

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Southern Edwards Plateau Habitat Conservation Plan Coordinating Committee Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Development Services Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Michael Shannon

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Renewal of the Third Party Conservation Bank Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Bandera Conservation Corridor, LLC

SUMMARY:

This is a third party conservation bank MOU with Bandera Conservation Corridor, LLC to utilize conservation credits from the Bandera Conservation Corridor Bank Agreement in furtherance of habitat protection activities related to the Southern Edwards Plateau Habitat Conservation Plan (SEP HCP).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This is the renewal of the Third Party Conservation Bank MOU with Bandera Conservation Corridor, LLC (BCC) to continue to utilize conservation credits from the Bandera Conservation Corridor Bank Agreement in furtherance of habitat protection activities related to the Southern Edwards Plateau Habitat Conservation Plan (SEP HCP).

To date, BCC has transferred and assigned more than 650 GCW Credits from BCCB to the Permittees on behalf of Applicants under previous MOUs with the Permittees. At this time, BCC has approximately 162 Golden-Cheeked Warbler (GCW) conservation credits currently available. Additional properties may be added to BCCB within Bandera County as per the requirements of the BCCB CBA. These credits, and any approved future credits, would be available as a preferred solution for satisfying an Applicant's mitigation requirements with respect to GCW Preservation Credits and related activities and can be transferred to the SEP-HCP ledger after purchase by an SEP-HCP Applicant.

This MOU was most recently approved on January 19, 2019. This renewal keeps in place all existing terms of the agreement.

ISSUE:

None.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

ALTERNATIVES:

Not approving the MOU would possibly result in a loss of the available GCW credits available through the proposed agreement with Bandera Conservation Corridor, LLC.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Approval of renewing the Memoradum of Understanding.