

To: West Valley Demonstration Project Citizen Task Force
From: Nancy Raca, CTF Facilitator
Date: November 11, 2022
Subject: ECA Grant Opportunity Work Group – Meeting Summary

Meeting Date: November 2, 2022

CTF Members and Alternates attending:

John Pfeffer, Ray Vaughan, Ray Raffel

Other attendees:

Karl Kalbacher, grant writer for Town of Ashford

Nancy Raca, CTF facilitator

Summary:

Attendees reviewed the requirements of the grant application and discussed the best approach to securing a \$50,000 grant from the Energy Communities Alliance. Grant applications are due November 30, 2022.

John Pfeffer proposed that the Town of Ashford serve as the local government entity applying for the grant because there is no community reuse organization at West Valley.

Attendees discussed different approaches to the application, including

- Asking for “resources for technical assistance for independent review of DOE and other environmental data from sites” – specifically, for review of erosion modeling results including the Neptune PPA. This could also include “support to stakeholder groups to analyze plans/proposals and comment on models used, data relied upon, and choices between engineered alternatives or alternatives in National Environmental Policy Act processes.”
- Asking for resources to promote public education and awareness of the site, contaminants, and choices for cleanup, as specified in the grant application.
- Asking for long-term support to build capacity for ongoing technical assistance.

The group decided to focus the grant application on technical assistance for review of erosion modeling data to help inform the Phase 2 cleanup decision.

Action items:

- Karl will begin drafting the application and circulate to the group for review.
- Ray and John will contact potential consultants to get a sense of the scope that could be accomplished with \$50,000.

Communication will proceed by email; meetings as needed.