south trending mountains. The proposed permanent vehicle barrier would be constructed up the side slope off these mountains to a point that is impassable then mountains will serve as a barrier. Secondary roads would be needed for construction access. The El Camino del Diablo is one of the roads that would need to be improved for construction access, especially at talc pits. One potential issue with improving the north-south access for barrier construction is designated Wilderness on the CPNWR.

(b)(6) indicated that Wilderness is not an issue for work along the border road on the CPNWR.

(b)(6) asked what types of construction activities would be allowable in designated Wilderness on the CPNWR. (b)(6) indicated the type of activity depends on the minimal tool needed to complete the justified action. (b)(6) said improving detours around mountains could be acceptable if this action is the minimal tool needed to complete action.

The purpose of separating the construction of the permanent vehicle barrier from other actions in the environmental impact statement on the CPNWR is to expedite the establishment of the permanent vehicle barrier so it can be used as a conservation measure for Sonoran pronghorn in the pending Yuma Sector Biological Opinion and future Tucson Sector Biological Opinion for OBP operational activities.

(b)(6) indicated the CPNWR is preparing to install two temporary vehicle barriers on the CPNWR. If these two barriers coincide with those proposed by the OBP, the OBP would drop these barriers from the 8 proposed per (b)(6)

(b)(6) asked if preparing a separate EA was acceptable to the other agencies. If the EA is acceptable, the CBP and OBP plan to have an EA completed in six months.

(b)(6) indicated that construction of the permanent vehicle barrier would not likely begin until FY06 because military units will not deploy until environmental

documentation is complete. (b)(6) feel that installation of the temporary vehicle barriers could begin sooner if resources are available.

(b)(6) questioned if private contractors have been considered as an option to using military units for construction. (b)(6) indicated the cost of private contractors is a major factor for using military units. OBP headquarters would have to prioritize the construction of the permanent vehicle barrier for private contractors to be used in place of military units. (b)(6) indicated that the use of private contractors would be left open as an option to expedite the construction of the permanent vehicle barrier.

(b)(6) indicated that biological and archaeological surveys for the permanent vehicle barrier and border road improvements would occur within a 75-foot corridor north of the border.

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indicated that the FTHL is on the verge of becoming listed as a Federally protected species. The listing of the FTHL depends on the effectiveness of the FTHL Rangewide Management Strategy and FTHL Interagency Coordinating Committee. Approximately 90 percent of the FTHL habitat is in Federal ownership and land managing agencies have been able to control encroachment with the exception of illegal traffic and subsequent OBP enforcement actions. FTHL mitigation moneys from the new commercial port-of-entry and Area Service Highway could be applied towards the permanent vehicle barrier. The flat-tailed horned lizard (FTHL) group is willing to fund \$400,000.00 toward the construction of the vehicle barrier adjacent to the FTHL management area. (b)(6) said the EA is for the entire proposed 110 miles of permanent vehicle barrier from the eastern boundary of the CPNWR west to Avenue C in Yuma, AZ.

Since the construction of the barrier would occur in phases, (b)(6) feels the construction phases can occur at different locations. Areas protecting the Sonoran pronghorn and FTHL are priority for the agencies. (b)(6) indicated that OBP would construct phases of the barrier where OBP intelligence shows a need.

(b)(6) asked if the CBP and OBP have considered using emergency provisions under the Council for Environmental Quality regulations so the project might move forward while the environmental document is being prepared. (b)(6) indicated the president has to declare an emergency in order for the provisions to be used and CBP is not willing to elevate the project to the president.

(b)(6) asked if mitigation for the FTHL would be required for construction of the permanent vehicle barrier. (b)(6) indicated land managing agencies that are a part of the FTHL Interagency Coordinating Committee could assess fees for FTHL mitigation. (b)(6) questioned if the construction of a permanent vehicle barrier could be presented as mitigation? (b)(6) indicated this is a possibility; however, the OBP would have to present the idea to the committee and other agencies. Construction of the permanent vehicle barrier should not impact much FTHL habitat, while reducing potential impacts to the FTHL north of the barrier. Therefore, the construction of the permanent vehicle barrier could be self-mitigating.

