Public Meeting Notice Region 9 – Upper Colorado Regional Flood Planning Group September 13, 2023 10:00 AM CST

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the Region 9 – Upper Colorado Regional Flood Planning Group to be held September 13, 2023 at 10:00 AM at the City Hall Annex– Board Room – 1st Floor, 301 W. Beauregard Ave., San Angelo, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

Phone participation is available for public and non-voting representatives by the conference call information:
Call In: (774) 450-9900Passcode / ID: 818-6755

The Meeting Agenda and the Agenda Packet are posted online at <u>https://www.cosatx.us/departments-services/water-utilities/region-9-upper-colorado-flood-planning-region</u>

A recording of the meeting will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request.

Members of the public may also submit Public Comment on agenda items by sending their written comments via email to <u>astrube@crmwd.org</u> or <u>scottm@ucratx.org</u> by noon September 12, 2023. The subject line must be in the following format: "Public Comment, [item number] – September 13, 2023." All emails must include your name and address. Please note all Public Comment emails relevant to posted agenda items received by the deadline will be published as part of the agenda packet prior to the meeting and are therefore public record.

Agenda:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Welcome
- 3. Public comments limit 3 minutes per person
- 4. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting
- 5. Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Update
- 6. Sponsoring agency update from City of San Angelo for First Cycle
- 7. Technical consultant update for First Cycle
- 8. Discussion and action from the group on voting membership for open positions
- 9. Consider selecting a RFPG sponsor to act on behalf of the regional flood planning group for the second cycle of planning
- 10. Consider authorizing the RFPG sponsor to apply for grant funds and enter into a contract with TWDB on behalf of the RFPG
- 11. Consider authorizing the RFPG sponsor to begin the procurement process for a technical consultant after TWDB development of the Scope of Work and funding allocations and in accordance with state procurement laws and the sponsor's procurement requirements on behalf of the RFPG for Cycle 2 regional flood planning
- 12. Discussion and potential action to consider additional, region-specific public notice requirements, if any, that might be necessary to ensure adequate public notice in Region 9 per Texas Administrative Code §361.12(a)(3)
- 13. Public comments limit 3 minutes per person
- 14. Consider date and agenda items for next meeting
- 15. Adjourn

Additional information may be obtained from: Allison Strube <u>astrube@crmwd.org</u> 400 E. 24th Street Big Spring, Texas 79721

Public Meeting Notice

Region 9 – Upper Colorado Regional Flood Planning Group June 13, 2023 10:00 AM CST

Meeting held in person at the City Hall Annex – Board Room – 1st Floor, 301 W. Beauregard Ave., San Angelo, Texas. Additionally, participation was available via conference call at (325) 326-0870.

Roll Call:

Voting Member	Interest Category	Present (x) /Absent () / Alternate						
		<u>Present (*)</u>						
Kenneth Dierschke	Agricultural interests	X						
Rick Bacon	Counties							
Henryk Alexander Olstowski	Electric generating utilities	X						
Shannon McMillan	Environmental interests	X						
Vacant	Flood districts							
Morse Haynes	Industries	X						
Vacant	Municipalities							
David H. Loyd Jr.	Public	X						
Scott McWilliams	River authorities							
Chuck Brown	Small business	X						
Cole D. Walker	Water districts	X						
Allison Strube	Water utilities	X						

<u>Non-voting</u> <u>Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	Present(x)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)
John McEachern	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	х
Natalie Davis	Texas Division of Emergency Management	X
Lauren Mayse	Texas Department of Agriculture	
Ben Wilde	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	
Jet Hays	General Land Office	
lan Blair	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	X
Winona Henry	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	
Anna Yakimovicz	Region 10 Liaison	

Others Present:

Paula Jo Lemonds – HDR (Consultant): In-Person

Emily Daniel – HDR (Consultant): In-Person Shane Kelton – City of San Angelo: In-person Pete Madrid, Jr. – City of San Angelo: In-person Tressa Olson – Texas Water Development Board: In-person Heather Keister – Freese & Nichols (Consultant): In-person Rodrigo Vizcaino – HDR (Consultant): Virtual Maria Gonzalez-Tafolla – HDR (Consultant): Virtual Scott Rushing – Halff (Consultant): Virtual Kaley Babick – Halff (Consultant): Virtual

Quorum:

Quorum: **Yes** Number of voting members or alternates representing voting members present: 8 Number required for quorum per current voting positions of 10: 6

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

• AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order

Chair Strube called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM CST. A roll call of the planning group members was taken to record attendance, and a quorum was established.

• AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Welcome

• 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 David Loyd and seconded by Chuck Brown to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

• AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: TWDB Update

Ian Blair with TWDB provided an updated from the Board. Ian mentioned a May 31st email that had a lot of information from the board regarding the completion of this planning cycle and steps forward in the second round of planning.

• AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Sponsor agency update from the City of San Angelo Shane Kelton, Executive Director of Water Utilities for the City of San Angelo, stated there were no significant updates.

- AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 Discussion was delayed until after the completion of AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.
- AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Technical Consultant Presentation for discussion, recommendation, and/or approval on the following items: a. Consider approval of Region 9 RFPG Recommended FMXs from the meeting held on May 3, 2023; b. Update on the Final Amended Region 9 Upper Colorado Flood Plan; c. Consider approval of revisions and RFPG adoption of the Amended Plan;

d. Authorize the City of San Angelo to submit the Amended Region 9 Upper Colorado Flood Plan to TWDB by July 14, 2023

The Consultant Team presented the presentation provided in the background material of the agenda.

Item 8a: Chuck Brown made the motion to approve the recommended FMXs that were discussed in the May 3, 2023 meeting. Morse Haynes seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Item 8b: Paula Jo went over the timeline where the group had been and how we get to the July submission of the amended plan.

Item 8c: Kenneth Dierschke made the motion to approve revisions and RFPG adoption of the Amended Plan. David Loyd seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Item 8d: Kenneth Dierschke made the motion to authorize the City of San Angelo to submit the Amended Region 9 Upper Colorado Flood Plan to TWDB by July 14, 2023. Henryk Olstowski seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

• AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Consider terms of service as applicable per Article V, Section 2 of group bylaws and discussion/direction regarding voting membership representation for Region 9 RFPG Each voting member and the consulting team helped draw lots for 2- or 5-year terms from the July 10, 2023 date. The following were terms drew:

Interest Category	<u>2 or 5 Year</u>					
Agricultural interests	5					
Counties	2					
Electric generating utilities	2					
Environmental interests	2					
Flood districts	2					
Industries	5					
Municipalities	5					
Public	2					
River authorities	2					
Small business	5					
Water districts	5					
Water utilities	5					

After the drawing of terms, current vacancies were discussed which included Flood Districts and Municipalities. Then the resignations of Cole Walker and Allison Strube were discussed with the group. Mr. Walker's resignation was effective as of the end of day June 13, 2023. Allison Strube's resignation from Water Utilities would not become effective until a replacement voting member was selected by the group at an upcoming meeting. Henryk Olstowski then verbalized he would like to resign from Electric Generating Utilities following the meeting. It was discussed that the five current and pending vacancies would be posted to the Region 9's website and that the City of San Angelo would send to all County Clerks as required by the bylaws. Once the voting membership is posted and sent, the existing voting membership would also receive a copy of the notice.

• AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Public Comments

No Public Comments were made during this item.

• AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Consider Date and Agenda Items for Next Meeting

It was discussed for voting membership to be included in the next agenda, but a date was not set for the next meeting.

• AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Adjourn

A few comments were made regarding validation of storm events and modeling. Chuck Brown provided insight on a most recent rain event. HDR provided how validation is addressed when it comes to projects. Motion by Morse Haynes and seconded by David Loyd. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 10:46 AM CST.

Approved by the Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG at a meeting held on September 13, 2023.

