Minutes of the South Central Texas Regional Water Planning Group November 3, 2022

Chair Andruss called the hybrid meeting to order at 9:30 a.m., held both in person and through WebEx online platform.

23 of the 29 voting members, or their alternates, were present.

Voting Members Present:

Tim Andruss John Byrum Curt Campbell Debbie Farmer Charlie Flatten Steve Graham Tom Jungman Russell Labus Glenn Lord Scooter Mangold Alan Burkland for Dan Meyer Travis Pruski Robert Puente Humberto Ramos Blaine Schorp for Weldon Riggs Mitchell Sowards Roland Ruiz Jonathan Stinson Terrell Graham Thomas Taggart Ian Taylor Dianne Wassenich Adam Yablonski

Voting Members Absent:

Will Conley Gary Middleton Vanessa Puig Williams Diane Savage Darren Simmons Vic Hilderbran

Non-Voting Members Present:

Elizabeth McCoy, Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Marty Kelly, TX Department of Parks and Wildlife Jami McCool, TX Dept. of Agriculture Ronald Fieseler, Region K Liaison

Non-Voting Members Absent:

Iliana Delgado, TCEQ Don McGhee, Region M Liaison Charles Wiedenfeld, Region J Liaison Carl Crull, Region N Liaison Rusty Ray, Texas Soil & Water Cons. Board Beginning with the February 11, 2016, meeting of the South Central Texas Regional Water Planning Group, all recordings are available for the public at <u>www.regionltexas.org</u>.

AGENDA ITEM NO.1: ROLL CALL

Ms. Kendall Hayes took roll call.

AGENDA ITEM NO.2: PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

AGENDA ITEM NO.3: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP (SCTRWPG)

Mr. S. Graham motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Mr. Byrum seconded the motion, the motion passed.

AGENDA ITEM NO.4: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING FILLING THE EXISTING VACANCIES FOR INDUSTRIES, WATER UTILITIES, AND ELECTRIC GENERATING UTILITIES INTEREST GROUPS

Chair Andruss introduced Mr. Dan Yoxall as the nominee for the Industries interest group. He explained that the Executive Committee chose to forgo the interview as there was one nominee. Mr. Yoxall introduced himself to the RWPG.

Mr. Pruski motioned to seat Mr. Yoxall on the Region L Planning Group. Mr. Mangold seconded the motion, motion passed.

AGENDA ITEM NO.5: STATUS REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS RELATED TO REGIONAL WATER PLANNING INCLUDING REPORTS BY THE CHAIR, REGIONAL LIAISONS, GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA REPRESENTATIVES AND MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING GROUP

Chair Andruss provided an update on the existing vacancies. There was interest but no applications.

AGENDA ITEM NO.6: STATUS REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS BY TWDB

Ms. McCoy provided an update from TWDB. The updated contract Exhibit A scope of work and Exhibit C guidance document have been posted online on the 6th cycle planning page, under "Contract Documents":

https://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/rwp/planningdocu/2026/documents.asp

Discussion ensued regarding methodologies for feasible WMSs. Planning group members requested information on strategies to be used on Task 4B: Exhibit C, Section 2.11 (Identification of infeasible WMSs in the 2021 RWP).

AGENDA ITEM NO.7: PRESENTATION BY TECHNICAL CONSULTANT REGARDING RELEASED DRAFT DATA FROM TWDB

Ms. Lauren Gonzalez presented the conceptual schedule for Region L plan development. Her presentation is available online at <u>www.regionltexas.org</u>. Discussion ensued regarding the consideration of a potential drought worse than the drought on record and the incorporation of climate variability data in this cycle or future cycles. The RWPG tabled the matter pending more information to be provided from the upcoming Legislative Session.

Ms. Jaime Burke presented the irrigation and mining water demands projects and supporting data from TWDB.

AGENDA ITEM NO.8: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADDITIONAL SUBCOMMITTEES

No motion to create an additional subcommittee.

AGENDA ITEM NO.9: SCHEDULE 2023 SCTRWPG MEETINGS

The RWPG chose to keep the same schedule as 2022 and selected the first Thursday of February, May, August, and November. The 2023 SCTRWPG meeting dates will be February 2, 2023, May 4, 2023, August 3, 2023, and November 2, 2023.

AGENDA ITEM NO.10: SCHEDULE AND POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SCTRWPG

The RWPG expressed interest in a presentation from TWDB on population and municipal demand methodologies.

The next SCTRWPG meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2023, at 9:30 AM.

AGENDA ITEM NO.11: PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

AGENDA ITEM NO.12: ADJOURN

Mr. Stinson motioned to adjourn. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion, motion passed.