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Name (print) JONATHAN E. BENSINGER Signature Jonathan E. Bensinger Date 11-29-01
Address P.O. Box 95578, Las Vegas, NV 89193 Phone (702) 270-2814

P.S: Please additionally note that I am a Life Member of the National Rifle Association, a member of the aforementioned Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club, and a registered voter.

Jonathan E. Bensinger
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Response to Comment F1-4.1

Comments noted. Refer to response to Comment F1-2.1, in this volume of the FEIS.

Response to Comment F1-2.1

The proposed alignment for Alternative D would require use of the northernmost portion of the rifle range lease area, which is over 500 acres in size. The current orientation of the target practice areas is northeast and east. While sufficient open space land exists to accommodate a freeway and a rifle range, adjustments to the boundaries of the rifle range lease area and its target practice areas may be necessary if the preferred alternative (Alternative D) becomes the selected alternative by FHWA. Boulder City owns the land that is affected by Alternative D and leased for the rifle range.

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Name (print) Tom Hawks Signature Tom Hawks Date 11-28-01

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Please Help

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 Nevada State Rifle & Pistol Association
 Competition Director
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1. This range was developed for a safe place to shoot in the Las Vegas Valley. It has many members and nonmembers that use this range to shoot the many disciplines that are offered at this range. This facility is the only one in the Las Vegas area that is open to the public and accepting membership. Closure of this range would result in many of these people to turn to the desert where many accidents and injury has occur in the past. People would also have to break the law because there is a county and state ordinance prohibiting shooting in a undesignated area designed as a shooting range
2. As Competition Director for NSRPA, we hold many of our formal National shooting competition at the only range capable of hosting NRA approved shooting matches, especially at 1000 yards. These bring competitors from all over the country to shoot in these events. The State Service Rifle Championship was held in October 2001. Other competition includes the Nevada State Regional Championship, and the Regional Silhouette Shooting Championship. These event also helps the Clark County economy.
3. The Boulder City Range is also used by local and state law enforcement agencies, along with the National Guard, to teach their officers and recruits' firearms training.
4. The Boulder City Range also offers many courses in "Firearm Safety, Home Defense, Refuse to be a Victim, and Concealed Weapons." Courses are also offered to teach shooters to become a "NRA Certified Instructor in (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Home Defense & Range & Firearm safety)" They also help the Department of Wildlife by holding "Hunter Safety Courses" throughout the year. The officers and instructors of this Club help to inform the general public and children about gun safety and the proper use of firearms, by speaking at events whenever called upon.
5. I am also the NSRPA Junior Shooting Coordinator for Southern Nevada. The Boulder City Rifle & Pistol Club is working with me, my instructors along with their instructors to develop a valuable program for our junior shooters and kids that are wanting to be in a recognized shooting program for the Junior Olympics.

Because of the above reasons, I hope you will consider one of the other two routes for this bypass. The Boulder City Rifle & Pistol Club and the Boulder City Range are a very important part of our shooting sport community and are the only range open to the public for all shooting disciplines. This range has been here since 1933, and are planning many new developments for the range to improve range safety and develop more area to house other shooting disciplines.

Sincerely,
 Dolores McNamara

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Name (print) DAVID R. MICHEL Signature *David R. Michel* Date 12/22/01

Address 1370 CARPENTER RD. BELLBROOK, OHIO 45305 Phone —

NRA LIFE MEMBER # 000001812813

November 26, 2001

Tom Greco, P.E.
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Dear Mr. Greco:

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Sincerely yours,


Mr. William D. Sorensen
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Name (print) *Steven Spearman* Signature *[Signature]* Date *12/31/01*
 Address *161 Graham Ct. B.C. NV 89405* Phone *(702) 293-7901*

Where an in-kind replacement of the existing range is made to ensure continued opportunity for public recreational shooting, including formal competitive events.
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Mr. Greco, P.E.
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Name (print) George & John Wiers Signature George & John Wiers Date _____

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CLIFTON A. WILLIAMS, JR. Signature *[Handwritten Signature]* Date 11-26-01

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* IN CASE I AM DETAINED FULL-TIME WINTER IN BOULDER CITY AREA.

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Name (print) Stanley R. Willis Signature Stanley R. Willis Date 12-9-01
Address 6417 Little Pine Way, LV NV 89109 Phone 938-4120

P.S. People need a safe place to shoot. In view of this they use the desert. Having a controlled range will inevitably cut down on accidents from casual plinking in the desert.

