

**FFSL INTERIM WORKGROUP MEETING
November 10, 2003**

Grand Vista Hotel, 999 Enchanted Way, Simi Valley, CA

SSFL WORKGROUP INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Stakeholders Interviewed

Gerard Abrams	Steve Lafflam
Pauline Batarseh	Mike Lopez ✓
John Beach ✓	Rick Moss
Michael Feeley ✓	Jim Pappas
Robert Greger ✓	Jonathan Parfrey ✓
Dan Hirsch ✓	Sheldon Plotkin ✓
Barbara Johnson ✓	Vickie Rosen
Arlene Kabei ✓	

Stakeholder Concerns

Fundamental Issue

No consensus on workgroup objectives (advisory versus oversight)

General Concerns Regarding Workgroup Meetings

No other mechanism for public information

Provides accountability for agencies

Meeting Process and Quality Concerns

Poor presentations

Unreadable overheads/slides

Superficial presentations with little or incomplete data, only conclusions

Meeting delays and cancellations

Failure to provide information in advance of meetings as agreed to

Incomplete information repository in Southern California

Interruptions during meetings

Redundant discussions at meetings

Repeatedly revisiting previous decisions

Lack of ground rule enforcement

Public questions to agencies are not responded to

Attitude and Communication Concerns

Inflammatory statements

Personal attacks and accusations

Lack of facilitation

↪ Mischaracterization of fellow workgroup member positions/points

Name-calling

↪ Belittling (i.e. that's ridiculous)

Lack of trust and collaboration

Lumping all agencies as the same

The right of the public to be expressive regarding emotional issues

What About the Workgroup is Working

The WG is the only consistent forum for the public to get information
Diverse participation/discussion in WG forum
Agency accountability through public involvement provided by WG

WG Member Suggestions for Improving the Workgroup

Preparation

Agreed upon agenda with time limits
Provide adequate time after each agenda item for public comment
Provide community members copies of requested documents
Communications training for workgroup
Provide an overview of project with a clear problem statement (need big picture at every meeting)

Facilitation

Stick to agenda
More proactive facilitation, manage interruptions and time-frames
Facilitator control discussion to ensure agenda is addressed
Check-in on times as meeting progresses

Attitude

Avoid provocative tone/words
Identify common goals

→ *Talking down*

WG Member Non-Process Concerns

Policy and Regulatory Concerns

EPA (CERCLA) versus DOE (NRC) characterization and remediation process
Cancellation of EPA confirmation radiological survey
Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Environmental Impact Report (EIR) versus
Environmental Assessment (EA)
Contaminated materials released to public, schools, and for recycling
Lack of land use restrictions for NRC cleanup criteria
Funding issues (lack of funds and/or use-it or lose-it funds)

Technical Concerns

Perchlorate contamination on and around site
Lack of EPA/Tetra Tech EM Inc. confirmation radiological sampling in Building 19 pit
Burn pit control sample too close to pit
Additional contamination in burn pit
Removed waste disposal practices
Buildings demolished prior to complete characterization and/or remediation
Shortcomings of radiological survey methodology
Site not well characterized
Lack of overall progress