

Westside Creeks Restoration Oversight Committee

June 20, 2023



Agenda

- I. **Welcome** – Robert Ramirez & Skye Curd, Committee Co-chairs
- II. **Roll call** – Meera Nguyen, San Antonio River Authority
- III. **Approval of meeting minutes**, April 18, 2023
- IV. **Calendar items**, Meera Nguyen, San Antonio River Authority
- V. **General manager updates**, Derek Boese, River Authority
- VI. **Project status update** - Rebecca Krug, River Authority
- VII. **Review of Community Involvement Session**, Brian Mast, River Authority
- VIII. **Citizens to be heard**
- IX. **Miscellaneous items**
- X. **Adjourn**

Public Participation:

Comments during the public comment portion are also limited to three (3) minutes and we ask that time not be transferred to another individual.



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June 20, 2023
Westside Creeks Restoration
Oversight Committee (WCROC) Meeting
6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Organization Name	Member Name	Alternate Member
Co-Chair	Robert Ramirez	
Co-Chair	Skye Curd	
Alazán Resident Council	Christina Barbosa	
Avenida Guadalupe	Gabriel Velasquez	
Beacon Hill Neighborhood Association	Jerry Lockey	
Bexar Audubon Society	Rita Avery	
Historic Westside Residents Association	Mary Ann Valdez-Hernandez	
Los Bexareños Genealogical Society	Barbara Chavez	
Opportunity Home San Antonio	Michael Lopez	
Our Lady of the Lake University	Brianna Salas	Adam Bynum
Prosper West	Ramiro Gonzales	
Prospect Hill Neighborhood Association	Jeremy Landin	Russell Felan
River Aid San Antonio	Charles Blank	
San Antonio Alternative Housing Corporation	Rick Rodriguez	
San Antonio Conservation Society	Kate Ruckman	
San Antonio Independent School District	Patti Radle	Anna Alicia Romero
San Antonio Wheelman	Abel Ramirez	
St. Mary's University	William "Bill" Buhrman	Evelynn Mitchell
TexasTejano.com	Kamala Platt	
University of Texas at San Antonio	Albert Salgado	
United San Antonio Pow Wow Inc.	Erwin DeLuna	
Woodlawn Lake Neighborhood Association	Charles Oisten	

Approval of minutes

Calendar Items

Yoga on the Creek

- Monday's at 6pm
- San Pedro Creek Culture Park / St. James A.M.E.C. Culture Crossing

WSC Community Involvement Session

- Saturday, July 22nd – 9am
- Tafolla Middle School Cafeteria

San Pedro Creek Sub-Committee Meeting

- Thursday, August 10th - 9am
- River Authority Boardroom

Westside Creeks Restoration Oversight Committee

- Tuesday, August 15th - 6pm
- River Authority Boardroom/Virtual

General Manager Update

July 2023



San Pedro Creek Improvements Project

Phase 2:

Guadalupe St to S. Alamo St.

Estimated Completion: Summer 2023

- Alamo Street gatehouse and restrooms are nearly complete.
- The shade structure and artificial turf has been installed at the park north of Camp Street.
- Some of the plants in the park north of Camp Street have been planted.



The shade structure has been installed.



Two of the shade structure Panels have been installed.



San Pedro Creek Improvements Project

Phase 3:

Alamo St to Confluence w/ Apache Creek

Estimated Completion: Winter 2023

- Paseos and walls nearing completion
- The riffle pools and stones are completed and are functioning as intended

Phase 4.1:

Guadalupe St. to El Paso St.

Estimated Completion: Summer 2023

- Construction is well underway and most of the paseo has been poured.
- Electrical conduits and water lines are being installed.



Phase 3 Channel as seen facing north.



Phase 4.1 As seen from the northwest corner of the parking lot.



