



RIO GRANDE JOINT VENTURE



Alamito Creek, 2008

*Fall 2022 Management Board Meeting
Limpia Hotel, Fort Davis, Texas
August 22 - 25, 2022*

AGENDA

Tuesday August 23: Field Trip

- 7:00 am Gather in lobby of Limpia Hotel to carpool to Alamito Creek Preserve. Quick stop at Stone Village market to pick up box lunches, coffee and breakfast to go.
- ~8:15 am Arrive at Alamito Creek. Presentation from Jeff Bennett and Robert Potts on Alamito Creek as an example of a functioning stream with high potential restoration value. Describe planned restoration work. Walk upstream to bird.
- 10:00 am Continue down Casa Piedra Road, stopping at sites of interest along the way and then continuing on to Big Bend Ranch State Park.
- ~11:30 am Visit Hoodoos and Balanced Rocks trail along the Rio Grande in BBRSP. Box lunches provided.
- 1:00 pm Continue to Presidio and BJ Bishop wetlands. Tour and bird the wetlands before heading back to Fort Davis.
- ~3:30 pm Approximate arrival back in Fort Davis and afternoon siesta.
- 5:30 pm Gather at lobby in Limpia Hotel to carpool to Marfa.
- 6:00 pm Arrive to home of Robert Potts for dinner (thank you Robert!). View installed brush weirs/beaver dam analogs.

Wednesday August 24

Breakfast on your own. See local restaurant list for options. Coffee, water and juice will be available in the meeting room.

- 9:00 am Welcome, review agenda – Jeff Raasch
- 9:15 Introductions – and meet the new Communications Specialist, Gregg Elliott! Her website: <https://www.kgreggconsulting.com/>
- 9:30 Setting the context for Strategic Planning: a quick review of the JV matrix and the 2018-2022 strategic plan – Karen Chapman
- 9:50 Looking back to look ahead: Summary of the Chihuahuan Desert Conservation Partnership over the last 4 years & lessons learned - Jeff Bennett
- 10:15 Looking back to look ahead Part II: Summary of South Texas brushlands (GRIP) and Gulf Coast work over the last 5 years and lessons learned – Jesús Franco

- 10:40 Break
- 11:00 Setting the stage for planning for the next 5 years: the SWOT refresh – who participated, results, discussion – Karen Chapman
- 11:30 Setting the stage Part II: What to expect from the strategic planning session over the next two days – Christiane Frischmuth, Global Frischmuth Consulting (Christiane will be facilitating the strategic planning session). Website: <https://gfconsulting.org/>
- 12:00 pm Break for lunch (on own)
- 1:30 Review morning conversation and the SWOT Analysis, then discuss:
- What do you think is working well based on the morning presentations and lessons learned over the past 5 years?
 - What do you think could change going forward while still maintaining momentum and our core objectives? (Or, what is the RGJV uniquely positioned to do?)
 - What can wait until there is increased capacity? (Or, what should RGJV do to ensure gaps are filled, considering the broader partnership?)
- 4:00 Summarize afternoon discussion
- 4:30 Break for the day
- ~6:00 Group Dinner (optional) Blue Mountain Bar & Grill at Hotel Limpia

Thursday August 25

Breakfast on your own

- 9:00 am Welcome, check in, share any burning thoughts from yesterday
- 9:30 Full group discussion to continue gap analysis and solutions:
- How should RGJV expand the partnership or who should RGJV coordinate more with to meet big goals and who else is positioned to help address goals?
 - What are expectations of each other and the broader partnership to reach goals/implement the strategic plan?
- 10:30 Temperature check:
- Look back over decisions made: what is left to clarify?
 - What is left unsaid? What if anything has been missed?

- 11:30 Break for lunch
- 1:00 Summary of first season South Texas GRIP monitoring – Rebekah Rylander
- 1:30 Communications Plan update – brief presentation from Gregg Elliott on process for establishing a communications plan
- 1:50 Business meeting
- Budget presentation
 - Grants list – current and potential
 - Proposal for a fixed schedule for management board meetings and discussion of preferred locations (set Spring 2023 meeting)
 - Designating a Mexico Co-Chair
 - Designating alternates/expectations of board members to attend meetings (review by-laws) assuming – someday – a post-COVID world
- 3:30 pm Adjourn