

ECIA Conservation Committee Zoom Agenda January 10 2023  
7 - 9 pm

1. Call to Order by Chair, Paul Butt at \_\_\_\_\_ pm.
2. Attendees
  - Roll call of members and determination of quorum:  
Carol Beidleman          Thom Bredenberg          Tom Brimacombe  
Paul Butt                  John Parker  
Quorum status: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Liaisons:  
Jonathan Turkle (Board Liaison)  
Mike Rogers (HOAMCO Liaison)
  - Meeting Assistance:  
Jocelyn Rizo (HOAMCO Staff)
  - Guests:
3. Appointment of recording secretary: Thom Bredenberg  
For November meeting: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Approval of Agenda:                  Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_                  2<sup>nd</sup> by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Announcements:  
Meeting is live and streamed on ZOOM with the following rules:  
Guests are muted until recognized.  
Guests should type in name and full address. If you wish to speak during the OPEN FORUM, please state your topic. Residents will be recognized on a first come, first served basis. Guests are limited to three minutes of discussion. For longer discussions, guests must notify the Committee Chair no later than seven days in advance of the Committee meeting, and the item will be placed on the agenda.  
Private messaging during the meeting is disabled.  
An audio recording of the Zoom meeting will be made, and will be available after the meeting upon request to [conservationchair@gmail.com](mailto:conservationchair@gmail.com)
6. Approval of November Minutes:                  Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_                  2<sup>nd</sup> by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Board Liaison Report by Jonathan Turkle
8. HOAMCO Report by Mike Rogers:
  - Herrada Terrace Greenbelt Access trail update (Mike & Paul Butt)
9. Project status updates:
  - Fuels Reduction in Greenbelts, Policy & SOP approved in November meeting to go to Board for consideration at its January meeting (approved copy attached)
  - Trail 302 Meadow project update (Paul Butt)
  - Trailhead One access road project review (Paul Butt)
10. New Business:
  - Committee Charter updates:
    - Reduce quorum to "simple majority"
    - Waive 3 meeting requirement for prospective member consideration, by Committee vote
    - Change schedule to bimonthly meetings: January, March, May, July, September & November. Meet in other months, if needed, by Committee vote.
  - Initial project review & prioritization for 2023. See attached preliminary list of possibilities.
  - Selection of Chair to prepare agenda, announcements and conduct the March meeting. If someone is willing to sign up for more than one meeting, that would be great.
11. Old Business:
  - Committee administration (follow-up on ConservationChair Gmail email acct monitoring changes proposal)
12. Open Forum:
13. Motion to adjourn:      Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_      2<sup>nd</sup> by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: \_\_\_\_\_  
Adjournment time: \_\_\_\_\_

## ELDORADO COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

POLICY TITLE: ECIA POLICY FOR MANAGEMENT PRIORITIES FOR THE  
ELDORADO FLOODPLAIN EASEMENTS (GREENBELTS)

BOARD POLICY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF POLICY: \_\_\_\_\_

The Eldorado "Greenbelts" are floodplain easements. Management goals for the Greenbelts are to protect, maintain and enhance their functions as floodplains while conserving their values including wildlife habitat and preservation of the natural viewscape.

The Greenbelts' capacity for retaining floodwater is critically important for adjacent and down-slope properties. Therefore, management priorities for the Greenbelts are to preserve them from damage resulting from clearing, grading or dumping of earth, waste material, etc.

Notwithstanding these priorities, wildfire risk within Eldorado is a factor influencing the management of the subdivision's common areas, including the Greenbelts.

There are over three times as many acres of private property within the subdivision as there are acres of greenbelts and private property is where wildfire risk mitigation efforts should be focused.

The Board strongly recommends that concerned residents avail themselves of the information resources provided by the Santa Fe County Wildland Fire Division, regarding the development and maintenance of "defensible space" around their homes and other buildings.

Over time, dead vegetation may accumulate in specific locations within the Greenbelts.

In order to reduce the risk of serious wildfire occurring within the Greenbelts, when an Eldorado resident who is a Member in Good Standing identifies an area with a perceived fuel accumulation hazard, they may report it for action to the ECIA Property Management contractor's (HOAMCO) administrative office.

The Property Management contractor's maintenance staff shall apply the Standard Operating Procedure (attached and herein incorporated by reference) for identifying and removing hazardous fuel accumulations from the Greenbelts.

This Policy was adopted by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_ and shall become effective on the date below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Sanguinetti, President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jonathan McLaughlin, Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR:  
MANAGING REPORTED HAZARDOUS FUEL ACCUMULATIONS IN THE  
ELDORADO GREENBELTS AND COMMON AREAS

When an Eldorado resident reports a possible hazardous fuel accumulation in the Greenbelts or Common areas, the following procedure is to be applied before removing dead trees or other vegetation from the site.

Woody/brushy habitat is not considered as a hazardous fuel accumulation in the Greenbelts, subject to wildfire risk management activities.

Therefore, when action is taken, there is to be

- No removal of standing dead trees or bushes
- No removal of stumps from when the ranchers pulled up the Junipers
- No removal of partially buried logs
- Only dead brush **piled** on the ground is to be removed.

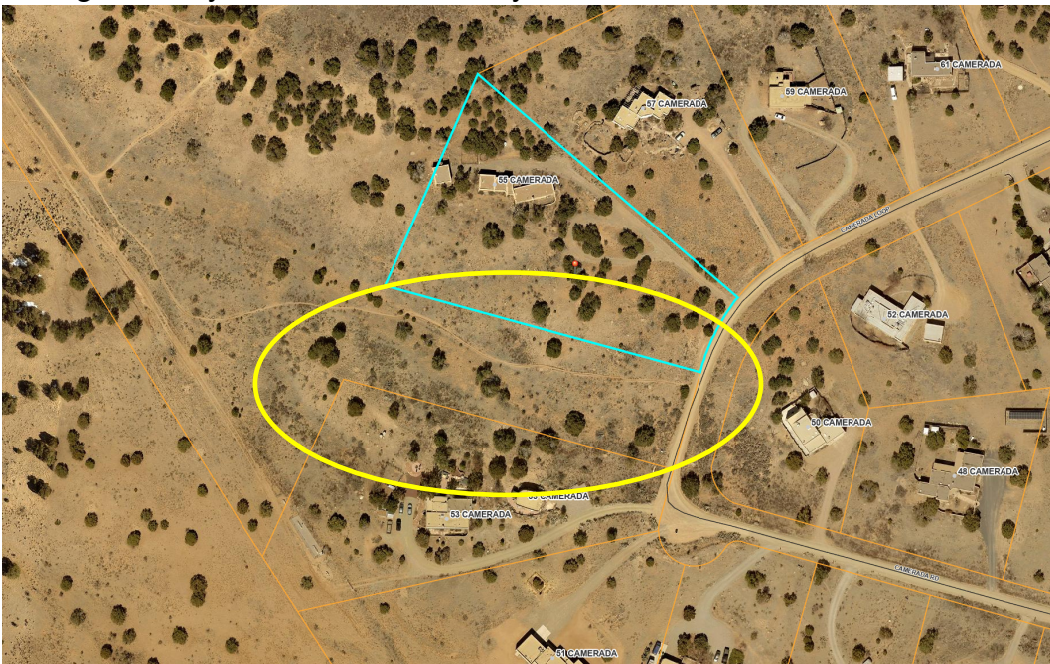
## ECIA Conservation Committee: Initial project review & prioritization for 2023

### Completion of projects in-progress:

- 302 Meadow (must finish before summer monsoons)
- 301 1<sup>st</sup> mile, last 1/3d
- 201-202 loop. Current planning is to ask HOAMCO maintenance to use mechanized eqpt. where feasible. Gravel for the "slick spots" on 201 east of the big arroyo has been purchased and stockpiled in the area behind the maintenance barn.

### New projects:

- 404 meadow erosion control --
  - touch-up on the palisade, elsewhere as needed
  - evaluation of a possible project to add erosion control structures to the ravine on the south side of the meadow, below the palisade
- 401-south damsite erosion control -
  - erosion control structures in the side-arroyo below the area treated in 2022
  - armor the berm in the first "bay," which is in the trees on the north side of the trail just east of the 401-south meadow
- Field trip to evaluate trail 101 between 101-E and 101-G. I think there's a viable re-route possible on the hillside west of the existing trail. We can bring in the tractor & the "Arena Drag" to do most of the work. I walked the hillside with J-W a couple years ago, and it looks like much of the ground has small rocks in it and will make a durable tread surface.
- Camerada Lp Greenbelt Access trail -  
If this is something Thom wants to have the Committee work on, I will begin working on hiring a surveyor to do the boundary locates.



What Else?