

ATTACHMENT 3

Edwards Aquifer Recovery Implementation Program

Recharge Facility Feasibility Subcommittee

Subcommittee Report

Of

July 27, 2009 meeting

Held at the San Antonio River Authority River Boardroom in San Antonio, Texas

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm. A 51 percent quorum was present. An 85 percent quorum was not present at the meeting.

Robert Gulley asked Calvin Finch/SAWS to brief the subcommittee on a potential study being considered by the Additional Studies Workgroup. The potential study would evaluate recharge to 1) support springflow, 2) reduce the frequency of Stages 3 & 4 Critical Period pumping reductions, 3) prepare preliminary cost-benefit analyses and 4) consider all potential sources of recharge water, components and methods used to increase recharge. The preliminary budget is approximately \$150,000. The scope of the study will be developed by the Additional Studies Workgroup for potential action by the EARIP Steering Committee at the September 10th meeting. The Recharge Facility Feasibility Subcommittee members offered comments on the study and were requested to submit any remaining comments to Dr. Finch or Dr. Gulley.

The subcommittee identified potential parameters and methods to allocate enhanced recharge for 1) increased spring flow for benefit of endangered species, 2) increased water available for permits, 3) increased reliability for permits and 4) increased aquifer water levels.

The subcommittee also reviewed the water balance prepared by George Rice.

The next meeting will be held on August 24, 2009 at 1:00 pm at the San Antonio River Authority boardroom.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 pm.