

Meeting Minutes
Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group Meeting
January 10, 2024 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>	X
Lon Shell	<i>Counties</i>	X
Vacant	<i>Electric Generating Utilities</i>	
Annalisa Peace Bill Barker*	<i>Environmental</i>	*(arrived at 2:07pm)
Doug Sethness	<i>Flood districts</i>	X
Matt Koone	<i>Industries</i>	X
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
Tara Bushnoe	<i>River Authorities</i>	X
Gian Villarreal Tami Norton*	<i>Small Business</i>	X
Vacant	<i>Water Districts</i>	
Steven Fonville	<i>Water Utilities</i>	

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

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.

Velma Danielson, Blanton & Associates

Tim Crow, City of Gonzales

David Guajardo, Green Dewitt Drainage District

Rich Kelley, TWDB

Mike Kelly, TWDB

Kelly Fuller, Guadalupe County

Joyce Yannuzzi, Senator Campbell's Office

Wayne Berger, City of Cuero

Jose Ramos, City of San Marcos

Mayor S.H. "Steve" Sucher

Christopher Willis, City of New Braunfels

Robert Boyd, Comal County

David Vollbrecht, Comal County

Rachel Hanes, GEAA

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 2:02 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. Ian Blair introduced Mike Kelly, Regional Flood Planning Manager with TWDB and Kelly Rich, PE, CFM - Flood Modeling Water Science & Conservation with TWDB.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Approval of minutes from the September 12, 2023 Region 11 RFPG Meeting.

Chairman Miller opened discussion on approving the minutes from the September 12, 2023 Region 11 RFPG Meeting.

A motion was made by Doug Sethness to approve the September 12, 2023 Region 11 RFPG Meeting minutes. Brian Perkins seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

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

Chairman Miller updated the RFPG that the notice of completion for the final 2023 Amended Regional Flood Plan was accepted on January 9, 2024.

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

Ian Blair reviewed the following items.

1. Congratulated the group for receiving the 'acceptable email'
2. Transition period between cycle one and cycle two
3. Process for amended plans

4. Reviewed changes to administrative codes

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

Lauren Willis reviewed the following items.

1. Introduced Christine Blain, GBRA Community Affairs Coordinator
2. Reviewed the timeline for closing out the first cycle and actions to be taken to start the second cycle.
3. Applications being accepted for the electric generating utilities
4. Reviewed the timeline for the Executive Committee meeting to be held in mid-March

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Potential Presentation: TWDB Nature Based Design Guidelines.

Kelly Rich, PE, CFM - Flood Modeling Water Science & Conservation with TWDB and Krista Melnar, Stormwater Practice Lead with Freese & Nichols presented on Nature Based Solutions for Flood Mitigation

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Consider nominating and potential action electing RFPG Officers for 2024 (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and two members-at-large).

Chairman Miller opened discussion on 2024 Regional Flood Planning Group Officers.

A motion was made by Gian Villareal to nominate the current representatives: Doug Miller for Chair, John Johnston for Vice-Chair, Brian Perkins for Secretary and Kimberly Meitzen for Member-at-Large. Doug Sethness seconded the motion. John Johnston amended the nomination to include Gian Villareal for the second Member-at-Large position. Doug Sethness seconded the motion. The vote passed by a vote of 12 Ayes, 0 Nays.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Discussion and potential action regarding Region 11 RFPG Technical Consultants work and schedule.

Jay Scanlon with Freese & Nichols, Inc. (FNI) overviewed the agenda.

- a. **Discussion on TWDB feedback on the Region 11 RFPG Technical Consultants work and schedule.**

Jay Scanlon reviewed the TWDB feedback on the amended Flood Plan.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Consider date and agenda items for next meeting

- a. Wednesday, January 10th
- b. Wednesday, April 3rd (Texas Water second week of April)
- c. Wednesday, July 10th
- d. Wednesday, October 9th

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

1. Joyce Yannuzzi: Legislative priorities for the 89th session
2. Jay: FIF funding

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Adjourn

Doug Sethness made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Brian Perkins. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 3:19 PM by Chairman Miller.

Approved by the Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG at a meeting held on April 3, 2024.



Brian Perkins, SECRETARY



Doug Miller, CHAIR