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# MEMORANDUM

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Date: January 24, 2017

To: The Honorable Chair and Members  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator 

Re: **Public Meetings Regarding the Proposed Monsanto Facility**

As the Board of Supervisors is aware, the County recently completed five public meetings to provide the public more information about the Monsanto proposal and the County's role in the proposal, as well as to receive feedback from the public.

Attached for the Board's information is a letter from Mr. Douglas Taylor, a registered architect, complimenting County staff's professionalism during these public meetings.

Deputy Economic Development Director Patrick Cavanaugh and Ms. Deseret Romero of the County Administrator's Office were primarily responsible for the coordination and execution of these meetings. I commend them both on their courtesy, respect and professionalism toward all those who attended these informational meetings.

CHH/mjk

Attachment

c: Dr. John Moffatt, Director, Economic Development  
Patrick Cavanaugh, Deputy Director, Economic Development  
Deseret Romero, Executive Secretary, County Administrator's Office

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As a licensed architect, former town planner and director of community development I have attended and presided over a great number of public hearings. Very few charged with as much emotion and animus, from the public, as the meetings sponsored by Pima County in regard to the proposed Monsanto development in Avra Valley.

So often people complain and rarely praise. I would like to give praise where praise is due. Patrick Cavanaugh and his staff have conducted the meetings and handled the public with aplomb, grace and civility, through what had to be some difficult moments, without showing bias or prejudice to anyone on any side of the issues being discussed.

They have done a great service to the community and the Board of Supervisors and all should be proud having them represent and serve our community.

Doug Taylor

Handwritten signature of Douglas G. Taylor, consisting of stylized initials 'DGT'.