

**Technical Advisory Committee Notes**  
Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> 2015  
Meeting held at the Brisbane City Hall  
50 Park Lane, Brisbane

Ramona Arechiga called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

Attendees Present:

- Doug Allshouse – California Native Plant Society
- Joe Cannon – San Bruno Mountain Watch
- Iris Clearwater - San Bruno Mountain Watch
- Michael Forbert – West Coast Wildlands
- Kris Jensen – San Bruno Mountain Watch
- Terris Kasteen – California Department of Fish & Wildlife
- Lech Naumovich – Creekside Science
- David Nelson – Natural History of San Bruno Mountain
- Joseph Terry – U.S Fish and Wildlife Service
- Dr. Stu Weiss – Creekside Science
- Michelle Salmon – Concerned Citizen (member of City of Brisbane’s Open Space & Ecology Committee)

Staff:

- Ramona Arechiga – Natural Resource Manager
- Ashley Quintana - NFO Forward Outreach

**I. Welcome**

Everyone present introduces themselves. Attendees have a moment to review the notes from last meeting.

**II. TAC Survey**

- Ashley presents the binder created for the TAC members.
  - Overview of HCP and TAC responsibilities/duties
  - Feel free to add past documents/notes to it
- 10 members completed the survey and the 11 questions/answers and graphs are shown within the ‘Moving Forward – Survey Results’ portion of the binder (pages 9-11)

**III. McKesson Plan**

- Ramona asks for any additional comments on the document - Goal is to identify the concerns and that will lead to a new draft
  - A table or spreadsheet will be added to the document with information from GPS points and polygons identifying locations and targeted invasive species infestations by WCW
  - Currently the plan lacks baseline data stating current conditions concerning the status of habitat on McKesson parcels up for dedication
    - Mike mentions they have started that process
- Invasive species list organized by management unit would be a good addition

**\*\*Email final comments on the McKesson Plan to Ramona NO LATER THAN WED. JAN 28th, 2015\*\***

#### IV. Annual Report

- Ramona asks for any specific comments on the annual reports sent out
  - What would you like to see in them?
- Suggestion from assessment:
  - Scale back on annual report – Provide summaries and graphs in trends on what was observed. Thus, creating more robust plan.
    - Habitat Manager would receive information from contractor and making a larger report – Currently there is a lot of overlap and background info that can be eliminated.
- Like to have a pre and post treatment scoring
  - A more in depth conclusion on what the weed manager sees out there and the effectiveness.
- Collecting critical information for the USFWS permit
  - Send out a check list and the highlights (USFWS)
  - Moving forward with more data analysis in the every other or every third year report
    - At a minimum for annual reports provide annual data and spend more time to do in house analysis concerning monitoring activities in larger reports every 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> year
- Establish a more streamlining of the reports would be effective
  - Narrative can easily be presented in a table
  - Will facilitate production of report and key information for compliance
- Potential graph tables:
  - Invasive species targeted
  - How many acres of habitat treated, invasive
  - Success ratings reporting

#### *Accessing Documents*

- Several group members mention problems to access the documents online
- Ramona will investigate what is the best way to email this big files
  - Ideas: google docs, public link on dropbox, hightail

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#### IV. Membership/Meetings

##### *Scientific Subcommittee*

- Have experts from particular fields (ex. restoration, ecology and research, etc.) to provide a critical eye on the scope of work provided by WCW and MIG (TRA)
  - Local experts, practitioners, biologists, and ecologists at the table
  - There wouldn't be any additional meetings- dependent on how involved they would like to be – Call in can be made an option
    - Would review the documents and actionable items
- Great way to avoid any conflict of interest moving forward
- Reference provided to contact: John Hafernik – SF State entomologist

##### *Current membership*

- The membership sheet within the binder demonstrates the organizations involved (page 8)

- One vote per organization
- Establish a consensus approach for upcoming meetings

#### *Public Involvement*

- Concerns were expressed that the public would complain and slow down process of achieving things at TAC meetings
- Therefore, TAC members will receive agenda, reports, documents, notes and the public may have access to these documents if they request it and if it is not in a draft form
  - Michelle Salmon- as an interested member of the public is concerned that the public should be at the table
    - TAC membership by the Cities is lacking and there is the possibility of becoming the City of Brisbane TAC member if she secures a recommendation from the City of Brisbane
- Look at other ways to get the public involved:
  - Potentially having the September meeting as a public meeting to provide information about SBM activities and to generate more interest in the mountain

#### **VI. Next Steps**

- Reviewed the meetings scheduled for 2015
  - Meeting dates on '2015 Meetings' section in binder (page 12)
  - Field Day scheduled: **Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> 2015 from 9am - 3pm**
    - Mike to provide draft itinerary

#### **VII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05pm.

Contact Ramona Arechiga with any questions and/or comments?  
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