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ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday July 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

911 Communications Center

Members present: Charlene Rothstein, Bonnie Klea, Marge Brown,
Steve Randall and Alec Uzemeck

Others Present: Christina Walsh, Christian Kiillikkaa

1. The meeting was called to order.
2. Alec gave a presentation of the history of the Dayton Canyon development project. Centex has been the owner since 1999 and the City has signed a development agreement with Centex effective for 15 years and approved the EIR for the project.
3. In 2004 Bonnie alerted the WHNC of the project and asked for support to have Centex do an environmental investigation of the site since the canyon is a drainage from the SSFL. Two investigations were conducted and in the chemical investigation, perchlorate was found in a significant amount however retesting after a rainstorm indicated that the perchlorate had been washed away. Lesser traces were found. The rad study by Allwest Remediation did not find any rads although some of the public felt that the testing methods were flawed.
4. DTSC issued a “No Further Action Required” (NFAR } memo

which accepted all of the EIS and subsequent investigations. The letter did leave open the possibility for futures cleanup if contaminants are found.

5. The development plan calls for the construction 143 homes covering 3300 sq. ft. and it is anticipated that each will sell for over \$900,000. Construction will begin next spring with completion is planned to occur three years later.
6. Marge asked that we request that a supplemental EIR however the City given final approval to the project and no further environmental work is required unless some thing changes.
7. Discussion continued about the future activities of DTSC and Boeing. There will be testing of seeps, springs and faults including Dayton Creek. In the past DTSC has not found any pathways linking the perchlorate at the SSFL to Dayton Creek but Christina found 11 violations to the water discharge permit between 2004 and 2006 with the violations being excess perchlorate.
5. The Group recognized Dayton Canyon as being a link of the SSFL and West Hills and therefore planned to gather water reports and the seeps testing plan with the objective preparing a letter from the WHNC calling for immediate testing that is also required by the DTSC NFAR memo that was issued in 2008.
6. The meeting was adjourned.