

REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP

TO: REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP

FROM: JAMES (JIM) M. PARKS, CHAIRMAN

SUBJECT: OCTOBER 25, 2011 PUBLIC MEETING

DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2011

This memorandum will serve as a notice that the Region C Water Planning Group (RCWPG) is holding a public meeting at **1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, OCTOBER 25, 2011**, at the **Trinity River Authority's Central Wastewater Treatment Plant¹, 6500 W. Singleton Boulevard, Grand Prairie, Texas**. An agenda has been prepared for the meeting and is attached to this memorandum for your information. The following is a brief overview of the agenda items to be discussed:

OPEN MEETING

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 21, 2011
- III. ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION
 - A. Consider Approval of Fall Newsletter

Planning Group will consider approval of Fall “kick-off” Newsletter; acknowledgement of entities funding newsletter.
 - B. Consider Approval of Methodology for Evaluating Water Management Strategies

TWDB Guidelines state that the methodology for evaluating water management strategies must be presented to and approved by the Planning Group.
 - C. Consider Approval of 2011 Water Use Data as Basis for “Dry Year” Projections

Planning Group will consider approval of use of 2011 water use data (where available and appropriate) as basis for “Dry Year” projections.
 - D. Consider Approval of Proposed Scope for Task 4D in Phase 1

Planning Group will consider approval of the proposed scope for Task 4D in Phase 1.

¹ Persons with disabilities who plan to attend the Region C Water Planning Group meeting – and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as mobility assistance, interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing-impaired, readers, large print, or Braille – are requested to contact Lee Shaffer in the TRA Central Wastewater Treatment Plant at (972) 263-2251 at least (5) work days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

- E. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 11-01 thanking Mr. E. W. Wesley (Texas Department of Agriculture) for Service to the RCWPG
- F. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 11-02 Appointing Executive Committee to Develop Slate of Officers for 2012

The RCWPG may appoint a nominating committee to develop a slate of officers for 2012.

- G. Consider Amending Region C Bylaws to Add Voting Members Representing Groundwater Management Areas 8, 11, and 12

The RCWPG may amend Article VI of the Bylaws to specify that the RCWPG will now be composed of 22 members representing 12 special interest classifications.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Status of Contracts and Funding
- B. Report on Public Meeting for comments on Fourth Cycle of Region C

Public Meeting for comments on 4th round of Region C was held on April 25, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. at TRA Central. Notice was published in newspapers and mailed out.

- C. Overview of Fourth Cycle of Region C Water Planning
- D. Expiring Terms of Ten Region C Water Planning Group Members

Ten of the positions on the Region C Water Planning Group are expiring as of November 2011. Interested persons should send their resumes to Russell Laughlin by January 31, 2012. The RCWPG may take action to fill these positions at the next RCWPG meeting (early 2012).

- E. TWDB Updates
- F. Current Drought Status
- G. Save Texas Water, Blue Legacy Award in Agriculture
- H. Water Management Strategies Implemented since 2011 Region C Water Plan
- I. Bills from 82nd Legislature related to Region C

HB 2694 – TCEQ may order the suspension or adjustment of water rights during drought or emergency shortage; Aug 11 stakeholder meeting.

SJR 4 - November ballot (Proposition 2) for constitutional amendment authorizing TWDB to issue Development Fund GO bonds on a continuous basis (limiting outstanding principal to \$6 billion at any given time).

SB181 - Legislature acknowledged that current gallons per capita per day (gpcd) metric comparing water use of municipalities and water utilities does not produce reliable comparisons. Legislature tasked the Water Conservation Advisory Council with developing more consistent methodology for calculating water use and conservation.

J. Next Steps

V. OTHER DISCUSSION

- A. Updates from the Chair
- B. Report from Regional Liaisons
- C. Report on the Trinity and San Jacinto Rivers and Galveston Bay Stakeholders Committee
- D. Report on the Sabine and Neches Rivers and Sabine Lake Bay Basin and Bay Area
- E. Report from Texas Water Development Board
- F. Report from Texas Department of Agriculture
- G. Report from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
- H. Confirm Date and Location of Next Meeting – Date, Time, and Location to be Determined
- I. Public Comments

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The following items are enclosed with this memorandum:

1. RCWPG Agenda – October 25, 2011
2. RCWPG Minutes – March 21, 2011
3. RCWPG Resolution No. 11-01
4. RCWPG Resolution No. 11-02

cc: Ms. Fiona Allen, Designated Alternate for Danny Vance
Ms. Marion Henderson, Designated Alternate for Robert Scott
Mr. Tim Fisher, Designated Alternate for Howard Martin
Vacant, Designated Alternate for G. K. Maenius
Mr. James Hotopp, Designated Alternate for Paul Phillips
Mr. Joe Kana, Designated Alternate for Jim McCarter
Dr. Thomas LaPoint, Designated Alternate for Mary Vogelson
Mr. Jim Oliver, Designated Alternate for Jack Stevens
Mr. Mike Rickman, Designated Alternate for Jim Parks
Mr. Craig Schkade, Designated Alternate for Russell Laughlin
Mr. Ron Sellman, Designated Alternate for Jerry Chapman
Mr. Dennis Qualls, Designated Alternate for Jody Puckett
Mr. Randy Gideon, Designated Alternate for Steve Berry
Mr. Andy Cronberg, Designated Alternate for Frank Crumb
Mr. Mark Jones, Designated Alternate for Bill Lewis
Mr. David Bailey, Designated Alternate for Connie Standridge
Mr. Gary Clayton, Designated Alternate for Tom Woodward
Mr. David Rutledge, Designated Alternate for Gary Spicer
Mr. Jay Barksdale, Designated Alternate for Bill Ceverha
Ms. Angela Kennedy, TWDB
Mr. Gregg Magee, TDA
Mr. Adam Whisenant, TPWD
Mr. Curtis Campbell, Region B Representative
Ms. Sharron Nabors, Region D Representative
Mr. Walt Sears, Region D Administrator
Alva Cox, Region G Representative
Mr. Mike Harbordt, Region I Representative
Mr. Tom Gooch, Freese and Nichols, Inc.
Mr. Jim Nichols, Freese and Nichols, Inc.
Ms. Amy Kaarlela, Freese and Nichols, Inc.
Ms. Rachel Ickert, Freese and Nichols, Inc.
Mr. Rick Shaffer, CP&Y, Inc.
Mr. Alan Plummer, Alan Plummer & Associates, Inc.
Mr. Preston Dillard, Alan Plummer & Associates, Inc.
Ms. Gail Cooksey, Cooksey Communications, Inc.
Mr. Colby Walton, Cooksey Communications, Inc.