

Community Partnership for Energy Planning

Joint Leadership Team and Community Working Group – C

Meeting Summary

Wildwood Community Center
May 20, 2008

Time: 2:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Facilitated By: STAR Group, LLC
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Attendees

CWG Members Present:	Guests:
Dwayne Carlton – Ellison Property Management	Gail Simpson – Progress Energy Florida
Marty Dzuro – The Villages	Robert Bellemare – UtiliPoint International, Inc.
Kathy Judkins – SECO Energy	
Paul Kalv – City of Leesburg	
Michael May – Marion County	
Chris McKendree – Florida Department of Environmental Protection	
Jerry Miller – Progress Energy Florida	
Albert Peek – Ocala Development, Inc.	
Lisa Saupp – Aqua Pure Water & Sewer Services	
Robert Smith – City of Wildwood	

Chris Kenny and Bill Moye of STAR Group welcomed the Leadership Team and Community Working Group (CWG) members and guests, reviewed the ground rules for the meeting, and reviewed the agenda.

Gail Simpson gave a presentation to the group concerning the preferred corridor for the Baseload Transmission Project, which was announced publicly this morning. Gail noted that Progress Energy Florida (PEF) had determined the preferred corridor for the Project based on technical requirements and the information gathered to date, including public input received from the Utility Search Conferences, Community Working Groups and Open House Meetings. The preferred corridor will be presented as part of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Site Certification Application filing that will be made in June 2008. Gail notified the group that PEF's final corridor selection is posted on PEF's website. Two different letters went out yesterday – to those within/near the corridor and to those who fall outside the corridor but had previously participated or received some prior communication about the project in the past (nearly 100,000 letters). Copies of the letters and map will be emailed to the LT/CWG members. Gail asked that members of the group offer suggestions to PEF on other means of notifying potentially affected stakeholders about the final corridor selection.

Gail pointed out that ninety percent of the preferred corridor is within existing rights of way. The width of the preferred corridor does vary. Most of the preferred corridor is narrow because the proposed line will be placed in existing corridors. However, there are about 20 miles of new right of way needed (about 10 percent of the project) and in these areas the preferred corridor study area can be as wide as 1-mile.

In Hillsborough County, the plan is to replace an existing 115-kV lattice tower design with a 230-kV monopole design. Based on comments received at the Open House Meetings, PEF hopes that people may view this as a visual improvement over the current structures. The existing easement in Hillsborough County generally is 100 feet wide and will be able to accommodate the proposed line upgrade; however, some additional right of way may be required in limited situations, possibly in the eastern portion of the corridor.

PEF has also determined that no new construction is needed for the Baseload Transmission project in Pasco County. Ongoing analysis of forecast data led Progress to conclude that the existing lines from the Brooksville West substation to Tarpon Spring substation have sufficient capacity to support the additional power generated by the 2 proposed nuclear units in Levy.

A 500-kV line will be needed from the Levy Plant, which will bypass the new Crystal River East substation and then go to the new Central Florida South substation that will be located near the boundary of Sumter and Lake Counties. The preferred route will mainly follow the existing right of way where a transmission line exists. In some portions of the corridor PEF will need to acquire additional new right of way. For example, PEF plans to build in an area near the Florida Turnpike, where it would need to acquire an additional right of way of no more than 250 feet wide. Pole heights for the new line will vary, primarily dependent on the distance between structures and the height necessary for the line to meet Florida's EMF requirements.

