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Region 11: Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Executive Meeting

Monday, March 25, 2024
2:00pm

Agenda Item 1

Call to Order

1. Attendance
2. Individuals attending in-person, please sign-in

Welcome

Agenda Item 2

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Agenda Item 3

Approval of minutes from the December 1, 2021
Region 11 RFPG Executive Committee meeting

Meeting Minutes
Region 11 Guadalupe Flood Planning Group Executive Committee Meeting
December 1, 2021
12:30 PM
Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority River Annex (905 Nolan Street, Seguin, TX 78155)
or
GoToWebinar Virtual Meeting

Roll Call:

<u>Executive Committee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Present (x) / Absent () / Alternate Present (*)</u>
Doug Miller	<i>Chair</i>	X
John Johnston	<i>Vice Chair</i>	X
R. Brian Perkins	<i>Secretary</i>	X
Kimberly Meitzen	<i>At-Large</i>	X
Ronald Fieseler	<i>At-Large</i>	

<u>Non-voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent() / Alternate Present (*)</u>
Sue Reilly	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	
Jim Guin	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Jami McCool	Texas Department of Agriculture	
Allen Nash	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	
Kris Robles	General Land Office	
Morgan White	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	
Joel Klumpp Brittney Wortham-Teakell*	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	
Don Durden	Public	
Suzanne Scott	Region 12 Liaison	
Patrick Brzozowski Scott Hartl*	Region 10 Liaison	

Quorum:

Quorum: **Yes**

Number of voting members or alternates representing voting members present: 4

Number required for quorum per current voting positions of 5: **3**

Other Meeting Attendees:

Lauren Willis, GBRA (Meeting Facilitator)

Ram Mendoza, GBRA (IT)

Other Meeting Attendees:**

**Meeting attendee names were gathered from those who entered information for joining the GoToWebinar meeting.

All meeting materials are available for the public at: <http://www.quadalupeRFPG.org>

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order

Doug Miller called the meeting to order at 12:37 PM. Lauren Willis called roll of the Executive Committee members to record attendance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Welcome

Doug Miller welcomed members to the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Approval of Minutes from the October 5, 2021 Region 11 RFPG Executive Committee Meeting

Doug Miller opened discussion on approving the minutes from the October 5, 2021 Region 11 RFPG Executive Committee Meeting.

A motion was made by John Johnston to approve the October 5, 2021 Region 11 RFPG Executive Committee Meeting minutes. Kimberly Meitzen seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Discuss and consideration of Regional Flood Planning Group voting planning member travel costs associated with the grant contract amendment 1.

Doug Miller opened the floor for discussion. Brian Perkins moved that the Executive Committee recommend to the planning group to not reimburse for member travel. The motion was seconded by John Johnston. The vote passed by a vote of 4 Ayes to 0 Nays.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Public General comments (Public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

No public comments were given.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Adjourn

Brian Perkins made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by John Johnston. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 12:59 pm by Doug Miller.

Approved by the Region 11 Guadalupe Executive Committee at a meeting held on XX.

Brian Perkins, SECRETARY

Doug Miller, CHAIR

Agenda Item 4

Discuss interview process

- a. Conduct interviews with nominees for voting vacant position

Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG

Member Nomination Form

Date:

Name & Email of person submitting this form (Nominator, may be the same as nominee):

Nominee Name: Ben Eldredge

Nominee Phone: 210-633-7150

Nominee E-mail: ben.eldredge@gmail.com

Nominee Mailing Address: 202 Shane Lane, Boerne TX 78006

County in which the nominee resides: Kendall

Nominee Occupation: Conservationist

Nomination for Interest Group (Check One)

- Agricultural Counties Electric Generating Utilities Environmental
 Flood Districts Industries Municipalities Public River Authorities
 Small Business Water Districts Water Utilities

Brief bio and summary of qualifications specific to interest group

Ben Eldredge is the At-Large Director for the Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District, serving the district since 2019. As the Vice President of Conservation at the Cibolo Center for Conservation, Ben has successfully promoted a stream setback increase and distributed stormwater management now required by an award winning Low Impact Development (LID) ordinance. Ben also serves on numerous boards and committees, Hill Country Conservation Network Steering Committee, the Camp Bullis Sentinel Landscape Core Team, and the Kendall County Greenspaces Bond Committee.

