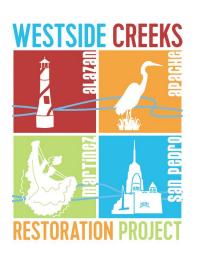
Westside Creeks Restoration Oversight Committee

August 19, 2025



Agenda

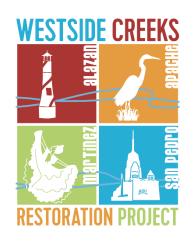
- Welcome
 - Robert Ramirez & Ana Sandoval, Committee Co-Chairs
- Roll Call
- Approval of Meeting Minutes June 2025
- Calendar Items
 - Yoga on the Creek Mondays at 6:00 PM– St. James A.M.E.C. Culture Crossing at San Pedro Creek Culture Park
 - Cinema Night: Branch River Park Friday, August 22, 8:30 10:00 PM Branch River Park, 445 South Commercial Street, Goliad
 - Summer Music Series: Goliad Saturday, August 23, 6:00 9:00 PM Branch River Park. 445 South Commercial Street, Goliad
 - Free Camping Weekend Friday, September 5 Sunday, September 7 Helton Nature Park, 15662 FM 775. Floresville
 - Race the River: SASPAMCO Saturday, September 6, 8:00 3:00 PM River Crossing, 6890 S Loop 1604 E, Elmendorf
 - Westside Creeks Restoration Oversight Committee Meeting Tuesday, September 16, 6:00 PM
- General Manager Update, Derek Boese, River Authority
- Review of Oral History Supplemental Effort, Kendall Hayes, River Authority
- Project Status Update, Rebecca Krug, River Authority
- Review of Committee Guidelines & Responsibilities Proposals, Committee Co-Chairs
- Review of Project Public Comments, River Authority & Committee Co-Chairs
- Citizens to be Heard

Miscellaneous Items

Adjourn

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

Public Participation:



Agenda August 19, 2025 Westside Creeks Restoration **Oversight Committee** (WCROC) Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Organization Name	Member Name	Alternate		
Co-Chair	Robert Ramirez			
Co-Chair	Ana Sandoval			
Alazan Resident Council	Gloria Mora Rosalva Eva Ramos			
Avenida Guadalupe	Gabriel Velasquez			
Beacon Hill Neighborhood Association	Jerry Lockey Benjamin Coronado			
Bexar Audubon Society	Rita Maria Contreras Avery			
Historic Westside Residents Association	Mary Ann Valdez-Hernandez			
Los Bexarenos Genealogical Society	Rick Hernandez			
Martinez Creek Neighborhood Association	Reb Lopez			
Opportunity Home San Antonio	Michael Lopez	Wilson Harpe		
Our Lady of the Lake University	Adam Bynum	Chloe Lash		
Prosper West	Melinda Gonzalez	Ryan Kuhl		
Prospect Hill Neighborhood Association	Russell Felan			
River Aid San Antonio	Charles Blank	Athena Santos		
San Antonio Alternative Housing Corporation	Rick Rodriguez			
San Antonio Conservation Society	Mark Kusey			
San Antonio Independent School District	Anna Alicia Romero	Brooke Vasquez		
San Antonio Wheelmen	Abel Ramirez			
St. Mary's University	William Buhrman	Evelynn Mitchell		
Student At-Large	Maia Woodall			
TexasTejano.com	Kamala Platt			
University of Texas at San Antonio	Joshua Gerken	Michael Rodriguez		
United San Antonio Pow Wow Inc.	Erwin DeLuna			
Woodlawn Lake Neighborhood Association	Charles Oisten			
San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors	Lourdes Galvan			



Approval of the Minutes

June 17, 2025



Calendar Items

Yoga on the Creek

- Monday's at 6:00 PM
- St. James A.M.E.C. Culture Crossing at SPC

Cinema Night

- Friday, August 22nd, 8:30 10:00 PM
- Branch River Park, Goliad

Summer Music Series

- Saturday, August 23rd, 6:00 9:00 PM
- Branch River Park, Goliad

Free Camping Weekend

- Friday, September 5th Sunday, September 7th
- Helton Nature Park, Floresville

Race the River: SASPAMCO

- Saturday, September 6th, 8:00 3:00 PM
- River Crossing, Elmendorf

Westside Creeks Restoration Oversight Committee Meeting

- Tuesday, September 16th, 6:00 PM
- San Antonio River Authority and Online



General Manager Update

Derek Boese, River Authority



Legislative Updates

- Clarifying Cost-Share
 - Navigating the potential need for additional legislation that will clarify and reinforce the existing cost share
 - Applicable to Alt 7, the full restoration of Martinez Creek
- River Authority and our Federal Delegation are prepared should the need arise,
 - But at this time, project partners do not believe this is necessary



