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I have reviewed the draft permit and I find that is impressively precise and complete. I fully support the permit as written and i think that with some further information I would be able to explain it to the communities.

I do have some questions and the first is regarding “backsliding” which is noted to have some exceptions, will the Reasonable Potential Analysis points be recalculated to accommodate the latest sampling data and what are the exceptions?

The exceedances have been presented in public with the inference that that they all represent threats to human health but your reports present that as a number that have occurred during 2014 and the permit does have tables that show detail of those that have lead, copper, dissolved solids etc. with samples over the limits. However these data are very difficult to explain to the the community since residents have no way of quantifying the exceedances. Are they a threats above drinking water standards or are they greater than the water quality required for the basin plan and do not pose a danger to humans?

I have heard that only a quarter of the permit limits relate to drinking water so it appears to me that the SSFL permit largely deals with the water quality requirements and not treats to humans. Please give me an approach so that I can explain the permit and former exceedances to layman such as myself and they can assess the significance of the information..

I have visited the SSFL site a number of time and I have seen the installation of water treatment plants, holding ponds, erosion control, natural and manmade filters, settlement basins and tanks and more installations. These represent a major effort on the part of Boeing and my questions are did they correct the safety and quality of the effluents from the site and what is your team’s evaluation the effectiveness of these installations and what can we look for in the future? Will the installations solve the water quality requirements until the cleanup is complete and will they stay in place after the soil contaminants are removed?

I want to pass on the information in the West Hills Neighborhood Council and The Community Advisory Group meeting and our website, information in laymen’s terms would be helpful. I anticipate that residents will support the draft permit and be assured that the problems are being addressed once they get more information.

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