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I have been informed that one of the proposed routes for the freeway bypass around Boulder City, Nevada, will result in the closure of the shooting range that the Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club currently runs in Boulder City. I consider this a bad idea for the following reasons:

1. Closing this range will displace the 300 club members and countless hundreds of non members for whom this is the only structured place for them to shoot in southern Nevada. There being NO other public outdoor ranges available, shooters will create their own ranges, wherever they find "suitable" backstops. I do not believe this will please the law enforcement agencies of southern Nevada.
2. This range is used for formal competition shooting by a number of different organizations for several different matches, including (but limited to) the Nevada State Regional Championship and the Nevada State Service Rifle Championship. This is one of the few ranges in the entire country with the facilities for 1000-yard matches.
3. In addition to civilian users, local law enforcement and police departments use the range for training, as does the "All Guard" marksmanship unit, comprised of the top shooters from the various states' National Guard units.
4. The facility is also used by both the Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club and the National Rifle Association to conduct safety and shooting courses open to the public. Admittedly, some of those classes can be moved to commercial indoor ranges, but some cannot.

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Please use your influence to insure that whatever bypass route is chosen does not adversely impact the Boulder City rifle range.

Thank you.


James C. Douglass

Response to Comment F2-4.2
Comment noted.

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December 10, 2001

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Dear Sir,

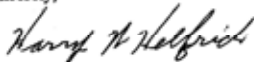
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The enclosed letters of protest are in reference to the proposed routing of State Highway 93, in the area South of Boulder City, Nevada. This routing, which is currently under review as a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and is referred to as the Southern Bypass, would cause the Boulder Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc., it's members, associates and the general public to lose the use of the rifle and pistol range located along this proposed corridor.

My purpose for sending these letters to you is to make you aware of the strong opposition to any routing of Highway 93 which would cause the loss of this shooting range, which has been in existence for more than 50 years.

You may receive other letters mailed by interested individuals, but these enclosed letters are only the ones collected by the Boulder Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc. Copies of these letters have been made and forwarded to Senator Harry Reid and to Senator Jon Porter, in the hope that this issue will come to their attention before the DEIS is finalized. If there are any questions I can answer or if I can be of any assistance in providing information or answering questions, please contact me at 702-294-2484.

Sincerely,



Harry W. Helfrich, President
Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc

Cc: Senator Harry Reid
Senator Jon Porter

Response to Comment F3-4.3

Comment noted. Refer to response to Comment F4-2.2 in this volume of the FEIS.

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Robert Jones
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Carson City, Nevada 89712

Dear Mr. Greco

I strongly support any freeway route or bypass plan that will preserve the Boulder City shooting range for the reasons in the attached letter. I use the Range about twice a month and estimate that well more than 10,000 different people use the Range every year. A really good number is difficult to obtain since part of the Range is free to the general public and most users are not counted in any way. I personally rarely see anyone that I recognize from earlier visits on most Saturdays. I would conservatively estimate that on Saturdays alone an average of 100 people are at the Range some time during the day. The Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club Membership only represent a small number of dedicated people who are willing to devote some of their time to keeping the range cleaned up and making improvements.

F4-2.2

As the Las Vegas valley grows the use of the range has skyrocketed. You only need to visit the range on a Saturday morning to see the truth in that. Many who come to the range use the public area that the club maintains that is completely free. This area is provided free of charge to the public by the Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club to prevent people from shooting in an unsafe area. There is no other outdoor range where long range shooting is possible in the area that is open to the general public. Closure will result in people shooting in unsafe areas. As an NRA instructor I am very concerned about this possibility. Any future opening of expensive private shooting clubs will not replace the Boulder range. Only one open free to the public can do that.

Sincerely,



Robert Jones

Response to Comment F4-2.2
Comment and preference noted.

F5

Koos, Elizabeth/SCO

From: Lasko, Michael/LAS
Sent: September 26, 2001 5:04 PM
To: Greco, Tom J/EXT
Subject: RE: Stop the trucks across the Dam

Got it Tom.

Thanks. M-

-----Original Message-----

From: Greco, Tom J/EXT
Sent: September 26, 2001 8:28 AM
To: Lasko, Michael/LAS
Subject: FW: Stop the trucks across the Dam

Michael, here's a copy of an project email, I put your email address in the return message, but messed it up. Hope this reaches you.

*Tom Greco PE
 NDOT Project Manager
 775-888-7317
 tgreco@dot.state.nv.us*

-----Original Message-----

From: Greco, Tom J.
Sent: Wednesday, September 26, 2001 8:24 AM
To: 'Rjpandmap@aol.com'; Senator_reid@reid.senate.gov; bferraro@earthlink.net; jhardy@earthlink.net; bnix@earthlink.net; mpacin@earthlink.net; aanderson@earthlink.net
Cc: Shelley.berkeley@mail.house.gov; jporter@sen.state.nv.us; dbrown@asm.state.nv.us; ccdista@co.clark.nv.us; Greco, Tom J.; 'mlasko@ch2mhill.com'
Subject: RE: Stop the trucks across the Dam

Dear Richard and Marge Phegley,

Thank you for sharing your concerns about Boulder City and the Corridor Study.

Your input will now be a part of the record and will be considered by the Project Management Team when making recommendations.

We will also add you to our Project mailing list if you are not currently on it.

Information may be gathered at the project website www.bouldercitystudy.com

A newsletter will be forthcoming in the near future, and the draft EIS will be available in November of this year, with a public meeting to follow in December.

If you have any further questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you again for your interest in this important Study.

05/14/2002

Tom Greco PE
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-----Original Message-----

From: Rjpandmap@aol.com [mailto:Rjpandmap@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, September 23, 2001 8:43 PM
To: Senator_reid@reid.senate.gov; bferraro@earthlink.net;
jhardy@earthlink.net; bnx@earthlink.net; mpacin@earthlink.net;
aanderson@earthlink.net
Cc: Shelley.berkley@mail.house.gov; jporter@sen.state.nv.us; dbrown@asm.state.nv.us;
ccdista@co.clark.nv.us; tgreco@dot.state.nv.us
Subject: Stop the trucks across the Dam

F5-6.1

Since the unfortunate day of 9/11/01, truck traffic has been halted across the Dam. We wish to voice our opinion that it should be halted permanently and made to continue to go through Laughlin. If it has become a safety issue with the Government since that date, we feel it should have always been one. Although it might cause the truckers more time, it must be safer for everyone else concerned. It also should reduce the length of the trip for passenger cars both ways as they don't have to crawl behind a truck go up the grades. It also makes our traffic in Boulder City less hazardous and congested. One could only shudder to think what might have happened or could happen in the future had one of the trucks caught on fire on the Dam instead of at the intersection of Buchanan and Nevada Highways it did recently. This concern is not a new one. We have always felt this way. We also wonder if trucks could be required to use the right hand lane only when not passing or making a left turn. We appreciate your support in this issue. Thank you - Richard and Marge Phegley, Boulder City Residents

05/14/2002

Response to Comment F5-6.1
Comment noted.

F6

Jan. 20, 2000
 111 Topail Drive
 Boulder City, NV.
 89005-1634

State of Nevada
 Department of Transportation
 1263 S. Stewart Street
 Carson City, NV
 89712

Subject: Boulder City / Highway 93 Corridor

Ref: Intent-to-Study Letter; dated 1/6/00
 Boulder City; US 93 Corridor Study
 EA 72474

Attn: Tom Stephens, P.E. Director

Gentlemen:

Our concern with the Boulder City/US 93 Corridor study is the alleviation of truck induced congestion in & through the Boulder City area. Truck congestion has escalated at an exponential rate due to the grow of Clark County.

In our opinion the truck traffic should be routed out & around Boulder City, not through it. This is the environmental improvement sought by the home-owners along this corridor.

In addition, economic considerations would benefit the majority of taxpayers in the State by eliminating expenses associated with the following items:

1. Access: Increased truck traffic impedes all side street access. Exit & entrance ramp revisions if truck traffic was redirected, would not be required at this time.

Response to Comment F6-1.1
 Comment noted.

F6-1.1

	Additional traffic control by stop lights which would increase congestion & noise levels would be eliminated.
F6-2.3	2. Aesthetics: Sound barriers would not be required in the proximity of residential areas to attenuate noise. This would benefit area residence & increased tourist traffic aesthetics along the way to Hoover Dam.
	3. Air Quality: Diesel trucks increase particulate contamination & carbon monoxide levels far above tourist vehicles.
F6-4.4	4. Property Values: Noise levels, local access problem, traffic flow & speed limits would lower property values.
F6-2.4	5. Noise Levels: Increased truck traffic increases noise levels to a point that sound attenuation would be required by adjacent residences.
F6-1.2	6. Safety: Direct street access to Highway 93 in the Boulder City corridor is a major safety concern now. Trucks compound the problem with slow moving tourist vehicles. Double & Triple trailers hauling heavy loads further increase safety concerns. Without set backs & service drives to corridor business establishments the system is currently equated to "an accident looking for a place to happen."
F6-4.5	7. Social & Economic Considerations: Rerouting truck traffic away from Hoover Dam will enhance an inflow of tourist traffic.

Response to Comment F6-2.3
Comments noted.

Response to Comment F6-4.4
Comment noted.

Response to Comment F6-2.4
Comment noted.

Response to Comment F6-1.2
Comment noted.

Response to Comment F6-4.5
Comment noted.

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This will stimulate local business. Non local truckers contribute little to the economic base of Boulder City.

8. Hazardous Waste: Spills are possible with congested truck traffic as a result of car/truck accidents. Nuclear waste trucked to the Yucca Mountain repository will increase over the coming years. Unfortunately the route must cross the river at some point based on NAFTA agreements. A non congested direct crossing point is highly desirable.

F6-2.5

Sincerely

Alfred A & Norma R. Radosta

Response to Comment F6-2.5
Comment noted.

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