
6.0 CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION

6.1 Introduction

Public participation specific to the Betze Project Supplemental EIS is summarized in this chapter. The summary indicates the means of public involvement, identifies persons and organizations to be contacted for comments, and specifies timeframes for accomplishing goals in accordance with 40 CFR 1506.6.

Public involvement in the Supplemental EIS process includes the necessary steps to identify and deal with public concerns and needs. The public involvement process assists in: (1) broadening the information base for decision making; (2) informing the public of the proposal and potential long-term impacts resulting from the action; and (3) ensuring that public needs and desires are understood by the BLM.

Opportunities for participation and public notices are required at four specific points in the EIS process: the scoping period, review of the Draft Supplemental EIS, review of the Final Supplemental EIS, and receipt of the Record of Decision.

- **Scoping:** The public is provided a 30-day scoping period to identify potential issues associated with the project that might warrant analysis during development of the Draft Supplemental EIS.
- **Draft Supplemental EIS Review:** The 60-day review is initiated by publication of a Notice of Availability for the Draft Supplemental EIS in the Federal Register. A public meeting will be held in Elko, Nevada, on September 26, 2000, to obtain comments.
- **Final Supplemental EIS Review:** The 30-day review is initiated by publication of a Notice of Availability for the Final Supplemental EIS in the Federal Register.
- **Record of Decision:** A Notice of Availability for the Record of Decision will be published in

the Federal Register, and a news release will be issued.

6.2 Implementation

The items listed below outline the necessary components used to implement the public participation process.

1. Public Scoping Period and Meetings

The BLM published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare the Supplemental EIS for Barrick's ground water pumping and water management operations in the Federal Register on August 31, 1994, and mailed a Dear Interested Party letter dated September 2, 1994, announcing the preparation of the Supplemental EIS to 465 people. Formal public scoping meetings were held in Elko, and Reno, Nevada on September 14 and 15, 1994, respectively. BLM received written comments from 11 individuals and groups, and 9 oral comments.

All appropriate news media and the public were notified of the periods available for comment.

Following receipt of Barrick's and ELLCO's application to amend the right-of-way for the proposed buried pipeline, the BLM published a second NOI in the Federal Register on January 7, 1998, and mailed a second Dear Interested Party letter dated January 14, 1998, to 284 people. A formal public scoping meeting was held in Elko, Nevada on February 5, 1998. In response to the second scoping notice, the BLM received six written comments.

2. EIS Mailing List

An EIS mailing list of interested persons was assembled from previous mining-related EIS mailing lists and is included at the end of this chapter. This list was supplemented during the scoping process and is continuously updated as needed throughout the EIS process.

3. Distribution of the Draft Supplemental EIS

The Draft Supplemental EIS will be distributed as follows:

- A Notice of Availability will be published in the Federal Register specifying the dates for the comment period and the dates, times, and locations of public hearings.
- A news release will be provided by the Elko District BLM at the beginning of the 60-day comment period. The news release will be submitted to all relevant news outlets.
- The Draft Supplemental EIS will be distributed to interested parties on the updated EIS mailing list.
- Letters received from interested parties concerning the Draft Supplemental EIS will be promptly acknowledged so respondents will know their comments have been received by BLM.
- A public meeting will be held in Elko to obtain comments on the Draft Supplemental EIS.
- Briefings will be offered for local and state government representatives and Congressional Representatives.

4. Distribution of the Final Supplemental EIS

The Final Supplemental EIS will be completed considering comments from the review of the Draft Supplemental EIS and released as follows:

- A Notice of Availability will be published in the Federal Register.
- Copies of the final document will be sent to those on the updated mailing list.
- A news release will be issued to all relevant news outlets through the Elko District BLM office.

5. Record of Decision

The Record of Decision will be distributed to people and organizations on the updated mailing list, and a Notice of Availability will be published in the Federal Register. A news release will be issued to all relevant news outlets to announce distribution of the Record of Decision.

