



Legislation Text

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Receive report from EAA staff on the transition from Phase I to Phase II of the EAHCP.

STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:

None. This item is for informational purposes only.

SUMMARY:

On May 23, 2019, the EAHCP Implementing Committee signed Resolution No. 05-19-001 and approved the Comprehensive Phase II Work Plan, consequently authorizing the actions to be taken consistent with the Strategic Adaptive Management Process.

Pursuant to the Funding and Management Agreement (FMA §§ 7.13.7 and 4.3), the EAHCP Resolution No. 05-19-001 and the Comprehensive Phase II Work Plan are required to procure the transition from Phase I to Phase II of the EAHCP and Incidental Take Permit (ITP) (#TE-63663A-1). Moreover, Resolution No. 05-19-001 validates the Strategic Adaptive Management Process (FMA § 7.14) and addresses the inconclusive determination identified in the National Academies of Sciences' *Review of the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan: Report 3*.

Furthermore, these documents describe the ongoing Phase I Conservation Measures that will be implemented without change for the Phase II period of the EAHCP and the Program activities to be conducted or managed by the Permittees and Program Manager from January 1, 2020 until expiration of the ITP (2028).

At the June 11 meeting, staff will review the effects of these documents and how they relate to the programmatic priorities of the EAHCP for the remainder of the current ITP.

STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE:

This agenda item supports the EAA's policy direction as set forth in the EAA 2016-20 Strategic Plan: Goal A, Sustain Federally Protected Aquifer-Dependent Species.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.