ISSUES

Construction staging areas and bivouac areas need to be identified and surveyed for biological and archaeological resources. (b) (6) requested that CPNWR staff members meet with GSRC staff members during the field surveys to identify potential staging and bivouac areas along the border. (b) (6) suggested locating the bivouac areas as close to the border as possible.

Water studies on the CPNWR will need to be conducted to determine potential water well sites and potential impacts. (b) (6) indicated Baker Engineering estimated a water well per 10 miles would be needed during the construction of the permanent vehicle barrier. Previous water studies conducted on the Barry M. Goldwater (BMGR) are located too far north to be valid on the CPNWR. (b) (6) suggested contacting BLM about drilling wells for the project. BLM crews drilled water wells for the BMGR. (b) (6) indicated the BLM has a dry well drilling rig that could reduce potential impacts to the environment compared to traditional drilling equipment. *Baker*

(b) (6) indicated borrow areas would be identified as part of the proposed permanent vehicle barrier project, if needed. *BOR*

(b) (6) indicated that north-south access roads have to be identified and evaluated by engineers to determine if existing roads are sufficient or if illegal roads need to be considered. (b) (6) explained that administrative trails are technically Wilderness; however, the 1990 Wilderness Act allows law enforcement to use these trails. Improvements to administrative trails would have to be a minimal tool to accomplish project. The 1990 Wilderness Act recognizes law enforcement need to use administrative trails; therefore maintenance would be allowed, if the activity does not change the footprint of the trail. Road improvements would require biological and cultural resources surveys. Illegal roads do not exist under the Wilderness Act. (b) (6) as the administrator of Wilderness does not have the authority to create roads in Wilderness. (b) (6) feels spur roads would not be a big issue. He feels the proposed roads and improvements need to be presented to Wilderness non-governmental groups. *BOC*

(b) (6) feels the three types of roads (i.e., public, administrative trail, and illegal) need to be presented as three separate alternative. *?*

A transportation plan is included as part of the draft BMGR EIS for the INRMP. (b) (6) indicated that the recent Biological Opinion for the BMGR called for reducing the number of active roads on the range to reduce potential impacts to the Sonoran pronghorn and FTHL. (b) (6) indicated roads have been identified for closer in the draft BMGR EIS for the INRMP and these roads were originally coordinated with the OBP. However, OBP needs appear to have changed because some roads proposed for use, improvement, and maintenance as part of the OBP's proposed action are roads currently identified for closer in the draft BMGR EIS for the INRMP.

(b) (6) questioned what the OBP's road proposal would do to BMGR's timeframe for producing the final EIS? (b) (6) indicated the core group would have to consider modifying the document, which will lengthen their timeframe for producing the final EIS. (b) (6) indicated the BMGR anticipates releasing the preliminary final EIS in March 2005 and the final EIS around July 2005.

(b) (6) requested that staff members from OBP, BMGR, and CPNWR meet in the field to determine what roads are necessary for OBP operations and which roads can be deleted to fit within the BMGR's transportation plan. (b) (6) wants a working group among agencies to solve road issues.

(b) (6) feels illegal activities and OBP actions need to be monitored and studied because road needs will change following the construction of the proposed permanent vehicle barrier. (b) (6) agreed with (b) (6) and stated that the OBP would need access roads after the completion of the permanent vehicle barrier to track and apprehend illegal foot traffic.

DISCUSSION

(b) (6) requested close cooperation among Federal agencies for this project per the recent GAO document on cooperation between Federal agencies. (b) (6) indicated the OBP has been working on a cooperative agreement with DOI but not with DoD. (b) (6) indicated the purpose of these preliminary planning meetings is to establishment coordination with Federal and state agencies and to establish cooperating agency status for those agencies that are interested.

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(b) (6) questioned if (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) (b) (6) explained (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) Agents would likely (b) (7)(E) (b) (6) requested that the WATI environmental impact statement (EIS) address (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) (b) (6) indicated the (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)

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(b) (6) introduced Gulf South Research Corporation as the US Army Corps of Engineers' contractor responsible for preparing the EA and EIS. GSRC will be contacting agencies in the next week to obtain road info and set meeting times. (b) (6) requested the agencies provide road data in a GIS format. (b) (6) recommended that MCAS Yuma and Luke AFB meet together with GSRC.

(b) (6) indicated the WATI EIS should address actions in Maricopa County because they are not addressed in the PEIS for OBP operational activities.

(b) (6) explained that GSRC would be conducting biological and archaeological field surveys along the CPNWR southern border the week of 1 November 2004. GSRC will collect habitat data for protected species, GPS agave, columnar cacti, and washes. He asked if the group would like any other data collected? No response from the group was received.

(b) (6) asked the group how many scoping meetings should be conducted as part of the EA and EIS process? (b) (6) suggested holding meetings at Phoenix, Tucson, Sells, Yuma, and Ajo. (b) (6) also suggested that a meeting could be held at Gila Bend in place of the meetings at Yuma and Ajo.

(b) (6) feels the EA and EIS can be scoped at the same location and at the same time, but the meetings should be conducted in separate rooms. (b) (6) feels if you hold the

meetings on the same day, the CBP and OBP need to clarify to the public that two separate documents are being scoped and the actions each document addresses.

(b) (6) suggested conducting the scoping meetings at the same location and time of day but on consecutive days.

(b) (6) feels the meeting with non-governmental groups should be separate from the public scoping meetings. (b) (6) indicated that separate scoping meeting couldn't be held for non-governmental groups and the public.

(b) (6) feels scoping meeting needs to be together or not scope the EA. (b) (6) feels a scoping meeting should not be conducted for the EA. The CBP and OBP do not normally hold scoping meetings for EAs. (b) (6) called for a show of hands for not scoping the EA. The group agreed with not scoping the EA and conducting the WATI EIS scoping meetings sometime in January 2005.

(b) (6) cautioned the wording for the two environmental documents needs to be very concise to avoid creating disseat with the public and non-governmental groups.

(b) (6) feels the CBP and OBP needs to make it is clear to the public that the scoping meetings are not for the record. (b) (6) indicated the scoping meetings would be a part of the record. (b) (6) indicated the scoping meetings are a part of the public record and will be recorded.

GSRC will contact agencies regarding points of contact and to obtain existing reports (cultural resources reports).

Additional information is needed for the Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument and Tohono O'odham Nation.

(b) (6) questioned if WATI EIS will address potential relay towers. (b) (6) indicated these types of structures would be addressed in a cumulative manner in the WATI EIS.

(b) (6) suggested providing the agencies with the Western Region Programmatic EA for RVS towers. He further suggested that the agencies provide any additional questions or concerns to GSRC during the upcoming road meetings.

(b) (6) asked if the agencies were willing to be cooperating agencies for the EA and EIS. All agencies are interested in being cooperating agencies.

The next interagency meeting will be held sometime in December.



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

MEETING AGENDA

Meeting Date and Time: 13 January 2004
Meeting Location: Tucson HDR's Office, 10:00 am
5210 E Williams Cir, (b)(7)(E)

MEETING PURPOSE

TCA PDT Meeting

INTRODUCTIONS

10:00 – 10:15 REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

ACTION	RESPONSIBLE
1. Follow up on contract for GSRC to prepare EA for RVS in Douglas AO – need survey and engineering support – need purpose statement developed by HDR – funding followed up by (b) (6) – access to sites reviewed by (b) (6) and HDR	(b)(6)
2. SWPPP training – need proposed dates and costs for training	
3. WWD foundation change to grouted rock – Baker to check on Geotech – AzANG to check with constructing unit	
4. Baker needs official comment resolution sign off on Nogales Tunnels from the PDT.	
5. Inspector that will be at 10 Feb 2004 JTF-6 deployment must be at the 19 November meeting with the constructing units commander.	Baker
6. Rent 6" forms for next JTF-6 deployment	(b) (6)
7. SWPPP responsibility for construction and ongoing reporting - conference call 12 December @ 9:00 Central Time / 10:00 Eastern Time	Kleinfelder & Stations
8. Personnel attending the 22 January "Back Brief" in El Paso shall provide (b) (6) personal data by COB 12 December for security clearance.	All
9. 28 and 29 January 2004, the AzANG will tour the border with representatives from several units. Baker will provide technical support.	All
10. Douglas 4 miles west of POE submitted as 100% by 13 January	Baker
11. Naco 10 miles submitted as 60% by 13 January	Baker
12. Nogales 1 ½ miles submitted as 100% by 13 January	Baker
13. Follow up on fencing for (b)(6) property in Douglas	(b)(6)
14. Temporary Vehicle Barrier locations for EA development, Various stations	

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10:45 – 11:15 ENGINEERING

Baker Eng. - updates and discussion
Douglas, 13 Miles of Roadway
Nogales, 1-1/2 Miles Roadway, Final Design pending delivery,
due 13 January
Douglas, Lighting
(5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE, Preliminary and Final Design.
Douglas, Construction Oversight and Staking.
Douglas, International Ditch, Preliminary and Final Design
Naco, Lighting (5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE,
Preliminary and Final Design
Naco, Primary Fencing, Preliminary and Final Design
Naco, Construction Oversight and Staking
Nogales, Construction Oversight and Staking
Nogales, Aerial West of Nogales *started*
Nogales, Schematic Design
Sonoita, Preliminary Design *Feb field*
Permanent Survey Markers *needed to start*
Temporary Vehicle Barriers *" " "*
Naco, 10-miles Roadway, Preliminary and Final Design
60% construction plans due 13 January 2004

11:15 – 12:00 ENVIRONMENTAL

GSRC - updates and discussion
PEIS Tucson & Yuma (AERC 225)
Checkpoints (b) (7)(E) AERC 499)
Checkpoint - [REDACTED] (AERC 227)
BA – Operations – Tucson & Yuma (AERC 51)
Nogales Infrastructure EA (AERC #255 & 218 ENV #225)
Douglas Whitewater Draw
Sonoita
Nogales Schematic Design
Temporary Vehicle Barriers (Nogales & Sonoita Stations)
Naco BA
Douglas Dip 5
Strategy Document
RVS EA for Tucson and Ajo Station

12:00 – 1:00 LUNCH

1:00 – 1:30 REAL ESTATE

USACE – (b) (6) [REDACTED]
Douglas Lighting (5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE
Douglas, 13-Miles Roadway West of POE
Douglas, International Ditch
Naco, Lighting (5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE
Nogales, 2-Miles Roadway East of POE
Nogales, Construction & ROW Acquisition (Pending Alignments)
Nogales, Schematic Design
Sonoita, Preliminary Design and Coordination
Permanent Survey Markers



1/13/04 POT meeting - Enviroal Working Group

1) Mitigation (costs) \Rightarrow Solutions
Due 10 days 1/27/04

(b)(6);(b)(7)(C)

mercy

06 budget in March

BA - Tucson / Yuma on (b)(6) desk
on MSACE letterhead Tomorrow
to reinstate consultations

San Pedro River meeting - SCOR office Sierra Vista

WWPWS community to USACE - LA by 1/17

WYNY, USACE
GAP 1
to phone

PEES due out in 2 months to public

2) Action Tucson checkpoint (b)(7)(E) pickup this week

3) USFWS letter - hold

4) PEES meeting - 2 weeks

5) Guidelines go out April / May to public

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Mon POT

b) (b)(7)(E) checkpoint - bridge at

(b)(7)(E)

problem w/ operational issues to be worked out w/ BCP
F ONSI to go to HQ soon

NACO (b)(6) AIC @ NACO BPS

Sanctuary 10 mile Roadway waiting on ROE private land owner
negoties scheme the design

Emp white barriers - waiting on info

Douglas Rip S done

Strategy Mount - (b)(6)

Emp Check points Tucson, AZ, south may need to be moved
TON wants permit while can't

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MEETING AGENDA

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MEETING PURPOSE

TCA PDT EWG Meeting

INTRODUCTIONS

ACTION		RESPONSIBLE
Environmental Working Group		
1.	Mitigation costs possible from BA to be provided to (b)(6) (b) (6) - Due 13 January	(b) (6)
2.	Tucson checkpoint (b) (7)(E) - GSRC still needs some information from (b) (6) (Ajo) regarding strategic enforcement reasons the checkpoint needs to be relocated - Due 31 December.	
3.	Letter drafted to USF&WS Phoenix Field Office for CBP signature regarding Yuma BO and Tucson/Yuma BA; the letter should also acknowledge the USFWS cooperation - Due 31 December	
4.	PEIS Matrix due 12 Dec. followed by 16 December conference call 10:00 Eastern time / 7:00 Pacific	
5.	(b) (6) to e-mail new draft environmental guidelines to key EWG members	
6.	(b) (6) to e-mail those items he needs GSRC and HDR to prepare for development of mitigation costs.	
7.	Conference call number for 16 December conference call	