SECRETARY

CHAIR

Region 9: Upper Colorado Regional Flood Planning Group

Memo

То:	County Clerk
From:	Pete Madrid, Jr. – City of San Angelo / Political Subdivision for RFPG
cc:	Allison Strube, Chairwoman Ian Blair, TWDB Representative
Date:	June 15, 2023
Re:	Voting Member Solicitation – Public Notice

To: County Clerks of Andrews, Borden, Cochran, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Crockett, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Hockley, Howard, Irion, Lynn, Martin, Menard, Midland, Mitchell, Nolan, Reagan, Runnels, Schleicher, Scurry, Sterling, Taylor, Terry, Tom Green, Upton, Winkler, & Yoakum

Enclosed is one (1) copy of the Public Notice for the Region 9 Upper Colorado Regional Flood Planning Group.

Additional information can be found on Region 9 website: <u>https://www.cosatx.us/departments-services/water-utilities/region-9-upper-colorado-flood-planning-region</u>

Please post this Public Notice on your bulletin board and leave it posted until July 20th, 2023. If you have any questions regarding the posting of this notice, please contact Pete Madrid, City of San Angelo at 325-657-4209.

Thank you.

c/o City of San Angelo – 72 W. College Ave., San Angelo, Texas 76903 Phone: 325-657-4209

UPPER COLORADO REGIONAL FLOOD PLANNING GROUP

CONTACT

- 325-657-4209
- pete.madrid2@cosatx.us
- ⊠ 301 W. Beauregard Ave.
 - San Angelo, Texas 76903

ATTACHMENTS

- MAP
- NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATIONS

Nominations may be made to the Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG Sponsor, the City of San Angelo. Please complete the attached nomination form or contact Pete Madrid Jr. if you need one sent to you. Please submit nominations to pete.madrid2@cosatx.us by email, or mail to: Region 9 RFPG, c/o Pete Madrid, City of San Angelo, 301 W. Beauregard Ave., San Angelo, TX 76903. Please call 325-657-4209 for further information. Or explore the TWDB's Flood Planning webpage below for additional Flood Planning Group information.

https://www.twdb.texas.gov/flood/planning/ind ex.asp

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

The Region 9 Upper Colorado Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG) is soliciting nominations to fill five (5) voting positions on the Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG.

Nominees who either operate in or have interests in the Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG are being solicited to represent the following interest groups:

- FLOOD DISTRICTS
- WATER UTILITIES
- WATER DISTRICTS
- ELECTRIC GENERATING UTILITIES
- MUNICIPALITIES

INFORMATION

Establishment

The Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG was established by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) on October 1, 2020, through the designation of initial flood planning group members. The Region 9 flood planning region (FPR) is comprised of an area outlined in the attached map.

Purpose

The purpose of the Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG is to carry out the responsibilities placed on regional flood planning groups as required by Texas Water Code Chapter 16 and TWDB rules, including 31 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapters 361 and 362. Foremost among those responsibilities shall be the development of a regional flood plan for Region 9 Upper Colorado that identifies flood risks, establishes flood mitigation and floodplain management goals, and recommends evaluations, strategies, and projects to reduce flood risks

Eligibility

In order to be eligible for voting membership on the Region 9 Upper Colorado RFPG, a person must be capable of adequately representing the interest for which a member is sought, be willing to participate in the regional flood planning process, attend meetings, and abide by RFPG bylaws.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 5:00 P.M., JULY 20, 2023

NOMINATION FORM REGIONAL 9 UPPER COLORADO FLOOD PLANNING GROUP MEMBER
Date: June 20, 2023
Name of individual being nominated (nominee): Allison Strube
Nominee phone number: (432) 213 - 2195
Nominee email: astrube @ crmwd.org
Nominee mailing address: P.O. Box 869, Big Spring, TX 79721
County in which the individual namines resident T
Current occupation of nominee: Engineering Services Manager for Municipal Water Professional qualifications of nominee (attach resume or CV, optional):
Professional qualifications of nominee (attach resume or CV, optional):
" Protessional Engineer
· Served on Regional Flood Planning (1st Cycle) Regional Water Planning, Texas Association of AWWA, TWCA, Concho
Water Master Program
Brief bio and summary of qualifications of the nominee: Engineering Services Manager for Colorado River Municipal Water District
September 2022 - Present
Water Utilities Director for City of San Angelo . January 2018 - September 2022
· Assistant Director : August 2015-January 2018
General type of flood-related knowledge, experience, and approximately number of years of being involved in flood- related issues:
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10+ years in the water industry
15+ cycle Region 9 Flood Planning Chair

