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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Brackenridge Migratory Birds

Connie,

One of the main issues of many of the citizens of San Antonio in regards to Park actions, is lack of transparency with the public.

I was given the impression the birds will be harassed over the next few days. I spoke to Bill Parnell this morning at the park, Who said they will continue to harass the birds because they don't want the birds near amenities. (playground is closed) There are a few nests with eggs in front of the restrooms. He said they would confirm before destruction of nests.

The Yellow Crowned Night Herons arrived three weeks ago and have eggs. Documented by several local photographers.

Three Yellow Crowned Night Heron nests were destroyed Monday 4/6. These Three nests were in three different trees in the playground area(Now Closed)

One at the front Nest#4 laying on eggs from 3/23. Reported as Research.

Two nest back of playground(which is closed) Reported as Research.

Nest #1 on eggs 3/17. Nest #4 from 3/24.

The YC nesting in front of restroom still sitting on eggs from 3/24. One little blue heron on nest w/eggs.

i have photos of the nests with birds laying on nest prior to destruction.

As you know the birds are protected from harm or killing along with their eggs and chicks Per TPWD.

Those in the community that support the parks system through the general fund would appreciate transparency and inclusion.

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