

## **ORR COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN FOCUS GROUP MEETING NOTES**

**June 14, 2002**

A working meeting of the Focus Group was held in the City Services Complex at 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on June 14, 2002.

### **Attendees**

The following members of the Focus Group were in attendance Marty Marina, Ray Evans, Ralph Lillard, Robert Kennedy, Lorene Sigal, Marshall Whisnant, Lawrence Young, Eric Rauch, Lloyd Stokes and David Mosby. Ellen Smith attended for Dev Joslin and Jim Evans for Dave McKinney. Scott Davis, Parker Hardy, Bill Pardue, Steve Alexander, Joe Valentino, Paul Boyer, Beth Phillips and Pete Craven could not attend.

Members of the Facilitation team in attendance were Barry Lawson, Pat Parr, Marianne Heiskell, and Wayne Tolbert. Dan Wilken (DOE-ORO) attended and spoke to the group. There were 8 members of the public in attendance.

### **New Action Items**

- Facilitation Team revise Advance copy of Draft Land Use Report and release to the public week of June 24th
- Facilitation Team address the ETTP EA coverage on all five maps
- SAIC address changes in utilities in Technical Report

### **Welcome/Introductions/Agenda/Meeting Notes**

The proposed meeting agenda was briefly discussed, agreed upon, and followed. There were no changes to the May meeting notes.

### **Announcements**

Dan Wilken (DOE - ORO) presented information on Executive Order 12512 and DOE-HQ direction requiring periodic reevaluation of land holdings and determinations of excess. It was indicated that this is an on-going requirement and should have no impact on the Focus Group activities. A previous review of DOE-OR land holdings by the DOE Inspector General (IG) suggested that up to 16,000 acres of the ORR could be declared excess. ORO, along with other DOE sites, reviewed the IG findings and the Department non-concurred with the report. However, in March 2000 each DOE office was directed to complete the utilization survey by the end of CY 2000. The Executive Order requires a new survey every 5 years and updates annually. Due to funding constraints and the complexity of the Oak Ridge Reservation, ORO requested a longer time frame to complete the survey and has since committed to DOE-HQ to completing it in a phased approach with the ETTP portion being completed by November 2002 and then immediately beginning the ORNL portion of the survey. The Y-12 portion will begin in June 2003. The last EO survey accomplished by ORO was in 1988 but the 5-year requirements have not been accomplished since that time.

Pat Parr announced that copies of the TWRA agreement are available. Several members of the Focus Group expressed interest in getting copies of the agreement. Pat also indicated that she and Marianne had briefed two Rotary clubs (as programs for those clubs) and were on the agenda of both TDEC and EPA-Region 4.

### **Public Comments**

One member of the public requested a copy of the TWRA agreement, which Pat agreed to provide. He also thanked Pat for arranging a tour for him to view the study area lands. There were no public comments at the end of the meeting.

### **June 5 Public Meeting**

Barry Lawson discussed the public meeting noting 50 to 60 people in attendance. He described the format of 8 stations, the use of posters, and the hands on visual preferences survey taken by vast majority of the public attending the meeting. He noted that the public meeting was well advertised in advance and that several organizations had included this meeting in their mailings to members.

Wayne Tolbert provided a brief synopsis of the written comments received at the public meeting. There was a discussion of the "other lands" footnote on two of the scenario maps with an action to reword.

### **Advance Copy of Draft Land Use Technical Report**

Advance copies of the Draft Land Use Technical Report were provided to all Focus Group members present. Wayne Tolbert noted that this was not a public version. The draft still needed several things done to it before release. These include adding an "as-is" map, make the transportation assumptions consistent with latest economic (employment) numbers presented elsewhere in the report, complete the editing process, especially for the appendices.

The Draft Report is due to be released the week of June 26 and either new copies or changes pages will be provided to FG members who have the advance copies. Comments are not requested on the advance copy but should be made on the draft when received.

### **Visual Survey**

Steve Fritts and Barbara Pearman from Barge Waggoner discussed the visual preferences survey results from the June 5 public meeting. They then administered the survey to the Focus Group and Facilitation team.

There was a question of how to use the info from the survey. It will probably be included in an Appendix in the Technical Report.

### **Focus Group Report**

Barry Lawson led a discussion of possible content of the Focus Group Report. He shared information provided by Robert Kennedy on some "guidelines" which Robert and some other FG members had suggested in a written document. There was a discussion about this guidance document. A number of related issues were discussed. Some members felt that the FG Report should have consensus agreement where possible but expression of different views is okay. Others wanted as much consensus as possible without conflicting views being expressed.

There appears to be consensus on the Preliminary Feedback Map and consensus that the 4 scenarios developed are suitable for analysis by the Facilitation Team for the Technical Report. Need to clarify the footnote about other lands and address the issue of ETTP EA lands and how to depict in maps.

It was observed by some that Modified ED-3 scenario is probably not viable. Some land thought to be available for development under this scenario has now been requested for DOE Mission needs. There are utility constraints (telecommunication line that runs through the NW corner that was not realized previously). The utilities section of the Technical Report should be modified to reflect this new information.

### **Future Planning Activities/Next Steps**

The next Focus Group meeting will be July 12.