

TRAVIS COUNTY'S BCCP Activities Update: 1 August 2016 – 15 October 2016

BCCP Administration	
Public Participation	Seven BCCP applications were received and processed from August 1, 2016 –15 October 2016; Two Participation Certificates were issued for a total of \$4,000.00 in mitigation payments. Fees were split 50:50 between Travis County and City of Austin.
Land Acquisition	The 4.98 acre Paladino Tract was acquired in October. This property is in the Lime Creek Neighborhood.
Reports and Events	Work will begin shortly on the FY16 BCCP Annual Report.
Personnel	All Travis County Natural Resource positions have been filled. A new seasonal tech position will be hired in February 2017.
Rare and Endangered Resources Management	
Golden-cheeked warbler and Black-capped vireo	Golden-cheeked warbler and Black-capped Vireo nesting season ended August 31 st .
Karst invertebrates	Summer season faunal surveys were performed at 10 caves and cave cricket exit counts were conducted at 7caves.
Plant and Animal Control	
Feral hogs	Seventeen hogs were removed from the BCP including 12 from the Kotrla Unit and 5 from the Sam Hamilton Memorial East tract.
White-tailed deer	Spotlight deer surveys were conducted on the Kotrla Unit and at Hamilton Pool. Remote camera deer surveys were conducted on the Jollyville Unit.
Red-imported fire ants and Tawny crazy ants	Red-imported fire ant surveys and boiling water treatments were performed at four caves; Conducted surveys of crazy ant infestations at No Rent and Whirlpool caves.
Invasive Plants	Invasive plants (Chinaberry, Ligustrum sp., Nandina, Photinia, Chinese tallow, and Tree of Heaven) were removed from 11 tracts.
Land Stewardship	
Fence Construction	New boundary fence is being constructed on the northern boundary of the Kotrla Unit. Planning is under way for fencing the eastern section of the Trails End tract and portions of the Lucas tract.
Wildfire Preparedness	Wildfire fuel mitigation projects were conducted along the Wildland-Urban Interface on the Greenshores, Cuevas, Cuevas East, and Trails End tracts; County staff met with Travaasa Resort staff to discuss collaborating on Firewise efforts at the Resort and fuel mitigation efforts on the adjoining Conservation Easement, which Travis County manages.

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Trash Clean-up	Several clean-up workdays were conducted during this period which resulted in removing 39 tires from the Trails End tract, 7,000 golf balls from the Steiner Ranch Conservation Easement, and 150 pounds of trash from the Lucas tract. Fifty Concordia University students assisted on the Steiner Ranch and Lucas clean-ups.
Infrastructure	Staff coordinated with LCRA, Austin Energy, and PEC crews so these companies had access to conduct routine repairs and vegetation maintenance along powerlines running through the BCP.
Law Enforcement	
Trespass and Criminal Mischief	Numerous incidents of trespass and criminal mischief were detected this period including 5 incidents of trespass, 1 incident of dumping, 1 incident of breaking a gate lock and 6 incidents of stolen gate locks.
Outreach/Volunteers	
<i>See BCP Partners Education Summary 1 August – 30 September 2016</i>	