
6.0 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

6.1 AGENCY COORDINATION

This chapter discusses consultation and coordination that has occurred during preparation of the draft of this document. Included are contacts that were made during the development of the action alternatives and writing of the SEA. Formal and informal coordination were conducted with the following agencies:

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)
- Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)
- National Park Service (NPS)
- Arizona State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)
- Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT)
- Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD)
- Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ)
- Arizona Department of Agriculture
- U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

6.2 PUBLIC REVIEW

Prior to the development of the Draft SEA the public was afforded the opportunity to participate in the scoping process. Two public meetings were held by the USBP to solicit public comments and concerns in reference to the alternatives proposed in this SEA. Public notices were published in the local newspapers. Affidavits of publication are provided in Exhibits 6-1 through Exhibits 6-3. On November 18, 2002, the first meeting was held, in Naco, Arizona at the Naco Elementary School. Only minimal public participation was experienced and one comment was provided. A second meeting was conducted at the Cochise County Community College, Douglas Campus, Building 800, on November 19, 2002. However, no public participation occurred.

The draft SEA Shall be made available for public review for a period of 30 days, and the Notice of Availability (NOA) shall be published in the local newspapers. Proof of publication and comments received during the public review will be included in Appendix E of the Final SEA.

Exhibit 6-1

The Daily Dispatch

530 11th Street, Douglas, AZ 85607 • (520) 364-3424

Marissa Rivera, being first duly sworn deposes and says that she is an agent of The Daily Dispatch, a daily newspaper, published in the City of Douglas, County of Cochise, State of Arizona:

That the Notice, a copy of which is hereto attached, described as follows:

Gulf South Research
Public Scoping Meeting

was published daily in the entire and regular issue of said THE DAILY DISPATCH, for 2 consecutive weeks, the FIRST publication of said notice being _____ in the issue dated November 3, 2002 and the LAST publication being in the issue dated November 10, 2002

The deponent further says that the Notice was published in the newspaper proper, and not in a supplement thereof.

(SIGNED) Marissa Rivera

Sworn and Subscribed to me this

10 day of December, 2002

[Signature]
Notary Public



My commission expires: June 2, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

This notice is to provide information about two public meetings scheduled in accordance with Section 102(2) (c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended on the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service plan to environmentally assess and address the construction of a proposed enforcement zone system by the US Border Patrol in Douglas and Naco Stations, Arizona. The proposed systems would be along the U.S.-Mexico Border. Construction would be approximately 26-miles by 300 feet in the Douglas Station and 31-miles by 300 feet in the Naco Station. Infrastructure components include primary and secondary pedestrian barrier fencing, patrol roads, drag roads, maintenance roads, permanent lighting, low-water crossings, and drainage structures.

There will be two separate public scoping meetings held in November for these projects. The dates and locations are:

- > Naco, Arizona, November 18, 2002, at the Naco Elementary School Gymnasium. The address is: 1911 W. Valenzuela, Naco, AZ 85620, Arizona.
- > Douglas, Arizona, November 19, 2002, at the Cochise College Campus, Little Theatre, Bldg. 500. The address is: 4190 W. State Hwy 80 Douglas, Arizona.

These meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. (local time). These meetings help to identify issues and concerns that should be addressed in the Environmental Assessments (EAs.) Members of the INS Headquarters and US Border Patrol, Douglas Station and Naco Station staff will be present to accept input from the public and to provide the public with information.

For more information, contact either: Mr. Charles Parsons, Regional Environmental Officer, INS Western Region P.O. Box 30080, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677 Fax (949) 360-2985 or Mr. Denver Heath, INS Architect-Engineer Resource Center, 819 Taylor Street, Room 3A29, Fort Worth, TX 76102, Fax (817) 895-8408.

