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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018 @ 7:00 P.M.

Chaminade College Preparatory – Condon Center 23260 Saticoy St., West Hills, CA 91304 APPROVED

Committee Attendees: Steve Randall Co Chair, Alec Uzemeck Co Chair and Char Rothstein.

Public Attendees: Kathleen Quinn, Christina Walsh and Chris Rowe on the phone.

Alec called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and a quorum was present.

The minutes for the June 13, 2018 were approved.

There were no public comments.

Steve and Alec presented the information obtained from Boeing regarding the air sampling plan for the SSFL that was created to insure the safety of air coming from the SSFL to surrounding communities. Boeing, NASA and DOE constructed fourteen air sampling stations at the perimeter of the SSFL and the stations are to initially gather data to establish baseline values before the cleanup excavation begins at the lab site. The stations' procedure is gather data pertaining to particulate matter, VOC's and rads and once the background is determined the air monitoring will continue during the cleanup and in the event of exceedances, mitigation measures will be initiated. Portable monitors will be on site for worker safety and to act as and early warning system.

On July 25th the independent SSFL storm water expert panel held a meeting to report on the remediation system improvements and on the results of the storm water treatment during the 2017 – 2018 rainy season. Steve and Alec attended that meeting and they gave details about the information that was presented. The water capture and treatment was done under a NPDES permit administered by the LARWQCB and 30 to 40 parameters were analyzed at every surface water outfall during every storm. Compared to seasons with similar rainfalls, the results for this season show improved capture and treatment locations and show no permit limit exceedances. One exceedance for iron was found that was over the benchmark level at Outfall 2 but it also was under the permit limit.

The Regional Board ordered Boeing to conduct a storm water human health risk assessment. The panel performed the risk assessment plan and evaluated exposure at each outfall during the flow days (1-2 days per week) and the pathways of incidental ingestion and dermal contact per USEPA guidelines, inhalation for Outfall 002, the only outfall where TCE was detected and for edible aquatic plant and fish consumption. The findings were that the incidental ingestion and dermal contact exposure were below levels of concern as established by CalEPA and USEPA. Inhalation risk, edible plant risk were insignificant and fish consumption does not occur on site and the flow contributions to downstream fishing were insignificant.

Christina Walsh disputed some of the procedures and findings and she was invited to make her own presentation at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.