

Meeting Minutes
Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group Meeting
May 5, 2021
2:00 PM

Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority River Annex (905 Nolan Street, Seguin, TX 78155)
or
GoToWebinar Virtual Meeting

Roll Call:

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Interest Category</u>	<u>Present (x) / Absent () / Alternate Present (*)</u>
Doug Miller Melissa Reynolds*	<i>Agricultural interests</i>	X
John Johnston	<i>Counties</i>	X
Lon Shell	<i>Counties</i>	X
Bobby Christmas	<i>Electric Generating Utilities</i>	
Annalisa Peace Vanessa Puig-Williams*	<i>Environmental interests</i>	X
Beth Parker Doug Sethness*	<i>Flood districts</i>	*
Kevin Stone	<i>Industries</i>	
Joseph Pantalion Laurie Moyer*	<i>Municipalities</i>	X
Ken Gill	<i>Municipalities</i>	X
Kimberly Meitzen	<i>Public</i>	X
R. Brian Perkins Charlie Hickman*	<i>River authorities</i>	X
Ray Buck Jonathan Letz*	<i>River authorities</i>	*
Gian Villarreal Tami Norton*	<i>Small business</i>	*
Ronald (Ron) Fieseler	<i>Water districts</i>	X
Joseph McDaniel	<i>Water utilities</i>	X

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

Suzanne Scott	Region 12 Liaison	X
Patrick Brzozowski	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)
 Ramiro Mendoza, GBRA (IT)
 Velma Danielson, Blanton & Associates, Inc.
 Robert Ryan, Blanton & Associates, Inc.
 Jay Scanlon, Freese & Nichols, Inc.

Other Meeting Attendees: **

James Bronikowski
 Adam Conner, Freese & Nichols
 Anna Farrell-Sherman
 Danielle Goshen
 Tom Hegemier
 Tami Norton
 Arsum Pathak
 Vanessa Puig-Williams
 Alicia Reinmund-Martinez

Pratibha Sapkota
 Emily Schwartz
 Dianne Wassenich
 Christine Westerman
 Jennifer White
 Reem Zoun
 Matt Nelson
 Melissa Reynolds
 Daniel Zell

****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.quadalupеRFPG.org>

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order

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

Doug Miller welcomed members to the meeting.

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

Doug Miller provided instructions for public comments. No public comments were given.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Approval of Minutes from the April 13, 2021 Region 11 RFPG Meeting

Doug Miller opened discussion on approving the minutes from the April 13, 2021 Region 11 RFPG Meeting.

A motion was made by John Johnston to approve the April 13, 2021 Region 11 RFPG Meeting. Ken Gill seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG Chair Updates

Chairman Doug Miller welcomed the Technical consultant team, Freese & Nichols, Inc. (FNI).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: TWDB Update/Presentation

Chairman Doug Miller welcomed Board Member Kathleen Jackson with the TWDB. Director Jackson reviewed water-planning program, and thanked flood-planning members for their service in the inaugural state flood plan.

AGENDA ITEMS NO. 8 & 9 MOVED BEFORE AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

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

Jay Scanlon introduced the FNI team: Adam Conner - Assistant Project Manager, the firms comprised of the technical consultant team – Freese & Nichols Inc., Doucet and Associates, Inc., Blanton & Associates, Inc., Scheibe Consulting, LLC, and H2O Partners, Inc. Discussed the project schedule and reviewed expectations of the first planning cycle.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Discussion of second Pre-Planning Public Input Meeting to solicit public input (as required per Texas Water Code §16.062(d) and 31 Texas Administrative Code §361.12(a)(4))

Velma Danielson and Robert Ryan with Blanton & Associates led the discussion of how to increase public involvement/participation. Ideas suggested include: (1) survey the RFPG members to connect all communities to the flood planning process, (2) continue to build the flood planning contact list (3) send an e-blast to stakeholders, (4) create a press release, (5) use social media and (6) create a virtual public meeting. Robert Ryan reviewed an example of a virtual public meeting.

The second pre-planning public input meeting was suggested to be in the July timeframe, be in the evening, and move to other locations such as Wimberley community center, San Marcos community Center, Schools, etc.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Other Presentations

Arsum Pathak, Ph.D. - National Wildlife Federation, Anna Farrell-Sherman - Environment Texas, and Danielle Goshen - Galveston Bay Foundation presented on Nature-Based Solutions for Flood Mitigation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Update from RFPG Sponsor Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA)

Lauren Willis gave an update on the contract between the technical consultant, FNI and GBRA.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Public General comments (Public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

Doug Miller provided instructions for public comments. No public comments were given.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Consider date and agenda items for next meeting

Doug Miller opened discussion to consider the date and agenda items for the next meeting.

The RFPG discussed starting in-person meetings in August and at this meeting potentially have a reception with spouses.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: Adjourn


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

The meeting adjourned at 3:56 PM by Doug Miller.

Approved by the Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG at a meeting held on 06/02/2021.



Brian Perkins, SECRETARY


Doug Miller, CHAIR