

Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee Work Plan – 2017

January 2017

Activity	Background	Responsibility	Timeline	Strategic Plan Alignment
Environmental Management Guidelines	<p>Design standards, including snake hibernacula; research whether or not there is something other than what is located at the Toronto Zoo and/or Long Point; bat boxes; barn swallow galleries; artificial nesting cavities/roosting; aquatic habitat data collection for the Environmental Management Guidelines or Community Master Plans</p> <p>Restoration Standards for wetlands, including microbes in soil and muck</p>		Continuation of the work undertaken in 2016 with respect to the Environmental Management Guidelines	
Protecting Environmentally Significant Areas	Communicating why it is important that cats and dogs are controlled in and around Environmentally Significant Areas (cat indoors, dog on leash) with the assistance of Corporate Communications; EEPAC will work with AWAC on this			
Collaboration with other Advisory Committees	<p>An EEPAC representative is cross appointed to ACE and TFAC, and, where appropriate, EEPAC members will provide advice to its representative on this body</p> <p>Ongoing work on the Dark Sky/Bird deaths in relation to high rise buildings Working Group consisting of EEPAC, ACE & AWAC representatives</p>	In Progress		3E
Review EIS and EA submissions as part of Planning applications and the Environmental Assessment Act	EEPAC is circulated and asked to review consultant submissions and provide input to City staff. In cases of significant disagreement, EEPAC advises PEC	Working groups as required	As required, usually provide turnout in one meeting cycle	
Conservation Master Plans	During 2017, phase 2 of the Medway Valley Environmentally Significant Area Conservation Master Plan is set to begin. EEPAC has a representative on the Local Advisory Committee and will provide review to the full plan. There may also be progress on the Conservation Master Plan for the Meadowlily Conservation Master Plan during this year.		As per staff's timeline	
Trail Advisory Group	EEPAC has a representative on this staff directed group. It reviews trail locations and potential new trails for compatibility with the Significant Wildlife Habitat, if any, in the area. Recent examples include Westminster Ponds/Pond Mills ESA and Medway Valley Heritage Forest ESA.		As needed	