NON-PDT

- a) PEIS Tucson & Yuma (AERC 225)
- b) Checkpoints (b) (7)(E) AERC 499
- c) Checkpoint (b) (6) (AERC 227)
- d) BA - Operations - Tucson & Yuma (AERC 51)
- e) RVS EA for Tucson and Ajo Station

PDT

- a) Douglas Whitewater Draw
- b) Sonoita
- c) Nogales Schematic Design
- d) Temporary Vehicle Barriers (Nogales & Sonoita Stations)
- e) Naco BA
- f) Douglas Dip 5
- g) Strategy Document



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1/13/04 PDT meet

ACTION ITEMS

- 1) PERMANENT - some content still not worked out.
- 2) SWAPP Training - pending
- 3) WWD Foundation change \Rightarrow no consistency unit \Rightarrow pending
- 4) ~~the~~ Nogales tunnels \Rightarrow pending
- 5) chapter done
- 6) Rent's Form \Rightarrow in building materials to ferry
- 7) SWAPP responsibility \Rightarrow conference call took place
 - \Rightarrow protocol for monitoring responsibility
 - \Rightarrow communication
 - \Rightarrow Notice of deficit has not been filled
- 8) El Paso Back Brief \Rightarrow done

C/10:00 on

- 7) 284929th ANG Border Tour @ 0800 start at army in Douglas
- 10) 7 miles west of Douglas OE \Rightarrow done
- 11) NACO 60% done
- 12) Nogales 1 1/2 done 100%
- 13) (b) (6) reports fencing to prepare SO W for fence \Rightarrow 2119 \Rightarrow Team Nogales
- 14) Temp vehicle barriers \Rightarrow pending
- 15) Conference call w/BLM, BCM/USACE points
 - \Rightarrow Casa Grande, Sonora, Arizona, Mexico
 - \Rightarrow no permits currently needed for construction of land
- 16) Nogales 1 1/2 miles appraisal
- 17) Proceed w/ light tests in Douglas for SO to decide if design OKAY

EWG skipped

R/S - report north shipment
draft plan given to

(b) (6)

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\Rightarrow no comment yet



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2) Military Replants (b) (6)
 Funding in place
 OPR budget (b) (5)
 used
 Conference call w/ (b) (6)
 4 units idled
 Alaska (b) (7)(E) May low water crisis
 Oregon June (b) (7)(E) person WWO
 Illinois July (b) (7)(E) person new low water training
 training report (b) (7)(E) person control repair
 Vermont
 Massachusetts > 05 FT possibly all summer
 Site Surveys on 1/28 & 2/9/04

JTF-G melt
 10 Feb didn't good to go
 Priority list. 4/11 - 5/31/04
 Oregon pipe → owl not this year
 Nogales plan today
 Follow up on NACO FEATF-G

3) Engineering - HARRIS
 Douglas 1 1/2 miles 100 %
 Nogales 1 1/2 miles - Expressway cuts E pull slopes
 gone to 1:1 cut & fill
 Nogales 1 1/2 miles
 Douglas lightning not worked on

Comments back on 3 projects
 Nogales 1.5 1/28
 Douglas
 NACO 10 miles 3/23
 Douglas 4.3 miles 1/28



3)

4) Procurement

~~has~~ not quotes in for type

(b) (4)

⇒ Not award anything

⇒ Release weekend of 9th

⇒ 6" Forms OAT

No contractor for silt ponding w/ initial washing

5) Environmental - GSK

Press and to other agencies & legal CBP

Checkpoints (b) (7)(E) - PF network

" - Foursight signed today

BA Operations Tucson - Transmits by back hole

Nogles elm down

Nogles WWP USACE can sign off on permit w/o further plan

Sanitizer

Nogles > ROES

Temporary lanes - need bottom

Naco BA meeting w/ FWS - site visit to be done

Staging needs distribution

AVSEA Tucson / Ajioskaton HS - needs ROES

Cable printer hallway in

Ajo 1/22nd garage

Nogles 100%

4.3 miles 23 April

Nogles 3.6 miles 23 April

→ Target for Baker Agreement

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Subject: TCA PDT Meeting Minutes From 13 January 2004

Attached is the meeting minutes from this week's PDT meeting. Should you have

any corrections or comments please directly reply to this e-mail.