General type of flood-related knowledge, experience, and approximately number of years of being involved in flood-related issues.

My interest in flood-related issues began in 2010 while serving as a member of the Upper Cibolo Creek Watershed Partnership. While nutrients were an initial concern, it became apparent that stewardship of the uplands, including development that added impervious cover, had a significant impact on nutrient loads, total suspended solids, other water pollution and flood intensity. Since then I have served as an educator for the preservation and thoughtful stewardship of natural infrastructure; including riparian stewardship and restoration, grazing management that facilitates groundwater recharge, as well as sensible development practices that slow water down, filter it and sink it in. In this regard, I take a holistic approach to stormwater management that includes reducing run-off where it begins.

Please provide 2 references (Name, title/affiliation, phone number)

Micah Voulgaris, General Manager of the Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District
(830) 446-9782

Milan Michalec, President of the Board of the Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District
(210) 373-5458

Please list any optional attachments included (Resume, CV, Resolutions, etc.)

CV

BENJAMIN ELDREDGE
202 SHANE LANE BOERNE, TX 78003
210.633.7150 BEN.ELDREDGE@GMAIL.COM

SUMMARY

Passionate and energizing environmental advocate creating impactful and lasting change through education, policy and conservation of land. Equipped with a broad knowledge of environmental solutions necessary to facilitate an equitable and sustainable future.

EXPERIENCE

CIBOLO CENTER FOR CONSERVATION
Boerne, Texas

2010 – Present

Vice President of Conservation
January 2023 - Present

Responsible for Civic Engagement, Research, Land Stewardship, and Conservation Partnerships; reporting to the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer.

- Serving as Vice-Chair of the Kendall County Greenspaces Bond Committee to promote cost-efficient and impactful use of \$20 Million in conservation funding.
- Successfully advocating to increase the acreage requirement for new wells in Kendall County from 6 acres to 10 acres.
- Introducing greenway trails into the City of Boerne's thoroughfare plan.
- Collaborating with partner organizations to create resources for regional leaders and advocates relating to county authority and conservation of natural infrastructure.
- Facilitating the creation of a county authority bill bracketed to the Camp Bullis Sentinel Landscape with Joint Base San Antonio, Alamo Area Council of Governments and Kendall County.
- Promoting a new groundwater management paradigm to Groundwater Management Area 9 that bases management rules on managing supply rather than in response to drawdown.
- Co-Creating a One Water Summit with the City of Boerne and Hill Country Alliance to showcase the Low Impact Development, water data dashboard and other successful water strategies implemented in Boerne.

- Coaching regional advocates regarding best practices for effective civic engagement.
- Influencing partner organizations to create resources for environmentally sensible development codes and promote reuse of wastewater.
- Supported House Bill 3995 in concert with the Kendall County Judge, through meetings with state representatives and producing education materials.

Director of Conservation January 2021 – December 2022

Responsible for Civic Engagement, Research, Land Stewardship, and Conservation Partnerships; reported to the Chief Executive Officer.

- Partnered with the Cibolo Conservancy on the passage of a \$20 Million Open Spaces Bond in Kendall County.
- Chaired the “Kendall County Trails Committee” and served on the “Kendall County, Boerne and Fair Oaks Ranch Transportation Planning Committee” to promote innovative, multi-modal, and environmentally responsible transportation solutions including multi-use trails, roundabouts, and public transportation.
- Co-created the Boerne Water Dashboard, the first municipal water data hub, with Duke University, the University of Texas, and the City of Boerne to inform regional stakeholders and decision makers about water sources, quantity, quality, and use.
- Served on the Kendall County Water Committee, promoting water-policy upgrades and coordinating presentations from subject matter experts.
- Produced articles relating to environmentally sensible development practices in the Texas Hill Country.
- Coached local advocacy groups and initiatives to better influence local decision makers and educate the public regarding resilient and environmentally sensible development solutions.

