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Springflow Habitat Protection Work Group
September 23, 2020
2:00-4:00pm

Agenda Overview

- Confirm attendance
- Meeting logistics
- Public comment
- Approve Meeting 8 minutes
- Issue 3 Motion discussion
- Discuss summary of Issues 1 through 3
- Discuss the process for submitting the Part 2 Charge
- Continue the discussion of Issue 4 regarding categorizing and focusing study topics
- Public comment
- Future meetings


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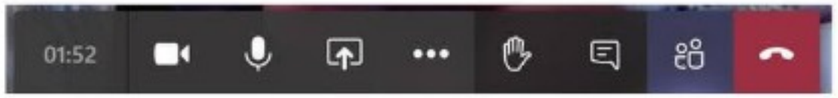
Confirm attendance

Meeting logistics

- Virtual meeting logistics
  - Meeting recording
  - Mute
  - Raise Hand
  - Chat / Asking questions



- Meeting points of contact (@edwardsaquifer.org)
  - Meeting access
    - Kristina Tolman (ktolman@...)
  - Technical questions
    - Jared Morris (jmorris@..)
    - Stephanie Rosendahl (srosendahl@
  - Participant monitor
    - Kristy Kollaus (kkollaus@...)
  - Chat and Q&A monitor
    - Damon Childs (dchilds@...)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Issue 3 final draft Motion

Issue 3: The Implementing Committee should ensure that a technical evaluation is undertaken of potential impacts of predicted extended periods of flow below 80 cfs on San Marcos salamander populations, particularly for populations in the area below Spring Lake dam, and on Texas wild-rice and other vegetation serving as habitat for fountain darters downstream of Spring Lake dam, including consideration of impacts from recreation.

Motion by Myron Hess, second by Melani Howard with no further discussion (made orally during September 9, 2020 meeting and later formalized in writing for consideration for formal action):

Move that the Work Group carry forward the following topics under Issue 3 for consideration in Part 2 of the Work Group's charge related to potential impacts of predicted extended periods of flow below 80 cfs on San Marcos salamander populations, particularly for populations in the area below Spring Lake dam, and on Texas wild-rice and other vegetation serving as habitat for fountain darters downstream of Spring Lake dam, including consideration of impacts from recreation:

Topics included under the topic area, or theme, of Recreation Impacts and Management, Habitat Management, and Spring Discharge and with the understanding that further consideration of the distribution of flow over the Spring Lake Dam between 80-45 cfs total flow also is included.


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Discussion of summary of Issues 1
through 3 for the Part 2 Charge


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Discussion of the process for submitting a
Part 2 Charge to the Implementing Committee


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Overarching Issue 4 discussion regarding
categorizing and focusing AMP study topics

Issue 4: The Implementing Committee should ensure … a rigorous review process … to assess the extent to which adaptive management study commitments included in the EAHCP that are related to flow impacts have been met, will be met, or should be adjusted;

Possible Work Group Recommendation Column Entries:

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No obvious inconsistency with EAHCP study commitments: One or more studies have been done that address the referenced AMP commitment in a substantive way. The Work Group has not attempted to undertake a substantive review of study results, but, consistent with its understanding of the Work Group charge, has not identified an obvious shortcoming in addressing the AMP commitment and is not making a recommendation for further action. [Shown with green highlighting]

Patrick Shriver: “Appears consistent with EAHCP study commitments”

Possible Work Group Recommendation Column Entries:

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Permit extension issue: Based on the Work Group review, this appears to be a study commitment that has not been addressed. Without making a judgment about the importance of the proposed study, the Work Group has identified an apparent shortcoming in addressing the AMP commitment and is recommending the Implementing Committee and EAHCP staff implement a process for assessing the apparent shortcoming in preparation for the anticipated renewal of the incidental take permit. In some instances, only a specific subset of the commitment is identified as an apparent shortcoming. [Shown with turquoise highlighting]

Patrick Shriver: “Deferred for permit extension consideration”

Possible Work Group Recommendation Column Entries:

