

SSFL COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP

July 20, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Hidden Lake Clubhouse, West Hills

- I: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. Ron Ziman, Co Chair
- II: Members Present: Alec Uzemeck, Ron Ziman, Michael Kuhn, Tom Nachtrab, David Karchem, Tim Brehm and Sam Cohen; a quorum was present.
- III. John mentioned that the DOE is having a Section 106 meeting in August. Ron and Alec have not received the meeting notice and will contact Stephanie Jennings to get on the invitation list.
- IV. Ron spoke about the DOE EIS process and stated that the document should be out for public review within several months and the Council on Environmental Quality eventually will review it. Years ago the DOE made an Environmental Assessment, however a court decision compelled the DOE to make a full EIS. In 2010 DOE signed an AOC contract to govern their cleanup and the AOC conditions will be included in the EIS. Ron raised the point that the AOC's are contracts that could be modified with mutual approval by the parties. Under the AOC, DOE expects that the excavation and costs will be a major budget drain and modification of the AOC may be required.
- V. Christina Walsh made a presentation about the SSFL and the effort that she is heading to have the NASA portion of the site dedicated as a national monument. As a national monument, the land use would be defined as a park and thus it would prevent housing or commercial development. This designation would honor the past for the space engine development and the history of the tribe's culture and history at the site.
- NASA signed the AOC in 2010 and she feels that the contract allows for modification and interpretation that would protect historical items but she was uncertain if the test stands could be saved. The cleanup under the AOC provides for exceptions, and the soil removal could be reduced by on site treatment and by reinterpretation of the AOC. Christina said that the DTSC would determine the AOC revisions, however Mark pointed out that DTSC has been silent on this subject.

Ron said that the CAG is gathering information for a cleanup and not a national monument. Mark said that DTSC has been silent on the AOC cleanup. David asked about what stumbling blocks may be expected and Christina said that implementing the AOC would address future problems.

There was some discussion and speculation about the actions that Boeing might take to dispose of their portion of the SSFL after the cleanup.

The meeting was adjourned.