Published: 11/11/02

Exhibit 6-2

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF COCHISE)

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

[Signature]
KIMBERLY L. HICKS

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Scoping
being first

duly sworn, deposes and says: That (he) (she) is the Agent to the Publisher of the
SIERRA VISTA HERALD and the BISBEE DAILY REVIEW newspapers printed and
published six days a week in the County of Cochise, State of Arizona, and of
general circulation in the cities of Sierra Vista and Bisbee, County of Cochise,
State of Arizona and elsewhere, and the hereto attached

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was printed and published correctly in the regular and entire issue of said SIERRA
VISTA HERALD and BISBEE DAILY REVIEW for E issues, that the first
was made on the 5th day of NOVEMBER 20 02
and the last publication thereof was made on the 10th day of
NOVEMBER 20 02 that said publication

was made on each of the following dates, to wit:

11/05/02
11/10/02

Request of

GULF SOUTH RESEARCH CORP.

Sierra Vista Herald
Bisbee Daily Review

By *[Signature]*

Subscribed sworn to before me this 10th day of NOVEMBER
20 02



Notary Public in and for the County of Cochise, State of Arizona

My Commission Expires: 5/21/2004

PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
This notice is to provide information about two public meetings scheduled in accordance with Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended on the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service plan to environmentally assess and address the construction of a proposed entrance zone system by the US Border Patrol in Douglas and Naco Stations, Arizona. The proposed systems would be along the U.S.-Mexico Border. Construction would be approximately 20-miles by 300 feet in the Douglas Station and 21-miles by 300 feet in the Naco Station. Infrastructure components include primary and secondary pedestrian barrier fencing, patrol roads, dog roads, maintenance roads, permanent lighting, law traffic crossings, and drainage structures. There will be two separate public scoping meetings held in November for these projects. The dates and locations are:
Naco, Arizona, November 18, 2002, at the Naco Elementary School Gymnasium. The address is: 1511 W. Valenzuela, Naco, AZ 85800, Arizona.
Douglas, Arizona, November 19, 2002, at the Cochise College Campus, Little Theatre, Bldg. 903. The address is: 4190 W. State Hwy 90, Douglas, Arizona.
These meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. (local time). These meetings help to identify issues and concerns that should be addressed in the Environmental Assessments (EAs). Members of the INS Headquarters and US Border Patrol, Douglas Station and Naco Station staff will be present to accept input from the public and to provide the public with information.
For more information contact either: Mr. Charles Parsons, Regional Environmental Officer, INS Western Region P.O. Box 30500, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677 Fax (949) 360-2345 or Mr. Denise Heath, INS Architect-Engineer Resources Center, 619 Taylor Street, Room 3428, Fort Worth, TX 76102, Fax (817) 886-6494.
PUBLISH: November 5, 10, 2002

Exhibit 6-3

Arizona Daily Star
www.azstar.net

Tucson Citizen
www.tucsoncitizen.com

TUCSON'S NEWSPAPERS
www.tucson.com

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STATE OF ARIZONA
COUNTY OF PIMA

Janice Anderson, being first duly sworn,
upon oath deposes and says:

That he/she is the agent of TUCSON NEWSPAPERS, publishers of
THE ARIZONA DAILY STAR / TUCSON CITIZEN,
newspapers of general circulation in the County of Pima, State of Arizona,
published at Tucson, Arizona, and that the statement hereto attached is a true representation
of the advertisement published in the said paper(s) 2 times on the
following days:

Nov 5 2002 in class 918 T-Tucson Classifieds - Daily
Nov 10 2002 in class 918 T-Tucson Classifieds - Weekend

Janice Anderson
Agent

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of November, A.D. 2002

My Commission Expires _____

Notary Public Mary L. Markwell

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PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
This notice is to provide information about two public meetings scheduled in accordance with Section 102.17(f) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service plan to re-evaluate existing areas and address the construction of a proposed enforcement zone within the US Border Patrol Sector of Tucson and Naco Sectors, Arizona. The proposed systems would be along the U.S.-Mexico border. Construction would be approximately 15 miles by 200 feet on the Douglas Station and 15 miles by 100 feet on the Naco Sector. Infrastructure components include primary and secondary pipelines, barrier fencing, patrol roads, dog roads, maintenance roads, perimeter, lighting, low-water crossings, and drainage structures.