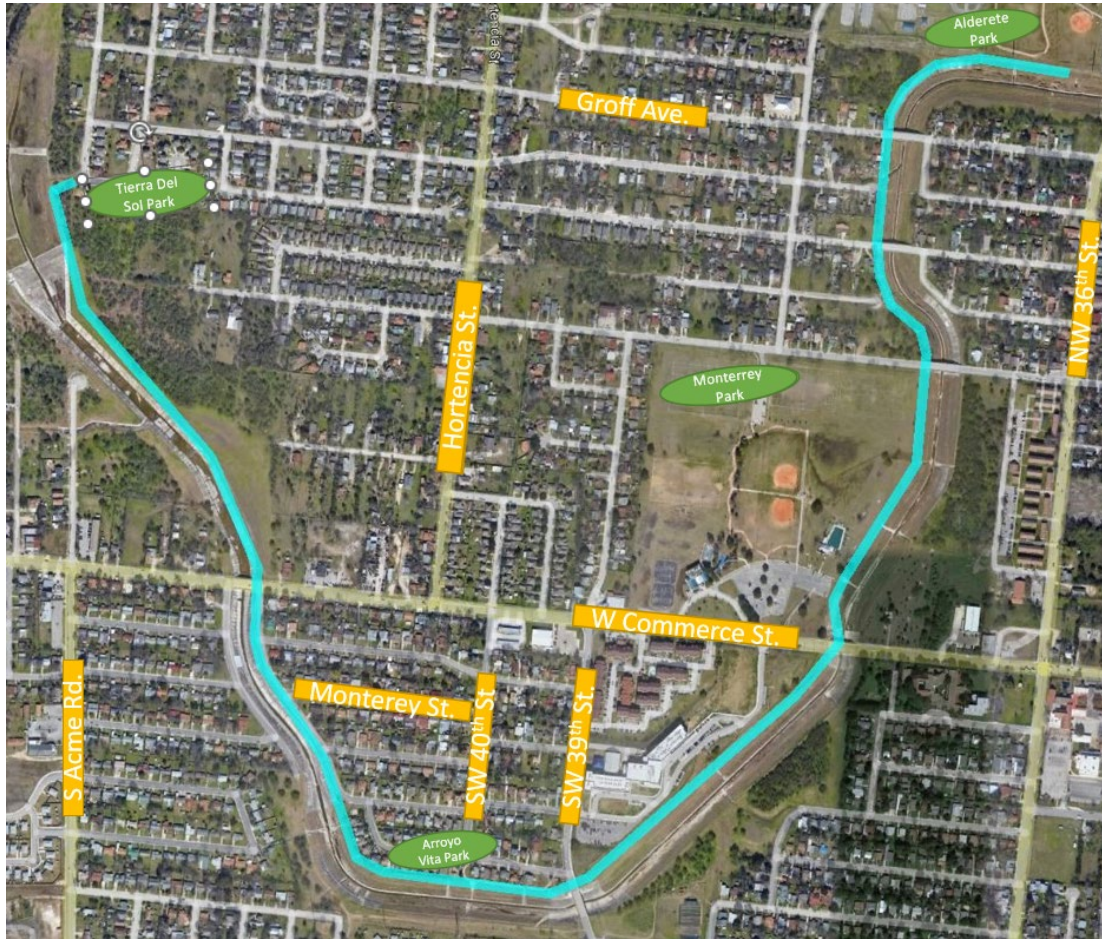


<https://spcculturepark.com/about/the-project/>



Committed to Safe, Clean, Enjoyable Creeks and Rivers.

Zarzamora Creek Trail Project



- Project managed by the River Authority
- Funded through CoSA Bond and Bexar County CIP
- Expecting to reach first design phase in early fall



WSC Design Review Community Meetings

- Expect to reach first milestone in WSC Ecosystem Restoration Project Design in early Fall
- Will soon begin planning for community meetings, one for each creek (4 total)



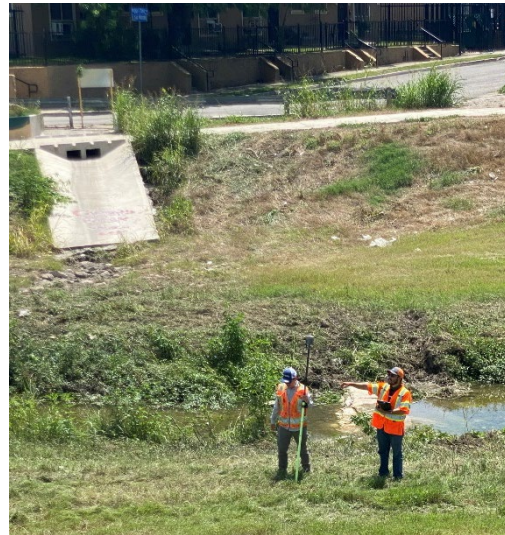
Status Report

June 20, 2023



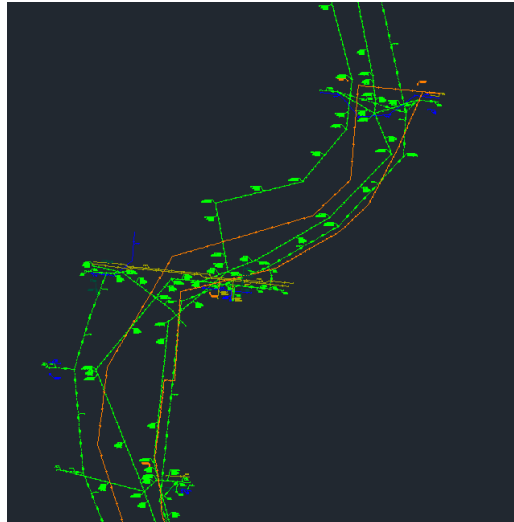
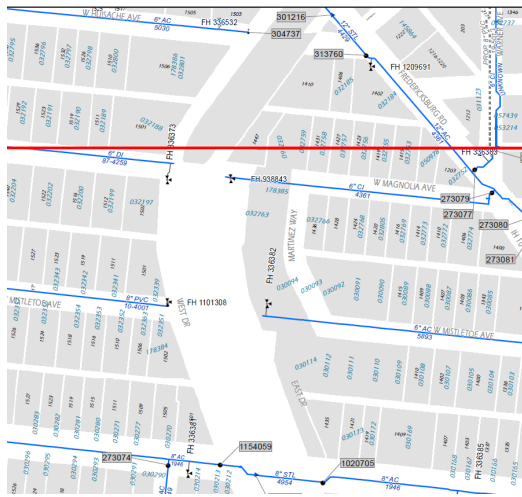
WSC ER: Predesign Activity Update

- Pre-design surveys in-progress
 - Apache and San Pedro Creek surveys complete
 - Martinez near completion (end of June)
 - Alazán in progress - to be completed in July



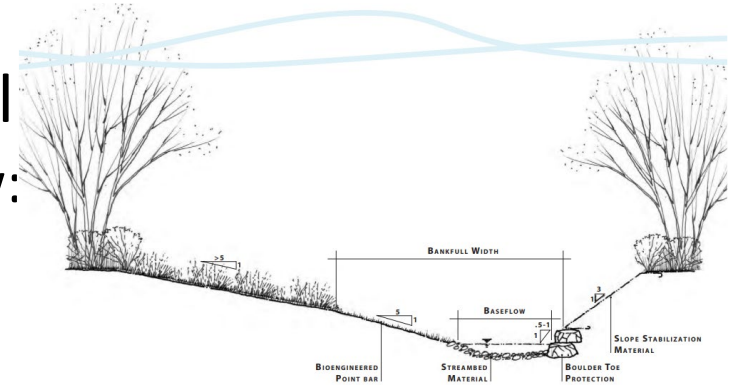
WSC ER: Predesign Activity Update

- Pre-design surveys in-progress
 - Subsurface Utility Engineering (SUE) complete for Martinez Creek, in progress for San Pedro, Apache, and Alazán
 - Geotech est. kick-off in July for all creeks



WSC ER: Design Update

- On target for 35% Milestone in early fall
 - Four Public Information Sessions to follow:
San Pedro, Apache, Alazán, Martinez



Review of Community Involvement Session

June 20, 2023



Community Involvement Session



Sesión de Participación Ciudadana

▶ JULY 22, 2023 • 9AM-NOON

TAFOLLA MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
1303 W CESAR E. CHAVEZ BLVD.

Free kids activities and refreshments provided.

Visit our website to learn more about the meeting and project.

▶ SÁBADO 22 DE JULIO DE 9:00 AM A MEDIODÍA

TAFOLLA ESCUELA SECUNDARIA CAFETERÍA
1303 W CESAR E. CHAVEZ BLVD.

Habrá actividades gratuitas para niños y refrigerios.

Para obtener más información sobre la sesión y el proyecto visite nuestra página en internet.



Orange-crowned Warbler



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Advertising

- Ad's in La Prensa online and in print
- Boosted social media ads
- Postcards, mailed to resident's end of June or beginning of July
 - ½ mile on either side of the creeks
- Invited – CoSA district 1 & 5, Bexar County PCT 1 & 2
 - Asked them to include in their community newsletters
- Will send press release and work with local media
- Flyers for students in Summer School at Tafolla
- Sign on Tafolla fence at corner of S. Brazos and Cesar E. Chavez
- On marquee



PROYECTO DE RESTAURACIÓN DEL ECOSISTEMA EN WESTSIDE CREEKS

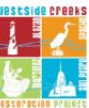
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Sesión de participación ciudadana para contribuir con las características del Proyecto de Restauración.

Habrà actividades gratuitas para niños y refrigerios.



Feedback can be given online

WESTSIDE CREEKS ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROJECT



Community Involvement Session

JULY 22, 2023 | 9AM - NOON

TAFOLLA MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA

The San Antonio River Authority invites you to learn more about the project and provide input on project features.

Free kids activities and refreshments.



DATE

Jul 22 2023



TIME

9:00 am - 12:00 pm



MORE INFO

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LOCATION

Tafolla Middle School Cafeteria
703 W. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd

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RESTORATION PROJECT

WESTSIDE CREEKS ECOSYSTEM
RESTORATION PROJECT

Community Involvement Session

▶ **JULY 22, 2023 • 9AM-NOON**
TAFOLLA MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
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The San Antonio River Authority invites you to a community involvement activity to provide input on project features as a part of the Westside Creeks Ecosystem Restoration Project.

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Visit our website to learn more
about the meeting and project. ▶



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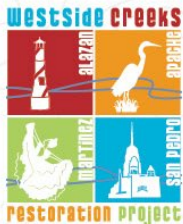


Painted Bunting • Azulillo Pintado

Passerina ciris



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PROYECTO DE RESTAURACIÓN DEL
ECOSISTEMA EN WESTSIDE CREEKS

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Como parte del Proyecto de Restauración del Ecosistema en Westside Creeks la Autoridad del Río San Antonio lo invita a una sesión de participación ciudadana para contribuir con las características del Proyecto de Restauración.

Habrán actividades gratuitas para niños y refrigerios.

▶ Para obtener más información sobre la sesión y el proyecto visite nuestra página en internet.



