Edwards Aquifer Authority

Meeting Minutes

EAHCP Implementing Committee

Mark Enders (New Braunfels), Chairman
Robert Mace (Texas State University), Nathan Pence (GBRA),
Roland Ruiz (EAA), Tom Taggart (San Marcos), and Darren
Thompson (SAWS)
Scott Storment - EAHCP Program Manager

Thursday, March 21, 2019  10:00 AM  EAA Board Room

1. Call to Order

Chairman Enders called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

Present: Mark Enders, Roland Ruiz, Darren Thompson, Robert Mace, Tom Taggart and Nathan Pence.

2. Public Comment

Annalisa Peace, Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance, presented House Bill No. 4110 to the Implementing Committee.

3. EAHCP Program Manager Announcements

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- Hydrologic Update
- SAWS ASR
- Budget Reports
- EAHCP Program Management
- Spring Communities Update

4. Approval of Minutes

4.1 Approval of previous committee meeting minutes.

- January 24, 2019

A motion was made by Roland Ruiz, seconded by Darren Thompson to approve meeting minutes from January 24, 2019. The motion was approved.

5. Individual Consideration
5.1   Consider staff recommendation for approval of the 2018 Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan Annual Report submittal to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

A motion was made by Tom Taggart, seconded by Darren Thompson, to approve submitting the 2018 Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan Annual Report to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The motion was approved.

5.2   Consider staff recommendation to approve an amendment to the 2019 City of San Marcos Work Plan.

A motion was made by Robert Mace, seconded by Roland Ruiz, to approve amendments to the 2019 City of San Marcos Work Plan. The motion was approved.

5.3   Consider staff recommendation to approve an amendment to the 2019 Edwards Aquifer Authority Work Plan.

A motion was made by Tom Taggart, seconded by Roland Ruiz, to approve amendments to the 2019 Edwards Aquifer Work Plan. Due to a potential conflict of interest, Robert Mace abstained from the Committee's vote. The motion was approved.

5.4   Consider staff recommendation to approve an amendment to the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan Program FY2019 Funding Application of the Edwards Aquifer Authority in the amount not to exceed $2,398,190.

A motion was made by Roland Ruiz, seconded by Tom Taggart, to approve amendments to the Edwards Aquifer Authority FY2019 Funding Application. The motion was approved.

6.   Reports

6.1   Receive report from Scott Storment, EAHCP Program Manager, on EAHCP Resolution No. 05-19-001, related to an analysis and validation of the Phase I to Phase II transition.

Scott Storment, EAHCP Program Manager, briefed the committee on EAHCP Resolution No. 05-2019-001 and Memorandum. Action to approve the Resolution will be determined by the Implementing Committee at the May 23, 2019 meeting.
6.2 Receive report from Scott Storment, EAHCP Program Manager, on the final draft of the Comprehensive Phase II Work Plan.

Scott Storment, EAHCP Program Manager, briefed the committee on the comments that were provided and applied to the final draft of the Comprehensive Phase II Work Plan. Action to approve the Comprehensive Phase II Work Plan will be determined by the Implementing Committee at the May 23, 2019 meeting.

7. Future Meetings

8. Questions from the Public

9. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Olivia Ybarra
Habitat Conservation Plan Coordinator

This meeting of the Implementing Committee of the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan complies with Section 7.7.4 of the Funding and Management Agreement (FMA), an interlocal agreement made pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 791 by and among the Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA), the City of New Braunfels (New Braunfels), the City of San Marcos (San Marcos), the City of San Antonio acting by and through its San Antonio Water System (SAWS), Texas State University, and the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA).