

REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP

TO: REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP
FROM: JAMES (JIM) M. PARKS, CHAIRMAN
SUBJECT: MARCH 23, 2009, PUBLIC MEETING
DATE: MARCH 16, 2009



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, March 23, 2008**, 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 – December 8, 2008
- III. ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION
 - A. Request to TWDB for three month extension on submission of Initially Prepared Plan and Final Plan

The RCWPG will consider and if necessary take action on submitting a letter to TWDB requesting a three month extension on submittal deadlines.

- B. Final Approval of Special Studies

The RCWPG will consider and if necessary take action on the approval of response letter to the TWDB comments and the final reports of the special studies for submission to the TWDB. The reports include: Report on Water Supply Study for Parker and Wise Counties, Memorandum Summarizing the County-Wide Meetings, Water Conservation and Reuse Report, Athens Indirect Reuse Report, Fort Worth Direct Reuse Report, and Four County Study Report (Ellis, Johnson, Southern Dallas, and Southern Tarrant Counties).

- C. Approval of Spring 2009 Region C Newsletter

The RCWPG will consider approval of the Spring 2009 Region C Newsletter.

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.

D. 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, 2008. Each position is a five-year commitment. The open positions are as follows:

Interest	Currently Held by	Seeking Re-Election
Howard Martin	Municipalities	Yes
Robert Scott	Environment	Yes
Jack Stevens	Water Districts	Yes
Connie Standridge	Water Utilities	Yes
Danny Vance	River Authorities	Yes
Jerry Johnson	Electric Generating Utilities	No*
Irvin (Marsh) Rice	Public	No*
G.K. Maenius	Counties	Yes
Russell Laughlin	Industries	Yes

Seven current RCWPG members have expressed an interest in being considered for re-election, and two members will not be seeking reelection. *Both members not seeking reelection have expressed their desire that the RCWPG consider electing their designated alternates. Jerry Johnson has recommended his alternate, Gary Spicer; and Marsh Rice has recommended electing his alternate, Bill Ceverha. Thomas LaPoint has expressed his desire to be considered for the "public" position. He currently serves as Mary Vogelson's alternate. Resumes are attached for these individuals.

E. Officer Elections for 2009

The RCWPG nominating committee will present its recommendation for officers to serve during the calendar year 2009. The RCWPG will elect officers for the calendar year 2009.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Overall Project Schedule

Consultants will provide an overview of the schedule for this round of Regional Planning.

B. Water Management Strategies Implemented Since the End of 2005

Consultants will present a partial list of Water Management Strategies that have been implemented in Region C since the *2006 Region C Water Plan* was submitted to TWDB (at the end of 2005).

C. Progress Report

Consultants will give a report of work performed so far in this round of Regional Planning.

D. New Water User Groups for Planning

Consultants will give a report on numerous small water suppliers that were previously included in "County Other" and have now met the Texas Water Development Board threshold of becoming individual "Water User Groups".

E. Survey of Water Suppliers

Consultant will give a report on the survey sent to all Water User Groups, Wholesale Water Providers, and other entities.

F. TWDB "No Revision" Policy

Consultants will provide an overview of TWDB's "No Revision" policy for population and water demands. Consultants will seek input from the RCWPG.

G. Steam Electric Power Demands

Consultants will provide an overview of TWDB's policy on projections of demand for steam electric water use, 2006 projections and projections from recent Bureau of Economic Geology study. Consultants will seek input from the RCWPG.

H. Written Authorization from TWDB Regarding Water Supply Calculations

Consultants will inform RCWPG of a letter to be submitted to TWDB which details specific water supply calculations that will vary from the firm yield of supply projects.

I. Ecologically Unique Stream Segments

Adam Whisenant of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will provide input on the designation of Ecologically Unique Stream Segments.

J. Public Participation Updates

Consultants will update the RCWPG on pertinent public relations information, including upcoming Op-Ed release, "Meeting with the Media", and June 2009 Newsletter.

K. Water Management Strategies

Consultants will make a presentation on general types of Water Management Strategies and the policies to develop and assess Water Management Strategies. This presentation is a required scope item.

L. Update on Overall Status and Next Steps

The consultants will update the RCWPG on the overall status of the Region C plan and the steps they will be taking in the near future.

V. OTHER DISCUSSION

A. Updates from the Chair

1. Update on Study Commission on Region C Water Supply
2. Update on Water Conservation Advisory Council
3. Update on 81st Legislature to date

B. Report from Regional Liaisons

C. Report from GMA 8 Liaisons

D. Report on the Trinity and San Jacinto Rivers and Galveston Bay Stakeholders Committee

E. Report on the Sabine and Neches Rivers and Sabine Lake Bay Basin and Bay Area

F. Report from Texas Water Development Board

G. Report from Texas Department of Agriculture

H. Report from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

I. Confirm Date and Location of Next Meeting

J. Public Comments

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The following items are enclosed with this memorandum:

1. RCWPG Agenda – March 23, 2009
2. RCWPG Minutes – December 8, 2008
3. Election Candidate Information

cc: Mr. Warren Brewer, Designated Alternate for Danny Vance
Mr. Bill Ceverha, Designated Alternate for Marsh Rice
Ms. Marion Henderson, Designated Alternate for Robert Scott
Mr. Tim Fisher, Designated Alternate for Howard Martin
Judge Derrell Hall, Designated Alternate for G. K. Maenius
Ms. Sharon Hayes, Designated Alternate for Paul Phillips
Mr. Joe Kana, Designated Alternate for Jim McCarter
Dr. Thomas LaPoint, Designated Alternate for Mary Vogelsson
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. Charlie Stringer, 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. Dennis Donoho, Designated Alternate for Connie Standridge
Mr. Gary Clayton, Designated Alternate for Tom Woodward
Mr. Gary Spicer, Designated Alternate for Jerry Johnson
Mr. David Meeseey, TWDB
Ms. Angela Masloff, TWDB
Mr. E. W. Wesley, TDA
Mr. Adam Whisenant, TPWD
Mr. Curtis Campbell, Region B Representative
Mr. David Weidman, Region D Representative
Mr. Walt Sears, Region D Administrator
Mr. Terry Kelley, Region G Representative
Mr. David Brock, 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, Chiang, Patel & Yerby
Mr. Alan Plummer, Alan Plummer & Associates, Inc.
Ms. Gail Cooksey, Cooksey Communications, Inc.