



**Implementing Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 8, 2018**

Members of this committee include: Tom Taggart (San Marcos), Roland Ruiz (EAA), Greg Malatek (New Braunfels), Darren Thompson (SAWS), Kimberly Meitzen for Andrew Sansom (Texas State University), and Jonathan Stinson (GBRA).

**1. Call to order – 11:00am**

Darren Thompson called roll for the Committee; a quorum was present.

**2. Public Comment.**

No Comment.

**3. Approval of minutes from the October 19<sup>th</sup> Implementing Committee meeting.**

Tom Taggart made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Roland Ruiz seconded the motion. There were no objections.

**4. Discussion and possible approval of the Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Nonroutine Adaptive Management (AMP) Proposal.**

Tom Taggart commented, expressing that while the ASR conservation measure proposal results in a better program, it still was not perfect. He pointed out that the trigger was still based on a rolling recharge average and that there remains some uncertainty around recharge calculations. Darren Thompson mentioned the price point for the new ASR product was important so as to not skew the market. Nathan Pence provided a brief description of the attachments presented in the Implementing Committee packet, including the report submitted by the Stakeholder Committee. Roland Ruiz pointed out a typographical error in the ASR proposal that needed correction.

Roland Ruiz made a motion to approve the ASR AMP as amended. Tom Taggart seconded the motion. There were no objections.

**5. Discussion and possible approval to direct the Program Manager to submit the necessary documentation to USFWS based on the approved AMP Proposal on behalf of the Implementing Committee.**

Tom Taggart made a motion to direct the Program Manager to submit the necessary documentation to the USFWS regarding the ASR AMP Proposal. Roland Ruiz seconded. There were no objections.

Nathan Pence provided a brief timeline for submitting the USFWS documentation stating the actions taken by the Committee and the intent to move forward with the ASR program. Roland Ruiz noted that there is not a hard deadline for termination of the current short-term leases in the ASR program, but that EAA hopes to conclude those leases and begin the transition to the new ASR program before July.

**6. Presentation and possible action to approve the amended 2018 Refugia, Biomonitoring, and Applied Research Program Work Plans.**

Chad Furl presented proposed amendments made to the 2018 Refugia, Biomonitoring and Applied Research Program work plans.

Gregg Malatek made a motion to approve the 2018 work plan amendments. Roland Ruiz seconded the motion. There were no objections.

**7. Presentation and possible action to approve the amended 2018 EAA Funding Application.**

Alicia Reinmund-Martinez presented the request to amend the 2018 EAA Funding Application based on the amended Refugia work plan.

Gregg Malatek made a motion to approve the amended funding application. Tom Taggart seconded the motion. There were no objections.

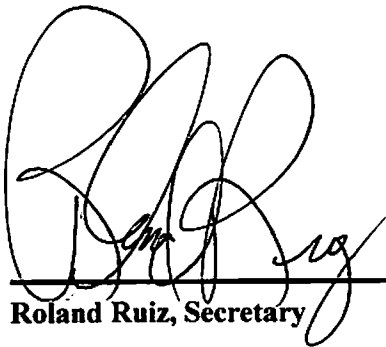
**8. Consider future meetings, dates, locations, and agendas.**

The next Implementing Committee meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2018 at the Edwards Aquifer Authority in San Antonio, TX.

**9. Questions from the public.**

No Comment.

**10. Adjourn: 11:15am**



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Roland Ruiz', is written over a solid horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

**Roland Ruiz, Secretary**