Also attached is a schedule of planned deployments for FY'04.

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Senior Project Manager

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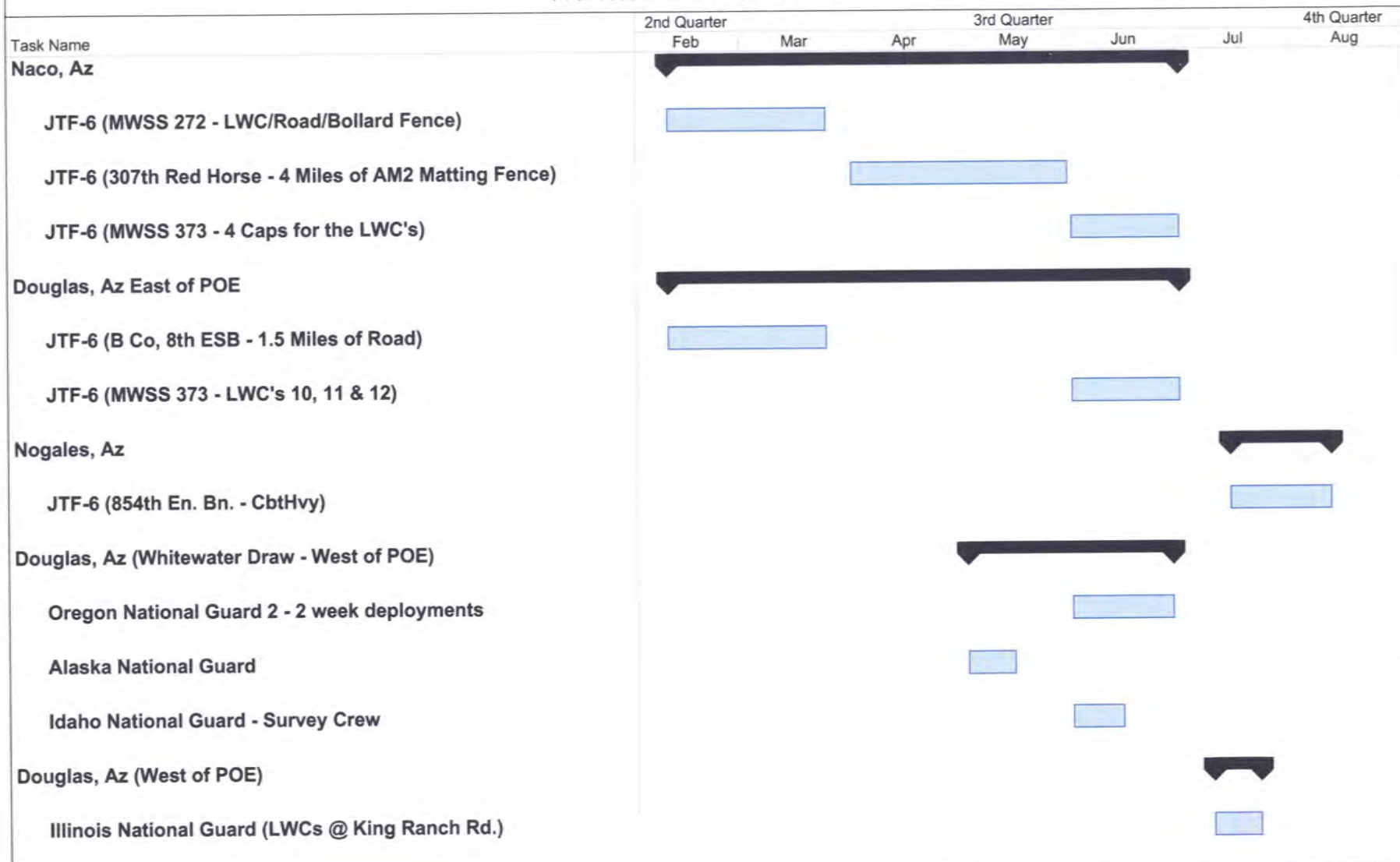


