

## LMVJV Management Board – October 2018

Natchez, MS

### Decisions & Action Items – DRAFT



### Status in Green

#### Administration

- **National Wild Turkey Federation's Derek Alkire Welcomed to the Board**
- **Ron Seiss elected as Vice Chair**
- **Executive Committee Addition: Kenny Ribbeck added; Derek Alkire nominated in absentia**
  - Follow up with Alkire re: desire to serve in this capacity
  - Still need a federal Board representative on the Exec. Comm.
  - Current Executive Committee composed of Jeff Raasch, Ron Seiss, Kenny Ribbeck
- Responsible: K. McKnight - Incomplete**
  
- **Operational Plan 2018-23 Approved, with following edits:**
  - Insert "Actively engage pollinator conservation efforts, as appropriate." Into Habitat Delivery, Strategies section (p.33)
  - Replace "hunter and birdwatcher" with "public use" in Monitoring & Evaluation High Priority bullet (p.36)
  - No hard/bound copies will be made by LMVJV Office
- Responsible: K. McKnight - Complete**
  
- **Partner Contribution Agreement Extension**
  - Most of our partner contribution agreements expire in 2019
  - Pursue modifications of these to extend the performance period and contribution totals
- Responsible: Primary, K. McKnight; All Applicable Board Members - Ongoing**
  
- **Calculate amount of funds necessary for full out-year support of JV Office Staff employed by ABC; endeavor to keep this amount in reserve within contributed funds; seek guidance from Management Board regarding spending priorities for the balance**
  - Provide estimated figure, projected available funds, and recommendations for spending the balance to the Board prior to the Spring 2019 Board meeting
- Responsible: K. McKnight - Partially Complete: Will be discussed in Jefferson**
  
- **Future Board Meeting Locations**
  - 2019 Spring: East Texas (Raasch)
  - 2019 Fall: Louisiana (Ribbeck)
  - 2020: Memphis, TN (Manley/Benedict); NW Arkansas (Seiss/Carner)
- Responsible: Primary, K. McKnight; All Applicable Board Members**

## Communication

### ➤ **Private Landowner Conservation Champion Recognition**

- Extend nomination period until November 30, 2018
- Scott Manley added to PLCC Selection Committee
- Committee will determine the number and distribution of Champions selected

**Responsible:** Primary, K. McKnight; All Board Members - **Complete:** Report provided in Jefferson

### ➤ **Communication & Information Transfer to Decision Makers**

- Explore the possibility of more formal/direct engagement with the Wetlands Conservation Policy Coalition to maintain consistent contact with decision makers regarding priorities of the LMVJV – after the 2019 Farm Bill has passed.
- Provide suggested next steps to the Board, as appropriate, in 2019

**Responsible:** Primary, R. Seiss & K. McKnight - **Needs further discussion**

## Science

### ➤ **Shorebird Plan Revision Approved, with following edits:**

- Update Appendix 3 and Table 6 with data from all public managed areas
- Board charged the Working Group to select the preferred approach to stepping down objectives to states, and provide the rationale

**Responsible:** Dr. Anne Mini - **Complete**

### ➤ **MAV Forest Protection Model Review**

- Send draft model and documentation to Working Group members and Management Board for distribution to appropriate staff for review and comment

**Responsible:** Dr. Anne Mini & Keith McKnight - **Approval by Board anticipated in Jefferson**

### ➤ **Private Land Ownership Database Expansion to the WGCPD**

- Determine if TPWD can share existing dataset, applicable to NE Texas CDN geography
- Define Red River Corridor Counties
- Obtain cost estimate from DU for including above data into the tool

**Responsible:** Keith McKnight - **Partially Complete:** Update to be provided in Jefferson

## Meeting Participants

### Management Board Members

Jamie Fedderson <sup>1</sup>	Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency
Betsy Dutoit <sup>2</sup>	National Wild Turkey Federation
Tom Doyle	US Geological Survey
Scott Edwards <sup>3</sup>	USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
Scott Manley	Ducks Unlimited
Merrie Morrison	American Bird Conservancy
Mike Oetker	US Fish & Wildlife Service, Region 4
Joel Porath	Missouri Department of Conservation
Jeff Raasch	Texas Parks & Wildlife Department
Kenny Ribbeck	Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries
Ron Seiss	The Nature Conservancy
Eddie Taylor	USDA Forest Service
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### Partners

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### Staff

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Steve Brock	Staff
Blaine Elliott	Staff
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<sup>2</sup> proxy for Derek Alkire

<sup>3</sup> proxy for Mike Sullivan

<sup>4</sup> proxy for Brad Carner

# 2018 Fall Management Board Meeting Agenda

## Tuesday, 9 October 2018

**6:30PM** Gather in Natchez Grand Hotel lobby for group dinner at Roux 61

## Wednesday, 10 October 2018

**8:00AM** Introductions, Overview of Agenda, Review Fall '17 Action Items  
- Collect \$20 Registration Fee -

### Organization, Administration & Staffing

**8:25AM** Vice Chair & Executive Committee - **DECISION**

**9:00AM** WGCPO Partnership Coordinator  
FY19 JV Office Staff Priorities  
Budget Outlook  
Future Board Meeting Location

**10:00AM** **BREAK**

**10:30AM** 2019-2023 Operational Plan Approval - **DECISION**  
Private Lands Conservation Champions  
Communications Products & Developments via Gregg Consulting

### Broader Conservation Partnership Efforts

**11:30** North American Bird Conservation Initiative K. McKnight  
Continental Bird Priorities  
Ecological Services & Bird Habitat

**11:45** National Level Bird Plan Science & Efforts A. Mini

**Noon** **LUNCH**

### Science

**1:30PM** Revised LMVJV Shorebird Conservation Plan Approval - **DECISION** A. Mini

**2:00PM** WGCPO Bottomland Hardwood Plan - Westward Expansion Elliott/Mini  
MAV Forest Protection Decision Support Model Discussion B. Elliott  
MAV Forest Breeding Bird Conservation Plan Revision Status A. Mini

**3:00PM** **BREAK**

### Wednesday, 10 October 2018 (cont'd)

<b>3:30 PM</b>	WGCP Open Pine Decision Support Model Update (with EGCPJV?)	K. McKnight
	WGCP Waterfowl Plan Revision Status	A. Mini
	SE Refuges Waterfowl Action Plan Status	A. Mini
	Joint LMJV & GCJV Waterfowl Planning Status	A. Mini
	USFWS Refuges GMO/Neonic Memo	K. McKnight

### Conservation Delivery (Sneak Peek)

<b>4:35PM</b>	Updated Private Land Ownership Database	Annina Rupe
<b>5:00PM</b>	Adjourn for the Day	
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Gather in Hotel Lobby for Group Dinner	

### Thursday, 11 October 2018

<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>Re-group &amp; review agenda for the day</b>	
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### Conservation Delivery

<b>8:15AM</b>	Mississippi Alluvial Valley Partnership Coordination	S. Brock
	AR MAV CDN Update	
	LA-MS MAV CDN Update	
	Tri-State Conservation Partnership	S. Brock
	Wetland Conservation Policy Coalition Update	R. Seiss
	West Gulf Coastal Plain/Ouachitas Partnership Coordination	
	NE Texas CDN	J. Estrella
<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>10:30AM</b>	AR-LA WGCP CDN	K. McKnight
	Morehouse Family Forest Initiative & QF/PF	
<b>10:50AM</b>	NAWCA	
<b>11:15AM</b>	Review Action Items & Wrap Up	
<b>Noon</b>	<b>ADJOURN</b>	

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