

## Agenda

### Santa Cruz Technical College, Nogales South 32 Advisory Panel Meeting February 9, 2025

#### Schedule

- 3:30-3:40 - CAP Meeting rules
- 3:40-4:00 - Review of the CPBA website
- 4:00-4:30 - Workforce Presentation- Skylië Estep
- 4:30-5:00 - South32 General Project Update - Sandra Moraga
- 5:00-5:30 - Community Topics/Upcoming meeting topics

#### Attendance

**Meeting Facilitators (Acorn International):** Ranay Guifarro and Dean Slocum(remote)

**South 32 Hermosa Advisory Panel Members Present:** Linda Shore, Lou Jeong, Francisco Padilla, Trina de la Ossa, Jonathan Lutz, Daniel Gutierrez, Micheal Young, Guillermo Valencia, Josh Rubin, Eva Zuniga, Gerry Isaac, and George Wise

**South32 Hermosa Advisory Panel Members Absent:** Maureen de la Ossa, Lou Jeong, and Fritz Sawyer

**South32:** Sandra Moraga, Troy Kimball, Skylië Estep, and Denise Bowdon

## Minutes

#### 3:40 Greetings

Meeting is called to order CAP members, and the public was welcomed to the meeting

#### 3:41 CAP Meeting Rules

- The expectations for the public were reviewed.

#### 3:42 CAP Website

- The CAP website was discussed on what the members are looking to have in the website.
- CAP members requested that the CAP website have links to:
  - South32 Tours
  - South32 how to be a supplier
  - South32 News Links
- Information on the National Environmental Protection Agency (NEPA) process and understanding a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

- CAP members also expressed interest in learning more about NEPA and DEIS and how to read one, which would prepare them for the expected DEIS which is expected to be released May 2025.

### **3:55 Workforce Development Update- Skylic Estep**

*(Please view the slides at the bottom of these notes as they provide a more comprehensive review of what was discussed in the meeting)*

The South32 goal is to have 80% local workforce who live and work in Santa Cruz County currently, Current Local employment is at 46%. The vision for workforce is uplifting the community through education.

South32 and local partners are looking to establish a local Electrician Certificate Program

- Identifying how to reduce barriers for potential applicants
- The first group will be fully funded
- Striving for diversity in all facets

The Electrician Program was started first as it has the greatest need and the longest lead time. The intent of the first cohort/class is that South32 can attract the students it needs.

### **4:41 South32 Project Update-**

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- The Fast 41 website ( <https://www.permits.performance.gov/permitting-project/fast-41-covered-projects/south32-hermosa-critical-minerals-project>) shows the current schedule for the Hermosa Project.
- The Hermosa Fund was started in 2019
  - CAP per application is \$10,000
  - More information can be found at: <https://cfsaz.org/south32/>

### **5:02 Community Thoughts/ Questions for Next Meeting Topics**

#### *Community Questions*

- Where are the minutes and agendas?
- When will South32 be hiring?
- What is the mine, and what are they pulling out?
- Service providers want to know when they can start working with/for South32
- General Question on what South32 is all about
- Access to the roads

#### *Next Meeting Topic Questions*

- *I want Dr. hear about water from Dr. Ty*
- *Broadly, supportive of third-party subject matter experts to help grow the panel's understanding of why environmental concerns. Wildlife might be a consideration for adding for water, air, etc.*

- *I think the concerned with air and water stem from the fear of over the safety of the members of our community. We need air and water to live so I'd like to be sure our resources aren't at risk. Education wise today's meeting was extremely valuable and providing more clarity.*
- *Water- Dr. Ty to come talk to us about monitoring of the water release from Hermosa*
- *Air- Would like to hear more about independent air quality monitoring. Non-biased measurement and recordkeeping.  
Education – today was great nothing further  
Water - Get U of A professor Dr. Ferre to present to new members*
- *Education – complete process start to finish. How will it operate?  
Water- Long-term impact on ground  
Air-Air quality impact*
- *Education – workforce other opportunities(HR, lab, etc.)  
Air- Monitoring, third-party monitoring?, What could happen like worst case scenario if we didn't monitor  
Water-Safety, sanctions for misuse or accidents*
- *Education – after workforce development presentation I'm not sure what else we could hear about education  
Water-I want expert to come talk to us  
Air – I'd like to hear from Expert regional permitting, community risks, etc.  
NEPA- update*
- *Water – water permitting, scope, and summary of current status, update on water, modeling activities  
Education – regular update on workforce development, education  
Air- Air permitting, scope and summary of current status  
NEPA- What Dean proposed*
- *Water – long-term benefits from water flow in our area  
Air – what is the air quality tester test for in our area? What will the main potentially pollute the air with?  
NEPA- What do they study for and Is it different with different subjects example grazing mining, water, exploration fencing?*
- *Water - permitting, understanding level standards, Dr. Ty, Understanding, water table, understanding, aquifer  
From Q&A, what has not been answered*

