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**Subject: Trip Report for Casamero Lake Chapter House Meeting on 22 April 2012  
Tronox Abandoned Uranium Mine (AUM) Sections 32 and 33**

United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Federal On-Scene Coordinator (FOSC) Randy Nattis tasked Ecology and Environment, Inc. Superfund Technical Assistance and Response Team (START) to attend, procure presentation materials, and provide Navajo interpretation for the Casamero Lake Chapter House meeting scheduled 22 April 2012. FOSS Nattis also requested START support for a site walk in preparation for the removal assessment. On 22 April 2012, START Aileen Mendoza met with EPA FOSS Nattis and Community Involvement Coordinator Grace Ma at 07:00 hours and proceeded with EPA to the Casamero Lake Chapter House (N 35o30'20" 75, W 108o01'57"72). EPA and START arrived at the Chapter House at 09:30 hours for the meeting scheduled for 10:00 hours but the Chapter House was closed. Joanna Austin-Manygoats, START's subcontractor, was also present for the meeting.

At 10:55 hours, EPA and START conducted the site walk at AUM Sections 32 and 33 because the meeting had not started. Lucita Sardo, the nearest resident to the site, provided access and accompanied EPA and START to the AUMs. START photographically documented site features which included: an open mine shaft with an approximate diameter of 20 feet at AUM Section 32; mine waste piles at AUM Section 33; fenced boundaries; nearby home sites; and site access.

At 12:30 hours, the Chapter House meeting commenced. EPA presented information on the project and addressed questions from community members at the meeting. Ms. Manygoats provided interpretation. EPA and START departed the Chapter House at 14:30 hours.