

REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP
MINUTES OF AN OPEN PUBLIC MEETING
MAY 19, 2014

The Region C Water Planning Group (RCWPG) met in an open public meeting on Monday, May 19, 2014, at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was held at the TRA Central Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 6500 W. Singleton Boulevard, Grand Prairie, Texas. Notice of the meeting was legally posted.

Chairman Parks called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 P.M. Chairman Parks welcomed guests and asked that those interested in speaking complete a speaker registration form.

I. ROLL CALL

Secretary Russell Laughlin conducted a roll call. The following members were in attendance:

David Bailey	Jim McCarter
Bill Ceverha	Steve Mundt
Andy Cronberg (Alt. for Frank Crumb)	Jim Parks
Gary Douglas	Jody Puckett
James Hotopp	Bob Riley
Thomas LaPoint	Gary Spicer
Harold Latham	Connie Standridge
Russell Laughlin	Jack Stevens
G. K. Maenius	Kevin Ward
Howard Martin	Tom Woodward

Drew Satterwhite, and Robert Scott were absent from the meeting. Temple McKinnon of the TWDB, Connie Townsend of the TWDB, and Adam Whisenant of TPWD were also in attendance.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 31, 2014

The minutes of the March 31, 2014, RCWPG meeting were approved by consensus.

III. ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- A. Consider approval of Draft Prioritization of Projects in the 2011 Region C Water Plan to be submitted to Texas Water Development Board by June 1, 2014

Amy Kaarlela reviewed the TWDB scoring template created by the stakeholder committee. The Region C prioritization subcommittee met

twice to determine the scoring methodology, which is documented in the memorandum *Draft Methodology for 2011 RCWP Project Prioritization and Draft Prioritization List*. Amy Kaarlela reviewed the draft methodology and scoring of projects in the 2011 Region C Water Plan and presented the full list and the short list of prioritized projects.

On a motion by Gary Spicer and a second by Bill Ceverha, the RCWPG voted unanimously to approve the draft prioritization of projects in the 2011 Region C Water Plan to be submitted to the Texas Water Development Board by June 1, 2014.

- B. Consideration and action on authorization to submit a brief and a response brief and to address TWDB at a future Board meeting concerning TWDB Executive Administrator's (EA) final recommendation on interregional conflict resolution

Chairman Jim Parks reviewed the Region D and Region C conflict resolution public meetings that took place on April 29 and April 30, 2014, respectively. The TWDB Executive Administrator will issue a final recommendation to the Board of the TWDB on Monday, May 19, 2014. Each planning group will have an opportunity to submit a brief and response brief and will have an equal chance to address the Board at a future meeting. Chairman Jim Parks stated that since this may need to be completed before the next meeting of the RCWPG, the group needs to nominate a person or persons to complete these actions on behalf of the Region C WPG.

On a motion by Kevin Ward and a second by Connie Standridge, the RCWPG voted unanimously to authorize the Region C Water Planning Group Officers (Jim Parks, Jody Puckett, and Russell Laughlin) to develop and submit a brief and a response brief and to address TWDB at a future Board meeting concerning TWDB Executive Administrator's (EA) final recommendation on the interregional conflict resolution.

- C. Consider approval for consultants to submit the August 1, 2014 TWDB required deliverable of data tables containing all WUG demand and current supply

Amy Kaarlela reviewed the need for the planning group to approve the needs analysis so it can be submitted by the August 1, 2014, TWDB deadline. Today's approval of this submittal will eliminate the need to have a RCWPG meeting in mid-July. The data tables will be generated by the database (DB17) after the consultants review the population and demand and enter the allocation of existing supplies to all WUGs. Temple McKinnon clarified that the needs analysis will still be considered draft and

can be edited throughout the planning process as needed. The RCWPG will be asked to ratify the needs analysis at the August 2014 meeting of the group.

On a motion by Thomas La Point and a second by Gary Spicer, the RCWPG voted unanimously to approve the consultants to submit the August 1, 2014, TWDB required deliverable of data tables containing all WUG demand and current supply.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Schedule Update

Amy Kaarlela presented a project schedule update. The schedule for 2014 included key items:

- Region C/D conflict resolution; the TWDB is expected to provide further schedule updates after the final recommendation is published today, Monday, May 19, 2014.
- A public hearing to amend the 2011 RWP will be necessary. The timing of this will depend on guidance from the TWDB. Another meeting will likely be necessary.
- June 1, 2014 – SWIFT draft prioritization of 2011 projects due
- August 1, 2014 – Need analysis due
- September, 1 2014 – Deadline for final prioritization of 2011 projects
- May 1, 2015 – Initially Prepared Plan (IPP) due to TWDB

B. Membership Update

Chairman Jim Parks reviewed the new alternates. Chairman Jim Parks named Tom Kula as his alternate. G.K. Maenius will name Judge Spanky Carter as his alternate. Bob Riley, Gary Douglas, and Drew Satterwhite have not designated an alternate yet.

C. Update on Remaining Tasks and Next Steps

Amy Kaarlela reviewed the next steps including strategy evaluation starting in August 2014. Draft Chapters 1 and 2 will be presented at the next meeting. Consultants will also be working on Tasks 6, 7, 8, and 13 in preparation for the IPP in May.

V. OTHER DISCUSSION

A. Updates from the Chair

Chairman Jim Parks provided an update including that recent rains have been helpful in some areas. NTMWD has extended modified Stage 3 drought restrictions, which limits lawn watering to once every two weeks. NTMWD may continue this modified Stage 3 throughout the summer.

B. Report from Regional Liaisons

Brief reports were given by the following liaisons:

- Region B – Jack Stevens advised that Region B is also focusing on prioritization of their 2011 plan projects.
- Region D – Mike Rickman advised that Region D has not officially met since the last Region C meeting. However, there have been conflict resolution meetings. The next meeting is on June 18, 2014.
- Region G – Bill Ceverha advised that Region G met twice since the last Region C meeting.
- Region H – Kevin Ward advised that Region H met on May 7, 2014. He was unable to attend but reported that the group reviewed a report prepared by an outside consultant on the implementation of conservation strategies. Their next meeting will be August 6, 2014.
- Region I – Connie Standridge advised Region I will meet on Wednesday May 21, 2014. She will be unable to attend. Freese and Nichols will have staff at that meeting and will provide an update at the next meeting.

C. Report from Texas Water Development Board

Temple McKinnon advised that the TWDB has a new interactive website showing the 2012 State Water Plan data.

D. Report from Texas Department of Agriculture

Darrell Dean was not in attendance.

E. Report from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Adam Whisenant advised that there is no update from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

F. Other Reports

No other reports.

G. Confirm Date and Location of Next Meeting

The next RCWPG meeting was tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 18, 2014, at 1:00 P.M. at TRA Central Wastewater Treatment Plant.

H. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting of the RCWPG adjourned at approximately 2:30 P.M.

RUSSELL LAUGHLIN, Secretary