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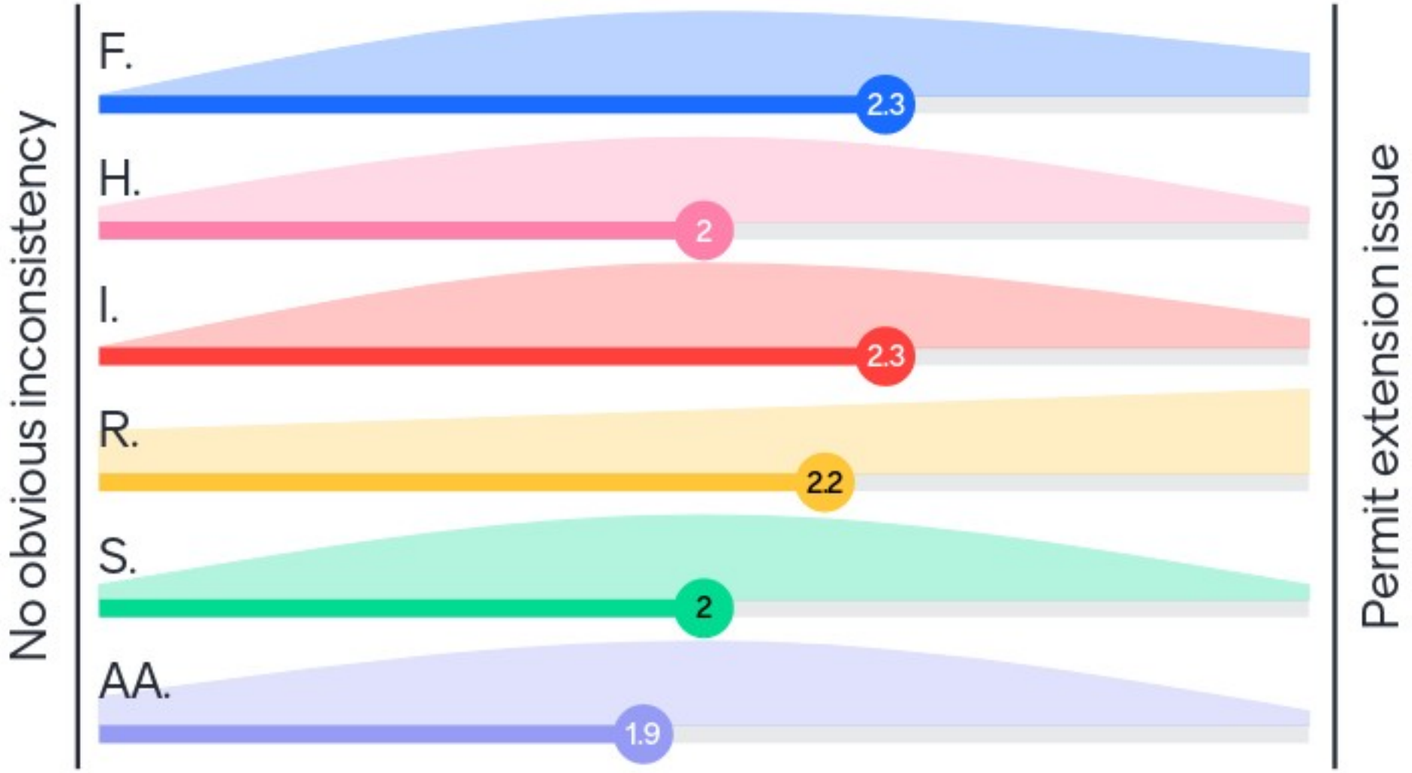
Work Group Priority Subset: Based on the Work Group review, this appears to be a study commitment that has not been addressed. The Work Group has identified an apparent shortcoming in addressing the AMP commitment that merits further consideration by the Work Group in Part 2 of its charge. [Shown with red highlighting]

The following from the Work Group Priority Subset. Please let us know if you think this needs to be recategorized. Slide the bars accordingly.

