

**Candelaria Farm Preserve
Technical Advisory Group**
June 30, 2017 • 1:30pm – 3:30pm

MINUTES

TAG & Related Technical Assistance Members Present

Steven Cox
Beth Dillingham
Brian Hanson
Loren Hines
Christianne Hinks
Michael Jensen (Facilitator)

Judy Kowalski
Jennifer Owen-White
David Parsons
Christina Sandoval
Carolyn Siegel
Kent Swanson

Community Members Present

Craig Gibbs
Brandt Magic

Larry Shore

The meeting began at 1:40 with introductions.

Public Comment

- None

Discussion: Land-Use Workshop

- There was a question about whether the workshop needed to be an open meeting under the OMA; the sense from those familiar with the OMA and/or similar meetings was that it did not need to be ... but we will seek clarification
- Beth Dillingham: Need to have someone from OSD who can discuss how the current arrangement came about and how it functions; get their participation in the process
- Need to identify focal species to guide the workshop and its outcomes
- Judy Kowalski: Need to focus more on current conditions
- Should be landscape-based leading to discussion of wildlife possibilities; greater diversity of landscape will help greater wildlife diversity
- Need good information on water availability/rights

Discussion: Management “Units” or Whole Site?

- At the very least, need to consider the RGNC lease and its management plan (2010)
- No agreement on this issue at this time

Discussion: Work Plan

- Christina Sandoval asked about process? How will public comment work? Do we need to have consensus on the TAG?
- Process will follow the City Council Resolution in terms of who needs to be on the TAG, what primary documents we should give preference to (don't reinvent the wheel), tackle the issue of costs; we don't need consensus, could have multiple alternatives maybe with

a preferred alternative among them and maybe allow for a “minority report” if the group thinks it’s necessary; there will be public comment during the TAG meetings and then at the OS Advisory Board meeting(s) to discuss the draft, and especially when the Council takes up the draft RMP (at least two Council meetings)

- Beth Dillingham said that we should expect that the public – especially neighbors adjacent to the CFP – will have strong opinions about “their” property (both their actual property and what they think of as “their” CFP (or that portion they see and sometimes access from their homes)
- Judy Kowlaski said there was a good basic plan in the 1979 Predock master Plan, which the Council resolution also highlighted
- The 2004 Open Space Resource Management Plan for CFP contains a template that Open Space uses for their Major Public Open Space management plans; need to make sure the draft addresses both Open Space and LWCF requirements

Adjourn: 3:30pm

The next meeting date/time July 13th; Rio Grande Nature Center Education Building