



## Record of Decisions

### Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan (BCCP) Coordinating Committee

October 8, 2021, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

This meeting was held via videoconference and a recording is available here:

<https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/177863>

#### Attending:

Austin City Council Member District 7 – Leslie Pool, Chair  
Travis County Commissioner Precinct 2 – Brigid Shea, Co-Chair  
USFWS – Adam Zerrenner, Member (Ex Officio)  
BCCP Coordinating Committee Secretary – Kimberlee Harvey

Citizen Communications – No one signed up to speak

Items for discussion:

- 1. Approve Record of Decisions for the May 26, 2021 Regular Meeting** - Motion from Shea to approve, second by Pool, Carried 2/0
- 2. National Habitat Conservation Plan Coalition 2021 Annual Meeting** – The Secretary reported that the National Habitat Conservation Plan Coalition hosted their 2021 virtual annual meeting earlier this week. She explained that during these meetings the participants share Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) knowledge and experience, refine Coalition policies, and map out activities for the coming year. BCP staff are members of this Coalition, sponsors of this conference, and several BCP staff members have attended past meetings. The Secretary serves on their Annual Meeting Committee and announced that this group will hold their 2022 annual meeting here in Austin from October 25-27. When the annual meetings are in person, there is often a field trip to HCP areas. The BCP will be one of the Central TX HCPs highlighted at the conference and one of the fieldtrips will take participants to see Golden-cheeked warbler habitat on the BCP.
- 3. Lights Out Texas: Austin/Travis County go Lights Out for Migratory Birds**– Johanna Arendt, Travis County Community Liaison, reported on the [Lights Out Texas](#) initiative supported by the City and County and explained how it helps support BCCP protected migratory songbirds.
- 4. Engaging the Community to Reduce Wildfire Risk** – Cait McCann, City of Austin Education and Outreach Coordinator, talked about the County's recent presentation to the wildfire coalition, City BCP partnership with AFD on Austin Civilian Conservation Corps crews making shaded fuel breaks, and closer coordination on

messaging with the Wildfire Division.

- 5. The International Year of Caves and Karst: Celebrating BCP Caves and Understanding BCCP Karst Compliance** – BCP biologists Colin Strickland, Mark Sanders, and Drew Thompson highlighted some of the BCP caves and some of the incredible and fascinating work they are doing to support healthy cave ecosystems and BCCP permit compliance.
- 6. Receive BCP Partner Reports**–BCP Staff reported on the FY2021 Q2 and Q3 BCP Partner Reports for [LCRA Q2](#), [LCRA Q3](#), [Travis County Q2](#), [Travis County Q3](#), [City of Austin Q2](#), [City of Austin Q3](#), [Education and Outreach Q2](#), and [Education and Outreach Q3](#).