

Sweetwater Long Term Planning Meeting 9/23/21

Attendees:

Who else do we need to be included to address the issues/concerns on this project?

Draft timeline – Jacob

File sharing – Jared use FS Box add CPW into the drive

PIO – who, how, etc respond to public inquiries – who?

Official note taker: either CPW adm or Sarah Strehle

Issues/Concerns/current situations we've already listed:

- Wetlands/Riparian
- Wildlife – mostly raptors
- Winter Range
- Water
 - Irrigation
 - Potable
 - New system design
- County Road capacity/design
- Road safety issues
- Fish species in lake
- Coordination between CPW and FS regulations
- Utilities
 - Power
 - Gas
 - Comms
- Historic/Arch
 - Buildings
 - General HR
- Cave/Karst
- Local tie to historic use of the area – old west – tie to Adrians's use of this site – traditional uses
- Infrastructure engineerings
- Site capacity
 - Lake
 - Upland
 - Parking

- Financial sustainability
- Interpretation/messaging
- Trails/access (non-road)

How do we bring all specialists together from the beginning to then turn them off via their focused specialty areas?

- Set up a meeting between all the interested agency folks, invite to join as specialists.
 - Oct 13 - 9 to 11
 - Invite all ID team FS folks who were originally invited to respond
- Purpose/Goal – FS presentation on what we’ve done so far.
- Get CPW entities up to speed.....highlight the critical issues from each program area....
- List the detail we have for each program area e.g. Wetland report.
- Meet each other.
- Project overview
- List what we need from each program area with deadlines.
 - Specialists agree on issues/concern... write ups

Timeframes

Driven by funding at this point

See Jacob’s spreadsheet as the base start.....

Who would actually contract the NEPA? How is the funding being

CPW has funding which started July 1, 2021 for 3 years. FS has GAOA \$400k in FY22 nepa, design,Working on the MOU between the organizations for this project.

What agreement/instrument is planned for to move funds between agencies? Clark Woolley is in the loop via Rich

Endowment from EVLT 1.2 mil that is very flexible – Bergen

Will be an initial outreach to discuss the generic partnership between the entities..... what is EVLT’s role in this outreach? Collection point for NFIM public collection point....

Comment collection two levels:

1. Gauge public ideas, temperature....
 - a. How to capture these now
2. NFIM comment period

Link to a common EVLT website link for all agencies to send people to – and one stop shop to get Sweetwater info.... Can we put a link on WRNF page to EVLT?

 - a. Google form/doc
 - i. What are the clarifier questions we’d want to corral public comment?
 - ii. What would the sideboards be?
 - iii. Look up Fisher’s Peak comment process CPW State park

Short term mgt – Q and A on this EVLT website Paula explained what our plan is with special order and signing subpart A's we'd use inside this recreation site permit boundary

Bergen will design a temp page for review and will be out next week...

Dock

EVLT is ready to purchase a dock with a spring delivery/installation 2022

- Short-term solution for health and safety lake access
- What do we want to order?
 - Decision - Order the 5 section dock -CPW can configure and install
 - CPW will install

Meeting Mgt. and Dates

- Think this must be weekly chats
- Not everyone will make it every meeting
- Need agendas out early and give input
- Note taking will be key if you can't attend
- Thursday pm 1pm to 3pm running meetings
 - Start 10/7.....
 - Dock update
 - Short term mgt update
 - Sign install
 - Prep for 10/13 meeting