

## **Citizens Task Force to Provide Input to Fermilab's Bid to Host the International Linear Collider in Illinois: Nominations for Task Force Members Sought Through December 6, 2006**

### **The International Linear Collider (see more at [www.linearcollider.org](http://www.linearcollider.org))**

The global community of particle physics has proposed an International Linear Collider (ILC) as the world's next large particle accelerator. Discoveries at the ILC will bring about a revolution in the understanding of the universe.

Fermilab has been identified as the U.S. location to compete with other worldwide sites seeking to build the proposed ILC. Bringing this multibillion dollar project to Fermilab will ensure that the U.S. maintains its position as a leader in scientific discovery, and that Fermilab remains a major economic contributor to the region and a positive force in the community.

The ILC would be built in a 20 mile-long tunnel, 500 feet below ground. While the main operations would be on the Fermilab site, the tunnel and additional surface structures would extend beyond the laboratory.

Strong community involvement will be central to Fermilab's success in bringing the ILC to Illinois. Fermilab is seeking to engage a wide spectrum of community leaders in a Task Force that will provide input into key aspects of ILC planning and decision-making.

### **Mission of the ILC Citizens Task Force**

The ILC Task Force will provide guidance and advice to Fermilab to ensure that community concerns and ideas are included in all public aspects of ILC design to include:

- Orientation of the ILC
  - Location of the underground tunnel
  - Community issues related to locating an underground tunnel
- Surface Structures located off the Fermilab property
  - Locations
  - Aesthetic issues
  - Features that could be included to benefit communities
- Construction of the ILC
  - Timing of activities
  - Safety
  - Mitigating noise, traffic, and other disruptions
- Fermilab-Community Relationships
  - Maximizing economic benefits to the region
  - Communicating and working with neighbors
  - Building effective relationships with local government and communities
  - Strengthening the community role in the long term mission of Fermilab

### Proposed Membership

The ILC Task Force will be convened to ensure broad-based representation from all of the local communities that would be affected by the ILC. Individuals will be identified to represent the following interests:

- Residents throughout the region
- Immediate Fermilab neighbors
- Political jurisdictions
- Local business, industry, and real estate
- School districts
- Building trades
- Environment
- Agriculture
- Civic organizations
- Faith-based organizations
- Youth organizations
- Fermilab employees

### Proposed Timeline for Phase 1: Input to the Conceptual Design

<i>Summer 2006</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fermilab Community Task Force on Public Participation provided input on the approach to the ILC Task Force</li> </ul>
<i>September - October 2006</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fermilab envoys meet with local community members</li> </ul>
<i>November 2006</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominations for possible Task Force Members sought</li> <li>• Committee consisting of Fermilab envoys and Fermilab Citizens Task Force on Public Participation review nominations and identify slate of candidates</li> <li>• Extend Invitations</li> </ul>
<i>December 2006</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominations for Task Force due by December 6</li> </ul>
<i>January – Summer 2007</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orientation meeting of Task Force on January 11</li> <li>• Monthly meetings begin in late January</li> <li>• Recommendations on all issues due by late summer</li> </ul>
<i>Fall 2007</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ILC Task Force to discuss public involvement strategy for the next steps in ILC planning</li> </ul>

### **Nominations Process**

- All area residents and members of the Fermilab community may nominate potential members through a simple nomination form
- The nomination form is available from the Fermilab Public Affairs office at 630-840-3351 or can be completed on line at <http://www.fermilabcommunity.org/ilc/>
- Nominations will be accepted from November 13 through December 6, 2006
- A selection committee composed of Community Task Force members and Fermilab Envoys will review the nominations and identify a group of people who reflect the diverse interests of the Fermilab community
- Invitations to prospective members will be extended by December 15, 2006.

### **Expected Obligations for Prospective Members**

- Attend the orientation meeting on January 11, 2007 from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM
- Attend once-a-month meetings of approximately 3 hours each on weekday evenings from January through October, 2006
- Read background information between meetings of 2-4 hours per month
- Connect with their community and constituents about the work and results of the Task Force
- Provide occasional community briefings to neighbors and constituents
- Attend occasional larger community workshops on the ILC

### **Desired Characteristics of Task Force Members**

- Represent diverse interests and perspectives of the region
- Known and respected by their peers
- Knowledgeable about history, interests, and concerns of the region
- Interested in the future of the region
- Willing to approach issues with an open mind and to work with their fellow members to identify areas of agreement
- Willing to talk with their neighbors and constituents to ensure that a wide range of interests and concerns are identified and discussed in developing recommendations
- Willing to attend monthly meetings and to provide the time needed to understand the issues and to provide thoughtful input