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FY'04 TUCSON SECTOR DEPLOYMENTS



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TUCSON SECTOR, US BORDER PATROL**

MEETING MINUTES

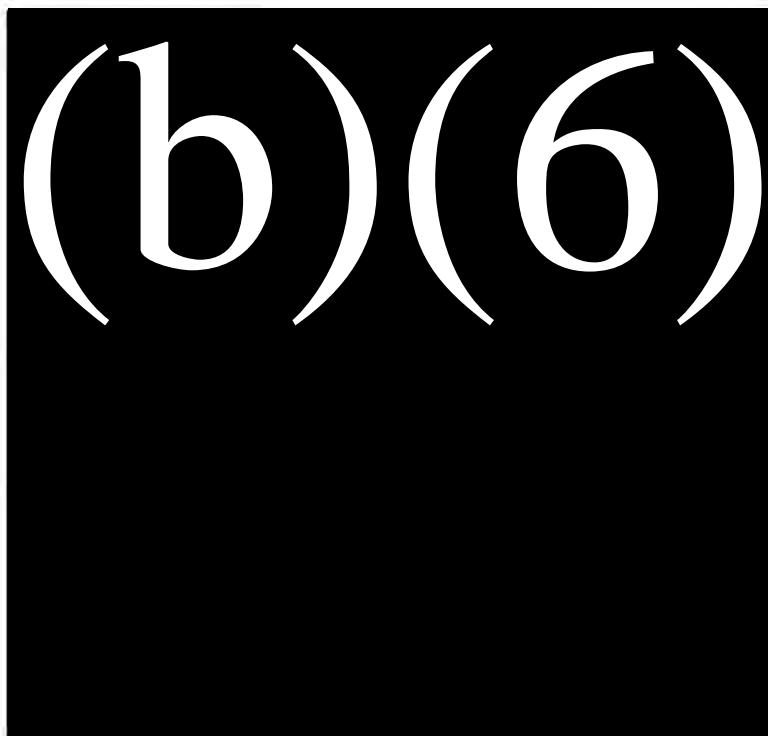
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Meeting Location: HDR - Tucson

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MEETING PURPOSE

PDT Meeting.

ATTENDEES

See Attached.

PREVIOUS ACTION ITEMS STATUS

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ACTION		RESPONSIBLE	STATUS
2.	SWPPP training – need proposed dates and costs for training	(b)(6)	Pending, (b)(6) to follow-up on USACE Training
3.	WWD foundation change to grouted rock – Baker to check on Geotech – AzANG to check with constructing unit		Pending Deploying Units Review
4.	Baker needs official comment resolution sign off on Nogales Tunnels from the PDT.		Pending Comments From UPRR
5.	Inspector that will be at 10 Feb 2004 JTF-6 deployment must be at the 19 November meeting with the constructing units commander.	Baker	Done
6.	Rent 6” forms for next JTF-6 deployment	(b)(6)	Pending
7.	SWPPP responsibility for construction and ongoing reporting - conference call 12 December @ 9:00 Central Time / 10:00 Eastern Time	Kleinfelder & Stations	Done
8.	Personnel attending the 22 January “Back Brief” in El Paso shall provide (b)(6) personal data by COB 12 December for security clearance.	All	Done
9.	28 and 29 January 2004, the AzANG will tour the border with representatives from several units. Baker will provide technical support.	All	Pending & Scheduled
10.	Douglas 4 miles west of POE submitted as 100% by 13 January	Baker	Done
11.	Naco 10 miles submitted as 60% by 13 January	Baker	Done
12.	Nogales 1 ½ miles submitted as 100% by 13 January	Baker	Done
13.	Follow up on fencing for (b)(6) property in Douglas	(b)(6)	Pending SOW from HDR
14.	Temporary Vehicle Barrier locations for EA development, Various stations		Almost Complete, Pending
15.	7 January meeting in Phoenix with (b)(6) regarding DGL/NGL/NCO ROEs		Done, Conference Call
16.	(b)(6) to come up with acquisition plan and proceed with appraisals for Nogales 1 ½ mile roadway		Pending
ACTION		RESPONSIBLE	
Environmental Working Group			
1.	Mitigation costs possible from BA to be provided to (b)(6) – Due 27 January	(b)(6)	Pending
2.	Tucson checkpoint (b)(7)(E) - GSRC still needs some information from (b)(6) (Ajo) regarding strategic enforcement reasons the checkpoint needs to be relocated – Due 31 December.		Done