Director of Civic Engagement & Land Stewardship January 2020 - December 2021

Responsible for Civic Engagement, Research, Land Stewardship, and Conservation Partnerships; reported to the Chief Executive Officer.

- Inspired an organization name change to “Cibolo Center for Conservation” to better represent the scaled influence and outcomes being achieved through effective civic engagement.
- Created a partnership with the University of Texas “Planet Texas 2050” to collaborate on the evolution of Boerne to become a “Model Resilient City.”
- Served on the City of Boerne’s Unified Development Code Committee, successfully advocating for environmentally sensible development practices which resulted in the most environmentally protective development code in the State of Texas
- Led Boerne Internet of Water Focus Group Meetings with regional leaders, businesses, equity and advocacy groups.
- Supported the Boerne and Kendall County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) with strategic planning support and consultation to create the first EDC strategic plan in the State of Texas that emphasizes protection of natural resources as fundamental to the region’s economic well-being.
- Supported House Bill 3883 for increased county authority in partnership with Representative Kyle Biedermann and Commissioner Richard Elkins
- Provided thought-leadership to empower local leaders with innovative solutions that benefit the local environment, human well-being, and sustain a healthy economy.

**Director of Adult Education & Land Stewardship
January 2018 - February 2020**

Responsible for adult programs with a focus on land stewardship and sustainable living and ecological research; pioneered the center’s strategic civic engagement. Reported to the Chief Executive Officer.

- Planned and implemented restoration of 16 acres of old farm field to native prairie.
- Added new education programs, including “Restoration Agriculture for Natural Resource Professionals,” “Hands On Organic Gardening,” “Citizen Science for the Classroom.”
- Provided presentations to regional and national groups regarding low impact development, regenerative agriculture, civic engagement, monarch butterfly conservation and citizen science.

- Co-founded a regional advocacy group called “Inspire Boerne” to encourage public participation in city government with an emphasis on resource conservation.
- Authored “Inspiration for the Boerne Master Plan,” a document encouraging resource conservation and smart growth, including low-impact development, multimodal transportation, dark sky lighting, and increased park and open space requirements.
- Ran a campaign in opposition to a major highway loop around the City of Boerne that proposed an abusive use of eminent domain and would have induced rapid growth throughout the region.
- Cultivated collaborative relationships with city staff and local leaders.
- Recruited and coached applicants for open positions in local government.

Director of Education

January 2015 – January 2017

Responsible for co-creating a program planning process focused on community input and implementation subsequent implementation of the plan’s recommendations; reported to the Executive Director.

- Facilitated the “Life Journey Planning Process,” engaging the local community to develop programs that address the regions conservation education needs.
- Established a broad array of new education programs to appeal to and educate demographics from ages 3 to 99.
- Developed the Cibolo Nature School, a nature-based preschool for ages 3–5 years, including program and pedagogy research, consultant sourcing, a 5-year budget projection, board presentations, job descriptions, staff hiring, school certification and marketing.
- Created Agriculture Education Programs, including “Organic Gardening 101”, “Backyard Chickens”, “Honey I’ve Got the Bees”, associated educational resources and marketing materials.
- Hiring, training, management and recommended promotion of education department employees; Engaged in volunteer recruitment, training, and coordination.

Director of Adult Education & Citizen Science

March 2010 – December 2014

Responsible for education and program coordination emphasizing natural resource conservation through land stewardship, water conservation, solar energy, organic agriculture, and citizen science; land management of the 160-acre Cibolo campus. Reported to the Executive Director.

- Applied for and managed a grant to install a system of weirs to facilitate overland flow and apply moist-soil management practices in a constructed wetland; applying prescribed fire to manage woody plants in a tall grass prairie, and facilitating volunteer workdays to remove invasive plants.
- Created and guided citizen science surveys, including 19 ongoing wildlife monitoring efforts and research projects in partnership with the University of Texas at San Antonio.
- Developed and sustained unique natural resource stewardship programs including “Wildlife Tax Valuation,” “Streamside Management,” “Monarch Biology, Ecology and Citizen Science,” “Fire Ecology: How to Conduct a Prescribed Burn,” and more.
- Marketed education and research programs, including the creation of flyers, social media posts, and outreach to regional environmental groups.
- Guided Cibolo to become a founding member of the Monarch Joint Venture; managed grants and facilitated extensive Monarch education outreach throughout Texas in collaboration with passionate advocates.
- Facilitated staff and volunteer workgroups to plan programs, events, and projects.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

eLight Productions
Pipe Creek, Texas

April 2008 – February 2010

Independent Marketer

Marketing and branding for regional organizations, including websites and printed materials as well as production of marketing videos for businesses and not-for-profits.

