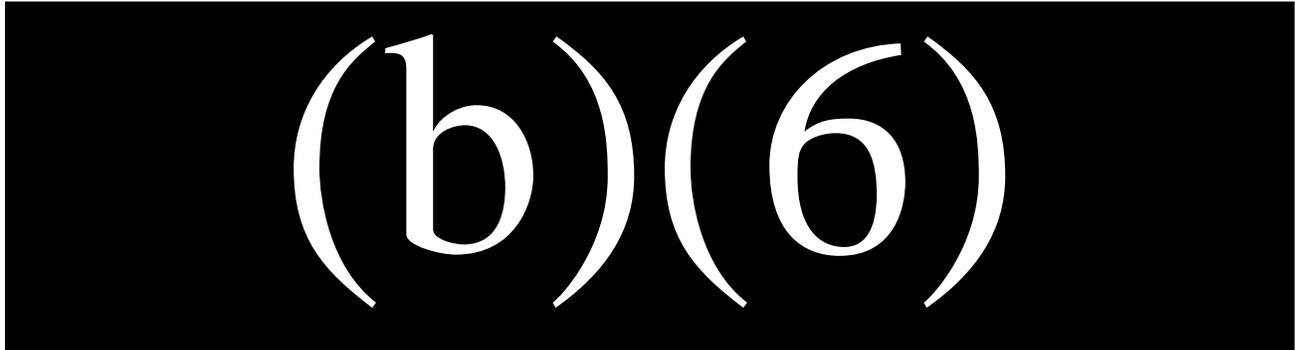


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**MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date and Time: 23 September 2003 8:30  
Meeting Location: Tucson – USBP Station  
Distribution Date: 26 September 2003  
Distributor: (b)(6)  
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**MEETING PURPOSE**

PDT EWG Meeting

**ATTENDEES**

See Attached.

**PREVIOUS ACTION ITEMS STATUS**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
1. Nogales BPS (AERC #503 ENV #220) due out 25 July – Comments due - extended to 5 September	All	done
2. Tucson BA comments due - extended to 29 August	All	done
3. Naco-Douglas SEA – comments due to 29 August – 18 September conference call @ 9 am central time	All	done

**2. SUMMARY OF NON-PDT ACTIVITIES (REGIONAL)**

- a. PEIS Tucson & Yuma (AERC 225)  
The Revised Draft PEIS for the Tucson/Yuma Sector Operations was scheduled to be sent out by the end of the month. However, there are still some missing information. (b)(6) will provide the revisions to the CR narratives and (b)(6) is going to double check the numbers. (b)(6)

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contacted (b)(6) about the cumulative impact analyses and (b)(6) provided phone numbers for himself, (b)(6) as references. GSRC intends to submit the revised document for internal review by 3 October provided this information is available.

- b. RVS for TCA (AERC 255)
- c. Rescue Beacons (AERC 497)
- d. Operation Desert Grip (AERC 497/498)  
Complete
- e. Checkpoints (b)(7)(E) (AERC 499)  
The Tucson checkpoint (b)(7)(E) EA was going to go final, but the Ajo Station has indicated that they might want to keep the checkpoint at its current location. GSRC will develop a list of advantages and disadvantages of selecting the No Action or the Proposed Action by 29 September. The Tucson checkpoints (b)(7)(E) are out for public review (b)(7)(E) only.
- f. Nogales BPS (AERC 503)  
GSRC acknowledged that there were some potential issues at the Nogales Station regarding the fuel AST. The EA can be finalized prior to the ESA, but the FONSI will need to have all recommendations of the Phase I ESA incorporated as environmental design/mitigation measures. GSRC will revise the Phase I ESA report to discuss the spill and make a recommendation to investigate the potential for contamination. GSRC will send the EA out by 26 September and if at all possible, the revised ESA will be submitted by 3 October.
- g. BA – Operations – Tucson & Yuma (AERC 51)  
The Tucson BA was being revised, but GSRC switched efforts to develop a comment resolution matrix, at (b)(6) request. The matrix is scheduled to be submitted for internal review on 29 October. (b)(6) will develop a list of conservation measures, with cost estimates, that could be implemented by 3 October. The Yuma BO has not been received. (b)(6) requested that GSRC send a chronology of the BA/BO process as well as the POC information for the Phoenix Field Office.

**3. SUMMARY OF PDT ACTIVITIES (INFRASTRUCTURE)**

Review all actions pending on chart - add/delete/change –

- a. Naco-Douglas SEA (AERC 218)  
The EWG/PDT discussed the draft responses and comment resolution matrix for the Naco-Douglas Corridor SEA. The EWG/PDT agreed to go forward with the preliminary final.
- b. Nogales Infrastructure EA (AERC #255 & 218 ENV #225)

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The Nogales Various Infrastructure Improvements final EA and draft FONSI have been forwarded for staffing. (b)(6) will check on the status. (b)(6) indicated that it will need to be signed by 1 October or it might be delayed.

**4. OTHER ITEMS**

(b)(6) will send a list of all future projects that he is working on through GSA to GSRC so that they can be included in the cumulative impact analysis for all the Tucson NEPA documents.

GSRC has received the NTP for the Tucson FY 03 projects. GSRC can initiate the efforts on the Naco-Douglas BA and the Temporary Vehicle Barriers EA. However, surveys cannot be started on the Sonoita or Nogales Stations' road projects until the ROEs are obtained.

ACTION	RESPONSIBLE
1. Mitigation costs possible from BA to be provided to (b)(6)	<b>(b)(6)</b>
2. (b)(6) to provide contacts to develop cumulative impacts to GSRC	
3. Nogales BPS EA out by 26 September	GSRC
4. Check on FEA and Draft FONSI for Nogales Infrastructure	<b>(b)(6)</b>
5. Updates by 29 Sept. to (b)(6) for environmental projects	

**NEXT MEETINGS**

**21 October 2003 – Phoenix HDR Offices, 8:30 am**

DATE: 23 September 2003 TIME: 8:30

DHS – US BORDER PATROL BORDER BARRIER PROJECTS

LOCATION: USBP – Tucson Station

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