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**Section 6.0**  
**PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

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## **6.0 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

### **6.1 AGENCY COORDINATION**

This chapter discusses consultation and coordination that has occurred during preparation 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 SCOPING**

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 occurred 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.

#### **6.2.1 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.

Exhibit 6-1

# The Daily Dispatch

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

Marissa Rivera, being first duly sworn depos-  
es 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. 800. 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 identifying 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 3A28, Fort Worth, TX 76102, Fax (817) 886-8404.

Published: 11/3, 11/10/02

Exhibit 6-2

STATE OF ARIZONA )  
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: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

PUBLIC SCOPING  
MEETINGS

was printed and published correctly in the regular and entire issue of said SIERRA  
VISTA HERALD and BISBEE DAILY REVIEW for 2 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.

*[Signature]*  
**Sierra Vista Herald  
Bisbee Daily Review**

By

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 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 28-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. 800. 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 identifying 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 30050, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677 Fax (949) 360-2985 or Mr. Denver Heath, INS Architect-Engineer Resource Center, 819 Taylor Street, Room 3A28, Fort Worth, TX 76102, Fax (817) 886-6404.  
**PUBLISH: November 5, 10, 2002**

Exhibit 6-3

Arizona Daily Star  
www.azstarnet.com

Tucson Citizen  
www.tucsoncitizen.com

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STATE OF ARIZONA  
COUNTY OF PIMA

**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 25-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 15, 2002, at the Cochise College Campus, Little Theatre, Bldg. 506. The address is: 4150 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) 500-7585 or Mr. Denver Heath, INS Architect-Engineer Resource Center, 819 Taylor Street, Room 3A26, Fort Worth, TX 76102, Fax (817) 858-6484.  
Published November 5, 10, 2002  
The Arizona Daily Star  
Tucson Citizen

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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**6.2.1.1 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. They 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

### 6.3 PUBLIC REVIEW

The draft SEA was initially made available for public review on May 7, 2003 for a period of 30 days. At the formal request of a special interest group the public review period was extended until June 30, 2003. Therefore the comment period lasted for a total of 54 days.

During the public comment period the Notice of Availability (NOA) was published in the local newspapers. A copy of the NOA, as well as a copy of the draft document was made available at the Copper Queen Library, located in Bisbee, Arizona and the Douglas Library, Located in Douglas Arizona. Exhibit 6-4 through 6-6 are provided as proof of Publication. Comments received during the public review period, as well as responses and resolutions to the final document are included Appendix E. This Final SEA includes any and all changes that are identified in Appendix E.

Exhibit 6-4

Arizona Daily Star  
www.azstarnet.com

Tucson Citizen  
www.tucsoncitizen.com



**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY  
DRAFT  
Supplemental Environmental  
Assessment  
For Infrastructure within the  
U.S. Mexico Border Patrol  
Naco-Douglas Corridor  
Cochise County, Arizona**  
The public is hereby notified of the availability of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for infrastructure construction activities consisting of primary and secondary pedestrian barrier fencing, vehicle barrier fencing, roads (all weather patrol, maintenance, and drag), lighting, and associated drainage structures within the USDP Naco and Douglas Stations' Areas of Operation (AO). The SEA supplements the Final EA for Infrastructure within U.S. Border Patrol Naco-Douglas Corridor, Cochise County, 2003. This document is available for review on the internet at <http://www.usdp.army.mil>. The Draft SEA is available for review at the Douglas Library, 560 E. 10th Street, Douglas, Arizona 85607 and the Cooper Dixon Library, 6 Main Street, Tomba, Arizona 85603. Send written comments to Mr. Charles Parsons, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Environmental Officer, Western Region, 24000 Avila Road, Laguna Niguel, California 92677, or call Mr. Parsons at (949) 425-7001. Written comments must be received by June 7, 2003. E-etch May 7, 2003  
The Arizona Daily Star  
Tucson Citizen

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) 1 times on the following days:

May 7 2003 in class 918 T-Tucson Classifieds - Daily

Janice Anderson  
Agent

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of May, A.D. 2003



KELLIE LAMASNEY  
Notary Public - Arizona  
Pima County  
Expires 11/30/06

My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public

Kellie Lamasney

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Exhibit 6-5

# 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 Corp  
Notice of Availability

was published daily in the entire and regular issue of said THE DAILY DISPATCH, for 1 consecutive weeks, the FIRST publication of said notice being

May 7, 2003 in the issue dated May 7, 2003, and the LAST publication being in the issue dated May 7, 2003

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

7 day of May, 2003



**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**

**DRAFT**

**SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

**For Infrastructure within the U.S. Mexico Border Patrol Naco- Douglas Corridor**

**Cochise County, Arizona**

The public is hereby notified of the availability of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for infrastructure construction activities consisting of primary and secondary pedestrian barrier fencing, vehicle barrier fencing, roads (all weather patrol, maintenance, and drag), lighting, and associated drainage structures within the USBP Naco and Douglas Stations Areas of Operation (AO). The SEA supplements the Final EA for Infrastructure within U.S. Border Patrol Naco-Douglas Corridor, Cochise County, 2000. This document is available for review on the Internet at <http://www.swf.usace.army.mil>. The Draft SEA is available for review at the Douglas Library, 560 E. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Douglas, Arizona 85607 and the Copper Queen Library, 6 Main Street, Bisbee Arizona 85603. Send written comments to Mr. Charles Parsons, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Environmental Officer, Western Region, 24000 Avila Road, Laguna Niguel, California 92677, or call Mr. Parsons at (949)-425-7081. Written comments must be received by June 7, 2003.

Exhibit 6-6

STATE OF ARIZONA )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF COCHISE )

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION F-01/01 F-888

*[Signature]*  
KIMBERLY L. HICKS

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

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

was printed and published correctly in the regular and entire issue of said SIERRA VISTA HERALD and BISBEE DAILY REVIEW for 1 issues, that the first was made on the 7th day of MAY 20 03 and the last publication thereof was made on the 7th day of MAY 20 03 that said publication

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

05/07/03

Request of

GULF SOUTH RESEARCH CORP.

**Sierra Vista Herald**  
**Bisbee Daily Review**

By *[Signature]*

Subscribed sworn to before me this 7th day of MAY

20 03



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

My Commission Expires:

*5/21/2004*

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**  
**DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**  
For Infrastructure within the U.S. Border Patrol Naco-Douglas Corridor, Cochise County, Arizona. The public is hereby notified of the availability of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for infrastructure, construction activities consisting of primary and secondary padstrut tower fencing, vehicle barrier backing loads, (all weather ports, maintenance, and drug) lighting, and associated drainage structures within the USBP Naco and Douglas Border Area of Operation (AO). The SEA supplements the Final EA for Infrastructure within U.S. Border Patrol Naco-Douglas Corridor, Cochise County, 2003. The document is available for review on the internet at <http://www.usbrpa.com>. The Draft SEA is available for review at the Douglas Library, 860 S. 10th Street, Douglas, Arizona, 85601 and the Copper Queen Library, 3 Main Street, Bisbee, Arizona, 85803. Send written comments to Mr. Charles Parsons, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Environmental Office, Western Region, 2400 Avila Road, Litchfield, California 92577, or call Mr. Parsons at (949) 423-7811. Written comments must be received by June 7, 2003. PUBLISHED May 7, 2003

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