

Edwards Aquifer Recovery Implementation Program

Recharge Facility Feasibility Subcommittee

Subcommittee Report
Of
September 25, 2008 meeting
Held at the Edwards Aquifer Authority

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 am, however a quorum was not present.

Discussion was held on the organization and content of the subcommittee webpage and regarding a bibliography on land stewardship prepared by Tyson Broad.

At the completion of those discussions a quorum was achieved.

The subcommittee elected Kirk Patterson, Regional Clean Air and Water, Vice-chair.

Steve Raabe laid out a proposed process by which the subcommittee would review, prioritize and address the five subcommittee charges including a schedule. After some adjustments to the schedule, Humberto Ramos moved and Cary Dupuy seconded to adopt the process as presented and the schedule as modified. The motion passed unanimously. The adopted process and schedule are attached.

The subcommittee discussed the need for alternates and modifications to the quorum requirements. There are 18 voting members on the subcommittee of which 16 members (85%) constitute a quorum for meetings at which the subcommittee will make a decision on a recommendation to the Steering Committee. The subcommittee recommended changing the quorum requirement to 50% for meetings where no recommendation decisions are made. The subcommittee noted that the appointments to the subcommittee were on an entity or organization basis. Con Mims moved and Robert Rothe seconded to have subcommittee members designate an alternate if they will be absent provided they notify the chair of their designation of an alternate prior to the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

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Agenda

September 25, 2008

9:00 am

Edwards Aquifer Authority Boardroom

1. Call to Order
2. Election of Vice-Chair
3. Review and Prioritization of Subcommittee Charges
4. Schedule/Timelines
5. Alternates/Committee Rules
6. Subcommittee Webpage Content
7. Bibliography on Recharge/Land Stewardship
8. Status of Research
9. Subcommittee Reporting
10. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

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Process

Review Subcommittee Charges

- The five charges direct the subcommittee to make recommendations on who should do recharge projects, how to calculate and allocate enhanced recharge and how should recharge projects be funded.
- The charges do not direct the subcommittee to recommend specific recharge projects for implementation.
- Recommend that selection of specific recharge projects for implementation be done by the Steering Committee starting January 2010 as part of “Task 5 – Develop Water Management Plan” of EARIP implementation schedule prepared by Dr. Gulley.

Prioritize Subcommittee Charges

- Charge #3 directs the subcommittee to make a recommendation to the Steering Committee on how to calculate the amount of enhanced recharge due to recharge projects and how that water could be made available for support of springflow and for Edwards permit holders.
- Charges #1, #2, # 4 and #5 deal with which entity should do recharge projects and how could they be funded.
- Charges #1, #2, # 4 and #5 are not particularly relevant unless recharge can be calculated and allocated which is the focus of Charge #3.
- Work on Charge #3 first followed by Charges #1, #2, # 4 and #5.