### **Reflection/evaluation sheet**

#### **How are you feeling so far? What could improve?**

Good. Pace and time are appropriate

Great

OK- Were moving Forward

I appreciated Dean's question from January, "What are (we) hearing from the community. Perhaps we can devote 5 min. each meeting to this type of temperature check. I jumped the gun! Thanks Ranay for the final slide.

Very good

**What do we need to address next?**

I like the meeting timeline as it stands

Love to know all about NEPA

Q&A Document

Curious for ongoing as in-depth-as possible updates about dewatering and discharge.

NEPA 101

**How well have you felt heard so far? (0-5, with 0 not at all and 5 very well)**

- 0-0
- 2-0
- 3-1
- 4-0
- 5-5



# Community Advisory Panel on the South 32 Hermosa Project

## Monthly Meeting

# South32 Hermosa Project

February 5, 2025

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# Meeting Rules

## Section 6 – Meeting Arrangements

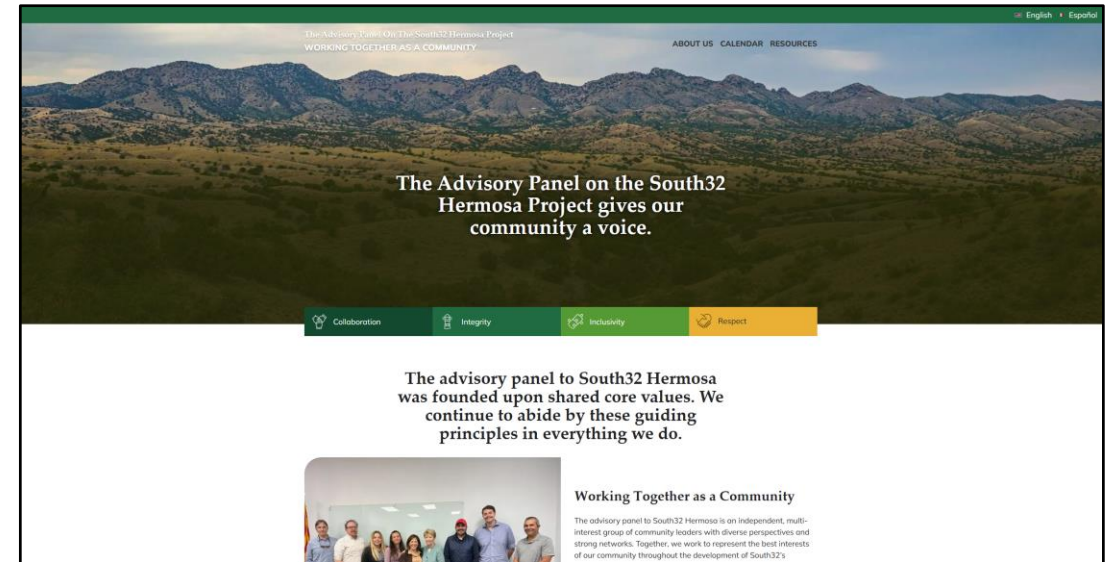
“Meetings will be open to the public, but those who are not members of the CAP will be observers only (not active participants or speakers in the meetings.) CAP members may decide (by consensus) to make any portion of a meeting, or a full meeting, closed to the public. Any items raised during the meeting not included on the agenda may be deferred to the following meeting if information needs to be obtained or personnel present are unable to provide an informed response. No question will remain unanswered.”



# CAP Website

What do you want from the website?

- Message to the communities (?)
- Information to the communities (?)
- Questions to the communities (?)





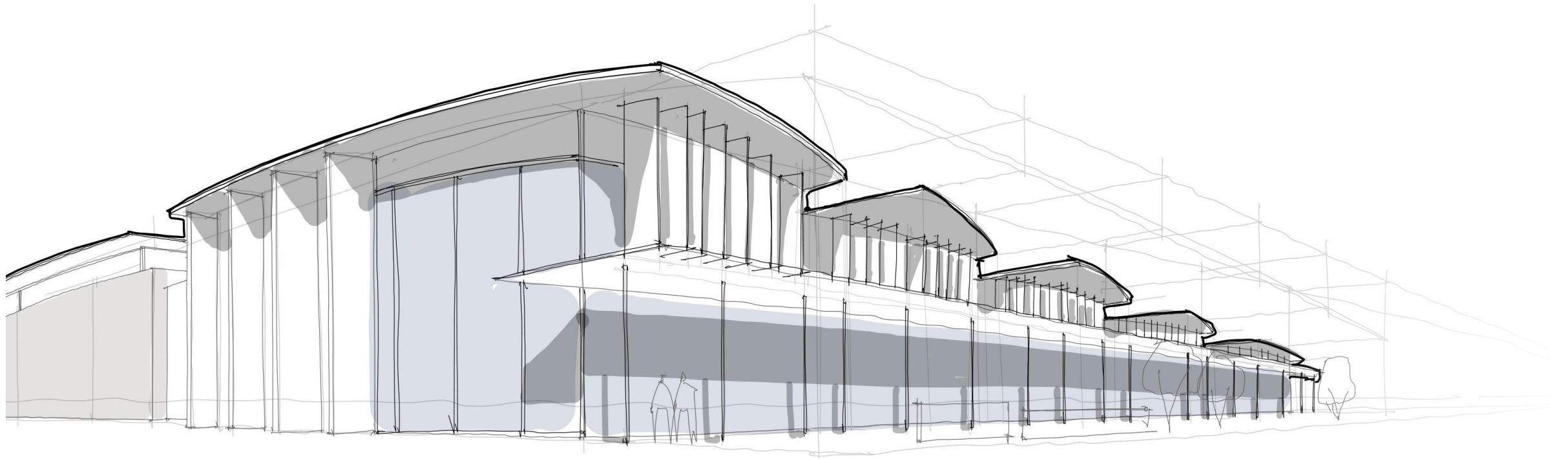
# South32 Workforce Presentation



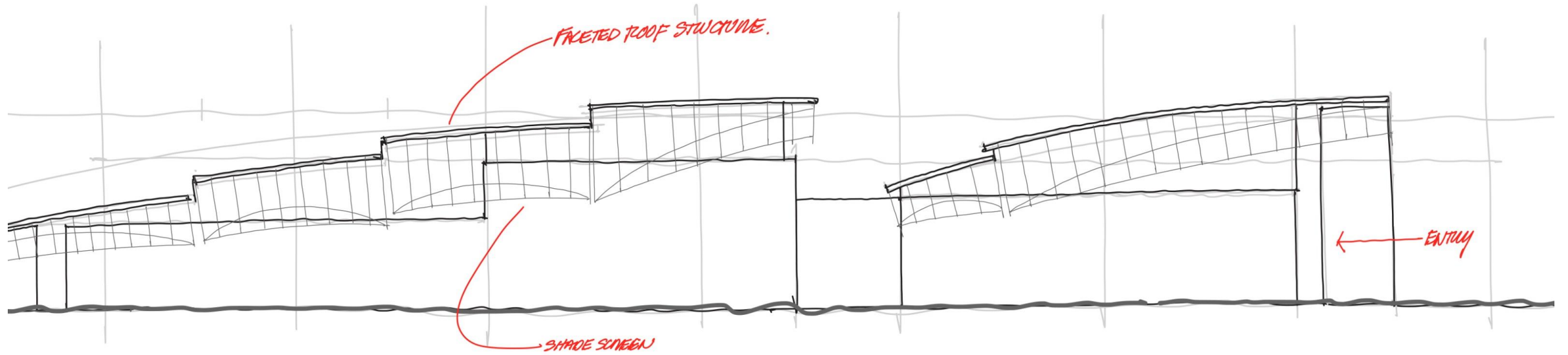
# South32 Project Update



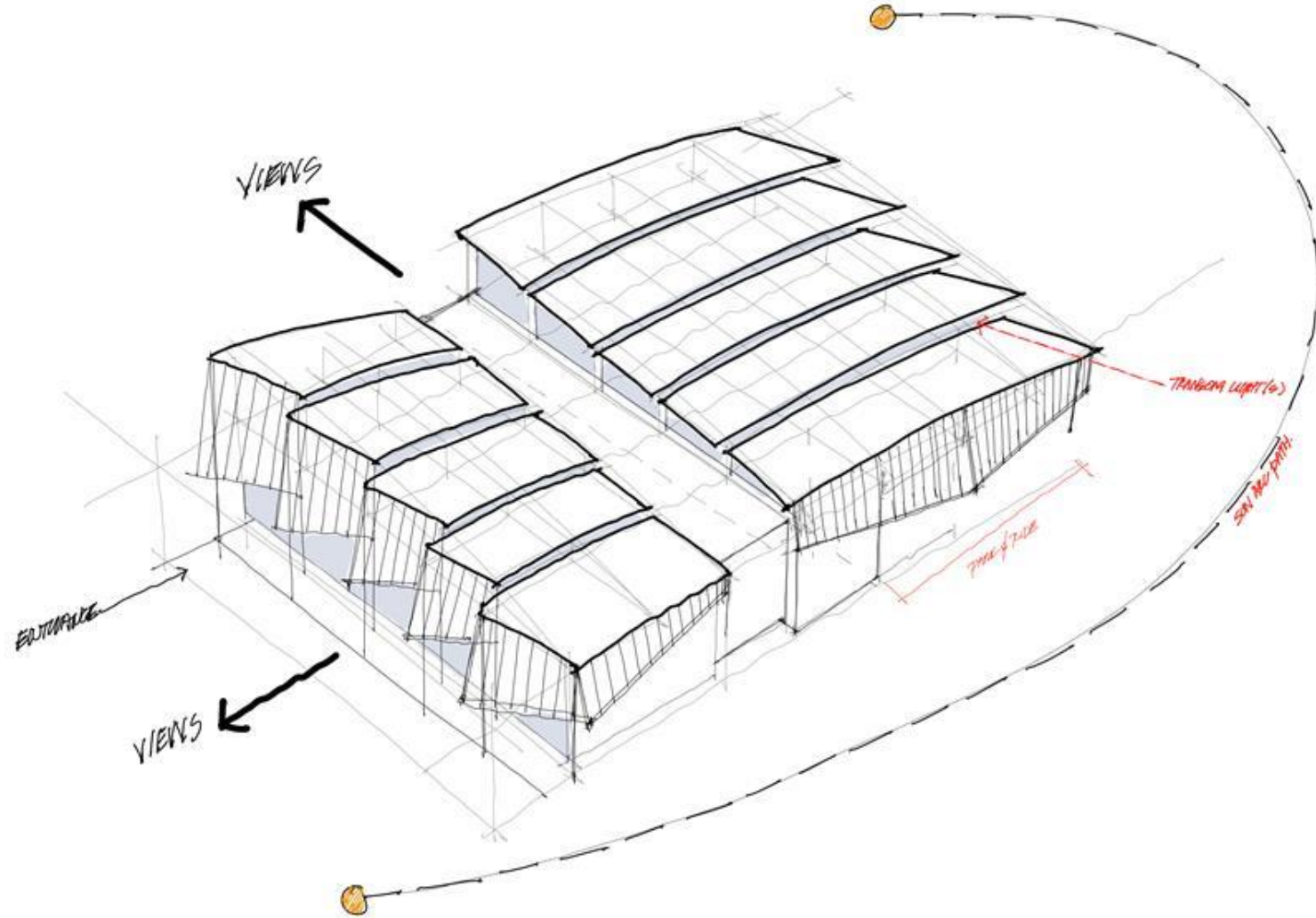
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# Community Thoughts

What have you heard from the community?

What types of people have you talked to?



# Upcoming Topics

- Education
- Water
- Air
- How to review a NEPA document

What questions do you have?