6.3 Criteria and Methods by Which Public Input is Evaluated

Letters and other comments concerning the Draft Supplemental EIS will be reviewed and evaluated by the BLM to determine if substantive information is presented that requires a formal response, contains new data, or identifies deficiencies in the Draft Supplemental EIS. Steps would then be initiated to correct such deficiencies and to incorporate the relevant information into the Final Supplemental EIS.

6.4 Consultation with Others

The following state and Federal agencies were consulted during preparation of the EIS:

- Pershing County Water Conservation District
- Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
 - Division of Environmental Protection
 - Division of Water Resources
 - Division of Wildlife
- U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Geological Survey, Water Resources Division

In addition, consultation is being conducted with the Te-Moak Tribe, the Duck Valley Tribe, the Fort Hall Tribe, the Battle Mountain Band, the Elko Band, the Wells Band, the South Fork Band, the Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society, and the Western Shoshone Defense Project. To-date, Native American consultation efforts have mainly focused on information gathering. Future consultation efforts will include

the following: (1) BLM will continue to seek more information on traditional cultural properties; (2) BLM will distribute information on the potential impacts of dewatering to the Western Shoshone community and its traditions, religion, and culture; (3) the BLM will discuss potential means of preventing or offsetting these impacts; (4) BLM

will consult on the level of its consultation efforts, the impacts of dewatering, and the means of preventing or offsetting these impacts with the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office. Once the consultation process is complete, then the findings will be updated in the Final EIS.

6.5 Draft SEIS Review

A list of the agencies, organizations, and individuals on the BLM's mailing list to receive the Betze Project Draft Supplemental EIS is presented below.

Federal Agencies

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation - Washington, D.C.
Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control - Atlanta, Georgia
Library of Congress, Exchange and Gift Division - Washington, D.C.
U.S. Air Force - Washington, D.C.
U.S. Air Force, Bolling Air Force Base – Washington, D.C.
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Reno, Nevada
U.S. Department of Commerce, National Weather Service - Elko, Nevada
U.S. Department of Energy - Washington, D.C.
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Las Vegas, Nevada
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Washington, D.C.
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX - San Francisco, California
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service - Boise, Idaho
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service - Portland, Oregon
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service - Reno, Nevada
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service - Washington, D.C.
USDA Cooperative Extension Service, Great Basin College - Elko, Nevada
USDA Department of Commerce, National Weather Service - Elko, Nevada
USDA Forest Service, Humboldt – Toiyabe National Forest, Elko, Nevada
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service – Elko, Nevada
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service - Reno, Nevada
USDI - Washington, D.C.
USDI Bureau of Indian Affairs - Elko, Nevada
USDI Bureau of Indian Affairs - Washington, D.C.
USDI Bureau of Land Management - Washington, D.C.
USDI Bureau of Land Management, Battle Mountain Field Office - Battle Mountain, Nevada
USDI Bureau of Land Management, Carson City Field Office - Carson City, Nevada
USDI Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office - Ely, Nevada
USDI Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office - Las Vegas, Nevada
USDI Bureau of Land Management, Nevada State Office - Reno, Nevada
USDI Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office - Winnemucca, Nevada
USDI Bureau of Reclamation - Carson City, Nevada
USDI Bureau of Reclamation - Denver, Colorado
USDI Bureau of Reclamation - Sacramento, California
USDI Bureau of Reclamation - Washington, D.C.
USDI Minerals Management Service, Offshore Environmental Assessment Division - Washington, D.C.
USDI National Park Service - Washington, D.C.
USDI Natural Resources Library, Gifts and Exchange Section - Washington, D.C.
USDI Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance - Washington, D.C.

