

Meeting Minutes
Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group Meeting
May 10, 2022 at 2:00 PM
Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority River Annex (905 Nolan Street, Seguin, TX 78155)

Roll Call:

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Interest Category</u>	<u>Present (x) / Absent () / Alternate Present (*)</u>
Doug Miller Melissa Reynolds*	<i>Agricultural</i>	X
John Johnston	<i>Counties</i>	
Lon Shell	<i>Counties</i>	X
Bobby Christmas	<i>Electric Generating Utilities</i>	X
Annalisa Peace Bill Parker*	<i>Environmental</i>	X
Doug Sethness Jennifer Urban*	<i>Flood districts</i>	X (left meeting at 3:30pm)
Kevin Stone	<i>Industries</i>	
Joseph Pantalion John Espinoza*	<i>Municipalities</i>	*
Ken Gill	<i>Municipalities</i>	X
Dr. Kimberly Meitzen	<i>Public</i>	X
R. Brian Perkins Charlie Hickman*	<i>River Authorities</i>	X
Ray Buck Tara Bushnoe*	<i>River Authorities</i>	*
Gian Villarreal Tami Norton*	<i>Small Business</i>	X
Ronald (Ron) Fieseler	<i>Water Districts</i>	X
Steven Fonville	<i>Water Utilities</i>	X

<u>Non-voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)</u>
Sue Reilly Beth Bendik*	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	
Hollie Hischer	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Jami McCool Kristin Lambrecht*	Texas Department of Agriculture	X
Allen Nash	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	X
Kris Robles Teresa Williams*	General Land Office	X
Ryke Moore	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	X
Joel Klumpp	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	
Don Durden	Public	X
Suzanne Scott	Region 12 Liaison	
Patrick Brzozowski Scott Hart!*	Region 10 Liaison	X

Quorum:

Quorum: Yes

Number of voting members or alternates representing voting members present: 13

Number required for quorum per current voting positions of 15: 8

Other Meeting Attendees:

Lauren Willis, GBRA (Facilitator)

Ram Mendoza, GBRA (IT)

Jay Scanlon, Freese & Nichols, Inc.

Adam Conner, Freese & Nichols, Inc.

Ben Eldridge, Cibolo Center for Conservation

Tom Hegemier, Doucet

Bill Barker, Great Springs Project

Laura Haverlah, H2O Partners

Virginia Parker, San Marcos River Foundation

Joyce Yannuzzi, Senator Donna Campbell's

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order

Chairman Doug Miller called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Lauren Willis called roll of the planning group members to record attendance and a quorum was established.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Welcome

Chairman Miller welcomed members to the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Approval of Minutes from the March 30, 2022 Region 11 RFG Meeting

Chairman Miller opened discussion on approving the minutes from the March 30, 2022 Region 11 RFG Meeting.

A motion was made by Ken Gill to approve the March 30, 2022 Region 11 RFG Meeting minutes. Bobby Christmas seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Region 11 Guadalupe RFG Chair Updates

Chairman Miller did not have any updates for the group.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Updates

Ryke Moore reviewed the following items:

- Chairs & Technical Conference Call's at the end of May
- TWDB is reviewing the Technical Memo's to provide more depth informal feedback by late Spring to incorporate in the draft submission.
- The Contract Amendment No.1 has been executed between TWDB and GBRA. Amendment No. 1 between GBRA and the subcontractor (FNI) is being reviewed by TWDB.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Guadalupe Region 11 RFG Sponsor Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) Updates

Lauren Willis reviewed the following items:

- Draft Amendment No. 1 between GBRA and FNI is being reviewed by the TWDB
- Reviewed updates to the guadalupeRFPG.org website and social media.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Discussion and potential action regarding administrative expenses to be submitted to the Texas Water Development Board for reimbursement

Lauren Willis reviewed the administrative costs for FY22Q2 (December 1, 2021 – February 28, 2022).

A motion was made by Kimberly Meitzen to approve the administrative expenses for FY22Q2 for reimbursement. Doug Sethness seconded the motion. The motion was approved by consensus.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Discussion and potential action regarding Region 11 RFPG Technical Consultants work and schedule.

Jay Scanlon overviewed the agenda, provided items that are being tracked by FNI within the region and reviewed updates on Tasks 1-10. Adam Conner, FNI updated the RFPG on public participation & outreach and reviewed the summary of data/information received to date by the technical consultants. Annalisa Peace inquired about traveling public meetings in the evening to present the draft flood plan throughout the basin (upper, middle and lower) in September. A discussion amongst the RFPG occurred with how to proceed with evening public meetings.

Jay Scanlon, FNI gave updates on Task 4B and Task 5. Tom Hegemier, Doucet & Associates led a discussion on Task 3 – Floodplain Management Practices and Goals for the following initiatives:

- Improve safety beyond minimal signage at low water crossings through automatic flood warning/gates and/or flood level passed
- Consider and incorporate nature-based practices (LID, green infrastructure, natural channel design) in Flood Mitigation Projects and Strategies
- Increase adoption of higher standards in high growth Counties
- Increase high growth local government CRS participation
- Reduce number of vulnerable buildings/structures/critical facilities within the 1% existing flood hazard layer
- Increase percentage of communities with dedicated funding sources for O&M of storm drainage systems

a. Discussion and potential action approving Chapter 1 of the Guadalupe Regional Flood Plan.

Chairman Miller opened the floor for discussion of approving Chapter 1. A motion was made by Brian Perkins to approve Chapter 1 for submittal to the TWDB. Ron Fieseler seconded the motion. The vote passed by a vote of 12 Ayes, 0 Nays.

AGENDA ITEM NO.9: Consider date and agenda items for next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 1st at 2pm at the GBRA River Annex.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Public General comments (Public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

Doug Miller provided instructions for public comments. One public comment was received.

1. Virginia Parker with the San Marcos River Foundation spoke about four topics; 1. She has been witnessing bulldozing along the River banks where healthy riparian zones should be in place, 2. There should be funding of conservation easements especially in the sensitive recharge zones, 3. At this time counties do not have the authority to protect riverways or the ability to stop break away structures being put in the flood way, and 4. Green infrastructure should be used.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Adjourn

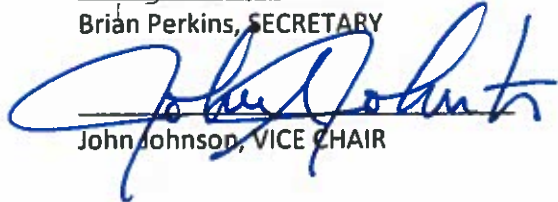
Brian Perkins made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ron Fieseler. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 PM by Doug Miller.

Approved by the Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG at a meeting held on June 1, 2022.



Brian Perkins, SECRETARY



John Johnson, VICE CHAIR