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Prepared Questions for the Community Session

July 21 Lithium Valley Commission Meeting

Community Engagement / Information Sharing

1. What are some best examples you can share for how local agencies or businesses communicate effectively with community residents?
2. Is there information you still need to understand what is planned and occurring and what is the best way for you to receive that information?
3. Do you want to provide additional information for the Lithium Valley Commission to consider as they develop their report and if yes how would you feel most comfortable providing that input?
4. In the future as lithium extraction projects are built and operating, what information do you want and need and what type of community engagement would you like to see?

Community Benefits / Investment

1. The Lithium Valley Commission understands that the residents in the region want to see investment in communities from the new activities. What are your top priorities for new investments and improvements?
2. How should community residents be involved in the decision-making process to decide which new community projects are selected and completed?
3. Are there any good examples now that you can share with us?

Workforce Development

1. The project developers have told us that they want and need to build a local workforce for these projects. What things do you think are needed most to prepare local residents to fill new jobs?
2. What are the biggest barriers people in your community face when trying to get new, high-quality jobs?
3. Looking ahead, to be sure that the workforce stays in the local communities and that over time there is a commitment to continue a solid relationship between schools and vocational training programs and the lithium extraction facilities, how can the local people and agencies involved set goals together and monitor the accomplishments over time?

Water

1. Do you feel you have enough information about the water that is used in the planned lithium facilities – where it comes from and how it will be handled to protect residents?
2. What are your biggest concerns when it comes to how these new projects could affect water in the area?

Environmental Impacts and Public Health

1. What are your biggest concerns about other environmental impacts that could result from building or operating the planned lithium facilities?
2. What health issues are you most concerned with now and in the future that you feel could be affected by the new facilities?
3. What information would you like to receive about environmental impacts and public health issues? What are the best ways to provide that information?