

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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Agenda Date: February 2, 2023

In Control: Conservation Advisory Board Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Parks & Recreation Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Homer Garcia III

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

The Nature Conservancy will provide an update on status of the Moos Ranch conservation easement project.

SUMMARY:

The Nature Conservancy will provide an update on status of the Moos Ranch conservation easement project.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Nature Conservancy will provide an update on status of the Moos Ranch conservation easement project for the Edwards Aquifer Protection Program.

The Moos Ranch is an approximately 2,267-acre property located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge zone in Uvalde County. This property is located adjacent to the Vanham conservation easement held by San Antonio Water System which is continguous with the Lee, Gulley and Frio

Briscoe conservation easements held by the Edwards Aquifer Protection Program. This property ranks in the 50% percentile of the SET model and, if protected, would provide high to very high for water quantity and high water quality benefits to the City of San Antonio. The Nature Conservancy will be requesting final approval for this project.

ISSUE:

The Nature Conservancy will provide an update on status of the Moos Ranch conservation easement project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

ALTERNATIVES:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval in order to seek City Council consideration of the proposed acquisition of a conservation easement on the Moos Ranch.