



RECORD OF DECISION

Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan
Citizens Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting
August 9, 2016 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM
Room 104, Waller Creek Center
625 East 10th Street
Austin, Texas 78701

Present

Peter Torgrimson, Chair
David Whatley, Vice Chair
Annie Kellough
Kimberlee Harvey, BCCP
Secretary
Forrest Arnold
Kent Browning
John Gosdin
Tom Hegemier
Ken Beck

Absent

Mary Ann Neely
Richard DePalma

1 Vacancy

1. **Citizens Communication:** none
2. **BCP Partner Reports:**
 - a. **City of Austin BCP** – Sherri Kuhl introduced Kimberlee Harvey as the new BCCP Coordinating Committee Secretary. Lisa O'Donnell and Sherri Kuhl reviewed the written reports for the City and the BCP Partners Education and Outreach.
 - b. **Travis County BCP** - Kayla Miloy and Melinda Mallia reviewed the written report for Travis County
 - c. **LCRA BCP** - Erik Huebner reviewed LCRA's written report
 - d. **Other BCP Partners** – Forrest Arnold gave an update for the City of Sunset Valley. He told of a recent endangered species survey report that he would email to the BCCP Secretary for distribution. The report was for the Gaines Greenbelt and is dated July 5, 2016. He gave a short summary reporting that there were no Golden-cheeked Warbler detections during the 2016 survey, there were no Golden-cheeked Warbler surveys in 2015, but there were a total of 13 sightings in 2014 surveys.
3. **New Business:**
 - a. **Members' issues and concerns:** Whatley expressed concern that more marketing needs to be done to achieve BCP name saturation. The BCCP

Secretary discussed her goals of modernizing BCP marketing materials. This item will be added to the next CAC meeting agenda to propose modern marketing ideas and come up with implementation plans.

- b. **Appointment of Laurie Dries to the CAC – Secretary:** Harvey reported that Laurie Dries was appointed to the position by the Commissioners Court, but unfortunately she did not yet have contact information for Laurie so she was not aware of the meeting being held. Harvey and Sherri Kuhl also presented an appreciation plaque to John Gosdin for his past service.

4. Old Business:

- a. **Approve the Record of Decision from 4/12/16:** Motion from Whatley to approve, second by Kellough, carried 7/0 with one abstention
- b. **Update on BCCP 20th Anniversary event – Secretary:** Harvey reported the event was well attended and was a successful, inspiring, and well thought out event. She discussed the many new products created for the 20th anniversary such as timeline and map posters, animated maps illustrating the growth of the BCP as well as the development projects that have participated in the BCCP over time, and BCP videos produced by Travis County.
- c. **CAC Annual Work Plan:**
 - i. **Report from subcommittees.**
 - 1. **Wildfire and fire support (Kent Browning):** Browning shared a draft work plan with the group and is currently researching mitigation strategies. Melinda Mallia reiterated that this work is currently being done by City and County staff, explaining that Browning's attendance at a recent Austin-Travis County Wildfire Coalition Meeting and information found in the Austin/Travis County Community Wildfire Protection Plan are both good sources for information as to what is currently being done and should be reviewed to ensure no duplication of effort. CAC decided that their efforts should be directed at outreach to their constituencies.
 - 2. **Invasive species in landscaping (tabled until 2017).**
 - 3. **State of BCCP report (joint with SAC) – Secretary:** Harvey reported that staff was discussing the need, direction, goal, and audience for a State of the BCCP report. She explained that the new pieces of media created for the BCCP 20th Anniversary event could be more successful outreach material than creating another report.

- 5. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm