

Meeting Summary

Meeting 8: Site Advisory Group Design Phase—Part 4

Location:	Conference Call/Webinar	Date:	May 14, 2020
		Time:	6–7:15 p.m.

Speakers:	Bonita Oswald, Facilitator	Casey Hagerman, Speaker
	David Peters, Program Director	Jason Hirst, Speaker
	Mark Graham, Speaker	Ben Ngan, Speaker

Agenda

Meeting Purpose: Share information and discuss input on preliminary facility site access alternatives and initial site edges and buffers design concepts.

1. Welcome

- a. Project Communications Lead Bonita Oswald welcomed meeting participants and introduced the meeting topic and speakers.
- b. Program Director David Peters provided a brief update on project progress, noting the team’s transition to working remotely during the Coronavirus, the recent submittal of the WIFIA loan application, ongoing work to plan for new pipelines, and ways Site Advisor input is being integrated into the design process.

2. Site Access Considerations

- a. Facility Design Project Manager Mark Graham shared information about the preliminary traffic analysis for the operations phase of the facility and the ongoing steps to prepare a construction phase traffic analysis.
 - i. Mark highlighted the goal of identifying feasible site access for the operating facility that limits disruption to neighbors. He summarized initial operations phase traffic analysis that indicates existing roads can accommodate the anticipated traffic increase from staff commutes and deliveries. He also briefly described the four preliminary site access alternatives currently being considered.
 - ii. Site Advisors were asked to identify preferred site access alternatives and share insights about the alternatives. Input included: preference for the SE Dodge Park Boulevard access alternative from the north or the SE Bluff Road access alternative from the south.
 - iii. Mark highlighted the goal of using Site Advisor and community input to help identify appropriate traffic safety measures and controls during facility construction. He summarized ongoing steps to



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assess construction traffic, including using design information to better estimate the number of trucks, considering scenarios for distributing trips over time, and evaluating access options and potential off-site improvements.

- iv. Site Advisors were asked to provide input on potential truck routes and traffic management strategies for the construction phase. Input included: favoring sending trucks north to I-84 or south to US 26, routing trucks one way through the site, lengthening work day hours to offer a needed break on the weekend, considering two access routes to provide flexibility, and holding trucks to established speed limits.
- v. Discussion included concerns about the safety of existing roads and established speeds, questions about the number of site access points, consideration of potential property impacts from road improvements, and preferences for extending work week hours if needed rather than working more days in a week.

3. Site Edges Design Concepts

- a. Design team representative Casey Hagerman summarized some of the site characteristics shaping preliminary facility design, including buffer areas limiting certain uses, minimum property line setbacks, and ways the varied topography can help screen views of the facility from neighboring properties.
- b. Design team representatives Jason Hirst and Ben Ngan shared initial design concepts for the facility site edges and buffers.
 - i. Jason and Ben noted the team is reviewing both the existing landscape and neighboring conditions to consider how each edge of the 95-acre site offers unique opportunities for different features or a mixture of strategies to help buffer the facility from neighboring properties.
 - ii. Site Advisors were invited to rank preferences and provide input on the initial edges and buffers design concepts. Input included: maintaining agricultural uses such as growing nursery stock on portions of the site, integrating berms with forested areas or hedgerows to help screen the facility, using native plants and the natural landscape, considering community access opportunities related to education, and creating habitat areas and protecting wildlife corridors.
 - iii. Discussion included interest in selecting vegetation types that will help protect against potential erosion into Johnson Creek, questions about potential solar arrays and location of the backup generator, and concerns about potential area risks related to landslides.

4. Adjourn

- a. Bonita previewed the upcoming Site Advisory Group meeting topic on facility visual preferences and invited feedback from Site Advisors on the meeting format.
- b. Davide noted the plan is to continue with the online format through fall or until the group is safely able to meet again in person and adjourned the meeting.

