Dewey-Humboldt Community Environmental Board Meeting
Minutes June 13, 2018, 12:30 – 2:00 pm, D-H Public Library

Attendees: Victoria Wendt, D-H Firewise Chair, Town Councilor; Margaret Dewey, Project Harvest; Sue Shimer, Dewey; Dale Bennett, Big Bug-Mayer; Denise Moreno Ramirez, U of A Voices Unheard; Shana Sandhaus, U of A Project Harvest; Sandy Geiger, Humboldt; Terry Nolan, Mayor D-H; Peter Kroopnick, CWAG; Jeff Dhont, Yolanda Sanchez and David Yogi, EPA (by teleconference)

Lunch: Guido’s pizza and salad. Yum. Thank you, Denise.

Discussion with EPA’s Jeff and Yolanda prior to agenda item: VW: Where will contaminated soil go? Funding secure? Answer: Determined after review of remedial investigation, proposed plans and public input. Funding consistent. TN: What will be done? Answer: It’s complicated. 30 locations that need remediation. Await next EPA presentation.

Agenda Items:

1. UA EPA Community Involvement Yolanda Sanchez. PowerPoint presentation outlined the three forms of community involvement: Community Advisory Group (CAG), Technical Assistance Grant (TAG), and Technical Assistance Services for the Community (TASC).
   - CAG. (Community question why is there not CAG in Dewey-Humboldt?) D-H didn’t form one. Can be formed at any time. Focus on Superfund and community discussion. Self-functioning.
   - TAG. This is a federal grant. $50k. Non-profit, incorporated. 20% in-kind award match. Rose Eitemiller was in charge of this grant. Brian Beck was hired as technical assistant (there was a previous technical assistant before Brian). Intent: to help TAG understand the Superfund process and reports. A close-out report was filed. Yolanda will send us a copy. A new grant can be established (start over). There is a TAG coordinator. Our next meeting will focus on TAG.
   - TASC. Provides services through EPA contract: community training, educational presentations.
   - Yolanda will send her PowerPoint.
   - Attendee suggested placing the dates for the Iron King Mine and Humboldt Smelter site “Superfund Process” (Slide 6) so they can see what has happened and what is planned. Jeff Dhont stated that dates shift in future, so this could be of concern due to expectations. He also stated that each site is unique and the “Superfund Process” slide might not reflect local details.

2. Project Harvest. Shana presented examples of data report forms for all 4 areas hoping to get feedback on which form was the clearest.

3. Voices Unheard. Denise needed feedback in the oral history interviewee list. She will also attend the July 11 Dewey Humboldt Historical Society meeting. She hopes to get community
feedback on the interviewees. Also, asked if she can place D-H Community Environmental Board meeting minutes on Voices Unheard website (no objections).

4. Agua Fria Festival, September 22, 2018. UA Superfund will share a table with Voices Unheard and Project Harvest. UA Superfund has submitted payment for the booth for all to share space. It was discussed having an activity, such as the watershed model. A one-page flyer for the D-H CEB was discussed that should be made for the event (Sandy G. volunteered to make one and Denise can help). Volunteers are needed to represent D-H Community Environmental Board.

5. Next meeting: September 13, 2018, 12:30-2:00 pm, D-H Public Library. Topic: TAG. Invite Rose, Brian, EPA TAG / TASC coordinator, or Friends of the Agua Fria.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Geiger, sandy.geiger@gmail.com