

NASKW EIS Oversight Committee
Thursday March 8, 2012
500 Whitehead Street, Suite 102
Key West, Florida

The NASKW EIS Oversight Committee convened at 11.00 A.M. at 500 Whitehead Street, Suite 102. Present were Commissioner Kim Wigington, County Administrator Roman Gastesi, Richard Shetzer, Don Riggs , and Wilma Corbin, Assistant to the Commissioner and by teleconference John Hammerstrom, Christine Hurley Director Growth Management, Mayte Saintamaria, Asst. Planning Director , and Michael Davis, Keith and Schnars, P.A.

There were no objections or additions to the agenda and a motion was made by Dick Shetzer and seconded by Don Riggs to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2012 meeting. Motion carried with no objections.

Mayte Saintamaria discussed DEO's and Growth Management's review of the objections to the comprehensive land use plan amendment on Military Compatibility raised by Mr. Demes and the resulting proposed amendment timeframes.

Mike Davis of Keith and Schnars explained the necessity of being ready for the comment period of the EIS process. His last conversation with Ron Demes confirmed again the mid to late June timetable for publication of the Draft EIS. The committee members discussed with Mr. Davis the differences between an EA (Environmental Assessment), a resulting FONSI (Finding of No Significant Impact) and a No Change Alternative of an EIS. The committee also discussed the process of "alternatives" and other communities' responses to EISs, including Cherry Point, North Carolina.

The EIS committee members discussed concerns of using an alternative runway, altitude ceilings, impact on endangered species, and maintenance standards of foreign squadrons. Mr. Shetzer offered to provide a copy of the EIS from Cherry Point, North Carolina for review by individual committee members.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 11 A.M. at 500 Whitehead St, Suite 102 and will be posted on the county website.

There being no more business the meeting was adjourned at 12:08 P.M.