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Fwd: Update on Exhibit H landowners

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To: Erik Helland <erik.helland@iub.iowa.gov>

Mon, Jul 24, 2023 at 1:47 PM

I have 5 non-Jorde landowners and 2 Jorde landowners, one of which is the Contract Buyer of the property, who have expressed interest in mediation. Of these 7 landowners, two are out-of-state owners.

Of the 5 non-Jorde landowners,

One of the landowners that requested mediation is in active negotiation with Summit on the legal terms, and one has presented a counter offer that Summit says is too much. (I described these below.

Three are still in contact with Summit.

My question is, given the small number thus far, would you be interested in hiring Frank Laney to perform virtual mediation with these landowners? I'm not sure if we offer it to the Jorde landowners. Two of the five have said they would give virtual testimony. If they would agree to a mediation agreement, perhaps we could get the virtual testimony down to a couple at the hearing.

Let me know your thoughts.

Sincerely,
Carla Pope

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From: **Pope, Carla** <carla.pope@iub.iowa.gov>
Date: Mon, Jul 24, 2023 at 10:14 AM
Subject: Re: Update on Exhibit H landowners
To: IUB Board Members <boardmembers@iub.iowa.gov>, Louis Vander Streek <louis.vanderstreek@iub.iowa.gov>, Jon Tack <jon.tack@iub.iowa.gov>, Hunter Fors <hunter.fors@iub.iowa.gov>

I should also note that Summit filed testimony, per Hunter, that reduces the number of Exhibit H parcels from 1000+ to 973. We will get an updated list from Summit by July 28.

In addition, Summit is in active negotiations on 78 parcels on the language of the legal terms of the contract, and 55 parcels where the landowner is agreeable to signing an easement and the terms of the easement agreement, but have presented a compensation counteroffer that far exceeds the fair market value.

On Mon, Jul 24, 2023 at 9:36 AM Pope, Carla <carla.pope@iub.iowa.gov> wrote:

I went through the Exhibit H landowners list on Saturday and came up with the following numbers:

As of Friday, July 21, of the remaining Exhibit H parcels:

1. 288 unique parcels (not landowners) that are either Jorde landowners or intervenors
2. 88 unique parcels have said they will provide written comments on their Exhibit H parcel
3. 12 unique parcels have said the owner does not wish to provide in-person or virtual testimony or provide written comments
4. 8 unique parcels with 4 unique landowners said that they wish to provide virtual testimony
5. 15 unique parcels with 10 unique landowners said they wish to provide in-person testimony (I expect that some of these will switch to virtual testimony because some are located out-of-state)

The responses to the landowner survey are due on July 26. While unscientific, I would say that 95% or more of the responses have been by postcard, so I expect to get some stragglers after the 26th. I will start to prepare the written comment packets this week so that landowners will have plenty of time to respond. About 75% of the landowners want to receive the information by mail, so it will take a bit of time to get the packets out for the 88 parcels that wish to submit written comments. I have spoken with Marie and the responses will have a different name for the filings than a standard comment would have in EFS.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I expect to get a larger number of responses from the weekend mail today, and I will work to update the Summit spreadsheet.

Sincerely,
Carla Pope