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Meeting Minutes

EAHCP Science Committee

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

9:00 AM STAR Park, 3055 Hunter Road, San Marcos, TX 78666

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

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair, Dr. Jacquelyn Duke, called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM. All Committee members, except Chad Norris, were present either in person or online.

2. Public Comment

There were no citizens who requested to address the Committee.

3. Program Announcements

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 - Hydrologic Update
 - Permit Renewal Update

4. Approval of Minutes

4.1 Approval of previous Committee meeting minutes.

- September 5, 2024

A motion was made by Dr. Jack Sharp, seconded by Conrad Lamon, to approve the September 5, 2024 meeting minutes. The motion passed without opposition.

5. Reports

5.1 Receive a report from Kristy Smith, Environmental Scientist at EAA, on the San Marcos salamander applied research efforts.

The Science Committee received a report from Kristy Smith, Environmental Scientist at EAA, about the San Marcos salamander applied research that will occur in Spring Lake. The applied research will start this month and will end in December 2026.

5.2 Receive a report from BIO-WEST, Inc, EAHCP Biological

Monitoring contractor, on environmental conditions observed in 2024.

The Science Committee received a report from BIO-WEST, Inc, EAHCP biological monitoring contractor, regarding 2024 environmental conditions observed in the Comal and San Marcos springs systems.

5.3**Receive a report from Dr. Chad Furl, Chief Science Officer at EAA, on recommended changes to environmental monitoring programs for the Permit Renewal process.**

The Science Committee received a report from Dr. Chad Furl, Chief Science Officer at EAA, on EAHCP staff preliminary recommendations for changes to environmental monitoring programs as part of the Permit Renewal process. A draft document with recommended changes will be shared with members for their review, edits and comments are due to Dr. Furl by March 21, 2025.

6. Future Meetings**6.1**

The next Science Committee meeting will be on Thursday, April 17 at 9:00 AM at Star Park, 3055 Hunter Road, San Marcos, 78666.

7. Public Comment

There were no comments or questions from the public.

8. Adjourn

There was no additional business to discuss, the Committee meeting adjourned at 11:37 AM

This meeting of the Science Committee of the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan complies with Section 7.9.3 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).