Pipe Creek Ranch
Pipe Creek, Texas

June 2003 – March 2008

Ranch Manager

General management and oversight of employees of a 5,000 acre working ranch in the Texas Hill Country, including grazing and hunting lease management, coordinating with government agencies to fulfill grants for land stewardship, leading organic certification of the property, starting a tourism operation and providing economic assessment of new business enterprise viability.

EDUCATION

B.A., Hobart College, Geneva, NY, 2000

Major: Environmental Studies

Minor: English Literature and Religious Studies

University Of Queensland, Brisbane, QLD, Australia

August 1998 – November 1998

Environmental Field Work and Statistical Data Analysis

Texas Master Naturalist Certification, Kerrville, TX, Fall 2004

BOARDS

Hill Country Alliance

Board of Directors, Vice President

March 2019 - Present

Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District

Director, At-Large

December 2019 - Present

SELECT CURRENT AND PREVIOUS COMMITTEES & AFFILIATIONS

Vice-Chair of the Kendall County Greenspaces Bond Committee, 2023 – Present

Hill Country Conservation Network (HCCN) Steering Committee, 2021 – Present

Guadalupe River Flood Planning Group Alternate, 2021 - Present

Regional Flood Planning Crossregion's Dialogue Group, 2022 - Present

Camp Bullis Sentinel Landscapes Core Team, 2021 – Present

HCCN Water Team Co-Chair, 2023 - Present

Groundwater Management Area 9 Advocacy Group, 2022 - Present

Texas Water Development Board: Water Data Interest Group, 2020 - Present

Kendall County Dark Sky Team, 2020 - Present

Texas Department of Transportation: San Antonio District Bike Plan Committee, 2022 - Present

Kendall County Trails Committee, 2021 - Present

Kendall County, Boerne, Fair Oaks Transportation Planning Committee

Kendall County Water Committee; Water Data Sub-Committee Chair

Kendall County Open Space Bond Initiative

Boerne Internet of Water Leadership Team

Boerne Unified Development Code Committee

Boerne & Kendall County Economic Development Corporation Strategic Planning Committee

Texas Wildlife Society 1-d-1W Steering Committee (Wildlife Tax Valuation)

North American Pollinator Partnership Communication Task Force

Monarch Joint Venture Communication Workgroup

Kendall County Parks Advisory Group Land Stewardship Sub-Committee

Boerne Internet of Water Leadership Team

Boerne Unified Development Code Committee

Boerne & Kendall County Economic Development Corporation Strategic Planning Committee

Texas Wildlife Society 1-d-1W Steering Committee (Wildlife Tax Valuation)

North American Pollinator Partnership Communication Task Force

Monarch Joint Venture Communication Workgroup

SKILLS & ABILITIES

Strategic Planning

Writing Skills: Articles, Press Releases, Reports, Grants, and Scripts

Graphic Design: Websites, Posters, Brochures, Postcards, Photographs

Video Production: Camera Operation, Lighting, Editing, Sound, Writing, Directing

Computer Proficiency: MSWord, MExcel, Outlook, Final Cut, Final Draft, Photoshop, Google Earth, MindNode, Mac OS

Educating: Tailoring presentations and illustrations to specific audiences: youth, adults, teachers, business and civic leaders

PUBLICATIONS

Kendall County Community Wildfire Protection Plan Member of core team; emphasized need for prescribed fire to moderate fuel loads and to promote fire hardening buildings to reduce damage to structures.