NextGen Flood Warning System

August 5, 2025

- River Authority presented NextGen Flood Warning System to Bexar County Commissioners Court
- Multipronged approach to improving the system's gauges, technology, and predictive flood models
- Bexar County is committed to investing \$21M to update the flood warning system and infrastructure improvements





Flood Warning System (cont.)

- The existing gauges and sensors owned by Bexar County, City of San Antonio, and River Authority report data to River Authority that is available on BexarFlood.org
 - River Authority uses this data to maintain a predictive flood model with real-time data
- The NextGen Flood Warning System will
 - Bring nonfunctional gauges back online
 - Plan for the expansion of the regional network of gauges and sensors, including instream gauges
 - Replace outdated proprietary systems with best-in-class technology
 - Incorporate real-time data from gauges and sensors
- Ultimately, this system will provide more accurate, critical early warnings to first responders and the public, so people have the time to act
- Bexar County, City of San Antonio, and River Authority will collaborate on a robust outreach campaign around flood awareness and safety



Questions?



Review of Oral History Supplemental Effort

Kendall Hayes, River Authority



Oral History Supplemental Effort

- River Authority is conducting an auxiliary Oral History Project to supplement USACE's Cultural Resources Study to transcribe the oral history of the Westside
- There is a public form available on the project website where the public can request an interview or write in with their contributions if they are not interested in interviewing
- Interviews began in late March
 - Availability Tuesdays and Fridays from 11:00 4:00
 - Avenia Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, Promesa Building, 1314 Guadalupe Street



Oral History Supplemental Effort

- We have conducted <u>eight</u> interviews
- Elected Officials who have participated
 - River Authority Board Member Lourdes Galvan
 - Bexar County Commissioner Justin Rodriguez
- Committee Members who have participated
 - Gabriel Velasquez
 - Kamala Platt
 - Mary Ann Valdez-Hernandez
 - Rebeca Canizales
- The project will close out on September 30th, 11 opportunities remaining
- We ask that you sign up for your interview if you have not already, and invite your family, friends, and neighbors to complete the online form to share their story as well

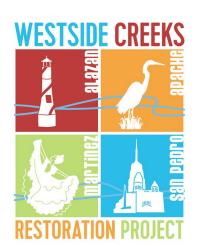


Questions?



Project Status Update

Rebecca Krug, River Authority

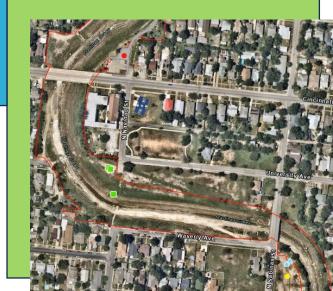


WSC ER: Design Activity Update

- Working towards 75% Design San Pedro, Apache, Alazan
 - Revised Schedule and budget
 - Additional Work/Betterments



- Working towards 45% Design Martinez
 - Full restoration including:
 - Pilot channel with in-stream structures
 - 5 acres wetlands



WSC ER: Design Activity Update

Design Element	Apache Creek	San Pedro Creek	Alazan Creek	Martinez Creek*
Miles of Creek to be Restored	2.6	2.4	4.0	2.4*
Acres of Riparian Woody Vegetation	2	5.5	6.3	*
Acres of Riparian Meadow	46.6	28.7	46.6	44*
Miles of Pilot Channel	0.85	1.78	3.3	*
Number of Pool-Riffle Complexes	18	26	86	77*
Number of Slackwater Areas	18	25	52	*
Acres of Wetland	-	-	-	5*
Linear Feet of New Trail	*Proposed desig	- gn elements are s	- ubject to change	8,000*