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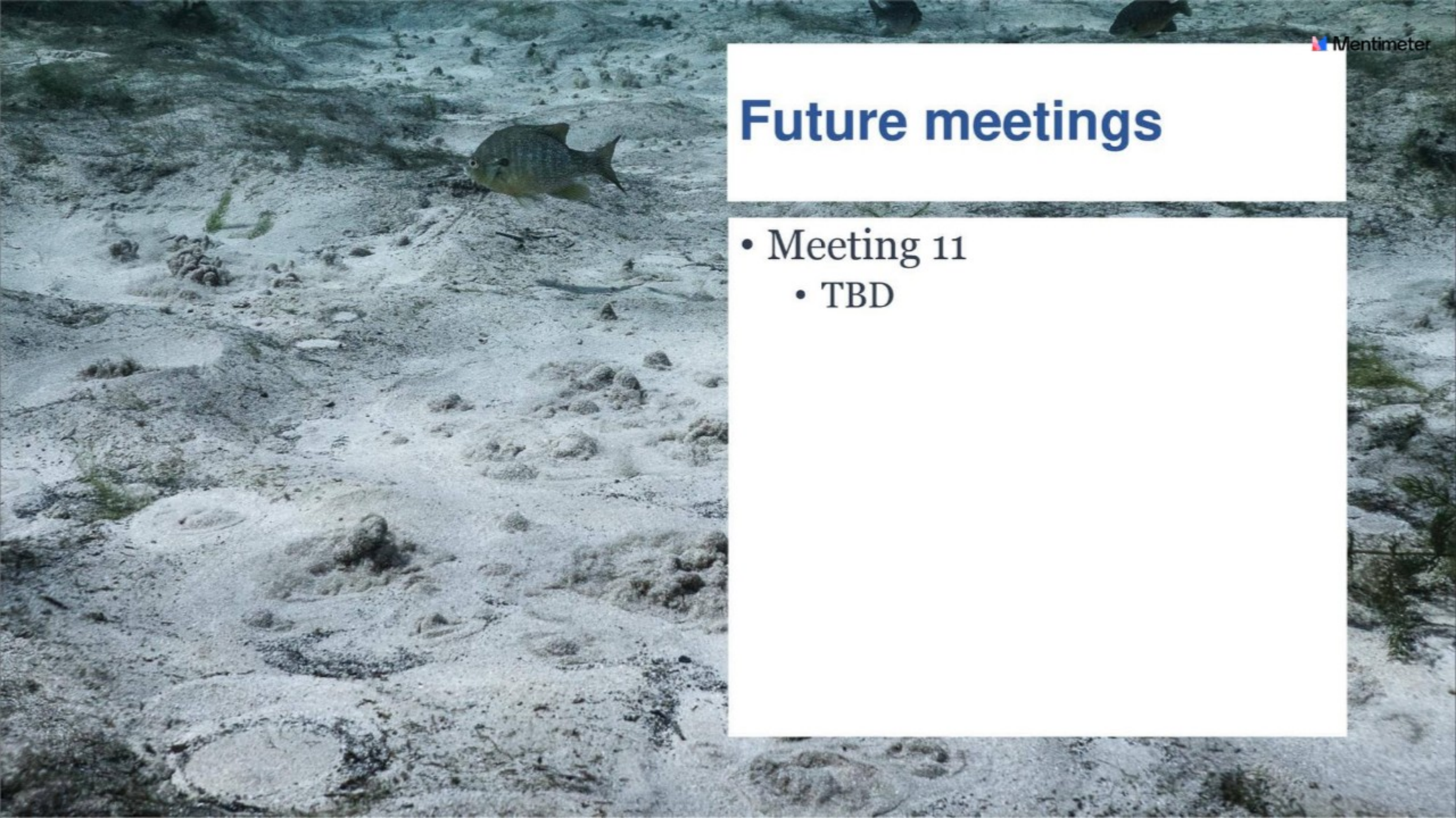

Future meetings

- Meeting 11
  - TBD


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Thank you!
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