Meeting Minutes

Region 9 – Upper Colorado Regional Flood Planning Group April 1, 2021 9:00am CST

Meeting held In person at the McNease Convention Center – North Meeting Room, 501 Rio Concho Drive, San Angelo, Texas. Additionally participation was available via conference call at (325)326-0870

Roll Call:

<u>Voting Member</u>	Interest Category	Present (x) / Absent () / Alternate Present (*)		
Kenneth Dierschke	Agricultural interests	X		
Rick Bacon	Counties	X		
Henryk Alexander Olstowski	Electric generating utilities			
Christy Youker	Environmental interests	X-Phone		
Vacant	Flood districts	n/a		
Morse Haynes	Industries	X-Phone		
Lance Overstreet	Municipalities	X-Phone joined at 9:12		
David H. Loyd Jr.	Public	X		
Scott McWilliams	River authorities			
Chuck Brown	Small business	X		
Cole D. Walker	Water districts	X-Phone		
Allison Strube	Water utilities	X		

Non-voting Member	Agency	Present(x)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)
John McEachern	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	X-Phone
Tim Frere	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Larissa Place	Texas Department of Agrilculture	
Ben Wilde	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	X-Phone
Jet Hays	General Land Office	
Hayley Gillespie, Ph.D.	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	X-Phone
Winona Henry	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	

Quorum:

Quorum: Yes

Number of voting members or alternates representing voting members present: 8

Number required for quorum per current voting positions of 12:7

Others Present:

Laura Lewis of Sen. Charles Perry's Office Region 10 Liaison Ann Yakimovicz (Phone) Morgan White - TWDB (Phone) James Bronikowksi - TWDB (Phone) Reem Zoun – TWDB (Phone)

Meeting agendas, packets, information and recordings are available at the link https://www.cosatx.us/departments-services/water-utilities/region-9-upper-colorado-flood-planning-region or by request.

1. AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order

Chair Strube called the meeting to order at 9:03AM CST. A roll call of the planning group members was taken to record attendance, and a quorum was established prior to proceeding with the agenda.

2. AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Welcome

Chair Strube provided meeting facilitation information and instructions.

3. AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Public Comments

No public comments were made.

4. AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Approval of minutes from previous meeting.

Motion by Kenneth Dierschke and seconded by Rick Bacon. Motion passed unanimously.

5. AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: TWDB Update

Hayley Gillespie updated that regional grant contracts were about to be awarded and final approval execution was coming soon. She discussed that once a technical consultant is chosen, TWDB must approve the contract. She also discussed that published technical guidelines were out for public comments.

6. AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Pre-Planning Public Input

A. TWDB Presentation by Hayley Gillespie was made regarding process and information for the public highlighting the areas of regional watersheds and the importance that this process is public participation driven. Presentation included key timelines, dates and descriptions of what the regional flood plan might include.

B. Public Comments – Chuck Brown asked the question for the record regarding how the boundaries are divided in Lake Ivie. The regional boundaries don't match the established boundaries of the Upper and Lower Colorado River Authorities. No further Comments.

7. AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Update from Planning Group Sponsor regarding status of Regional Flood Planning Grant contract with the TWDB

Updated provided by Chair Strube regarding technical consultant RFQ posted by City and deadline closed March 30th. Three submissions (HDR, MRB Consulting Group and Walter P. Moore) were received and would be distributed to the group. Executive Committee will score and make recommendations for the group to discuss at next meeting to formally vote. Contract currently being routed between City and TWDB.

8. AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 Public comments

No public comments were made.

9. AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 Consider date and agenda items for next meeting

Chair Strube proposed April 15th at 9:00 am for consideration and discussion of selecting a technical consultant from RFQ proposals. Chuck Brown led discussion for 15th and several confirmed they would be available on that date. David Lloyd asked if the RFQs would be sent to the group and this was confirmed by Chair Strube.

10. AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 Adjournment

Motion made by Rick Bacon and seconded by Chuck Brown. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 9:33am.

Approved by the Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG at a meeting held on April 15, 2021.

Lance Overstreet, SECRETARY

Allison Strube, CHAIR