

REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP

TO: REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP

FROM: JO (JODY) M. PUCKETT, CHAIR

SUBJECT: APRIL 9, 2018 PUBLIC MEETING

DATE: APRIL 2, 2018

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 9, 2018**, at the **North Central Texas Council of Governments, 616 Six Flags Drive, Centerpoint Two Building, First Floor Transportation Council Room, Arlington, Texas, 76011¹**. 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 – December 18, 2017
- III. TWDB BOARD MEMBER UPDATE by Kathleen Jackson
- IV. ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- A. Election of Officers for 2018

The RCWPG nominating committee will present its recommendation for officers to serve during the calendar year 2018. The RCWPG will elect officers for the calendar year 2018. New Officers will become effective immediately after adjournment.

- B. Resolution Recognizing Jody Puckett

Chair Jody Puckett has submitted her resignation from the Region C Water Planning Group effective April 10, 2018. With Resolution 18-1 the RCWPG will recognize Jody for her service to the planning group as long-standing member and Chair.

- C. Consider Approval of Deadline for Projects to be Considered Existing Supplies

¹ If you plan to attend this public meeting and you have a disability that requires special arrangements at the meeting, please contact Crysta Guzman by phone at (817) 695-9231 or by email at cguzman@nctcog.org, 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to assist your needs.

Numerous projects are in progress during this cycle of planning. There must be a specific date by which the project needs to be completed to be considered as “Existing Supply” in the Plan. Consultants are recommending the date of August 1, 2020. RCWPG may take action to approve this deadline.

D. Consider Approval of Letter to TWDB Requesting Specific Hydrologic Variances to Water Availability Models

The RCWPG will consider approval of a letter to TWDB requesting hydrologic variances to TCEQ’s official WAM Run 3 model that is required in determining available surface water supplies. The hydrologic variances are the same as have been used in previous planning cycles and include items such as inclusion of system operations used in Region C and subordination agreements. In addition, both Tarrant Regional Water District and Dallas Water Utilities are requesting the use of safe yield (rather than firm yield) in the 2021 Plan. Safe yield was used for both entities in the 2016 Plan. RCWPG may take action to approve this request letter.

E. Consider Designation of Major Water Providers

TWDB has developed a new category of water provider for this fifth cycle of planning. Major Water Providers are intended to reflect entities of particular significance to the region’s water supply. Consultants are recommending the Major Water Providers be selected from entities that have secured the most water supply for its customers. This is measured by the combined surface water, reuse, and groundwater supply owned by the entity. RCWPG may vote to designate Major Water Providers.

F. Consider Approval of Methodology for Determining Availability of Nonrelevant Aquifers

The Nacatoch Aquifer was declared nonrelevant in the most recent GMA8 Modeled Available Groundwater report and was therefore not modeled. The aquifer is used in Region C in Kaufman and Navarro Counties to supply non-municipal needs and County-Other municipal needs. Nacatoch Aquifer is also used in Region D. Consultants are recommending that the availability be the same as in the 2016 Plan.

G. Consider Approval of Region-Specific Scope of Work for Task 5A and Request for Notice to Proceed from TWDB; Consider Authorizing TRA to Execute Contract Amendment with TWDB

Each region is required to develop a region-specific scope of work for Task 5A (Evaluation of Water Management Strategies). Consultants have developed a

scope of work and associated fee for approximately half the work to be done under this task. Additional scope and fee will be developed at a later time for the remaining funds in Task 5A. RCWPG will consider approval of the scope, fee, and request for Notice to Proceed from TWDB. RCWPG will also consider authorizing TRA to execute a contract amendment with TWDB to include this new scope of work.

H. Consider Appointment of Task 8 Subcommittee

Task 8 involves the potential designation of Unique River Segments and Unique Reservoir Sites as well as Legislative recommendations. Consultants will present issues and rules regarding these designations. RCWPG may consider appointing a subcommittee to review the issues and make recommendations to the full RCWPG.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Schedule
- B. Existing Water Availability (Task 3)
- C. Initial List of Potentially Feasible Water Management Strategies (Task 4B)
- D. Public Participation Materials
- E. TWDB Planning Rule Revision Q & A
- F. Next Steps

VI. OTHER DISCUSSION

- A. Updates from the Chair
- B. Report from Regional Liaisons
- C. Report from Texas Water Development Board
- D. Report from Texas Department of Agriculture
- E. Report from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
- F. Other Reports
- G. Confirm Date and Location of Next Meeting – Aug 20; 1pm, NCTCOG, 616 Six Flags Drive, Centerpoint Two Building, First Floor Transportation Council Room, Arlington, Texas 76011
- H. Public Comments

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The following items are enclosed with this memorandum:

1. RCWPG Agenda – April 9, 2018
2. RCWPG Minutes – December 18, 2017

cc: Mr. John Alford, Designated Alternate for David Bailey
Ms. Fiona Allen, Designated Alternate for Kevin Ward
Dr. Kenneth Banks, Designated Alternate for Tim Fisher
Mr. Jay Barksdale, Designated Alternate for Bill Ceverha
Ms. Jennifer Bland, Designated Alternate for Chris Boyd
Judge Spanky Carter, Designated Alternate for G. K. Maenius
Mr. Gary Clayton, Designated Alternate for Tom Woodward
Ms. Wendy Chi-Babulal, Designated Alternate for John Carman
Ms. Jennifer Harnish, Designated Alternate for Bob Riley
Mr. James Hotopp, Designated Alternate for Rick Shaffer
Ms. Roy Miliner, Designated Alternate for Grace Darling
Mr. Jim Oliver, Designated Alternate for Jack Stevens
Mr. Kyle Pritchett, Designated Alternate for Connie Standridge
Mr. Denis Qualls, Designated Alternate for Jody Puckett
Mr. Mike Rickman, Designated Alternate for Tom Kula
Mr. Craig Schkade, Designated Alternate for Russell Laughlin
Mr. Ron Sellman, Designated Alternate for Drew Satterwhite
Mr. Thomas Smith, Designated Alternate for Harold Latham
Mr. Tim Welch, Designated Alternate for Steve Mundt
Vacant, Designated Alternate for Gary Spicer
Vacant, Designated Alternate for John Lingenfelter
Vacant, Designated Alternate for Gary Douglas
Ms. Connie Townsend, TWDB
Mr. Darrell Dean, TDA
Mr. Adam Whisenant, TPWD
Mr. Rusty Ray, TSSWCB
Mr. Curtis Campbell, Region B Representative
Ms. Sharron Nabors, Region D Representative
Mr. Walt Sears, Region D Administrator
Mr. Mike Harbordt, Region I Representative
Mr. Tom Gooch, Freese and Nichols, Inc.
Ms. Amy Kaarlela, Freese and Nichols, Inc.
Mr. Chris Schmid, CP&Y, Inc.
Mr. Alan Plummer, Alan Plummer & Associates, Inc.
Ms. Ellen McDonald, Alan Plummer & Associates, Inc.
Ms. Gail Cooksey, Cooksey Communications, Inc.
Mr. Colby Walton, Cooksey Communications, Inc.
Mr. Howard Slobodin, TRA
Ms. Carol Claybrook, TRA