

MEETING SUMMARY
March 23, 2022

Meeting Attendees

Community Working Group members present both in-person and by Zoom:

1. Amanda Moors – Arizona Wildlife Federation (Zoom)
2. Arlynn Godinez – Superior Enterprise Center
3. Bruce Wittig – Queen Valley Fire Department
4. Hank Gutierrez - Superior Copper Alliance
5. Jim Schenck – Rebuild Superior, Legends of Superior Trail
6. JoAnn Besich – Superior Optimist Club
7. Mila Besich – Town of Superior, Mayor
8. Pam Bennett – Queen Valley Community Liaison
9. Richard Provencio – United Superiorites
10. Rick Cartier – Superior Chamber of Commerce
11. Silvia Were – Top of the World (Zoom)
12. Sonal Brahmabhatt – Copper Mountain Motel (New Member)
13. Stephen Estatico – Superintendent, Superior Unified School Dist.
14. Todd Pryor – Town Manager, Superior (Zoom)

Resolution Copper Company:

1. Hesston Klenk

Facilitators – Godec, Randall & Associates (GRA):

John Godec
Jody Lomenzo

CWG members not present:

1. Cathy Melvin – Gila County
2. Fernando Shipley – Globe/Cobre Valley Medical Center
3. Fred Gaudet – Arizona Trail Assn.
4. George Martin – JF, JI Ranch
5. Gloria Ruiz – Town of Winkelman
6. Ignacio "Max" Magallenez – Board Member, Superior Unified School Dist.
7. Jeff Bunklemann – Central Arizona College (retired)
8. Karen Kitchayan Jones – San Carlos Apache Tribe
9. Lynn Martin – JF Ranch
10. Lynne Nemeth – Boyce Thompson Arboretum
11. Sylvia Kerlock – Town of Winkelman

Welcome and Introductions

John Godec welcomed everyone and introduced the newest CWG member, Sonal Brahmhatt, who has a background in wastewater management and is the owner of the Copper Mountain Motel in Superior. He asked all attendees to introduce themselves and share a little about their backgrounds and welcome Sonal.

Meeting Highlights

- Jim Schenck noted AmeriCorps volunteers completed their work, clearing much debris at Queen Creek.
- Hesston Klenk informed the group that Resolution is about to embark on a Social Impact Assessment (SIA).
 - Some background:*
 - Official definition of SIA is: Social Impact Assessment includes the processes of analyzing, monitoring and managing the intended and unintended social consequences, both positive and negative, of planned interventions (policies, programs, plans, projects) and any social change processes invoked by those interventions. Its primary purpose is to bring about a more sustainable and equitable biophysical and human environment.
 - In relation to mining, Social impact assessment (SIA) is focused on how to identify, avoid, mitigate and enhance outcomes for communities and is most effective as an iterative process across the life cycle of developments, rather than a one-off activity at the outset of mining.
 - An independent group would be conducting the study. Klenk said it would commence mid-year and would take approximately six months. Its findings would become a public document.
- Members of the CWG raised the option to request a presentation from the consultants who would be conducting the SIA, prior to the onset of the assessment.
- John Godec noted his continuing work to reach out to people in Stillwater, Montana and his effort to have a member of the Stillwater group discuss their Good Neighbor Agreement with members of the CWG, without a facilitator involved.
- In continuing discussions on the content of the Good Neighbor Agreement, the group homed in on key areas to include in the agreement and what entities would be official signatories on the agreement, in addition to representatives from Resolution/RioTinto. Preliminary agreement signatories could be:
 - The Town of Superior
 - Superior Unified School District
 - Rebuild Superior
 - LOST
 - Superior Chamber of Commerce
 - BTA
 - Arizona Wildlife Federation
 - Queen Valley Water??
 - Queen Valley Fire Department
- Group agreed that proposed Water Forum needs to be delayed until the Fall

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 13, 6:00 pm (MST)

Those planning to attend in person at Superior Chamber of Commerce, please RSVP, for headcount for dinner. Those attending by Zoom are also requested to RSVP. An invite reminder will be sent to members.