

Appendix B

EAHCP 2015 Annual Report Review Comments Received

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Appendix B1

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iii	1.4.2	dfro	recommend using the actual name of the committee - the "Adaptive Management Stakeholder Committee"	Y	The Adaptive Management Stakeholder Committee should be used first and then subsequently use the acronym SH.	3	Blanton	Changes made.
iii	1.4.3	dfro	recommend using the actual name of the committee - the "Adaptive Management Science Committee"	Y	The Adaptive Management Science Committee should be used first and then subsequently use SC.	3	Blanton	Changes made.
iii	3.1.2	dfro	is the cite to 6.3.4 correct? Should it not be 6.4.3? Also, the refugia is referred to in other sections	Y	That is correct.	3	Blanton	Changes made.
v	4	dfro	add "4.3 Strategic Decisions" for completeness	Y	Will include Strategic Decisions in the table of contents and state in Chapter 4 that no strategic decisions were made in 2015.	2	EAHCP/Blanton	Changes made.
vi	none	dfro	is there no errata sheet for the 2014 Annual Report that needs to be an appendix?	N	Included already in the 2014 Annual Report			
xii	none	dfro	review capitalization protocol and be consistent in acronyms and abreviations, e.g. "Acre-Feet" is capitalized, but "best management practice" is not. See also, Dissolved oxygen.	Y		3	Blanton	Changes made.
xii	none	dfro	ESA should probably be "federal Endangered Species Act of 1973"	Y		3	Blanton	Changes made.
xii	none	dfro	recommend "HCP" be replaced by "EAHCP" and renamed "Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan"	Y		3	Blanton	Changes made.
xii	none	dfro	recommend "IC" be replaced by "ILC." IC can be confused with the "Implementing Committee."	Y		3	Blanton	Changes made.
xii	none	dfro	is "RRWG" correct for the NAS work group? It doesn't seem to capture the NAS connection.	Y	Name should be the NAS RRWG	3	Blanton	Changes made.
1	4	dfro	replace "its species" with "the federally-listed species associated therewith"	Y		2	Blanton	Change made.
1	throughout	dfro	It has been my experience that when there is a formal acronym or abbreviation table, that such acronyms/abbreviations are used throughout without resort to use of the full name and parentheticals again using the acronyms/abbreviations. Just a thought.	Y	Only if that acronym is listed in the table, but will verify and correct as needed	3	Blanton	Changes made.
1	11	dfro	replace "Section 2.0" with "Chapter 2.0"	Y		3	Blanton	Change made.
1	22-23	dfro	recommend listing counties west to east, east to west, or alfabetically	Y		3	Blanton	Changes made.
1	tab. 1.1-1	dfro	You might want to indicate that the Texas Cave Diving Beetle is also known as the "Edwards Aquifer Diving Beetle." See 74 Fed. Reg. 66,873, 66,869 (2009); Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan Table 1-3 at 1-10, and 3-67 (Nov. 2012).	Y	Will make that reference on this page.	2	Blanton	Change made.
4	9-Aug	dfro	use the full name of the Stakeholder and Science Committees, or add abbreviations to the acronym and abbreviations list in the front	Y	Will use the acronym SH or SC	2	Blanton	Changes made.
4	1.4	dfro	Article 7 of the FMA also describes the roles of the EAA Board of Directors. Should the EAA Board not be included; and should there not be a list of EAA Board meetings at which significant EAHCP actions were taken by the EAA Board, similar to the listing of the monthly meetings of the IC and a summary description of what occurred?	Y	Will include a description of the role of the EAA Board of Directors in relating to approval of funding applications and any decisions involving the annual program budget	2	EAHCP/Blanton	Changes made.
8	4	dfro	use the full name of the Stakeholder and Science Committees, or add abbreviations to the acronym and abbreviations list in the front	Y	Will use the acronym SH or SC	2	Blanton	Changes made.
8	17	dfro	use the full name of the Stakeholder and Science Committees, or add abbreviations to the acronym and abbreviations list in the front	Y	Will use the acronym SH or SC	2	Blanton	Changes made.
15	28	dfro	"Applied research" is not a "minimization and mitigatoin measure" of the EAA	Y	Will remove the words minimizatin and mitigation in line 27.	2	Blanton	Changes made.
15	29	dfro	The refugia is probably not a "minimization and mitigatoin measure" per se of the EAA	Y	Will remove the words minimizatin and mitigation in line 27.	2	Blanton	Changes made.
15	33	DFRO	"expanded water quality monitoring" in Sec. 5.7.2 is not a "minimization and mitigation measure." Sec. 5.7 of the EAHCP states that: "All of the measures described above [i.e. the "actual" minimization and mitigation measures]will not only minimize and mitigate the impacts of any incidental take, but will also contribute to the likelihood of the survival and recovery of the Covered Species. The EARIP, however, was established as a "recovery implementation program." As such, the Applicants committed to implement measures that are specifically intended to contribute to the recovery of the Covered Species. The following sets out those specific measures." Thus, the activities described and set out in Section 5.7 of the EAHCP are "recovery measures" not "minimization and mitigation measures." Therefore, expanded water quality monitoring is a "recovery" measure.	Y	Will remove the words minimizatin and mitigation in line 27.	2	Blanton	Changes made.