Previous public service and/or leadership experience and roles:

Ist cycle Region 9 Flood Planning Chair (current)
Region F liason to Interregional Water Planning Council (previously)

Description of why nominee is interested in membership, how they could contribute most as RFPG member, and how they otherwise meet the Executive Administrator's criteria for selection:

I currently serve in the Water Utilities interest category for Region 9 Flood Planning. With a career change, I am interested in continueing this serve, but in Water Districts category. Does the nominee reside within the region for which they are being nominated? 🗹 YES 🗆 NO

If no, does the nominee's professional or other activities occur within the region for which they are being nominated? \Box YES \Box NO

If yes, in what county(s) does this occur: ____

Please list any endorsements from individuals and/or organizations for this nominee and attach any supporting information:

· Cole Walker, previous voting member for Water Districts · attached resignation letter with endorsement

Provide two references (name, title/affiliation, phone number):

- · Cole Walker, General Manager / CRMWD, 432-267-6341
- · Shane Kelton, Executive Director of Public Works / City of San Angelo, 325-657-4209

Does this submission include attachments? YES INO

If yes, please email attachments to pete.madrid2@cosatx.us



Colorado River Municipal Water District

June 12, 2023

Region 9 Upper Colorado Flood Planning Group c/o City of San Angelo Designated Political Subdivision 72 W College Ave San Angelo, TX 76903-5814

Re: Resignation Region 9 Upper Colorado Flood Planning Group

Dear Region 9 Planning Group:

Please accept this letter as my effective resignation at the end of the day on June 13th, 2023. It has been an honor to serve on the Planning Group through the initial cycle.

Allison Strube currently serves as the Engineering Services Manager for the Colorado River Municipal Water District and I would recommend that the Region 9 Upper Colorado Flood Planning Group give serious consideration to her to serve as the voting member representing Water Districts, Regional Water Suppliers.

Again it has been an honor to serve on the Region 9 Upper Colorado Flood Planning Group and I wish you all the best.

Sincerely,

Cole Walker

NOMINATION FORM REGIONAL 9 UPPER COLORADO FLOOD PLANNING GROUP MEMBER

Date: July 20, 2023

Name of individual being nominated (nominee): Russell Pehl

Nominee phone number: 325.262.5957

Nominee email: russell.pehl@txdot.gov

Nominee mailing address: 4502 Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas 76904

County in which the individual nominee resides: Tom Green County

Current occupation of nominee: Civil Engineer

Professional qualifications of nominee (attach resume or CV, optional):

See attached resume.

Brief bio and summary of qualifications of the nominee:

I am a licensed Civil Engineer in the state of Texas. I have practiced engineering in Tom Green County as well as the greater Concho Valley Region for the last 18 years.

General type of flood-related knowledge, experience, and approximately number of years of being involved in flood-related issues:

I have been an engineer in Tom Green County and the greater Concho Valley Region for the majority of my 18 year career. I previously was the City Engineer for the City of San Angelo as well as the Floodplain Manager for the City. I believe that I have a good understanding of flooding issues for our community and would be an asset to the group.

Previous public service and/or leadership experience and roles:

I worked for the City of San Angelo for 7 years and was the City Engineer/City Floodplain Manager. I have served on engineering advisory committees for Angelo State University and Abilene Christian University. I currently serve as the board president for Helping Hands non profit organization.

Description of why nominee is interested in membership, how they could contribute most as RFPG member, and how they otherwise meet the Executive Administrator's criteria for selection:

I am interested in membership in learning and playing a role in active planning for flood plain management. I currently work for TxDOT which has an impact on the flood plain for our area, which we couldbe part of any solution.