ACTION	RESPONSIBLE	STATUS
3. Letter drafted to USF&WS Phoenix Field Office for CBP signature regarding Yuma BO and Tucson/Yuma BA; the letter should also acknowledge the USFWS cooperation – Due 31 December	(b) (6) & GSRC	Pending / USF&WS is working on the document
4. PEIS Matrix due 12 Dec. followed by 16 December conference call 10:00 Eastern time / 7:00 Pacific	GSRC & All	Done
5. (b) (6) to e-mail new draft environmental guidelines to key EWG members	(b) (6)	Done
6. (b) (6) to e-mail those items he needs GSRC and HDR to prepare for development of mitigation costs.		Pending
7. Conference call number for 16 December conference call		Done

RVS

GSRC is awaiting alignments for access for RVS in the Douglas AO. DGL Station has been tasked, along with HDR in developing preliminary access roadway alignments. Field visit scheduled before next PDT meeting. HDR has developed short white paper on purpose and need for engineering and survey support for RVS access.

No monthly report from IMC

MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS

Arizona National Guard

(b) (6) updated the PDT:

WWD – West of DGL POE

- Oregon National Guard – June 2004, 30 soldiers for two 2-week deployments
- Alaska National Guard – 15 soldiers, 1 to 15 May 2004
- Survey Crew from Idaho N.G. (pending MOU)

Douglas Roadway West of POE

- Illinois N.G. 10 July 2004 (70 troops, LWCs on Kings Ranch Road)
- 28 and 29 January 2004, the AzANG will tour the border with representatives from several units. Baker will provide technical support.

(b) (6) is exploring development of a duration staff and in discussion with units from Vermont & Massachusetts for FY'05 deployments.

JTF-6

(b) (6) updated the PDT

Scheduled Deployments FY'04

- Naco, Az USBP (Patrol Roads) 10-Feb to 30-Mar
- Douglas, Az USBP (Patrol Roads) 10-Feb to 30-Mar
- Naco (Fence & Barriers) 15-Mar to 15-Apr
- Nogales, Az USBP (Patrol Roads) Jul & Aug

ENGINEERING

Baker Eng. - updates and discussion
Douglas, 13 Miles of Roadway
Baker delivered 100% sealed plans for the 1.5 mile scheduled deployment from JTF-6.
Also delivered were 4.3 miles west of the POE as a 100% review set.
Nogales, Tunnels, Preliminary & Final Design
Formal comment matrix pending. Comments from Union Pacific Rail Road are outstanding.
Nogales, 1-1/2 Miles Roadway, sealed drawings delivered
Douglas, Lighting
(5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE, Preliminary and Final Design.
Not started
Douglas, Construction Oversight, and Staking.
Not started
Douglas, International Ditch, Preliminary and Final Design
Not started
Naco, Lighting (5 Miles) Split East and West of the POE, Preliminary and Final Design
Not started
Naco, Primary Fencing, Preliminary and Final Design
Not started
Naco, Construction Oversight and Staking
Not started
Nogales, Construction Oversight and Staking
Not started
Nogales, Aerial West of Nogales
Not started
Nogales, Schematic Design
Not started
Sonoita, Preliminary Design
Not started
Permanent Survey Markers
Not started
Temporary Vehicle Barriers
Not started
Naco, 10-miles Roadway, Preliminary and Final Design
60% construction plans delivered

ENVIRONMENTAL

GSRC - updates and discussion
PEIS Tucson & Yuma (AERC 225)
The Revised Draft PEIS for the Tucson/Yuma Sector Operations will be sent to CBP Legal Counsel and outside agencies who are members of the southwest strategy task force. These folks will be requested to have their review completed by the end of January. Provided no major comments or issues are identified, GSRC will be asked to proceed with preparation and distribution of the draft PEIS for public review. Minor comments