There will be two separate public scoping meetings held in November for these projects. The dates and locations are:

- Naco, Arizona, November 15, 2002, at the Naco Elementary School Gymnasium. The address is 1511 W. Valerinda, Naco, AZ 85625, Arizona.
- Douglas, Arizona, November 15, 2002, at the Cochise College Campus, 1786 Theobald, P.O. Box 206, The address is 3158 W. 51st Hwy 30 Douglas, Arizona.

These meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. (local time). These meetings help to identify issues and concerns that should be addressed in the Environmental Assessment (EA). Members of the INS Headquarters and its Border Patrol, Douglas Station and Naco Sectors staff will be present to accept input from the public and to provide the public with information.

For more information, contact either Mr. Charles Peterson, Regional Environmental Director, INS, Mexican Border I-19, 2001 Laguna Road, CA 92527, Fax (949) 320-2200, or Mr. Barry Heald, INS Architect-Engineer, Resources Center, 810 Taylor Street, Room 1401, Fort Worth, TX 76102, Fax (817) 835-5400.

Public November 5, 16, 2002
The Arizona Daily Star
Tucson Citizen

6.3 PUBLIC SCOPING COMMENTS

The following excerpt is a copy of the official court reports transcript of the only comment provided during either of the public scoping meetings.

6.3.1 Mr. Ladd Comments to the USBP

MR. LADD: I don't have a lot to say, and I know everybody wants to go see the football game, anyway. The only reason I signed up, I anticipated that there would be people who would be against this sort of thing. And I wanted to at have some positive input. I'm not used to speaking to a group of people that are generally in agreement what I'm in agreement with. But anyway, I fully agree with everything that you want to do. I might add that when you're going through your statement, your mission statement, that one of the things you've pointed out, and I'm talking to the guy from Tucson, I'm sorry, I forgot your name, but you wanted to apprehend smugglers. You know, this is getting ridiculous. I was right in the middle of a chase yesterday. The ran a guy for 50 miles. And I don't know how many miles he was on flat tires, but nobody could catch him. Nobody. And you weren't involved in it, the Border Patrol. But the DPS and the Sheriff's Department were there. And they couldn't stop him. All they did was follow him and blow the sirens. That's great. Now, the Border Patrol wasn't there, but they don't have any different policy. So I think the only way that you're going to do anything at all to stop the drive throughs that we've had -- I forgot to say I'm a rancher. And I guess most of you know me. But we got the border from about a quarter of a mile west of Naco to riparian area it's about 10 miles, more or less. And we got drive throughs all the time. We've had -- by my son's count, we've had eight in the last two weeks. And all we do is go fix fence. Now, I think that a deterrent would be to put the rail barricades up along the border. And JTF-6 started it, and they got some in. And it works perfectly. Nobody drives through those. And all you need to do is finish that, and it will do it. And but my pitch to the people that were sympathetic toward illegal aliens coming in, and I anticipated there being some here today, I was going to tell them that isn't going to do anything to deter people coming across, but it's going to deter smugglers. And I can't believe that anybody would sympathetic toward drug smugglers. And what we need to do is get that barricade up. And I'm all for what you're doing, and I hope you can do it as soon as possible.

C E R T I F I C A T E

BE IT KNOWN that I, Steve L. Garwood, CCR# 50172, took the foregoing meeting at the time and place stated in the caption hereto; that I was then and there a Certified Court Reporter in and for the State of Arizona; and that the proceedings of said meeting was reduced to writing under my direction, and the foregoing pages contain a full, true and correct transcription of my notes of said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not of counsel nor attorney for either or any of the parties to said action or otherwise interested in the event thereof, and that I am not related to either or any of the parties to said cause.

Dated this 20th day of November, 2002.



STEVE L. GARWOOD, CCR# 50172