Does the nominee reside within the region for which they are being nominated? ☑ YES □ NO

If no, does the nominee's professional or other activities occur within the region for which they are being nominated? \Box YES \Box NO

If yes, in what county(s) does this occur: _____

Please list any endorsements from individuals and/or organizations for this nominee and attach any supporting information:

Endorsed by Shannon McMillan.

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Provide two references (name, title/affiliation, phone number):
Shannon McMillan, Region 9 Board Member, 409-200-8074
John Dewitt, Texas Department of Transportation, 325-944-1501
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Does this submission include attachments? I YES □ NO

If yes, please email attachments to pete.madrid2@cosatx.us Resume for Russell Pehl.

RUSSELL PEHL

3125 Alta Vista, San Angelo, Texas 76904 | 325-262-5957 | russelljpehl@gmail.com

SUMMARY

Dedicated professional engineer continuously striving for excellence in my career.

EXPERIENCE

May 2019 - Senior Project Manager, Centurion Planning and Design, LLC. December 2022

As the Senior Project Manager for Centurion, I work in business development, engineering design and project management. While at Centurion, I have contracts with the Cities, Counties, TxDOT Aviation and commercial development clients. One of the most important functions as a consultant is the ability to work with different funding sources on projects. Some of the different funding sources we assist our clients include grant funds, City/County funds and federal funds. The challenges with grant and federal funds include the required reporting and documentation to maintain those funds all while managing a construction project. I have found that to effectively manage a project with these types of funding sources requires constant communication.

June 2015 – City Engineer, City of San Angelo – Engineering Services Department

May 2019

· As the City Engineer for the City of San Angelo, I perform professional civil engineering and project management work of considerable complexity, including management of land development projects and civil engineering infrastructure projects. Plans and manages the work of the engineering services staff; signs and seals plans and specifications; ensures project deliverables meet scope, schedule, cost and quality requirements; coordinates the design, development and completion of engineering projects; and approves project plans and specifications, negotiates contract terms, manages contracts and contractors, and ensures the overall integrity of the projects and services, and compliance with contract specifications. Makes structural and technical engineering analysis of proposed projects; evaluates need for design changes and makes appropriate recommendations; reviews plans for conformity to uniform codes, local ordinances, and state and federal regulations; inspects jobsites to ensure work quality and effective use of resources; ensures that jobsites and work activities are in compliance with all laws, regulations, policies and safety standards; and resolved discrepancies between field conditions and design plans. Interprets and explains codes, regulations, permit and code enforcement rules, and related policies and procedures to developers, contractors, property owners and the general public; writes technical and analytical reports, and makes technical estimates of a specialized nature in

connection with civil engineering projects; develops department budget and monitors expenditures; and compiles, reviews and synthesizes operational data, and prepares standard and specialized reports. Meets regularly with staff to discuss and resolve workload and technical issues; plans, prioritizes and assigns projects; monitors work flow, and evaluates work effectiveness, methods and procedures; supervises, disciplines and evaluates staff; trains and instructs employees; reviews the work of the assigned staff to ensure the work quality and timely accomplishment of tasks and projects; maintains records and files associated with engineering projects; and responds to questions from citizens and agencies on engineering projects and plans.

November 2014 Assistant Director, City of San Angelo – Water Utilities Department

– June 2015

• As the Assistant Director for the Water Utilities Department, I organized, directed and evaluated Water Utilities Department programs, staff, and operations, including water treatment, production, maintenance, laboratory, special projects, reclamation, and conservation. Monitored department operations to identify and resolve problems. Provided leadership, direction, and guidance in operational priorities. Evaluated department capital improvement plans, and recommended priorities and resource allocations. Coordinated department operations, and ensures department programs and projects meet scope, schedule, cost, and quality requirements. Served as a liaison between various regional organizations and state and Federal agencies to coordinate projects and resolve technical and operational issues.