Land, Water, Sky, and Natural Infrastructure Plan Core Team Member

State of the Hill Country Report Steering Committee Member

Safeguarding Military Readiness: HB 3885 Extolling the need for House Bill 3995 to expand county authority in the Camp Bullis region

County at a Crossroads Committee member, Chair of Trails Committee: authored "Trails and Public Transportation", Co-Chair of Education Committee

Boerne Mobility Masterplan Participated on Steering Committee emphasizing micro-mobility, public transportation, and ride-share; as well as the inclusion of Greenway Trails on the thoroughfare plan.

City of Boerne Unified Development Code (UDC) Committee member; fostered the creation of the most environmentally protective UDC in the State of Texas.

A 5 Year Economic Strategy Plan Boerne / Kendall 2020-2025 Facilitated relationship between the EDC and the Johnson School of Economics at the University of Texas to acquire strategic planning assistance. Served as a Roundtable Participant to ensure inclusion of natural resources protection, resulting in the first EDC in Texas that emphasized natural resources protection.

Water: Yours, Mine & Ours Co-created in collaboration with the Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District.

Life Journey Planning Process A program planning tool for multi-generational impact.

TECHNOLOGY

Boerne Water Dashboard Facilitated partnership between City of Boerne, University of Texas, and Duke University to create a first of its kind Internet of Water datahub.

ARTICLE EXAMPLES

"Investing in Natural Infrastructure is an Investment in Our Future"

“Custom Conservation: A Gift for Today and Tomorrow”

“State of the Hill Country: Growth in Unincorporated Areas of Kendall County”

“Putting Research into Action to Inform the Future of Water”

“We Are All in this Drought Together”

“Lessons from Monarchs”

“Getting Low Impact Development Right”

VIDEOS

Stream Setbacks: Presentation to Boerne City Council

History of the Cibolo Nature Center & Farm

Cibolo Nature Center: Boerne’s Gem

Susan Naylor “Just Breathe”

Cibolo Nature School

Restoration Agriculture with Mark Shepard (filmed casually, 28k views)

Presentation: “Many Avenues for Advocacy”

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2023 Hill Country Leadership Institute at the Hill Country Alliance

2019 Leadership Boerne at the Boerne Chamber of Commerce

2013 Certified Interpretive Guid Training from National Association of Interpreters (NAI)

NATIONAL & REGIONAL PRESENTATIONS

2023 Hill Country Alliance Leadership Summit: Natural Infrastructure Panel

2023 Association of Nature Center Administrators: Civic Engagement

2023 Texas Land Trust Council: Civic Engagement

2023 Hill Country Water Advocates: Civic Engagement

2022 Internet of Water Data Aggregation Case Study

2022 Kendall County Boerne and Fair Oaks Ranch Transportation Committee

- 2019 Association of Nature Center Administrators: Civic Engagement
- 2018 Association of Nature Center Administrators: Regenerative Agriculture
- 2018 Highland Lakes Master Naturalist Chapter: Civic Engagement
- 2018 Kronkosky Senior Center: Citizen Science
- 2017 Monarch Joint Venture Annual Meeting: Monarch Monitoring & Programming at Cibolo
- 2017 KLRN Public Television: Migration and Threats to Monarch Butterflies
- 2017 Texas Association of Nature Center Administrators: Life Journey Planning Process
- 2016 Association of Nature Center Administrators Conference: Life Journey Planning Pro
- 2016 Quivera Coalition, Texas: Threats to Monarchs & Agricultural Solutions
- 2015 Texas Pollinator Pow-Wow Kerrville, Schreiner University: Panel Discussion
- 2015 Texas Pollinator Pow-Wow Austin, LBJ Wildflower Center: Threats to Monarchs
- 2014 Rainwater Revival, Dripping Springs TX: Low Impact Development
- 2014 Association of Nature Center Administrators Conference: Citizen Science
- 2013 Rainwater Revival, Boerne Tx: Low Impact Development
- 2011 International Urban Wildlife Management & Planning Conference: Citizen Science
- 2010 & 2011 Texas Master Naturalist Conferences: Citizen Science

