

REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP

TO: REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP

FROM: JAMES (JIM) M. PARKS, CHAIRMAN

SUBJECT: APRIL 30, 2012 PUBLIC MEETING

DATE: APRIL 3, 2012

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 Monday, APRIL 30, 2012**, 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 – OCTOBER 25, 2011
- III. ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION
 - A. Election of Members to Fill Expiring Terms

The RCWPG will accept nominations from the planning group and the public and take action to fill the positions that expired on November 1, 2011. Each position is a five-year commitment. The open positions are as follows:

Currently Held by	Interest	Seeking Re-Election
Steve Berry	Environment	Yes
Jerry Chapman	Water Districts	Yes
Frank Crumb	Municipalities	Yes
Bill Lewis	Small Business	No
Jim McCarter	Water Utilities	Yes
Jim Parks	Water Districts	Yes
Paul Phillips	Municipalities	No
Jody Puckett	Municipalities	Yes
Mary Vogelsson	Public	No
Tom Woodward	Agriculture	Yes

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.

Seven current RCWPG members have expressed an interest in being considered for re-election, and three members will not be seeking reelection. Two of the members not seeking re-election have expressed their desire that the RCWPG consider electing their designated alternates. Mary Vogelson has recommended her alternate, Dr. Thomas La Point, and Paul Phillips has recommended his alternate, James Hotopp. Bill Lewis has recommended Steven Mundt to be considered for his position. Resumes are attached for these individuals.

- B. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 12-1 thanking retiring members for service to the RCWPG
- C. Consider Adoption of Slate of Officers for 2012 based on recommendation of Executive Committee

An Executive Committee was appointed at the October 25, 2011 RCWPG meeting for the purpose of developing a recommended Slate of Officers for 2012. The Group will consider recommendation of the Committee and consider action on Slate of Officers for 2012.

- D. Consider Approval to submit comments on proposed TWDB Planning Rule Revisions

The TWDB is currently revising the rules for Regional Planning. Draft rule changes will be published in the May 4, 2012 edition of the Texas Register. The TWDB will be accepting comments from May 4 to June 3, 2012. The Group will consider approving the consultants to collectively submit comments received from the Planning Group Members through May 30, 2012.

- E. Consider Approval for North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) and Consultant Team to amend contracts for additional Task 4D funds now available from TWDB

The remainder of the funds for Task 4D (\$192,336) have been released by TWDB. Group will consider approval for NTMWD and Consultant team to amend contract to include these new funds.

- F. Consider Approval for NTMWD and Consultant Team to submit application for funding for Tasks 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and additional funding for Tasks 4 and 10

Later this year the TWDB will release a Request For Applications (RFA) for additional funding for remaining tasks in Regional Planning. The Group will consider authorizing NTMWD and consultant team to submit application for these funds.

G. Consider Approval to Submit Adjustments Request to TWDB's Draft Non-Municipal Water Demands

On October 12, 2011 TWDB released its initial draft non-municipal water demand projections for the 2016 regional water planning cycle. The Consultant team has analyzed these demands and has suggested minor adjustments. The Group will consider approval of these adjusted demands and authorize consultants to submit adjusted demands to TWDB.

H. Consider Approval of Letter to TWDB requesting modifications to TCEQ Water Availability Models

The TWDB requires the use of TCEQ WAMs to determine available water supplies for Regional Planning. These WAMs require some modification to be applicable to Regional Planning. As in previous rounds, consultants are submitting a required letter to TWDB outlining the WAM modification and requesting approval for said modifications. The Group will consider approval of this letter.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Overall Schedule

B. Changes to Water User Groups (WUGs) and Wholesale Water Providers (WWPs)

TWDB has recommended that four WUGs be eliminated because their population has fallen below 500, which is the minimum requirement for being considered a WUG. Consultants will make recommendations on these changes and suggest addition of one or more WWPs.

C. Task 2 – Population and Municipal Demand Projections

D. Task 3 – Update on Existing Supplies

E. Survey of Water User Groups (WUGs) and Wholesale Water Providers (WWPs)

F. Meetings with Large Wholesale Water Providers

G. Letters of Notification from 2 Entities regarding TWDB Planning Grants

H. Update on Drought

I. Update on Invasive Species

J. Update on Public Participation

K. 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 – April 30, 2012
- 2. RCWPG Minutes – October 25, 2011
- 3. Resumes

cc: Mr. Kevin Ward, 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.