July 2013 – Engineering Manager, City of San Angelo – Water Utilities Department

- November 2014 • As the Engineering Manager for the Water Utilities Department, I oversaw proposed commercial development, new subdivision construction, Capital Improvement Projects for the City of San Angelo and all construction related to the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants for the City of San Angelo. I oversaw three Project Engineers, one Draftsperson and three Construction Inspectors.
- March 2012 -Project Engineer, City of San Angelo Water Utilities DepartmentJuly 2013· As a Project Engineer, I engineered plans for construction of Capital
Improvement Projects, advertised projects for bid and construction
management for each project. I also reviewed plans for commercial

January 2006 - Professional Engineer, *SKG Engineering, San Angelo, Texas* March 2012

development and proposed subdivisions.

 • As a professional engineer, I engineered and provided consultation on projects including: small rural water systems, geotechnical analysis, land development, hydrologic modeling, storm water pollution prevention planning, septic system design, grease trap design, foundation design and structural design. December 2005 Engineer-In-Training (E.I.T.), Halff and Associates, Dallas, Texas
 -January 2006 · As an Engineer In Training, my responsibilities were designing new water and wastewater lines for the City of Dallas and City of Arlington. I also worked on land development projects surrounding the Dallas area. While at Halff, I worked with the survey crew performing surveying duties.

EDUCATION

August 2000 –Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Texas Tech University, Lubbock,December 2004Texas

CERTIFICATIONS

November 2019	Professional Engineer, Arkansas, Kansas, Montana, Tennessee
June 2018	Local Government Project Procedures (LGPP) Qualification, TxDOT
December 2015	Certified Floodplain Manager, Texas
December 2009	Professional Engineer, Texas
April 2005	Engineer-In-Training, Texas

ACTIVITIES AND ACHEIVEMENTS

October 2006 –	Church Member of Southland Baptist Church, San Angelo, Texas								
Present	• As a member of Southland Baptist Church, I have previously served as the chairman for the properties committee, the deacon screening committee, run audio and video during our church service, and have helped teach the youth and a young singles Sunday school classes. I currently serve as a deacon for our church.								
January 2012 – October 2014	Property Committee Member for the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), Texas Southwest Council, San Angelo, Texas								
	• As a property committee member, I helped make decisions on what is best for each of our BSA youth camps and local properties that have been donated to the Boy Scouts. I provide my engineering background on all property related, building construction and maintenance matters. As a youth, I achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.								
January 2013 – January 2016	Member of the Visiting Committee for Abilene Christian University (ACU) (Physics/Engineering Department), <i>Abilene, Texas</i>								
	• As a Visiting Committee member, we meet on an annual basis and critiqued ACU's new engineering program. ACU was working towards an Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) accredited								

university. This accreditation allows engineers to obtain their engineering license after graduation and after their four year apprenticeship. ACU invited me to sit on this committee as a peer/engineer in the field to review their engineering program as it progresses towards ABET accreditation. ACU has since earned their ABET accreditation.

November 2014Board Member for the West Texas Weather Modification Association- June 2015(WTWMA), San Angelo, Texas

 Sitting on the board for WTWMA was a learning experience for me. While on the board, I had the opportunity to learn more about weather patterns and the science behind cloud seeding.

- January 2016 Board Member and now the President for Helping Hands, San Angelo, Texas
- Present Helping Hands is a passion of mine helping those in need. Helping Hands is an organization that helps people that are 60 years old or older and that either do not have the monetary or physical capabilities to repair/maintain their homes.
- August 2016 -Member of Industry Advisory Committee for Angelo State University (ASU),August 2018Engineering Department, San Angelo, Texas
 - As an Industry Advisory Committee member, we met twice a year and evaluated ASU's mission statement, overall course work for students and facilities. ASU is working towards an Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) accredited university. This accreditation allows engineers to obtain their engineering license after graduation and a fouryear apprenticeship. ASU invited me to sit on this committee as an engineer of industry and to review their engineering program. ASU has graduated their first group of engineering students in December 2018 and is waiting on final accreditation.
- October 2017 20 under 40 honoree, San Angelo, Texas
 The 20 Under 40 program is an annual effort to spotlight rising young leaders in our community. The honorees have shown a willingness to invest deeply in their careers and in their community.