CONFERENCES & SYMPOSIA

- 2023 Association of Nature Center Administrators
- 2023 Texas Land Trust Council
- 2022 Texas Water Development Board Water Data Initiative
- 2019 Association of Nature Center Administrators
- 2018 Hill Country Alliance Hill Country Leadership Summit
- 2018 Association of Nature Center Administrators Conference
- 2018 San Antonio Green Business Bootcamp: All about LEED
- 2018 Texas Conservation Partnership Meeting
- 2018 Religion & Climate Change: Taking Our Planet Back

2018 US Green Building Council: Climate Action Plan Meeting
2017 South-Central Monarch Symposium
2017 San Antonio River Foundation Water Forum VIII
2017 Hill Country Alliance Hill Country Leadership Conference
2017 Earth Optimism Conference
2017 Texas Association of Nature Center Administrators Conference
2016 Association of Nature Center Administrators Conference
2016 Quivera Coalition Texas
2015 Hill Country Alliance Hill Country Leadership Conference
2015 Association of Nature Center Administrators Conference
2015 Permaculture Voices Conference II
2014 Texas Society for Ecological Restoration
2014 Hill Country Alliance Hill Country Leadership Conference
2014 Association of Nature Center Administrators Conference
2014 Nature-Based Preschool Conference
2014 Permaculture Voices Conference I
2013 Savory Institute International Conference
2012 Ecological Society of America Conference
2012 Public Participation in Scientific Research Conference
2012 Society for Conservation GIS Conference
2012 Hill Country Land-Use Expo
2011 Farm Based Education Conference
2011 Association of Nature Center Administrators Summit
2011 Esri International Users Conference
2011 International Urban Wildlife Management & Planning Conference
2009 Holistic Management International Conference
2007 7th Annual Texas Organic Farmers and Gardeners Conference
2004 Holistic Management International Conference
2003 Organic Trade Association Conference

Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG

Member Nomination Form

Date: September 8, 2023

Name & Email of person submitting this form (Nominator, may be the same as nominee):

Charlie Flatten

Nominee Name: Charlie Flatten

Nominee Phone: 512) 858-9253

Nominee E-mail: GM@HaysGroundwater.com

Nominee Mailing Address: PO Box 1648 Dripping Springs Tx 7862

County in which the nominee resides: Travis County

Nominee Occupation: Hydrologist/Water Manager

Nomination for Interest Group (Check One)

- Agricultural Counties Counties Electric Generating Utilities Environmental
 Flood Districts Industries Municipalities Public River Authorities
 Small Business Water Districts Water Utilities

Brief bio and summary of qualifications specific to interest group

Please note I would check Water Districts above. I have extensive long-range regional water planning, and am the General Manager at the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District. I currently serve on the Region K and Region L Regional Planning Groups, GMA-9 Joint Planning Group, and the Guadalupe Copano BBASC. And, I have long-term working relationships with many of the members of the Group.

General type of flood-related knowledge, experience, and approximately number of years of being involved in flood-related issues.

Supported rebuilding and riparian restoration efforts after the 2015 Blanco River flood and have been an advocate for natural flood mitigation systems where appropriate. Also grew up in Beaumont Texas and am no stranger to moving furniture upstairs and ripping out flood-damaged drywall.

Please provide 2 references (Name, title/affiliation, phone number)

Ron Fieseler, General Manager Emeritus, Blanco Pedernales GCD -- 830-868-9196.
Lon Shell, Hays County Commissioner, Pct 3. 512) 644-0848

Please list any optional attachments included (Resume, CV, Resolutions, etc.)

Find resume attached.