Subcommittee Schedule

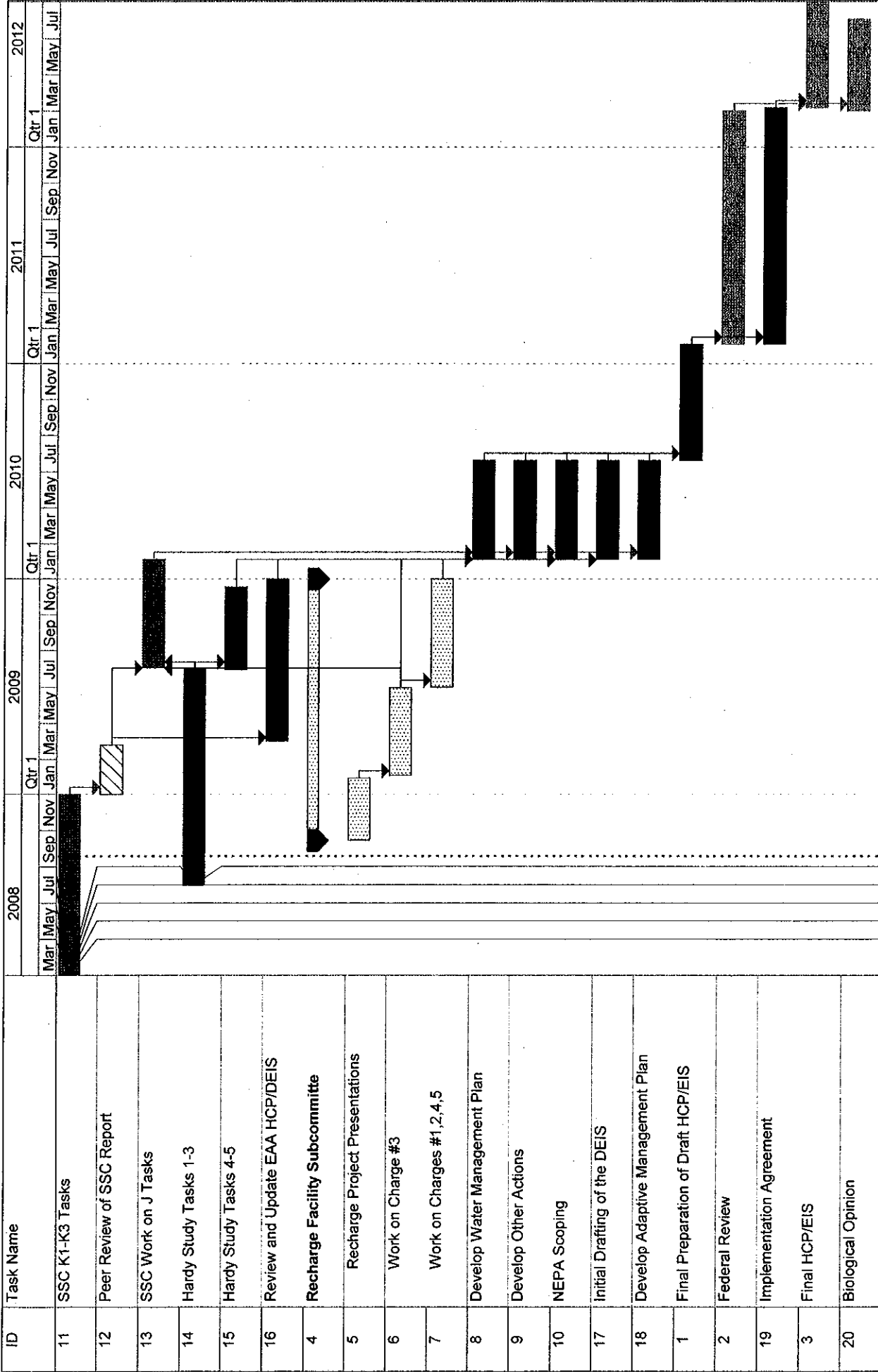
- Have presentations on the various recharge projects and land stewardship to get subcommittee familiar with the various ways recharge can be enhanced. (October 2008 through January 2009)
- Next work on Charge #3. Complete this work by July 1, 2009 so subcommittee recommendation is available to Science Subcommittee to consider in their recommendation. (February 2009 through June 2009)
- Next work on Charges #1, #2, # 4 and #5 and have subcommittee recommendation to Steering Committee by January 2010 (July 2009 through December 2009)

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Schedule/Timeline

- September 25, 2008 - Agree on Charges, Activities and Schedule
- October 16, 2008 - Presentation on Previous Recharge Project Studies
- November 13, 2008 - Presentation on Barton Springs Recharge project
- Nov./early Dec. - Workshop on Cibolo/Nueces Corps of Engineers Studies and Land Stewardship
- December 11, 2008 - Topic to be determined
- January 8, 2009 - Presentation on EAA Recharge Rules
- January 27 or 28, 2009 - Presentation on Recharge and Recirculation
- February 2009 – June 2009 - Work on Charge # 3. Meet 2 times per month if needed.
- July 2009 – December 2009 - Work on Charges #1,2,4,5
- January 2010 - Report to Steering Committee



ID	Task Name	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
11	SSC K1-K3 Tasks	Mar	Mar	Mar	Mar	Mar
12	Peer Review of SSC Report	May	May	May	May	May
13	SSC Work on J Tasks	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul
14	Hardy Study Tasks 1-3	Sep	Sep	Sep	Sep	Sep
15	Hardy Study Tasks 4-5	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov
16	Review and Update EAA HCP/DEIS	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan
4	Recharge Facility Subcommittee	Mar	Mar	Mar	Mar	Mar
5	Recharge Project Presentations	May	May	May	May	May
6	Work on Charge #3	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul
7	Work on Charges #1,2,4,5	Sep	Sep	Sep	Sep	Sep
8	Develop Water Management Plan	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov
9	Develop Other Actions	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan
10	NEPA Scoping	Mar	Mar	Mar	Mar	Mar
17	Initial Drafting of the DEIS	May	May	May	May	May
18	Develop Adaptive Management Plan	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul
1	Final Preparation of Draft HCP/EIS	Sep	Sep	Sep	Sep	Sep
2	Federal Review	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov
19	Implementation Agreement	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan
3	Final HCP/EIS	Mar	Mar	Mar	Mar	Mar
20	Biological Opinion	May	May	May	May	May

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Project: RIP IMPLEMENTATION
 Date: Thu 9/18/08