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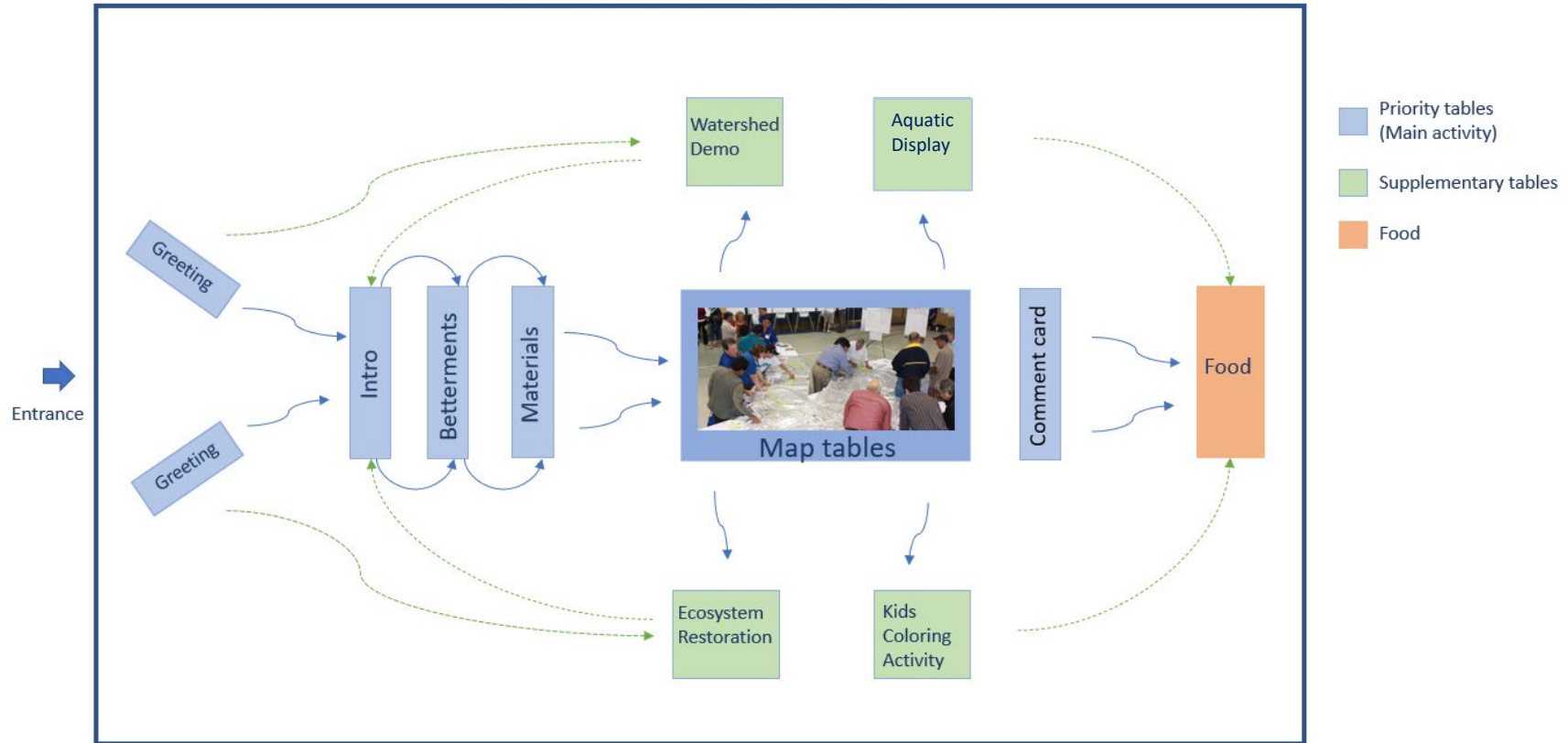
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Event Layout

July Public Involvement Session



Activities



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Painted Bunting • Azulillo Pintado
Passerina ciris

- Male Painted Buntings sit high up in trees to sing their song, which can sound a little like a squeaky wheel.
- Some Painted Buntings nest in the San Antonio area during Springtime, but then migrate south to Mexico during the winter.
- Scientific surveys show their population numbers are declining.
- A healthy ecosystem that provides the Painted Bunting habitat resources like the insects, seeds, good water quality, and dense native plant life for shelter is important to its survival.

- Los Azulillos Pintados machos se asientan en lo alto de los árboles para cantar, su canto suele ser parecido al rechinado de una rueda.
- Algunos Azulillos Pintados hacen sus nidos en el área de San Antonio durante la primavera, para después migrar al sur, a México, durante el invierno.
- Los estudios científicos muestran que la población de esta especie está disminuyendo.
- Para la supervivencia del Azulillo Pintado es importante un ecosistema saludable que proporcione los recursos necesarios a su hábitat, tales como insectos, semillas, buena calidad del agua y vegetación nativa densa que le sirva como refugio.

Painted Bunting Coloring Activity

Plant these essential pollinator favorites to provide habitat benefiting native bees, honey bees, butterflies and more!

Westside Creeks

Ecosystem Restoration Project

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Activities Continued



Watershed Model



Aquatic Display

Committee Windshield Tour

- Saturday, June 24th – 9am
- Will meet at River Authority Offices
- See Meera to sign up

Citizens to be heard

Miscellaneous

Adjourn