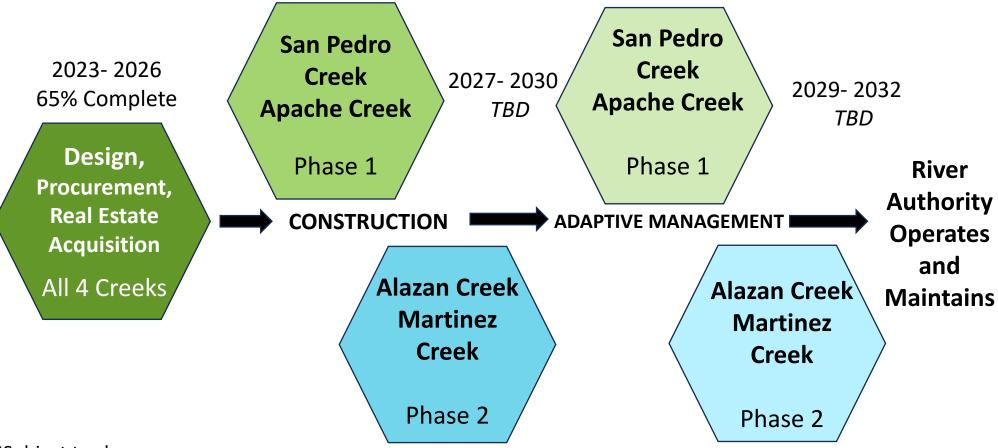
WSC ER: Design Activity Update

- Real Estate Acquisitions
 - TxDOT Coordination
 - Meeting TBD
 - SAISD Coordination
 - On hold, pending appraisals
 - Opportunity Home Coordination
 - Offer letter submitted
 - HUD requirements
 - CoSA Coordination
 - Real Estate group is reviewing



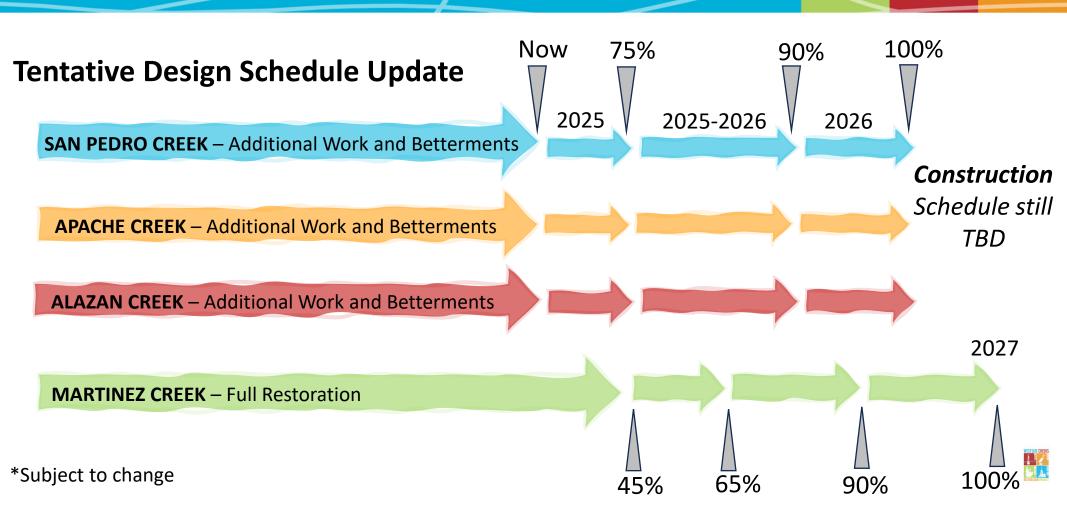


WSC ER: Schedule Update



*Subject to change

WSC ER: Schedule Update



WSC ER: Schedule Update

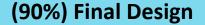
Initial Design

September 2023



Interim Design

October 2024 & Late Fall 2025



Summer 2026



WSC ER: Apache Creek Remediation Update

- Contractor: Summit Environmental Services LLC
- Mobilization
 - Partial 7/31 utility locates
 - Full 8/4 site prep
- Excavation may begin by the end of August



Local project complete before start of Apache ecosystem restoration



Questions?



Review of Committee Guidelines & Responsibilities Proposals

RESTORATION PROJECT

WCROC Co-Chairs

Proposals for Future Amendment

- This is a Discussion Item
- Committee Members are welcome to share their proposed amendments to the Guidelines & Responsibilities
 - The merits of the proposal will be discussed
- Should the Committee share interest in the proposal, it will be considered at a later WCROC meeting
- One proposal was submitted in advance for consideration



Citizens to be Heard

Comments limited to three (3) minutes



Miscellaneous Items



Adjourn

Next Meeting – Tuesday, September 16th

