Ajo
September 1, 2016

Purpose
The Community Partnership Panel is hosted by Freeport-McMoRan to keep the community informed about operational activities and to foster open and ongoing dialogue to develop thoughtful solutions to address community issues.

Safety Share
The safety and health of all Freeport-McMoRan (FCX) employees, along with our commitment to the environment, are of the highest priority. Our objective is zero workplace injuries and occupational illness.

Industry/Business Update
For the most recent FCX financial information please visit: Freeport-McMoRan Investor Center.

Ajo Operations implemented the preventative maintenance storm water management measures in the West Wash.

Question: A concern that keeps coming up in conversations in the Ajo Community is about the water supply. People have expressed concern that Freeport might build pipes or let communities (i.e. Phoenix) build pipes and buy water from Ajo’s well and leave Ajo without water. Is this a possibility?

Answer: We do not have plans to do what is being rumored related to building pipes for the transfer of water outside of Ajo. There are many reasons why we wouldn’t do this, the first one being that it would violate state law to move that water into an Active Management Area. The second one being that if we are to ever develop or sell the Ajo mine, we would need that water source.

Community Engagement Update
The Mini-Grants for Education application deadline is October 1st. These classroom grants are designed to support K-12 teachers and schools in Freeport-McMoRan communities.

For the fourth consecutive year, Freeport-McMoRan has been named to the Civic 50 list of most community-minded companies in the U.S., and this year also was named the top company in the materials sector!

The Civic 50 is conducted by the Points of Light Corporate Institute, a resource for companies looking to build and expand effective employee volunteer programs. The national survey and ranking initiative sets the standard for corporate civic engagement and creates a roadmap for companies seeking to best use their time, talent and resources to improve the quality of life in the communities where they do business.
Community Discussion Summary

“Increased number of business developed, attracted and/or retained” was selected at the second quarter CPP meeting as an outcome for the Ajo community. During the third quarter, the Panel welcomed Daniel Henderson and Jennifer Graves from the Town of Gilbert’s Economic Development Department to present at the meeting, highlighting best practices and share successes around attracting, growing and expanding business and industry.

The Leadership Sustainable Communities Initiative is moving forward and we are pleased to announce the Ajo cohort members:

- Nina Sajovec
- Bety Allen
- Caitlyn Allen
- Lily Williams
- Joshua Manuel
- Aaron Cooper

The Ajo cohort will work with Lodestar Center for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Innovation at ASU to develop collective action around a “increased number of business developed, attracted and/or retained.” This is a strategy to build capacity and allow Ajo to lead their own development and sustainability.

The CPP meets on a quarterly basis — for more information please contact Jessica Knowlton at jknowlton@fmi.com.