USDI Office of Public Affairs - Washington, D.C.
USDI, USGS, Environmental Affairs Program - Reston, Virginia

State Agencies

Nevada Department of Transportation - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Mining Regulations and Reclamation –
Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Division of Forestry - Elko, Nevada
Nevada Division of Minerals - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Division of Minerals - Las Vegas, Nevada
Nevada Division of State Lands - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Division of Water Planning - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Division of Water Resources - Elko, Nevada
Nevada Division of Wildlife - Elko, Nevada
Nevada Land Use Planning, Advisory Council - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Legal Services - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Natural Heritage Program - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Office of Community Services - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada State Clearinghouse - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada State Historic Preservation Office - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada State Multiple Use Advisory Board - Carson City, Nevada
University of Nevada, Dept. of Mining Engineering, Mackay School of Mines - Reno, Nevada

Local Agencies

Carlin Planning Board - Carlin, Nevada
Carlin, City of - Carlin, Nevada
Elko, City of - Elko, Nevada
Elko Chamber of Commerce - Elko, Nevada
Elko City Manager - Elko, Nevada
Carlin City Mayor - Carlin, Nevada
Elko City Mayor - Elko, Nevada
Elko City Planning Board - Elko, Nevada
Elko County Commissioners - Elko, Nevada
Elko County Conservation Assn. - Elko, Nevada
Elko County Manager - Elko, Nevada
Elko County School District - Elko, Nevada
Elko Public Land Use Planning Commission - Elko, Nevada
Eureka County Commissioners - Eureka, Nevada
Eureka County Public Land Advisory Commission - Eureka, Nevada
Great Basin College – Elko, Nevada
Lander County Board of Commissioners - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Lander County Commission - Austin, Nevada
Lander County Planning Commissioners - Battle Mountain, Nevada
NENDA – Elko, Nevada
Nevada Association of Counties - Carson City, Nevada
Pershing County Water Conservation District, Lovelock, Nevada
Pershing County Extension Agent - Lovelock, Nevada
Wells Administrator - Wells, Nevada
Wells Chamber of Commerce - Wells, Nevada
Wells, City of - Wells, Nevada

Elected Officials

Dean Rhoads, Northern Nevada Senatorial District - Tuscarora, Nevada
Honorable C. Clifton Young - Reno, Nevada
Honorable Harry Reid, U.S. Senate - Carson City, Nevada
Honorable Jim Gibbons, U.S. House of Representatives - Reno, Nevada
Honorable Jim Gibbons, U.S. House of Representatives - Washington, D.C.
Honorable Kenny C. Guinn, Governor of the State of Nevada - Carson City, Nevada
Honorable Richard Bryan, U.S. Senate - Reno, Nevada
State Assemblyman John Carpenter, District 33 - Elko, Nevada
State Assemblyman John Marvel, District 34 - Battle Mountain, Nevada

Local and State Libraries and Media

Elko County Library - Elko, Nevada
Elko Daily Free Press - Elko, Nevada
Eureka County Library - Eureka, Nevada
Getchell Library, University of Nevada - Reno, Nevada
Great Basin College Library - Elko, Nevada
Lander County Library - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Mine Regulations Reporter – Salt Lake City, Utah
Nevada State Library - Carson City, Nevada
North American Mining - Reno, Nevada
Salt Lake City Public Library - Salt Lake City, Utah
University of Nevada, Government Documents Library - Las Vegas, Nevada
University Of Nevada, James Dickenson Library - Las Vegas, Nevada
White Pine County Library - Ely, Nevada

Tribal Organizations

Battle Mountain Band Council - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Battle Mountain Indian Colony - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Elko Band Council - Elko, Nevada
Elko Indian Colony - Elko, Nevada
Goshute Band Council - Ibapah, Utah
Native American Program, Citizen Alert - Reno, Nevada
Shoshone Paiute Tribal Council - Owyhee, Nevada
Southfork Band Council - Lee, Nevada
Te-Moak Tribe Of Western Shoshone - Elko, Nevada
Wells Band Council - Wells, Nevada
Western Shoshone Defense Project - Crescent Valley, Nevada
Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society, Battle Mountain Indian Colony - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society - Elko, Nevada
Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society - Harrisonburg, Virginia
Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society - New York, New York
Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society - Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society Executive Board of Trustees,
Battle Mountain Indian Colony - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society Executive Board of Trustees,
Elko Indian Colony- Elko, Nevada
Western Shoshone Historic Preservation Society Executive Board of Trustees,
Odgar's Indian Ranch - Ely, Nevada
Yomba Tribe - Austin, Nevada

