

**ENVIRONMENTALLY ENDANGERED LANDS (EEL) PROGRAM  
SELECTION & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (SMC)**

**May 27, 2003  
Attendance List**

***SELECTION & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS***

Mark Bush  
Ron Hight  
Paul Schmalzer  
Kim Zarillo

***EEL PROGRAM STAFF***

Anne Birch  
Laura Clark  
Ray Mojica  
Zachary Prusak  
Tami Robinson  
Kit Van Wagner  
Rachel Vickers

***THE NATURE CONSERVANCY***

Angela Klug

***GUESTS***

None

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Meeting Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Paul Schmalzer called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Paul asked if anyone wanted to present public comment. There were no members of the public in attendance.

**MINUTES:**

The April 22, 2003 minutes are pending approval. No minutes were presented for approval.

**PRESENTATION:**

Anne Birch informed the group that staff would be providing a draft of the presentation planned for the joint Selection and Management Committee (SMC) and Procedures Committee (PC) () meeting on June 2, 2003. She reviewed a list of PC members with the SMC and discussed the scheduled meeting outline.

- Anne will provide an overview of the EEL Program to include history, directives, funding, management regions, and education centers.
- Anne will introduce Angela Klug from TNC, and explain that TNC is the contracted acquisition consultant for the EEL Program. Angela will discuss acquisition.
- EEL staff members will provide information related to their region or work specialty.
- Anne will discuss the need for additional funding.
- Group discussion.

The SMC and staff discussed possible changes in presentation format. It was determined that a better approach might be to reformat the presentation by the land managers to discuss general topics of:

- Fire
- Invasive Exotics
- Restoration
- Management and Education Centers
- Public Access

Additional suggestions included:

- Present comparison of what County will look like with and without additional lands being acquired for conservation.

- Provide information on conservation programs of other counties.
- Provide clarification that the cost of land will only increase as time passes.
- Restate goal of original referendum and explain why the Program has not yet reached those goals. Discuss the need to purchase lands for connectivity due to development.
- Provide information on why the EEL Program needs additional funds so the PC can determine the best opportunities for funding.

Anne thanked the group for their input.

***NEXT MEETING:***

The next SMC meeting will be held on Thursday June 26, 2003. Location to be determined.

***ADJOURNED:***

The meeting was adjourned at 3:32 PM.