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15	34	dfro	"Biological monitoring" is not a "minimization and mitigation measure" of the EAA	Y	Will remove the words minimizatin and mitigation in line 27.	2	Blanton	Changes made.
15	35	dfro	"Groundwater modeling" is not a "minimization and mitigation measure" of the EAA	Y	Will remove the words minimizatin and mitigation in line 27.	2	Blanton	Changes made.
15	36	dfro	"Ecological modeling" is not a "minimizatoin and migitation measure" of the EAA	Y	Will remove the words minimizatin and mitigation in line 27.	2	Blanton	Changes made.
15	37	dfro	"Impervious Cover/Water Quality Protection in Sec. 5.7.5 is not a "minimization and mitigation measure". It is a "recovery measure." See the discussion above for "expanded water quality monitoring.	Y	Will remove the words minimizatin and mitigation in line 27.	2	Blanton	Changes made.
23	1, 3	dfro	Section 6.3.4 does not appear to me to be a correct cite. Cites in the EAHCP to the refugia are found at 5.1.1, 6.4.2, 6.4.3, 6.4.4. This needs to be checked throughout the document.	Y	Will review and make the appropriate changes.	2	Blanton	Changes made.
42	Fig. 3.1.=5	dfro	Consider modifying the HCP org chart to "nest" it in the larger EAA framework.	N	EAA organizational structure is not needed for the EAHCP annual report.			
33	2	SAWS	Caffeine is sampled in baseflow and stormwater, not sediment.	Y	will correct	2	Blanton	Change made.
130	30	SAWS	There are a couple of acronyms that aren't in master list; FAB (?), COI (certificate of inclusions)	Y	will correct	2	Blanton	Changes made.
137	2	SAWS	removed should be remove I think	Y	Will verify and correct if needed	3	Blanton	Change made.
145	2 thru 5	SAWS	"mopping up"; lacks explanation what is this as well as what strong bulb and seed banks why is concern?	Y	Will rewrite as needed	2	COSM/Blanton	Change made. Replaced "mopping up" with "removal of regrowth and invasive plants." Removed strong bulb and seed bank sentence.
148	2	SAWS	mopped up used without quotes – I begin to understand it because of context could be explained better earlier.	Y	Will rewrite as needed	2	COSM/Blanton	Change made. Replaced "mopped up" with "removal of regrowth and invasive plants. "
148	14	SAWS	an should be a I think	Y	Will verify and correct if needed	3	Blanton	Change not made. Performed research to ensure proper use of the article "an."
168	1	SAWS	Insert figure #	Y		3	Blanton	Change made.
185	10	SAWS	should be Rio Vista dam rather than Visa.	Y		3	Blanton	Change made.
187	9	SAWS	removed should be remove?	Y	Will verify and correct if needed	3	Blanton	Change made.
190	6	SAWS	remove "The" before SAWS	Y		3	Blanton	Change made.
190	17 thru 19	SAWS	Awkward read? Break up sentences.	Y		2	Blanton	Change made.

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