

**Santan Landscaping and Mitigation Community Working Group**  
**January 5, 2002**  
Minutes

**Attendance**

CWG Members

Richard Andrews	Present
Michael Apergis	Absent, represented by Melissa Apergis
Mark Bauman	Present
Maggie Cathey	Present
Nan Dawson	Present
Marshall Green	Present
Mark Kwiat	Present, then represented by Cathy LaTona
Cathy LaTona	Present
Cathy Lopez	Present
Scott Morrison	Present
George Pettit	Present, then represented by Richard Andrews
Kimberly Pugh	Present

Other Attendees

Michelle Colores, SRP  
Randy Dietrich, SRP  
Mary Orton, The Mary Orton Company  
Leah Manbeck, Ten Eyck Landscape Architects  
Dave Wilson, Ten Eyck Landscape Architects

Audience Attendees

James Ballard  
Dale Borger  
Rebecca Cosseboom, Wanda Drive  
David Harris, Western Skies  
Lisa Harris, Western Skies  
Fred Lopez  
Nickie Reber, Wanda Drive  
Larry Strand

**Welcome**

The fifteenth meeting of the CWG was convened on the morning of January 5, 2002 in the Gilbert Municipal Building. Mary announced the proxy. Mark gave his proxy to Cathy LaTona at about 10:15 a.m., and George gave his proxy to Richard Andrews at approximately 9:35 a.m.

**Announcements**

Randy noted that Tom Finley, whose land became the development Finley Farms, died on December 23, 2001. Mary noted that the ground rules required her to contact CWG members who missed two meetings in order to determine their willingness and ability to continue to participate, and then report to the full CWG. Accordingly, she reported that she had contacted Scott Morrison who had simply forgotten the last meeting, and who continued to be willing and able to serve.

Later in the meeting, Randy indicated that the fence screening along Warner Road should be installed in the next week or two. Later still, Leah announced that Ten Eyck has telephone and facsimile capability but no email. She also noted that email messages are not being returned to sender.

**Approval of Today's Agenda**

The group approved the agenda with one change: they moved consideration of the tan samples for the fence along the berm (3.a.) to after the discussion on the east side mitigation (3.c.)

**Landscaping Mitigation Plan**

West side mitigation: The CWG considered the detailed drawings that Dave presented. They discussed the removal of the southernmost diesel tank.

**After discussion, the CWG agreed that all three diesel tanks should be removed.**

Randy indicated that SRP could not agree to that at this time. He also said that he and his superiors had been comfortable with the idea (agreed to on November 1) that the budget, the removal of the third diesel

tank, and the construction entrance would be discussed at the same time, and indicated that some compromise may be possible at that time.

**After further discussion, the CWG agreed to write a letter to the Arizona Corporation Commission to express the group's consensus that all three diesel tanks should be removed. They agreed that the letter would be drafted by Cathy Lopez, Scott, and Kimberly, and then circulated for approval to the entire group.**

**The CWG agreed that the west side mitigation would be as presented in the drawing WP2, dated January 5, 2002, with the following changes:**

- **the berm is extended to wrap around the southern corner of the western edge of the property, with the toe of the slope reaching the railroad tracks**
- **eucalyptus trees are added to the pine trees at the top of the berm, in a 50-50 layered mix, from the northern edge of the HRSGs to the southern point of the berm, and**
- **more eucalyptus trees are planted at the southern end of the berm, tapering off towards the north.**

The CWG asked Ten Eyck for an overlay showing these changes to the drawing.

South side mitigation: The CWG discussed the proposal from Dave on the landscape mitigation for the south side of the property.

**The CWG agreed that the south side mitigation would be as described on drawing SP2 dated January 5, 2002, which eliminates the 20-foot wall the CWG had agreed to in a previous meeting. In addition, if the gap in plants due to the gate to the landfill remains, that view into the plant will be screened.**

#### **Agenda for the Next Meeting**

The group agreed that the following items would be on the agenda for the next meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, January 23, 2002 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.:

- plant sizes (when the planning for the south and east sides is completed)
- east side mitigation with a trails update (early in the meeting)
- fence along the berm: tan samples (first on the agenda)
- stack paint color review (first on the agenda)
- construction entrance
- off-site planning (last)
- revised west side plan review (early)
- south side plan: access to landfill, entry on Val Vista
- identification of removal of existing trees
- remaining items from the 42-item list (attach the list to the agenda)

#### **Schedule the Next Meeting(s)**

The group agreed that the meeting after next would be held on Saturday, February 2, 2002, at Gilbert Municipal Building.

#### **Minutes from the December 15, 2002 meeting**

Cathy Lopez announced that she would not participate in the discussion of minutes because of the stress involved. A CWG member suggested they would appreciate her input. Another said she was comfortable with this decision only if Cathy were not saying the minutes were inaccurate. Cathy indicated that the issue was stress.

Cathy Lopez requested, and the CWG agreed, to add the following to the minutes: Member Cathy Lopez has decided to abstain from approving the meeting minutes. This decision is based upon the exhausting situation which is created when concerns over the accuracy of said minutes are addressed and to avoid this situation, member Cathy Lopez declines to approve the meeting minutes.

The minutes to the December 15 meeting were approved as distributed.

**Public Comment**

There was no additional public comment.

The meeting adjourned.