

Hinkson Creek  
Collaborative Adaptive Management  
Stakeholder Committee Meeting

June 11, 2013

Attending: Commissioner Karen Miller, Diane Oerly, Don Stamper, Frank Gordon, Shawn Grindstaff, Jeannine Pagan, Jonathan Sessions, Paul Land, Gary Ward, Hank Ottinger, Ben Londeree

Absent: Joe Engeln, Paul Mehrle, Jay Turner, Nathan Odle, Barb Hoppe

The minutes were approved as read unanimously.

Initial discussion focused on thoughts generated by last month's Hinkson tour and field observations. A lack of public access contributes to the problem of getting community buy in. The map was shown and discussion ensued regarding the extreme north sections where the Grindstone meets the Hinkson. South of Providence Road, the creek changes due to mud bank erosion. Should the two portions be managed differently? The habitat assessment should help determine that. It was suggested we might schedule another tour during which we walk the creek to see what really is happening.

Karen asked if at the next meeting, we wanted to have a joint meeting with the Science Team. Since the Environmental Assessment staff is in training, it was decided to wait until a fall meeting in September or October.

**Specific Review of Ongoing Projects/Research Science/Action Teams Report:**

**Science Team:** There is no report today.

**Action Team:** Nikki presented a web timeline showing multiple events related to the Hinkson over the years, roughly from the time the Hinkson was listed on the 303D list until today.

Members commented on different milestones, projects, and events that have occurred. The link will be forwarded to all stakeholders for review and feedback for feedback. It is not a comprehensive history of the creek; it is just a way of illustrating some of the projects they have been done, as well as significant events that have had impacts on the creek such as the recent O'Reilly fire. The Science committee is hoping for stakeholder input regarding any further inclusions to the chart; thus, part of our "homework" for the next meeting is to review the timeline and get it back to Erin or Nikki with comments.

Tom Wellman reported on the Level Spreader project,. The City is awaiting the Corps permit, and there are hopes for a ground breaking later this summer.

**What we will do next:**

Perhaps invite the Rain garden speakers from the Botanical Gardens to the Science Committee;

Review and discuss old homework sheets;

Jason Hubbart's website to continue populating.

Perhaps a rainscaping discussion with organizations such as the School District Buildings. At Fairview Elementary, for instance, roof drains go directly to the street.

**Next meeting will be July 24, at 4:00 PM**