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Meeting Minutes

EAHCP Stakeholder Committee

Thursday, October 14, 2021

10:00 AM

Web Conference

A meeting of the Stakeholder Committee of the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan will be held on the date, time, and location stated above.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Vice-Chairman Hess called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

Present: Javier Hernandez, Bruce Alexander, James Dodson, Buck Benson, Ryan Kelso, Matthew Schwarz, Adam Yablonski, Kerim Jacaman, Myron Hess, Cindy Hooper, Melani Howard, David Villarreal, Colette Barron Bradsby, Glenn Lord, Mark Enders, Kimberly Meitzen, John Byrum, Carol Patterson, Ray Joy Pfannstiel, Brian Mast, Humberto Ramos, Patrick Shriver, Nathan Pence, and Virginia Condie.

2. Public Comment

Myron Hess suggested an effort to develop potential rule language addressing virtual meetings for the Stakeholder Committee, subcommittees, and work groups. Scott Stormont noted that changes to those documents can be made in coordination with the Stakeholder Committee Chair, Doris Cooksey. This request will be considered during future meetings.

3. EAHCP Program Manager Announcements

3.1

- Hydrologic Update
- EAHCP Budget Report
- EAHCP Program Management
- Spring Communities Update
 - City of New Braunfels
 - City of San Marcos

Darren Thompson requested a presentation from New Braunfels Utility and the City of San Marcos on their groundwater pumping and diversification.

4. Approval of Minutes

- 4.1** Approval of previous committee meeting minutes.
- May 20, 2021

A motion was made by Glenn Lord, seconded by John Byrum, to approve the meeting minutes from May 20, 2021. There were no objections.

5. Reports

- 5.1** Receive report from Scott Storment, EAHCP Program Manager, on the process and timeline for the next EAHCP Incidental Take Permit.

The process to obtain the next EAHCP Incidental Take Permit will consist of several workshops beginning with a "Listen & Learn" workshop in 2022.

- 5.2** Receive report from Paige Najvar, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, on the Incidental Take Permit application review process.

For more information on the ITP renewal process, review Chapters 13-17 of the Habitat Conservation Planning and Incidental Take Permit Processing Handbook.

- 5.3** Receive report from Dr. Donelle Robinson, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, on the proposal to remove 23 species from the Federal Lists of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants due to extinction.

Scott Storment noted that the EAHCP will be drafting a comment letter on the San Marcos Gambusia proposed rule to the USFWS. EAHCP committee members will have the opportunity to comment on the letter prior to submittal to the USFWS.

6. Future Meetings

7. Questions from the Public

None.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:28 AM.

Olivia Ybarra
Habitat Conservation Plan Coordinator

This meeting of the Stakeholder Committee of the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan complies with Section 7.8.4 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).

Patrick Shriver
Secretary, Stakeholder Committee