

# Arroyo Colorado Habitat Workgroup

Estero Llano Grande World Birding Center  
3301 S. FM 1015, Weslaco, Texas 78596

October 28, 2010

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## Attendees:

Ronnie Ramirez, TSSWCB  
Allen Berthold, TWRI  
Chris Hathcock, USFWS  
Grant Ellis, VLF  
Javier Guerrero, TAMUK  
Omar Rios, Harlingen  
Laura De La Garza, LRGVDC  
Jesus Garza, Pharr

Jaime Flores, TWRI  
Luis Garza, San Juan  
Kati Carberry, NRA  
Roy Jimenez, Weslaco  
Patty Alexander, VNC, CCDD#1  
Willy Cupit, TPWD  
Juan Morales, HWWS  
Jimmy Stout, TPWD

## Meeting Summary

**Welcome and Introductions**..... Jaime Flores, TWRI

### Arroyo Colorado Watershed Protection Plan

ACW Protection Plan Implementation ..... Jaime Flores, TWRI  
O&E-New promotional items, caps, koozies and tumblers. Several events coming up.  
Pharr Out Kids Nature Day  
Spooky Science Fest  
PSA's  
3 signs-Entering, Crossing and Drains to AC  
Arroyo Colorado Conservancy is in the process of becoming a non-profit in Texas and will complete IRS application for full 501c3 status by end of the year.  
WWI-ARRA WWTP sampling in full swing. Collecting data from WWTP operators.

### Project Updates and Discussions:

Wetland Operations Workshop..... Jaime Flores, TWRI  
Great workshop August 23-24, over 20 people from Task Force cities attended.

Regional Flood Study .....Laura De La Garza, LRGVDC  
Seeking public comment on drainage study. Workshop to be held this Saturday in La Feria at the High School.

LID Project .....Javier Guerrero, TAMUK  
Phase 1 of the LID taking shape, design and budgets coming along. Phase 2 of the LID grant has already been submitted

Solar Powered Circulator Project .....Dr. Jones, TAMUK  
Looking at different sources of funding. TAMUK has received a \$100K grant to study the effects of the SPC's. Still need \$250K to purchase the units

**Available Grants/Potential Studies** .....Allen Berthold, TWRI

**Other Business** ..... Jaime Flores, TWRI

**Next Meeting Date/Adjourn**..... Jaime Flores, TWRI