

**Joint Village Strategic Planning
MEETING NOTES
Tuesday, October 7, 2021
12 (noon) MST
Zoom Videoconference and Telephone**

1. Call to Order

Brian Cole called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm MST (Note, this was a special date and time for the weekly meeting as Brian Cole was not available on Tuesday, October 5).

2. Self-introductions

Meeting attendees included Dale Lucero, Leroy Shingoitewa, Sam Shingoitewa, Kathleen Sumatzkuku, James Surveyor, and Brian Cole.

3. Efforts to Refine Projects and Budgets and Seek Federal Funding

Brian Cole indicated that this could be a very pivotal month for JVSP. He summarized the status of congressional deliberations both on the Infrastructure Bill and on the Build Back Better reconciliation bill. He also pointed out that Senator Kyrsten Sinema is in a strong position to influence future deliberations on the reconciliation bill. He suggested this could be an opportunity for Hopi/JVSP to secure the funding that has been envisioned throughout this process. Cole noted that he is in direct contact with an aid Senator Sinema.

Le Roy Shingoitewa then summarized a meeting that he had with Navajo Nation Delegate Otto Tso. Shingoitewa expressed optimism that there could be ongoing discussions with Navajo on a win/win solution for addressing the Bennett Freeze and Forced Relocation.

4. Reports from Villages/Community

a. Upper Moenkopi Village

Dale Lucero reported that there would be a special meeting on Tuesday, October 12 of the Upper Moenkopi Village Board. Lucero and Shingoitewa recommended that Brian Cole dial into the meeting. Cole indicated that he would do so.

b. Village of Moencopi (Lower)

No report.

c. Yuwehloo Pahki Community

No report.

5. Other Business

No other business.

6. Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, October 12 at 10 am MST.

7. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm MST.