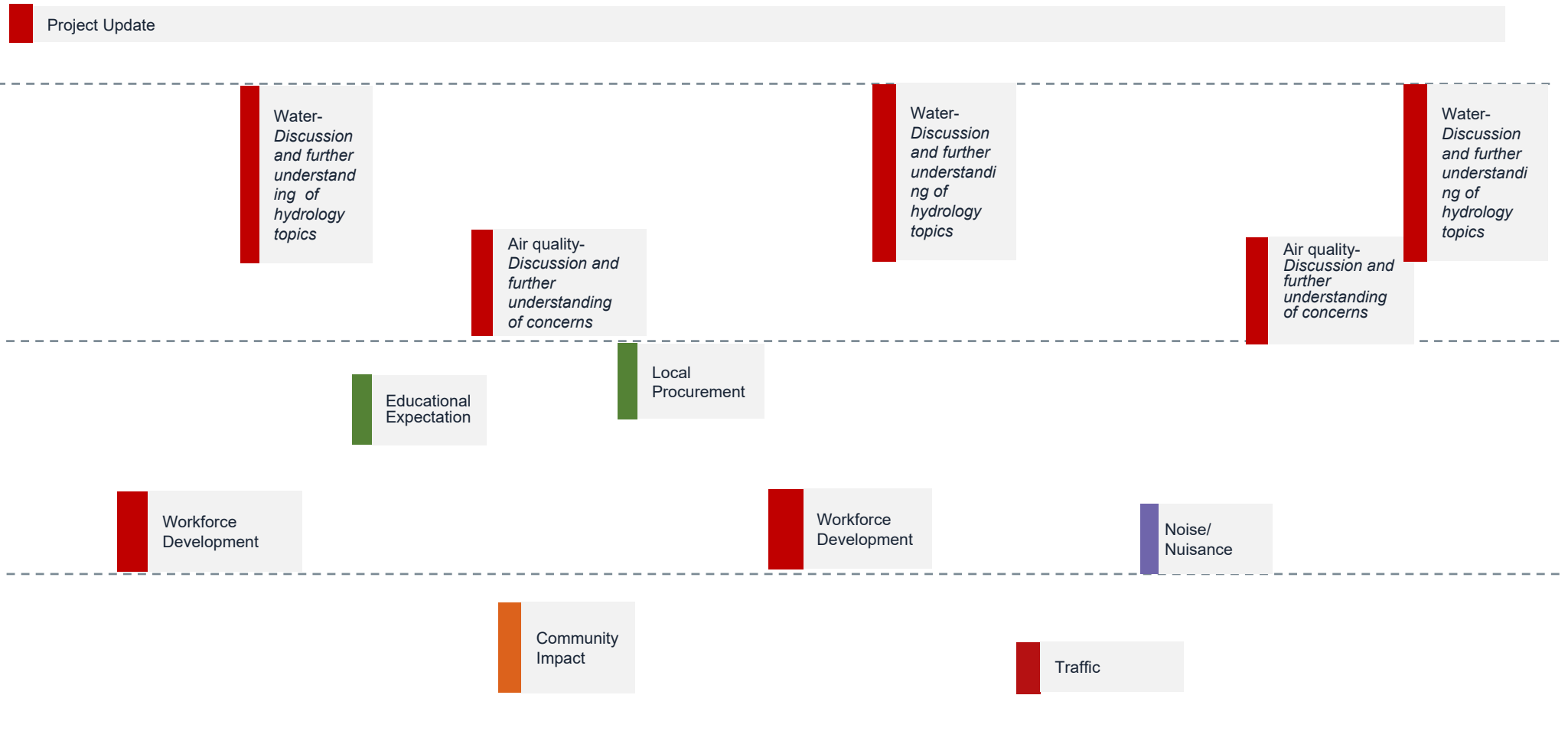
What do you want to be informed of?



# SANTA CRUZ COUNTY HERMOSA PROJECT ADVISORY PANEL

## ROADMAP UPDATE

JAN 2025	FEB 2025	MAR 2025	APR 2025	MAY 2025	JUN 2025	JUL 2025	AUG 2025	SEPT 2025	OCT 2025	NOV 2025	DEC 2025
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### EMPOWER

Participate in community meetings to connect interested groups with the panel and bring forward their questions to facilitate outcomes desired by the panel

### INVOLVE

Identify alternatives through participating in meetings, doing homework and own research, responding to surveys, participating in temporary workgroups

### COLLABORATE

Participate in developing solutions and monitoring for accountability

### CONSULT

Provide South32 feedback as to alternatives course of action during meetings, homework, surveys

### INFORM

Share information through panelist

Identifying the opportunities in which CAP can support the community and South32 in each of these topics will be ongoing. This is the 'Involve' aspect of this Roadmap.



# Next Meetings & Tour Info

Meeting	Location
February 5 <sup>th</sup>	Nogales
March 5 <sup>th</sup>	Patagonia
April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nogales
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Patagonia



**Thank you!**

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