CHARLIE FLATTEN

PO Box 1648 ♦ Dripping Springs, Texas 78620

512-858-9253

GM@HaysGroundwater.com

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Chief Executive Officer leading a team of groundwater professionals -- dedicated to improving the long-term sustainability of the Trinity Aquifer in Hays County. Experienced manager with a demonstrated history of working in the water resources industry. Skilled in Water Planning, Water Policy & Law, Hydrology, Environmental Systems Education, and Watershed Health; and strong working relationships in statewide water policy and planning/management leadership.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District

Dripping Springs, Texas

General Manager

January 2020 -- Current

Hill Country Alliance

Bee Cave, Texas

Water Policy Program Manager

May 2012 – December 2019

Meadows Center for Water & the Environment Research Analyst

San Marcos, Texas

Grant Specialist (as required by master's degree curriculum)

Spring 2013

Casa Verde Consulting

Austin, Texas 78722

Owner

2007-Current

Stick-Boy/Flaco Chico Publishing & Graphic Art

Austin, Texas 78722

Owner/Designer

1991-Current

Big Wheel Cycles / Discovery Cycles

702 W. 24th St. Austin, Texas 78705

Owner/Operator

1992 - July 2009

EDUCATION

B.A., Geography, Minor in Architecture. The University of Texas at Austin: May 2011

- Physical Geography, G.I.S.
- Graphic and architectural design & theory, urban planning

M.A.G., Masters Applied Geography. Texas State University San Marcos: May 2013

- Water resource management, karst groundwater systems, watersheds, hydrology/hydrogeology, Texas water policy/law

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Voting member representing the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District on **Groundwater Management Area-9** Joint Groundwater Planning Group (Hill Country Trinity Aquifer)
- Voting member representing the Environment Stakeholder interest on the **Region L** (South Central Texas) Water Planning Group (San Antonio/Guadalupe/Blanco/Nueces River basins)
- Voting member representing the Public Stakeholder interest at the **Guadalupe/San Antonio River BBASC** environmental flows committee
- Alternate voting member of **Region K** (Lower Colorado) Water Planning Group (Lower Colorado/Pedernales/Llano/San Saba River basins)
- Austin Community College Science Curriculum Advisory Board

REFERENCES

- **On Request**

Discussion, nomination and consideration of individuals to fill the Water Districts interest category position

Agenda Item 5

Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG

Member Nomination Form

Date: 2/12/2024

Name & Email of person submitting this form (Nominator, may be the same as nominee):

John Packard (japackard@stec.org)

Nominee Name: John Packard

Nominee Phone: 361-485-6420

Nominee E-mail: japackard@stec.org

Nominee Mailing Address: PO Box 119, Nursery, TX 77976

County in which the nominee resides: Victoria

Nominee Occupation: Manager of Power Supply

Nomination for Interest Group (Check One)

- Agricultural Counties Counties Electric Generating Utilities Environmental
 Flood Districts Industries Municipalities Public River Authorities
 Small Business Water Districts Water Utilities

Brief bio and summary of qualifications specific to interest group

Mr. Packard has over 27 years of experience at South Texas Electric Cooperative (STEC) and currently serves as the Manager of Power Supply for STEC. As Manager of Power Supply, Mr. Packard's has responsibility for operations and maintenance of STEC's existing owned generation resources. In addition, he is also responsible for administration of STEC's purchased power agreements, future power supply planning, and oversight of STEC's wholesale marketing and trading operations. Mr. Packard holds a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Houston-Victoria

General type of flood-related knowledge, experience, and approximately number of years of being involved in flood-related issues.

Mr. Packard has worked at the Sam Rayburn Power Plant on the banks of the Guadalupe River for 27 years, including through the flood of record in 1998, Hurricanes Harvey and Claudette, and through numerous flood events. Mr. Packard has been responsible for forecasting the impact of flood events on Cooperative properties and assets and is familiar with publicly available data available for flood prediction and analysis.

Please provide 2 references (Name, title/affiliation, phone number)

Clif Lange, General Manager, 361-485-6320, Tony Gigli, Plant Manager, 361-485-6327

Please list any optional attachments included (Resume, CV, Resolutions, etc.)

Agenda Item 6

Discussion, nomination and consideration of individuals to fill the Electric Generating Utilities interest category position.

Discussion, evaluation and action concerning the technical consultant procurement for Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group.

- a. Potential presentations by technical consulting firms
- b. Discussion and evaluation of Statement of Qualifications in response to the RFQ
- c. Consideration of a recommendation to the full RFPG for a selection of a technical consultant to provide services for the development of a regional flood plan for Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG.

Public general comments – limit 3 minutes per person

Agenda Item 8

Adjourn

Agenda Item 9