Organizations

Citizens for Mining - Boise, Idaho
Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University, - Evanston, Illinois
Intermountain Water Alliance - Salt Lake City, Utah
Ironworkers Local 27 - Salt Lake City, Utah
Minerals Advisory Group, LLC - Tucson, Arizona
Mining Support Group - Elko, Nevada
National Mining Assoc. - Washington, D.C.
National Wildlife Federation - Portland, Oregon
Nevada Cattlemen's Association - Elko, Nevada
Nevada Farm Bureau - Sparks, Nevada
Nevada Mining Association - Reno, Nevada
Nevada Outdoor Recreation Association - Carson City, Nevada
Nevada Waterfowl Association - Reno, Nevada
Nevada Wildlife Federation - Reno, Nevada
Nevada Wildlife Society - Reno, Nevada
Nevada Woolgrowers Association - Elko, Nevada
Northeastern Nevada Miners & Prospectors - Elko, Nevada
Plumbers & Pipefitters - Sparks, Nevada
Public Resource Association - Reno, Nevada
Sierra Club - Elko, Nevada
Sierra Club, Toiyabe Chapter - Reno, Nevada
The Nature Conservancy of Nevada - Reno, Nevada
The Wilderness Society - San Francisco, California

Businesses

26 Corporation - Battle Mountain, Nevada
26 Corporation - Elko, Nevada
Agri Beef Company - Tuscarora, Nevada
Arapahoe Resources - Salt Lake City, Utah
Barium Products & Mining Company - Reno, Nevada
Barnard Construction - Bozeman, Montana
Baroid Drilling Fluids, Inc. - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Baroid Drilling Fluids, Inc. - Potosi, Missouri
Barrick Goldstrike Mines Inc. - Elko, Nevada
Bullion Monarch - Provo, Utah
Caribou Inc. - Jerome, Idaho
Cimbar Performance Minerals/Baroid Drilling Fluids Inc - Cartersville, Georgia
Cortez Gold Mines - Beowawe, Nevada
Cyprus Metals Company - Sparks, Nevada
Dee Gold Mine Company - Valmy, Nevada
Elko Land & Livestock Company - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Endeavour Capital - Portland, Oregon
Exponent - Boulder, Colorado
FMC Gold Co. - Reno, Nevada
Franco-NV Mining Corp. - Reno, Nevada
Glamis Gold, Ltd - Valmy, Nevada
Great Basin Gold, Inc. - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Harland Bartholomeew & Assoc. - Sacramento, California
High Desert Mineral Resources, Inc - Elko, Nevada
High Desert of Nevada - Elko, Nevada

Homestake Mining Company - San Francisco, California
Hunter Dickinson, Inc - Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
Hydro-Search - Reno, Nevada
Independence Mining Company - Elko, Nevada
Legarza Exploration - Elko, Nevada
Lone Tree Mine - Valmy, Nevada
Maggie Creek Ranch, Inc. - Elko, Nevada
Meridian Gold, Inc. - Reno, Nevada
Minex Resources, Inc. - Riverton, Wyoming
Mountain States Engineering - Elko, Nevada
Newmont Gold Company - Denver, Colorado
Newmont Gold Company - Reno, Nevada
Newmont Gold Company - Valmy, Nevada
Palisade Ranch, Inc. - Carlin, Nevada
Parsons Behle & Latimer - Salt Lake City, Utah
Pittston Nevada Gold Company - Reno, Nevada
Quest International - Reno, Nevada
Rayrock Mines, Inc. - Valmy, Nevada
Royal Gold - Denver, Colorado
Sierra Exploration, Inc. - Reno, Nevada
Sierra Pacific Power Company - Elko, Nevada
Sierra Pacific Power Company - Reno, Nevada
SWCA Inc. - Salt Lake City, Utah
TIC - Carson City, Nevada
Trend Gold Mines Inc. - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Tri Quest Resources - Vidalia, Louisiana
Trio Gold Corp. - Reno, Nevada
TS Joint Venture - Battle Mountain, Nevada
Uranerz U.S.A. Inc. - Reno, Nevada
Ward & Smith, P.A. - New Bern, North Carolina
West Gold Limited - Golden, Colorado
York Snow, Inc. - Salt Lake City, Utah