The group was asked to provide suggestions regarding the next steps in PEF's overall public involvement effort for the project. The group suggested that PEF consider the following:

- Stay in touch with the Greenway & Trails groups
- Make a presentation to the City of Wildwood. On May 29th there will be a meeting with the Wildwood South Transportation Conference from 9:00 to 12:00, so PEF could do a special workshop.
- Make a presentation to the Villages
- Contact the Realtor's Association via letter/email/web
- Continue communicating with the LT/CWG as milestones are reached

- Get in touch with CSX, as they have proposed expanding their rail facilities within part of PEF's preferred corridor
- Clear articulation of the process of public involvement (July 2007 to May 20, 2008)
- Be prepared to explain the decision making process for siting the route.
- Develop a list of key people, leaders, local elected officials that have been involved, informed, or contacted to participate in PEF's public outreach process so far
- Explain which poles will be replaced and which will just have a new pole

PEF plans to get the LT/CWG back together to work on the other recommendations developed at the Utility Search Conference. Progress Energy will communicate with LT/CWG when the filing with the DEP is made in June 2008 and will get back with the LT/CWG about scheduling the next meeting of the groups.

Leadership Team Roster (Marion, Lake & Sumter Counties)

First	Last	Organization	City
Martha	Barnwell	Progress Energy Florida	Ocala
Nikki	Connors	City of Dunnellon	Dunnellon
Dottie	Keedy	Lake County	Taveres
Jean	Lamb	Progress Energy Florida	Ocala
Michael	May	Marion County	Ocala
Jerry	Miller	Progress Energy Florida	Lake Wales
Albert	Peek	Ocala Development	Ocala
Lisa	Saupp	Aqua Pure Water & Sewer	Silver Springs
Robert	Smith	City of Wildwood	Wildwood

Community Working Group Roster (Marion, Lake & Sumter Counties)

Category	County	First	Last	Organization	City
(C) Alternative Energy & Energy Providers	Lake	Kathy	Judkins	SECO Energy	Sumterville
(C) Alternative Energy & Energy Providers	Marion	Rebecca	Mattey	City of Ocala Electric Utility	Ocala
(C) Business	Marion	Pete	Tesch	Ocala/Marion County EDC	Ocala
(C) Business	Polk	Tracy	Bryant	Rinker Materials	Davenport
(C) Business	Marion	Albert	Peek	Ocala Development, Inc.	Ocala
(C) Civic Groups	Marion	Monica	Bryant	Children's Alliance	Ocala
(C) Education	Marion	Wally	Wagoner	Marion County Public School	Ocala
(C) Environmental Advocates	Lake	Chris	Gray	Power Technology Southeast, Inc.	Leesburg
(C) Environmental Advocates	Marion	Darlene	Weesner	Marion County Planning and Zoning Board	Ocala
(C) Environmental Advocates	Lake	Sean	Parks	Lake County Water Authority Board of Trustees	Oakland
(C) Environmental Advocates	Marion	Mary Ann	Hilton	CRA Advisory Board Member	Dunnellon
(C) Environmental Advocates	Marion	William "Bill"	Ray	Bowyer Singleton & Associates	Ocala
(C) Environmental Advocates	Marion	Paul	Marraffino	Rainbow River Conservation, Inc.	Dunnellon
(C) Environmental Advocates	Marion	Pat	Tooley	United States Forest Service	Silver Springs
(C) Environmental Advocates	Levy	Chris	McKendree	Florida Department of Environmental Protection	Inglis
(C) Government Staff - City/County	Sumter	Aimee	Webb	Sumter County Board of County Commissioners	Bushnell
(C) Government Staff - City/County	Lake	Paul	Kalv	City of Leesburg	Leesburg
(C) Government Staff - City/County	Sumter	Robert	Smith	City of Wildwood	Wildwood
(C) Landowners/Developers	Sumter	Martin	Dzuro	The Villages	The Villages
(C) Landowners/Developers	Marion	Dwayne	Carlton	Ellison Property Management Inc.	Ocala
(C) Landowners/Developers	Levy	Todd	Martin	Florida Farm Bureau Federation	Newberry
(C) Landowners/Developers	Lake	Greg	Beliveau	Urban & Regional Planners, Inc.	Mt. Dora
(C) Utility	Marion	Jean	Lamb	Progress Energy Florida	Ocala
(C) Utility	Seminole	Larry	Watson	Progress Energy Florida	Lake Mary