**Executive Committee (EC)**

**Meeting** **Agenda**

**March 30, 2023, 1:00 – 4:00 PM MT**

**Location**: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

2105 Osuna Rd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113

*Zoom Log-In:*

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***Meeting Objectives:***

* *Hear an update on Middle Rio Grande Endangered Species Collaborative Program (Collaborative Program) activities.*
* *Approve the 2022 Annual Report.*
* *Hear an update from the Fiscal Planning Committee (FPC) on their activities and requests for feedback and input.*
* *Learn about and discuss the proposed multi-year plan.*
* *Hear the results of the Annual Program Evaluation, and provide additional feedback and input.*
* *Appoint new members to the Science and Adaptive Management Committee (SAMC).*
* *Hear the 2023 hydrology forecast and an update from the Minnow Action Team (MAT), and discuss planned activities for 2023.*

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| 1:00 – 1:10 | **Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Review**   * Meeting ground rules * **Decision**: Approval of March 30, 2023 EC meeting agenda | *EC Co-chairs* |
| 1:10 – 1:15 | **December 2022 Meeting Summary**   * Action items review * **Decision**: Approval of December 22, 2022 EC meeting minutes   Read-ahead:   * Draft December 22, 2022 EC Meeting Minutes | *EC Co-chairs* |
| 1:15 – 1:35 | **Program Support Team (PST) Update**   * New PST members * Cost-Share and Signatory Contributions Update * Administrative schedule update * Science and Adaptive Management Committee (SAMC) Update   + Two-pronged approach to restoration guidance for Middle Rio Grande   + Recommendations from 2022 Vegetated Islands/Bars Workshop   + 2023 Climate Scenario Planning Workshop   + Long-Term Plan project evaluation criteria – test run * Ad Hoc Group Updates   + Strategic Plan for Drying in Angostura Reach   + Rio Grande Silvery Minnow (RGSM) Hypotheses Development   + RGSM Conceptual Ecological Model Revisions   + Information and Data Quality Standards   Read-ahead:   * SAMC Memo to the EC with Recommendations from Workshop on Management of Vegetated Islands and Bank-attached Bars | *Debbie Lee & Catherine Murphy, PST* |
| 1:35 – 1:45 | **2022 MRGESCP Annual Report**   * **Decision**: Approval of 2022 MRGESCP Annual Report   Read-ahead:   * Draft 2022 MRGESCP Annual Report | *Michelle Tuineau, PST* |
| 1:45 – 2:00 | **Fiscal Planning Committee (FPC) Update**   * New FPC Co-Chairs * Update on FPC activities   + Funding opportunities matrix   + Incorporating FPC activities into the biennial schedule * FPC request for reviewers * FPC request for legal expertise to attend next FPC meeting   + - **Action Item**: Signatory participants contact the PST to volunteer to review proposal/funding template language     - **Action Item**: PST will include named legal experts to the invitation for the next FPC meeting | *FPC Co-chairs & Debbie Lee, PST* |
| 2:00 – 2:30 | **Multi-Year Plan**   * Overview of the multi-year work plan * Scientific review and feasibility of management requests * Proposed new objective * Feedback and discussion * **Decision**: Approve Multi-Year Plan   + - **Action Item**: PST will update the Long-Term Plan for Science & Adaptive Management to include the approved Multi-Year Work Plan as a new subsection under 9.0 Future Direction     - **Action Item**: SAMC will undertake a science review of the Multi-Year Plan   Read-ahead:   * Draft Multi-year Work Plan * Guiding Principles with proposed new objective G-2 | *Debbie Lee & Catherine Murphy, PST* |
| 2:30 – 2:40 | **Break** |  |
| 2:40 – 2:55 | **Summary of Annual Program Evaluation**   * Summary of responses * Proposed changes to Collaborative Program operations   + New objectives   + SAMC membership * Discussion and additional feedback * Other surveys and responses | *Michelle Tuineau, PST* |
| 2:55– 3:10 | **2023 MRGESCP Work Plan Update and Revisions**   * Proposed revisions * **Decision**: Approve revised 2023 Work Plan   Read-ahead:   * Draft Revised 2023 MRGESCP Work Plan | *Debbie Lee & Catherine Murphy, PST* |
| 3:10 – 3:25 | **2023 SAMC Membership**   * Recommended new SAMC members from the EC small group * Recommended changes to the By-Laws * **Decision**: Revise By-Laws Section 7.1 to have “8-10 members” on the SAMC * **Decision**: Appoint new SAMC members   + - **Action Item**: PST will update By-Laws to incorporated approved revisions   Read-ahead:   * Memo to the EC on 2023 SAMC Membership Recommendations * By-Laws Section 7.1 with proposed revisions | *Catherine Murphy, PST* |
| 3:25 – 3:50 | **2023 Hydrology Forecast and Minnow Action Team (MAT) Update**   * Review March 10, 2023 MAT meeting * Forecast for 2023 * Discussion of planned 2023 activities | *Carolyn Donnelly, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation & Shannon Weld, N.M. Interstate Stream Commission* |
| 3:50 – 3:55 | **Public Comment and Announcements** |  |
| 3:55 – 4 :00 | **Meeting Summary and Action Items Review**   * **Next EC Meeting**: June 29, 2023 | *EC Co-chairs* |
| 4:00 | **Adjourn** |  |