Regional Flood Planning Public Notification Quick Reference*

Note: Consult 31 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapters 361 and 362 and Texas Open Meetings Act for details.

Public Notifications TAC Rule			Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG) Action													
		Regular RFPG meetings	RFPG committee, subcommittee, and subgoup meetings	Requesting	Amendments to the RFP scope of work or budget	dolivorables to the Roard	Selecting RFPG members to fill voting and non-voting position vacancies	Pre-planning public meetings to obtain input on development of the next RFP	Determining flood mitigation and floodplain management goals	FMEs and potentially	Adoption of the final RFP	Amendments to RFPs	Changing the number of and representation make-up of RFPG membership		Subsequent meetings at which the planning group will take public input related to the RFPG's draft RFP	
1	Meeting Notice Requirements															
OPEN MEETINGS & PUBLIC INFORMATION ACTS	Each RFPG and any committee or subcommittee of an RFPG are subject to Chapters 551 [Open Meetings Act] and 552 [Public Information Act], Government Code.	361.21(a)	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark
	7 days prior to the meeting	361.21(h)(1)	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark								\checkmark
MINIMUM NOTICE (calendar days)	14 days prior to the meeting	361.21(h)(2)							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
	30 days prior to the meeting	361.21(h)(3)													\checkmark	
CONTENT TO INCLUD	Date, time, and location of the public meeting or hearing; Summary of the proposed action to be taken; The name, telephone number, email, and address of a RFPG contact to whom questions or requests for additional information may be submitted; A statement of how and when comments will be received from the members and public.	361.21(g)(1-4)	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Information on how the public may submit comments	361.21(h)(3)(E)													\checkmark	\checkmark
	Summary of the regional flood plan	361.21(h)(3)(D)													\checkmark	\checkmark
	All voting and non-voting RFPG members	361.21(f)	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark
ENTITIES TO NOTIFY	Any person or entity who has requested notice of RFPG activities	361.21(f)	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark
	All adjacent RFPGs	361.21(h)(3)(C)													✓	✓
WHERE TO POST	On the website of the RFPG	361.21(g)	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark
WHERE TO POST	Texas Secretary of State website	361.21(g)	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark
	Other Rule Requirements															
	14 days prior to the meeting	361.21(h)(2)							✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓		
PERIOD** (calendar days)	30 days prior to and 30 days following the meeting	361.21(h)(3)													✓	
MEETING MATERIALS	3 days prior to and 7 days following the meeting	361.21(h)(2)	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓								\checkmark
POSTING (calendar days)	7 days prior and 14 days following the meeting	361.21(h)(2)							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
DOCUMENT PROVISION	The draft plan must be made available for public inspection online and a hard copy of the draft plan must be made available for public inspection in at least three publicly accessible locations within the region for at least 30 days prior to the first meeting and 30 days following the first meeting.	361.21(h)(3)(A,F)													\checkmark	

***IMPORTANT NOTES**

All meetings of subsets of the RFPG that constitute a quorum of the RFPG must be noticed appropriately.

The best reference material for RFPG members to ensure that they are in compliance with notice requirements is the Texas Attorney General Office "Open Meetings Handbook 2020" available at: https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/sites/default/files/files/divisions/open-government/openmeetings_hb.pdf The Attorney General's Open Records Division maintains an Open Government Hotline to answer questions regarding open government laws. The Hotline can be reached at (877) 673-6839 (OPENTEX). To the extent an action by the RFPG could qualify under more than one row of this matrix (for instance, a regular meeting), the stricter notice requirements should be used. RFPGs may provide notice for various actions in a single notice. However, a document providing notice for multiple actions should describe all actions individually. RFPGs shall also provide additional region-specific public notice, if any, in accordance with their decision under §361.11(d)(6), including provision of print notices, if applicable. **RFPGs must provide a means by which it will accept written public comment prior to and after all meetings. Specific timelines prescribed by rule are noted in this section.



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