

March 9, 2021

Action: **Approve**

### **January 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

Vice Chair LeAnn Carmichael (County of San Diego) called the meeting of the Environmental Mitigation Program Working Group (Working Group) to order at 1:05 p.m.

#### **1. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Approve)**

Action: Upon a motion by James Whalen (Alliance for Habitat Conservation) and a second by Trish Smith (The Nature Conservancy), the Working Group approved the minutes from the September 8, 2020, meeting.

Yes: Anne Harvey (San Diego Conservation Network), Candance Wo (The San Diego Foundation), Bruce April (Caltrans), David Mayer (California Department Fish and Wildlife), James Whalen (Alliance for Habitat Conservation), Dan Monroe (City of San Diego), LeAnn Carmichael (County of San Diego), Robert Fisher [United States Geological Survey (USGS)], Rosanne Humphrey (City of Carlsbad), Stefanie Cervantes (City of Oceanside), Susan Wynn (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service), and Trish Smith (The Nature Conservancy).

Abstain: Kirsten Winter (U.S. Forest Service).

Absent: Army Corps of Engineers, Building Industry Association, City of Chula Vista, City of Poway, Endangered Habitats League, and Wildlife Conservation Board.

#### **2. Public Comments/Member's Comments (Discussion)**

Kim Smith announced that Kristine Alessio will no longer be the Working Group Chair due to the results of the November 2020 election. The Working Group thanked Kristine for all her support over the past couple of years. Additionally, Kim Smith announced that Courtney Pesce (SANDAG) was recently successful in the Regional Planner 1 hire and will be assisting with the Environmental Mitigation Program (EMP) in the future. Kim Smith informed the Working Group about the timeframe for the 10th EMP Land Management Grant Program Call for Projects. The Ad Hoc Committee that was formed at the September 8, 2020, Working Group meeting will be meeting on January 29, 2021, to evaluate the criteria for the grant program. The recommended evaluation criteria for the grant program will be presented at its March 9, 2021, Working Group meeting for approval. No additional public comments were made.

### **Reports**

#### **3. Regional Plan Vision and San Diego County TerraCount Assessment (Discussion)**

3A. The 2021 Regional Plan and the 5 Big Moves were presented to the Working Group on how the Plan relates to the draft Regional Habitat Conservation Vision.

3B. The project team provided an overview of SANDAG's TerraCount project. TerraCount is a scenario-planning tool that models the greenhouse gas and natural resource implications of different development patterns and land management activities. The project team requested initial feedback from the Working Group on the land management activities that the model can evaluate.

3C. Working Group members had the opportunities to discuss how the Regional Habitat Conservation Vision fits into the 2021 Regional Plan, and how the future programs and policies related to greenhouse gas reduction and carbon sequestration overlaps with the goals and objectives outlined in the Vision.

#### **4. Preserve Metrics (Discussion)**

Examples of metrics and a preview of the web portal dashboard in development was provided. In early March 2021, SDMMP will hold meetings across different metric categories for interested Working Group members to provide additional input and suggestions.

#### **5. Upcoming Meetings**

The next Environmental Mitigation Program Working Group meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 1 p.m.

#### **6. Adjournment**

Vice Chair LeAnn Carmichael (County of San Diego) adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

## Confirmed Attendance at SANDAG Environmental Mitigation Program Working Group Meeting

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Jurisdiction	Name	Attended	Comments
City of La Mesa	Vacant		
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County of San Diego	Vice Chair LeAnn Carmichael	Yes	
	Deborah Mosley	Yes	
City of San Diego	Kristin Forburger	Yes	
	Heidi VonBlum	No	
	Dan Monroe	Yes	
City of Santee	Melanie Kush	Yes	
	Christina Rios	No	
City of Carlsbad	Rosanne Humphrey	Yes	
City of Oceanside	Stefanie Cervantes	Yes	
City of Poway	Scott Nespor	No	
	Oda Audish	No	
City of Chula Vista	Cheryl Goodard	No	
	Dai Hoang	No	
Army Corps of Engineers	Kyle Dahl	No	
	Michelle Lynch	No	
Caltrans	Bruce April	Yes	
	David Nagy	No	
Department of Fish and Wildlife	David Mayer	Yes	
	Hans Sin	No	
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Susan Wynn	Yes	
	David Zoutendyk	Yes	
U.S. Forest Service	Kirsten Winter	Yes	
	Lance Criley	No	
U.S. Geological Survey	Robert Fisher	Yes	
	Carlton Rochester	No	
Wildlife Conservation Board	Rebecca Fris	No	
	John Walsh	No	
Endangered Habitats League	Michael Beck	Yes	
	Scott Grimes	No	
San Diego Conservation Network	Anne Harvey	Yes	
	Vacant		
The Nature Conservancy	Cara Lacey	No	
	Trish Smith	Yes	

The San Diego Foundation	Candace Wo	Yes
	Cami Mattson	No
Alliance for Habitat Conservation	James Whalen	Yes
	Tyler Martin	No
Building Industry Association	Matt Adams	No
	Vacant	
<b>Other Attendees</b>		
Kris Preston	SDMMP	
Sarah McCutcheon	SDMMP	
Emily Perkins	SDMMP	
Chris Brown	SDMMP	
Annabelle Bernabe	SDMMP	
Sarah Pierce	SANDAG	
Allison Wood	SANDAG	
Scott Fleury	ICF	
Megan Jennings	SDSU	
Nikki Zanchetta	SANDAG	
Joanna Bigson	Public Member	
Kayo Valenti	RECON	
Alyssa Way	Ascent Environmental	
Mike Howard	Dudek	
Christopher Paulino	Public Member	
Kai Palenscar	Public Member	
Andrew Meyer	San Diego Audubon Society	
Lauren Lee	UC Davis	
Milan Mitrovich	ICF	
Isaac Brown	Public Member	
Francis Ulep	River Partners	
Mendel Stewart	Natural Communities Coalition	
Chris Jones	Public Member	
Rebecca Smith	Public Member	
Betsy	Public Member	
Thomas Ciaramitaro	Public Member	
Daniel Marschalek	Public Member	
Brenda Hom	Ascent Environmental	
Mark Dodero	Recon	
Meagan Olson	Recon	
Deborah Knight	Public Member	
Alanna Sullivan	Public Member	
Daniel DuGal	Public Member	