

**Canaveral Port Rail, EIS Status****GINIEWSKI, PATRICK S GS-14 USAF AFSPC 45 CES/CEI**

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History:

This message has been replied to.

Dave, wanted to get a quick sanity check from you all on the status of the EIS and CPA and Renuart Larkin Group (RLG) involvement/actions going forward.

BACKGROUND: RLG requested a site visit and access to AF personnel to conduct fact finding on mission requirements related to the rail routes. AF told RLG that we could not conduct meetings with company who intends to submit and unsolicited proposal under the current EUL rules. RLG, in a meeting with AF Civil Engineer Center notified the center personnel the we were denying the Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA), for the Surface Transportation Board, access to complete their work on the EIS.

My understanding is that CPA requested you all put a halt on the EIS while they look at the AF options in more detail and that you all agreed, with the caveat that they would have to address all of the issues and concerns brought forward by the AF in our letter to you all. In effect, they would have to get the AF approval that a route was possible and that the AF would work with them to make it happen. Further, my understanding was that this action was on the CPA and STB was not involved in the feasibility assessment being led by the port.

DISCUSSION: What is the status of the EIS? What role, if any, is RLG playing in the assessment of the Cape route for STB? What is the action going forward?

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