

Rosemont Copper Project EIS

Cooperating Agency Coordination Meeting 01/26/2010

Meeting Notes

<p>Individual Meeting between Forest Service , Army Corps of Engineers, and Bureau of Land Management</p>	<p>Participants: Jeanine Derby (FS) Reta Laford (FS) Teresa Ann Ciapusci (FS) Mindee Roth (FS) Bev Everson (FS) Cindy Alvarez (BLM) Marjorie Blaine Tom Furgason (SWCA) Brian Lindenlaub (WestLand Resources)</p>
<p>↪</p>	<p>Discussion: Discussed whether the current range of alternatives under consideration met the decision space needs of Army Corps of Engineers and BLM.</p>
<p>↪</p>	<p>BLM indicated that the current range of alternatives met most of its needs</p>
<p>↪</p>	<p>Army Corps of Engineers indicated that Alternatives 1-4 developed by the Forest Service are generally satisfactory for its needs with the exception that the Sycamore Canyon Alternative is not practicable pursuant to Army Corps of Engineers requirements</p>
<p>↪</p>	<p>Army Corps of Engineers general information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asserted its primacy for the CWA Section 404(b)(1) permit decision space • Requested an Appendix to the DEIS to address the 404 permit process • Reiterated its LEDPA permitting standard • Exploring applicability of off-site alternatives required under the regulations • Indicated a functional assessment of Waters of the United States is needed
<p>↪</p>	<p>Army Corps of Engineers provided three (3) additional alternative concepts for consideration</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ACOE Map Draft Figure 5 (for discussion purposes only/ not provided to Forest Service) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Smaller pit size b. Keep Wasp and Barrel Canyons open throughout life of operations c. Open pit configuration, but reconfigured pit design d. Reduced ore availability resulting in lower rate of return and lower profit 2. ACOE Map Draft Figure 6 (for discussion purposes only/ not provided to Forest Service) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Smaller waste rock dump b. Move waste rock location c. More stormwater control points d. Perched step of waste over existing topography 3. ACOE Map Draft Figure 7 (for discussion purposes only/ not provided to Forest Service) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Potential for additional on-site alternatives and off-site alternatives b. Legal requirement to consider off-site alternatives c. ACOE and Environmental Protection Agency requirements require further study