Individuals

Gary Arnold - Boothbay Harbor., Maine
John Barss - Prescott, Arizona
John Behrens – Barstow, California
Keith Bettles - Elko, Nevada
Charles Bispo - Carlin, Nevada
Julia Bosma-Douglas - Englewood, Colorado
Richard Bovee - Elko, Nevada
Jack Boyd - Halleck, Nevada
George Brown - Mead, Washington
John C. Behrens - Barstow, California
Myrtle Colthorn - Salt Lake City, Utah
Denise Connow - Elko, Nevada
Dick Coxon - Elko, Nevada
Justus Deen - Lamoille, Nevada
Drury & Frances Thiercof - Carlin, Nevada
Mark Dubois - Elko, Nevada
Richard Eckert, Jr. - Incline Village, Nevada
Trevor Elenbaas - Shawnee, Kansas
Tom Enos - Carlin, Nevada

John Geddie - Albuquerque, New Mexico
Rich Haddock - Reno, Nevada
Donald Harris - Elko, Nevada
Tom Healey - Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
Scott Herr - Elko, Nevada
Chris Herres - Elko, Nevada
Steve Hoerger - Lakewood, Colorado
Lee Hoffman - Elko, Nevada
John Hogg - Elko, Nevada
Tom Holcomb - Elko, Nevada
Carrol Howell - Salt Lake City, Utah
Felix Ike - Elko, Nevada
Bob Ingersoll - Salt Lake City, Utah
Willis Ingram - W. Valley City, Utah
Dan Johnson - Carlin, Nevada
Joseph B. Key - Lamoille, Nevada
Al Krueger - Salt Lake City, Utah
Margie Lane - Carlin, Nevada
Mel Lawson - Elko, Nevada
Glen Lewis - Elko, Nevada
Meg Macdonald - Reno, Nevada
Mike Malnguisi - Salt Lake City, Utah
Richard D. Manning - Astoria, Oregon
Murie Martin - North Bangor, New York
Robert Michna - Carlin, Nevada
Tom Myers - Reno, Nevada
John W. Oldham - Elko, Nevada
Gordon Peake - Elko, Nevada
Robert Pearce - Elko, Nevada
Paul and Valery Petit - Elko, Nevada
Jim Pond - Elko, Nevada
Larry Ravinkar - Carlin, Nevada
Bill Ray - Altus, Oklahoma
Mark Sanders - Elko, Nevada
Leroy Schutz - Elko, Nevada
Tom Seestanovich - Carlin, Nevada
Chris Sewall - Crescent Valley, Nevada
Marjorie Sill - Reno, Nevada
Barr Smedley - Salt Lake City, Utah
Joe Stenger - Carlsbad, Nevada
Joe Sustacha, Jr & Son - Lamoille, Nevada
Alan Sweide - Elko, Nevada
Edward S. Syrjala - Centerville, Massachusetts
Lee Taylor - Carlin, Nevada
Trent Temple - Elko, Nevada
Bill Upton - Elko, Nevada
Randy Vance - Elko, Nevada
Jack & Irene Walther - Lamoille, Nevada
Todd White - Elko, Nevada
John Williams - Portland, Oregon
John Wise - El Segundo, California
Mark Wood - Elko, Nevada
James J. Wright - Tuscarora, Nevada
Jane Zimmerman - Elko, Nevada
