

SAVE ROBLES JUNCTION / SOUTHERN ARIZONA OPEN SPACES ALLIANCE

Founding Group Planning Meeting Agenda

Thursday, August 6, 2026 | Time: _____ | Location: _____

Meeting objective: Review the success of the first community meeting, align on the Alliance concept, identify prospective leaders, make immediate operating decisions, and prepare for the next two public meetings.

1. Welcome and Opening — *Lead: Doug*

Confirm the purpose of the meeting and desired outcomes.

2. Robles Ranch Community Meeting Recap — *Lead: Doug / Robert*

Thank everyone who helped organize and attend. Review the stronger-than-expected turnout of approximately 60–70 people, participation from residents and community leaders, representatives from Jen Allen's office and others, key concerns raised, supporter growth, and lessons for the next meeting.

3. Current Campaign Update — *Lead: Doug*

Status of the Repsol proposal, government or agency developments, outreach since the last meeting, and any immediate deadlines or needs.

4. Organizing and Communications Update — *Lead: Robert*

Supporter database, website/email/text outreach, signs and materials, volunteer follow-up, public messaging, and preparations for upcoming meetings.

5. Review of the Preliminary Organization Concept — *Lead: Group Discussion*

A. Purpose, opportunity, mission, and geographic scope.

B. Recommended structure: begin as an informal community alliance while preserving the option to form a nonprofit and pursue 501(c)(4) status later.

C. Leadership and working roles: board, lead organizer/executive director, government affairs, political affairs, research, communications, events, development, treasurer/compliance, advisors, and regional representatives.

6. Leadership Interest and Founding Group — *Lead: Group Discussion*

Identify who is interested in serving as a founding member, officer, working-role lead, advisor, or community representative. Discuss whether any interim officers or role assignments should be selected now.

7. Optional Formation and Fundraising Addendum — *Lead: Robert / Group Discussion*

Make clear that formal launch is optional, not immediate. Discuss whether anyone believes the group can realistically help raise or commit toward that level, including a larger \$50,000–\$100,000 fundraising goal.

8. Upcoming Meetings and Public Engagement — *Lead: Group Discussion*

A. Repsol-hosted meeting — Wednesday, August 12, 2026: attendance, questions, speakers, note-taking, outreach, and follow-up.

B. Save Robles Junction community meeting at the school — approximately two weeks away: confirm date, time, venue, format, speakers, promotion, materials, volunteer assignments, and desired turnout.

9. Decisions Needed — *Lead: Group*

See decision list below. Record decisions, owners, and deadlines.

10. Assignments, Next Steps, and Closing — *Lead: Doug*

Confirm action items, owners, deadlines, next leadership meeting, and communications to the broader supporter list.

DECISIONS TO CONSIDER

- Approve the preliminary mission and initial geographic scope.
- Confirm that the group will operate initially as an informal community alliance rather than immediately forming a nonprofit.
- Identify the initial founding group and determine whether interim officers or working-role leads should be selected.
- Approve a basic decision-making process: who may authorize public statements, spending, events, and campaign actions.
- Decide what organizational documents should be posted publicly online now, including the concept document, meeting materials, leadership list, minutes, or policies.
- Decide what financial information should be shared publicly at this stage: contributions received, expenses, campaign budgets, donor names, or periodic summaries.
- Determine whether to establish a simple campaign account, treasurer function, spending approval process, and basic financial reporting before formal incorporation.
- Decide whether the formation and fundraising addendum remains an internal planning document or is shared with prospective board members and major donors.
- Approve responsibilities and outreach plans for the August 12 Repsol meeting and the upcoming school meeting.

Materials for Review

- Preliminary Organization Concept for Founding Group Discussion
- Optional Addendum: Formation, Fundraising, Staffing, and Operating Plan

- Notes or recap from the Robles Ranch Community Center meeting
- Current Repsol meeting information and school meeting logistics