

Meeting Minutes

Region 9 – Upper Colorado Regional Flood Planning Group

July 29, 2021

10:00 AM CST

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

<u>Non-voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)</u>
John McEachern	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	X - Phone
Tim Frere	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Larissa Place	Texas Department of Agriculture	
Ben Wilde	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	X - Phone
Jet Hays	General Land Office	X - Phone
Morgan White	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	X - Phone
Reem Zoun	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	X - Phone
Winona Henry	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	X - Phone
Ann Yakimovicz	Region 10 Liaison	X - Phone

Others Present:

Curtis Beitel – HDR (Consultant): In-Person

Heather Keister – Freese & Nichols (Consultant): Phone

Susan Roth – Susan Roth Consulting (Consultant): In-Person

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

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>

- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order**
Chair Strube called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM 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.
- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Welcome, Meeting Facilitation Information and Instructions**
- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Public Comments**
No Public Comments were made during this item.
- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Approval of minutes from previous meeting.**
Motion by Kenneth Dierschke and seconded by Commissioner Rick Bacon. Motion passed unanimously.
- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: TWDB Update**
Presented by Morgan White – informed the group that Texas State legislature was appropriating additional \$10 million funds towards the Regional flood plans and would be available September 1st. The breakdown of the allocation per region is to be determined.
- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Sponsor agency update from the City of San Angelo Provided by chair Allison Strube**
 - a. Chair Strube read list of developed stakeholders to coordinate efforts, notifications data gathering and desire to have agriculture interests on list. Discussion ensued regarding entities that weren't listed.
 - a. Kenneth Dierske recommended Texas Farm Bureau – Bill Howe
 - b. Scott McWilliams recommended Soil and Water Districts
 - c. Commissioner Bacon recommend Chamber of Commerces
 - d. Lance Overstreet recommended FAA, Bases, schools systems and state and federal entities.
 - e. More discussion ensued on potentials groups and persons
 - b. Chair Strube presented to the planning group that the state legislative waiver of the Open Meetings Act allowing remote or video participation would be expiring and that future meetings may have to revert to the regulation requiring quorums be met by in person attendees.
 - a. Lance Overstreet recommend that an RSVP communication be sent out via email asking for planned verification of attendance to Chair Strube for the purpose of establishing a quorum prior to the actual meeting for verifying quorum.
- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Consultant Presentation (Curtis Beitel of HDR)**
Mr. Beitel presented information on Task 2A Existing Flood Risk Analysis and Task 3A/3B Existing Floodplain Management Practices and Goals. Task 10 Public Participation and Plan

Adoption was also presented. Mr. Beitel also discussed the status of the overview presentation being prepared for RFPG members to disseminate.

- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Public Comments – Limit 3 minutes per person**
Scott McWilliams asked the question if there was going to be a list of who would be coordinating the members on the coordination list. Response by Chair Strube and Mr. Beitel that yes there would be a list and that HDR would be point on coordinating the contacting the members from the list.
- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Consider Date and Agenda Items for Next Meeting**
Late August was discussed for the next meeting.
- **AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Adjourn**
Motion by Scott McWilliams and seconded by David Lloyd. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 12:01 PM CST.

Approved by the Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG at a meeting held on September 2, 2021.

R. Lance Overstreet

Lance Overstreet, SECRETARY

Allison Strube

Allison Strube, CHAIR