

MINUTES

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS'  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**



SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY

June 8, 2011, 2:00 p.m.

**GENERAL AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS:**

1. **CALL TO ORDER WAS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. GAYLON J. OEHLKE, AT 2:00 P.M.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED**
3. **THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY, MR. ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ, CALLED THE ROLL AND REPORTED THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

- Terry E. Baiamonte (Absent)
- Sally Buchanan
- A.D. Kollodziej, Jr. (Absent)
- Hector R. Morales
- Gaylon J. Oehlke
- Roberto G. Rodríguez

4. **CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE SECRETARY, MR. RODRÍGUEZ**
5. **INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

Ms. Sanchez reported that there were none.

6. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Ms. Sanchez announced that there were no citizens signed up to speak.

7. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MAY 11, 2011**

Staff recommended a motion that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on May 11, 2011, be passed and approved, as presented.

Motion made by Sally Buchanan

Seconded by Hector R. Morales

**Vote:** 4 - 0 Passed

Other: Terry E. Baiamonte (Absent)

A.D. Kollodziej, Jr. (Absent)

**8. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING FISCAL YEARS 2011/12 THROUGH 2014 JOINT ACTION PLAN BETWEEN THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY AND THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER FOUNDATION**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Executive Committee support for presenting to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a recommendation to approve the Three-Year Rolling Action Plan between the San Antonio River Authority and the San Antonio River Foundation.

Motion made by Roberto G. Rodríguez

Seconded by Sally Buchanan

**Vote:** 4 - 0 Passed

Other: Terry E. Baiamonte (Absent)

A.D. Kollodziej, Jr. (Absent)

Attachments:

SARA-SARF Action Plan

**9. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE UPDATE OF THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY'S STRATEGIC PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 10.

**10. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE 82ND SESSION OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND THE 112th CONGRESS**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 11 and after appropriate disclosure in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071, Mr. Oehlke then recessed to meet in Executive Session at 3:33 p.m. for consultation with attorney regarding the Aransas Project v. Shaw, et. al., Case No. 2:10-CV-00075 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

**11. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

The Executive Session having concluded, the Executive Committee Meeting resumed into Open Session at 3:52 p.m. at which time, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 12.

**12. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 13.

**13. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:**

- **UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR,**
- **FUTURE BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS, AND**
- **MEETINGS INVOLVING THE ATTENDANCE OF ONE OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 14.

**14. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

With regards to the discussion under agenda item 9, Ms. Scott announced that at the next Executive Committee meeting, staff will present the results and accomplishments on SARA's fulfillment of its strategic plan and key actions and accountabilities (KAAs) for the fiscal year 2011 and also give an update on the expert's filings on the Whooping Crane Lawsuit. She also announced that follow-up for the financial leverage index and the project index will be presented at the next Fiscal Committee meeting.

Mr. Oehlke announced that Committee member Kollodziej informed him of his intent to resign.

**15. NEXT MEETING DATE**

Mr. Oehlke announced that the next Executive Committee meeting will be Wednesday, August 10, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

**16. ADJOURN**

There being nothing further to report, Mr. Oehlke adjourned the Executive Committee meeting at 4:02 p.m.

**PREPARED AND RECOMMENDED FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL BY THE MANAGER.**

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**SUZANNE B. SCOTT, General Manager**

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 9, 2011.**

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**GAYLON J. OEHLKE, Board Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ, Board Secretary**

# San Antonio River Authority/San Antonio River Foundation

## Three-Year Rolling Action Plan

### July 2011 – June 2014

NOTE: PRE-YEAR ONE AND YEAR ONE IN BLACK, YEAR TWO IN BLUE AND YEAR THREE IN RED.

#### Pre-Year One (prior to July 1, 2011)

##### I. Projects

- a. Mission Reach Concepción Portal Art Installation Phase A
  - i. Complete nine (9) art walls along with base portal construction
- b. Mission Reach Roosevelt Park Tree Signage
  - i. Design, create and install signage related to SARF funded trees planted in Roosevelt Park

##### II. Activities

- a. Confluence Park Site Planning Workshop (May 24, 2011)
- b. Co-host Museum Reach Fun 5K and Health Expo (May 28, 2011)
- c. Plan and implement Mission Reach Phases 1 and 2 Grand Opening (as of May 19, 2011 – tentatively scheduled for June 25, 2011)
- d. SARF Art Bench Event (Date TBD)

#### Year One (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012)

##### I. Projects

- a. Mission Reach Concepción Portal Art Installation Phase B
  - i. Enhance Plaza Floor
    1. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
      - a. Internal approvals from SARA and County
      - b. External approvals from ROC Mission Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
    2. Install enhancements
      - a. Estimated to begin by October 2011 – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
      - b. SARF coordinate installation with SARA (and possibly COSA) to ensure continued public use of portal and trails
      - c. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
    3. Operations and Maintenance
      - a. SARA to pressure wash and ensure public access/use of area
  - ii. Enhance former San Antonio River Oxbow
    1. Project still under consideration – if project moves forward, then see items 2 – 4 below
    2. SARF acquire appropriate approvals

- a. Internal approvals from SARA and County
    - b. External approvals from ROC Mission Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
  - 3. Install enhancements
    - a. TBD – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
    - b. SARF coordinate installation with SARA (and possibly COSA) to ensure continued public use of portal and trails
    - c. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
  - 4. Operations and Maintenance
    - a. SARF develop agreement with COSA
- b. Mission Reach Art Solicitation for San Jose, San Juan and Espada Portals
- i. SARA provide SARF portal footprints
  - ii. SARA provide SARF base portal designs and construction schedule when that information is available
  - iii. SARF creates RFQ using ROC approved themes and to include language identifying that efforts will be made to select a local artist for at least one portal project (specific language to be developed when RFQ is drafted)
  - iv. SARA review RFQ prior to its release
  - v. SARF issues RFQ
  - vi. SARF awards projects
- c. Mission Reach San Jose Portal Art Installation
- i. Project still under development (see item b above)
  - ii. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
    - 1. Internal approvals from SARA and County
    - 2. External approvals from ROC Mission Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
  - iii. Install enhancements
    - 1. TBD – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
    - 2. SARF coordinate installation with SARA (and possibly County, COSA and NPS) to ensure continued public use of portal and trails
    - 3. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
  - iv. Operations and Maintenance
    - 1. SARA O&M TBD
- d. Mission Reach Art Bench Installation
- i. Initial installation to include five (5) benches
  - ii. SARA/SARF to coordinate installation locations in Phase 1 and possibly Phase 2
  - iii. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
    - 1. Internal approvals from SARA and County
    - 2. External approvals from ROC Mission Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
  - iv. Install enhancements

1. TBD – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
  2. SARF coordinate installation with SARA to ensure continued public use of Mission Reach trails
  3. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
  - v. SARF identify/secure bench sponsors
  - vi. Operations and Maintenance
    1. SARA to pressure wash and ensure public access/use of area
- e. Museum Reach Bridge Railings Art Installation on Camden St., Newell St., Brooklyn Ave. and McCullough Ave.
- i. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
    1. Internal approvals from SARA
    2. External approvals from ROC Museum Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board, HDRC and COSA
  - ii. Install enhancements
    1. TBD as reflected in the prior approvals of design plans as executed by SARF
    2. SARF coordinate installation with COSA and SARA to ensure continued public use of Museum Reach trails
    3. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
  - iii. Operations and Maintenance
    1. SARF develop agreement with COSA in coordination with SARA
- f. Museum Reach Asian Panels Art Installation
- i. Project still under consideration – if project moves forward, then see items ii – iv below
  - ii. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
    1. Internal approvals from SARA
    2. External approvals from ROC Museum Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
  - iii. Install enhancements
    1. TBD – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
    2. SARF coordinate installation with SARA to ensure continued public use of Museum Reach trails
    3. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
  - iv. Operations and Maintenance
    1. Consistent with existing SARA O&M of SARF Museum Reach projects
- g. Mission Reach Confluence Park Concept Plan Development
- i. SARF/SARA/stakeholders to further develop project scope and design into a phased plan for use in fundraising efforts
  - ii. Scope and design elements to include:
    1. Blending of art/science
    2. Environmental education opportunities
    3. Health equipment
    4. Concession concept

- iii. Operations and Maintenance
  - 1. SARA O&M TBD
- h. Mission Reach Espada Property
  - i. Operations and Maintenance
    - 1. SARA to secure property
    - 2. SARA to conduct initial clean-up of property
- i. Lower Basin Projects
  - i. Explore options and develop capital improvement implementation plan for the following areas:
    - 1. Helton-San Antonio River Nature Park in Wilson County
    - 2. Branch River Park in Goliad County
    - 3. Goliad Paddling Trail in Goliad County
    - 4. Saspamco Paddling Trail in Bexar and Wilson Counties
    - 5. Jackson Nature Park in Wilson County

