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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 13, 2022

Webinar and Telephonic Meeting

APPROVED

Co-Chair Steve Randall called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and a quorum was established.

Committee members in attendance: Steve Randall, Alec Uzemeck, Charlene Rothstein, Faye Barta, Saif Mogri, Rosi Mariconda and Jack Feldman.

Other Attendees: John Luker, Glenn Jennings, Christina Walsh, Chris Rowe and Bonnie Klea

The minutes from the March 9, 2022 meeting were approved.

Comments from the Co- Chairs: Steve and Alec did not have any comments.

John Luker arrived about 7:35 PM and spoke for about 16 minutes followed by a Q&A. He spoke about the lawsuits that have prevented progress for nine years. Five years ago, Boeing filed a cleanup plan with DTSC, and DTSC never allowed it to happen. Now Hirsch is asked at the Water Board hearing for more stringent standards and to fine Boeing for not cleaning it up. John stated that because Hirsch and PSRLA stated that they would never compromise, so without a compromise this matter would by necessity end up in the courts and that Boeing should release their EIR right now to start that court process. John believes that the delays are all about politics and money. John repeated his long-time position that he sees no reason that SSFL needs to be cleaned up to background, but to a risk-based standard.

The first comment during the Q&A was by Christina Walsh who spoke for about 2 minutes. Chris Rowe stated that she agreed with everything John and Christina said. Bonnie stated that she was disappointed that Sage Ranch wasn't part of the presentation, and that there's a huge TCE plume under Sage Ranch. Char agreed with John, Christina and Chris. Char stated that she believes the best thing for the community is for there to be a health-based risk cleanup. Christina said that Dan Hirsch is the one who is mandating this AOC on the basis of lookup table values that he does not seem to defend. Also, that people are stuck on sides instead of trying to find solutions that actually happen. Char said that "Here's what I don't really understand; I've had this conversation with several people including Chris." "People who run around this valley saying oh we're you know there's all these cancer clusters and we're all dying from Santa Susana; they continue to live in West Hills. So, if you really believe that, this is a great time to sell, has been for quite a while, why do you continue to live here? I don't get that. So, I think that's a really good question we should start asking."

Public Comments were made by Christina Walsh, Chris Rowe, and Jack Feldman spoke about the water shortage. Char suggested that with the water shortage maybe there should be a moratorium on building.

Steve adjourned the meeting at 8:28 PM.