

Meeting Minutes
Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group Meeting
March 30, 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 Vanessa Puig-Williams*	<i>Environmental</i>	X
Vacant	<i>Flood districts</i>	
Kevin Stone	<i>Industries</i>	
Joseph Pantalion John Espinoza**	<i>Municipalities</i>	X
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 Jonathan Letz*	<i>River Authorities</i>	X
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	
Jim Guin Natalie Johnson*	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
Morgan White 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	Region 10 Liaison	

Scott Hartl*		
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Quorum:

Quorum: Yes

Number of voting members or alternates representing voting members present: 12

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.

Vanessa Escobar, Blanton & Associates

Ben Eldridge, Cibolo Center for Conservation

Tom Hegemier, Doucet

Daniel Harris, Scheibe Consulting

Lisa McCracken Mairs, USACE

Troy Dorman, Halff

Jennifer Urban, Dewitt County Drainage District

Bill Barker, Great Springs Project

Ray Don Tilley, WVWA/Tilley Interests

John Wilson

Karen Brennan

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

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order

Chairman Doug Miller called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Welcome

Chairman Miller welcomed members to the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Approval of Minutes from the February 9, 2022 Region 11 RFPG Meeting

Chairman Miller opened discussion on approving the minutes from the February 9, 2022 Region 11 RFPG Meeting.

A motion was made by Ron Fieseler to approve the February 9, 2022 Region 11 RFPG Meeting minutes. Bobby Christmas seconded the motion. The vote passed by a vote of 12 Ayes, 0 Nays.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Presentation: Region 12 RFPG – Nature Based Solutions and Floodplain Management Toolbox, Dr. Troy Dorman, PhD, PE, CFM

Dr. Troy Dorman with Halff & Associates presented on Nature Based Solutions and Floodplain Management Toolbox for the San Antonio River Basin RFPG.

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

Lauren Willis called roll of the planning group members to record attendance and a quorum was established. Chairman Miller provided updates from the Chairs conference call hosted by TWDB on March 2, 2022.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Updates

Morgan White reviewed the following items:

- Technical Memo #2 was considered administratively complete. TWDB are reviewing both Technical Memo #1 and #2 to provide more depth informal feedback by late Spring (April or May) to incorporate in the draft submission.
- The Contract Amendment No.1 has been executed between TWDB and GBRA. Amendment No. 1 will now need to be executed between GBRA and FNI.
- The draft regional flood plan is due this August to TWDB. The TWDB sent out a newsletter in March with future requirements for public comments to the draft plan.
- A media toolkit was put together to assist the regional flood planning groups
- Reviewed requirements for voting on FME, FMS, FMP (FMXs)

It was suggested by Brian Perkins that the TWDB post each regions Technical Memo's on their website.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Guadalupe Region 11 RFPG Sponsor Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) Updates

Lauren Willis reviewed the following items:

- Draft Amendment No. 1 is being routed through FNI
- Technical Memo #2 was considered administratively complete on March 22, 2022
- Reviewed updates to the guadalupeRFPG.org website and social media. The Technical Memo's and Draft Chapters have been added to the website under the tab 'Documents for Public View'

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Update from Region 10 (Lower Colorado-Lavaca) and Region 12 (San Antonio) Liaisons

Ron Fieseler updated that Region 10 is on the same schedule as Region 11 and are having hybrid meetings. Annalisa updated that Region 12 had a meeting presentation from David Skuodas with the Mile High Flood District and recommended this to the group.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Consider Executive Committee's recommendation, discussion and consider taking action to fill the Flood Districts interest category position.

Lauren Willis reviewed the two applications received from Doug Sethness and Ed Dobbs.

Doug Miller opened discussion of nominating Doug Sethness for the flood districts interest category. A motion was made by Brian Perkins to nominate Doug Sethness to fill the open position in the Flood Districts interest category group. Kimberly Meitzen seconded the motion. The vote passed by a vote of 12 Ayes, 0 Nays.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Discussion and potential action regarding Region 11 RFPG Technical Consultants work and schedule.

Jay Scanlon overviewed the agenda and provided items that are being tracked by FNI within the region. Vanessa Escobar, Blanton & Associates updated the RFPG on public participation & outreach and reviewed the summary of data/information received to date by the technical consultants. It was mentioned that Ray Buck with UGRA submitted a letter to request an evaluation of water and sediment

control facilities as a flood mitigation strategy, a copy of this letter will be provided in the meeting materials for next month. Daniel Harris, Scheibe Consulting provided a high-level overview of Chapter 1. A discussion occurred about the karst features map. Adam Conner, FNI reviewed Task 4 – Assessment and identification of Needs/FM actions, Task 7 – Flood Response Information and Activities and Task 9 – Flood Infrastructure Financing Analysis. Jay Scanlon, FNI reviewed Task 5 – Recommended Flood Mitigation Actions and the format that these will be presented to the RFPG in the future, Task 8 – Administrative, Regulatory, Legislative Recommendations and reviewed the Region 11 dashboard.

AGENDA ITEM NO.11: Consider date and agenda items for next meeting

A doodle poll will be sent out to the RFPG members to get a date in May on the calendar along with an additional meeting in June or July. The next meeting will be held in-person.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Public General comments (Public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

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

1. Mr. Ben Eldredge with the Cibolo Center for Conservation spoke about the importance of natural infrastructure, the riparian areas acting as an effective sponge. He would like the RFPG members to consider the value of natural infrastructure with regards to future recommendations being made.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: Adjourn

Brian Perkins made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Bobby Christmas. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 4:29 PM by Doug Miller.

Approved by the Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG at a meeting held on May 10, 2022.



Brian Perkins, SECRETARY



Doug Miller, CHAIR