



Community Involvement and Fort Ord: A Year of Progress through Technical Advising

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Outline:

- Project Review
- Progress and Growth
- Major Activities
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- Looking Forward



Project Review:

- Funds on the current TAG are running out/ exhausted
- Comments submitted on 28 of 71 total reports/documents received in past year



Project in Review, con't:



- 8 site visits/meetings attended by TAG advisor, Dr. Peter L. deFur
- Several major events throughout the past year

Major Activities:

- October 2006 Prescribed Burn
- Environmental Justice 4 All Tour
- Agreed Order on Consent
- Proposed Plans (Track 2 Parker Flats, Track 3, Track 2 Del Rey Oaks)
- 2007 US EPA Community Involvement Conference (no TAG funds spent)

Progress and Growth:

- Hired FOEJN Economic Advisor, Bennie Gates – completed work on new development
- Moved offices to professional building
- Mailing list for peninsula

Challenges:

- Short public comment periods
- Ignorance/failure to acknowledge and/or respond to public comments
- Transference of responsibility from US Army to third parties (i.e. FORA)



FOEJN's Community Impact:

- Primary community representative both at public meetings and through written public comments



Looking Forward:

- Community Forum on Environmental Health and Justice in early 2008
- Continue document review and comment
- Expand the economic analysis
- Increase community involvement- build on outcry over the spraying

Questions?