## II. Activities

- a. Events
  - i. Finalize event sponsorship funds sharing agreement
  - ii. Event Co-Hosting responsibilities:
    - 1. SARA lead event planning with SARF assistance unless identified otherwise
    - 2. SARF lead event fundraising with SARA assistance unless identified otherwise
  - iii. Co-Host the following events:
    - 1. Museum Reach River of Lights Festival (December 3, 2011)
    - 2. Mission Reach La Posada (TBD December 2011)
    - 3. Get Outdoors – associated with Mission Reach. NPS is also co-host and will assist with planning/funding (March 3, 2012)
    - 4. RiverTini. SARF will lead event planning and fundraising with support from SARA (Spring 2012)
    - 5. Museum Reach Fun 5K and Health Expo (May 26, 2012)
    - 6. Mission Reach Annual Event. Likely to be scheduled in June to correspond with National Rivers Month.
    - 7. Photo contest/event (Date TBD)
    - 8. Museum Reach concert series at Pearl amphitheater (Dates TBD)
    - 9. Discuss creation of new SARF Annual Fundraising Event. SARF will lead event planning and fundraising with support from SARA.
    - 10. Discuss River Rocks music event to determine feasibility
    - 11. Other events as necessary
- b. Environmental Education
  - i. Develop a coordinated environmental education program to include, but not limited to:

1. Coordinate environmental education messaging
  2. If/when needed, SARF Environmental Committee members may be utilized to deliver Mission Reach ecosystem restoration presentation and serve as Mission Reach walking tour docents or Roots in the River instructors. Appropriate discussions between SARA and SARF Environmental Committee members may be required to ensure message continuity
  3. Coordinate environmental education grant opportunities
- c. Tours
- i. SARA/SARF will inform the other when scheduling SARIP tours
  - ii. SARA/SARF will attend and/or assist tours scheduled by the other as necessary
- d. Lower Basin Activities
- i. Explore options and develop events and environmental educational implementation plan for in the following areas:
    1. Helton-San Antonio River Nature Park in Wilson County
      - a. Tentative annual event (TBD)
      - b. Tentative nature walks and other environmental education programs
    2. Branch River Park in Goliad County
      - a. Tentative annual disc golf event (TBD – likely in August 2011)
      - b. Tentative nature walks and other environmental education programs
    3. Goliad Paddling Trail in Goliad County
      - a. Fall flotilla (November 5, 2011)
      - b. Summer flotilla (June 2, 2012)
    4. Saspamco Paddling Trail in Bexar and Wilson Counties
      - a. Annual flotilla (TBD)
    5. Jackson Nature Park in Wilson County
      - a. Tentative nature walks and other environmental education programs

## Year Two (July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013)

### I. Projects

- a. Mission Reach San Juan Portal Art Installation
  - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- b. Mission Reach Confluence Park Construction Phase 1
  - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- c. Mission Reach Espada Portal and Property Concept Development
  - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan

- d. Mission Reach Concessions
  - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
  - ii. SARA/SARF to determine possible funding mechanisms to construct concession stations
  - iii. SARA/SARF to determine possible role for SARF to operate concessions
- e. Mission Reach Art Bench Installation Phase 2
  - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- f. Lower Basin Projects
  - i. Pursue, as feasible, projects from the lower basin capital improvement implementation plan as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
  - ii. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan

**II. Activities**

- a. Events
  - i. Event Co-Hosting responsibilities:
    - 1. Anticipated to be similar to year one –any changes will be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
  - ii. Co-Host events
    - 1. Anticipated to be similar to year one, with the addition of the new SARF Annual Fundraising Event
    - 2. Any changes to the event list will be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- b. Environmental Education
  - i. Implement, as feasible, the coordinated environmental education program as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
  - ii. Coordinated environmental education program still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- c. Tours
  - i. Continue tour coordination as defined in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
- d. Lower Basin Activities
  - i. Implement, as feasible, the lower basin events and environmental education implementation plan as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
  - ii. Lower basin events and environmental education implementation plan still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan

**Year Three (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014)**

**I. Projects**

- a. Mission Reach Espada Portal Art Installation and Property Development
  - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan
- b. Mission Reach Confluence Park Construction Phase 2
  - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan

**II. Activities**

- a. Events
  - i. Event Co-Hosting responsibilities:
    - 1. Anticipated to be similar to year one –any changes will be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan
  - ii. Co-Host events
    - 1. Anticipated to be similar to year two
    - 2. Any changes to the event list will be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan
- b. Environmental Education
  - i. Implement, as feasible, the coordinated environmental education program as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
  - ii. Coordinated environmental education program still under development – further details to be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan
- c. Tours
  - i. Continue tour coordination as defined in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
- d. Lower Basin Activities
  - i. Implement, as feasible, the lower basin events and environmental education implementation plan as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
  - ii. Lower basin events and environmental education implementation plan still under development – further details to be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan