

AnRegion 3 Trinity Flood Planning Group Hybrid Meeting
Thursday, December 16, 2021
10:00 a.m.
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Tejas Room, Centerpoint III Building, 3rd Floor
600 Six Flags Drive
Arlington, TX 76011

The Region 3 Trinity Flood Planning Group held a meeting, in person as well as virtual, on Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 10:00 AM. Acting Chairman Glenn Clingenpeel called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

Voting Members Present:

Melissa Bookhout
Lissa Shepard
Sano Blocker (absent)
Jordan Macha (absent)
Rachel Ickert
Matt Robinson
Sarah Standifer
Andrew Isbell
Glenn Clingenpeel
Chad Ballard
Galen Roberts for Mike Rickman
Scott Harris

10 voting members were present, constituting a quorum.

Ex Officio Members Present:

Adam Whisenant
Rob Barthen
Andrea Sanders
Steve Bednarz
Brooke Bacuetes
James Bronikowski for Richard Bagans
Humberto (Bert) Galvan
Greg Waller
Ellen Buchanan
Todd Burrer
Jerry Cotter
Lisa McCracken (absent)
Diane Howe (absent)
Edith Marvin
Justin Bower
Lonnie Hunt (absent)

Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting

Motion: Matt Robinson moved to approve the minutes as presented;
Second: Chad Ballard; Action: Minutes were unanimously approved.

Acknowledgement of written public comments received

No written public comments were received.

Receive registered public comments on specific agenda items

No registered public comments were received.

TWDB Update

James Bronikowski with TWDB gave an update on a few changes since the last meeting.

TWDB held two conference calls on Wednesday, December 8, 2021. First conference call was for technical consultants and planning group sponsors to provide for further guidance on the definition of flood mitigation strategies and the definition on emergency need. Examples for Exhibit B deliverables were provided including an issue related to unique ID's TWDB needed to clarify. The second conference call was for planning group chairs and included a round robin discussion on any issues, updates, questions that the chairs or agents have been experiencing.

Update from Region 3 Technical Consultant – Stephanie Griffin with Halff Associates

- a. Chapter 2 Flood Risk Analyses -Jarred Overbey with Halff Associates
 1. Update on future conditions
 - a. TWDB approved the future 100 yr methodology, but indicated that future 500 yr could not be shown as a gap in data. The consultant team came up with a proposal using a buffer derived from the difference between the existing 100 yr and 500 yr. This buffer works out to be approximately 40ft and was applied to the current 500 yr to produce a potential future 500 yr floodplain range.
- b. Chapter 3 Floodplain Management Practices and Goals – Kimberly Miller with Halff Associates
 1. Edits were proposed on 4.B, 5.B and 7.A following a QC review by the consultant team
 - a. Goal 4.B
 - a. Following discussion on the proposed language, alternative language was decided upon that included the addition of “and planning documents” following “Future Land Use plans.”

- b. Goal 5.B. No comments or discussion on proposed changes.
 - c. Goal 7.A. The Group agreed to move this goal to Chapter 8.
- II. Proposed addition of new goals under Goal 3, Reducing Property Damage and Loss.
- a. The consultant team proposed adding two new goals (D and E)
 - i. Goal 3 D would create a goal to “reduce the number of critical facilities within the 1% floodplain” with a short-term goal of 5% and a long-term goal of 10%.
 - ii. Goal E would read, “When relocation and/or elevation adjustment is not possible, increase the number of non-residential facilities that implement flood proofing” with a short-term goal of 5 residential facilities and a long-term goal of 25.
 - b. Goal 3 B – after discussion, the Group decided to add “elevation of structures” to this goal, within the parentheses, as a means of reducing the number of structures in the 1% floodplain.
- III. Proposed addition of new goals (C and D) under Goal 5, Flood Infrastructure Improvement
- a. Proposed adding Goal C to be worded “Improve urban drainage infrastructure to minimize flood risk” with a short-term goal of 50 miles, and a long-term goal of 500 miles.
 - b. Proposed adding Goal D to be worded “Perform annual inspections to maintain existing dams, levees, ponds and other flood mitigation structures” with a short-term goal of establishing a baseline measurement, and a long-term goal of 10%.
 - i. There was considerable discussion involving changes to the proposed language. As the Group was unable to reach a consensus on changes to the proposed language, the Group decided to move forward with the proposed language as presented and revisit additional changes at a later date.
- IV. Consider approval of edits to goals – Glenn Clingenpeel asked for a motion; Motion: Andrew Isbell made a motion to approve the goals as edited and discussed; Second: Scott Harris; Action: passed unanimously
- c. Chapter 4 Flood Mitigation Needs and Potentially Feasible Solutions – Stephanie Griffin - Halff Associates
- I. Review Task 4C Technical Memo - Consider approval of Technical Memo to be submitted to TWDB by Jan 7, 2022, with understanding that attachments are being updated as appropriate.
 - a. Glenn Clingenpeel asked for a motion to approve the technical memorandum, to include changes to goals based on that day’s discussions.

Motion: Matt Robinson moved to authorize the technical memorandum to include the discussed changes to goals; Second: Scott Harris; Action: Motion approved unanimously

- II. Task 4A scoring criteria update on Storm Event Database – Dr. David Rivera with Halff Associates gave an update on questions raised at the last meeting. The original intent of using the database was to identify areas within the basin that were subjected to more frequent storms. Because of the nature of the Storm Event Database, it cannot be used for that specific purpose. However, the consultant team recommended keeping the data set in the scoring matrix, as it provided meaningful information regarding the occurrence and frequency of damaging storm events. Dr. Rivera clarified that this was an information item only, and no action was required or taken.

d. Schedule look ahead.

- a. The consultant team reviewed upcoming meetings and important deadlines.
- January 7, 2022 Tech Memo due to TWDB
 - End of January 2022 the Group will begin to review of draft Tech Memo Addendum
 - February 17, 2022
 - Group will meet to consider approval of the Tech Memo Addendum
 - Consultant team will introduce Chapters 5,6 & 7 for review
 - March 7, 2022, Tech Memo Addendum is due to the TWDB
 - April 21, 2022, Group will meet to:
 - Review Chapters 2 and 4
 - Receive updates on Chapters 5 through 10

Consider establishing Technical Subcommittee(s)

The Group discussed creating a subcommittee to review the list of potential FMEs/FMPs/FMs (flood management activities) and to create a list of recommended activities for the Regional Flood Plan. Mr. Clingenpeel called for volunteers to serve on the committee. The following individuals volunteered:

Craig Ottman
Sarah Standifer
Glenn Clingenpeel
Lissa Shepard
Matt Robinson
Andrew Isbell (subject to confirmation)
Scott Harris
Galen Roberts

The Chair appointed these individuals to the subcommittee.

Glenn Clingenpeel clarified that while this list would be the official voting roster, any and all members would be welcomed to attend and participate in the committee meetings.

Updates from Liaisons Region 5 and 6

Region 5 Neches RFPG – Ellen Buchanan stated that the Region 5 Group is on relatively the same path as Region 3, and that they continue to discuss goals for their region. She stated that she appreciates Andrew Isbell's participation in their group.

Region 6 San Jacinto RFPG. No updates were provided.

Update from Planning Group Sponsor

Mr. Clingenpeel stated that an amendment to the Region 3 RFPG grant had been negotiated and was being routed for signatures. The amendment would add additional money and tasks to the contract with an associated time extension for the additional work only.

Consider approval of policy for reimbursing planning group members for expenses

A reimbursement policy was presented to the Group for consideration. The policy dictates how requests for mileage reimbursement are to be made. The chair then called for a motion to approve the policy.

Motion: Matt Robinson moved to approve the policy for reimbursements as presented;

Second: Sarah Standifer; Action: Motion approved unanimously

Review administrative costs requiring certification

There was no discussion or action under this item.

Receive general public comments

Mr. Clingenpeel opened the floor for public comments. No comments were received and the public comment section was closed.

Announcements –

Sarah Standifer provided a brief overview of the quarterly Regional Chairs call which she attended on behalf of the Group. She stated that other regions are also holding hybrid meetings with no intention to change. She also stated that there was a conversation about public outreach and the need to have consistent

messaging across the state. She said that the TWDB would put something together for the regions.

Confirm meeting date for next meeting

Feb 17th at 10 am – at Crockett Civic Center (location tentative)

April 21st hosted by City of Dallas

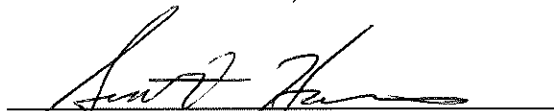
Agenda items for next meeting –

Approval of tech memorandum addendum;
Introducing chapters 5, 6, 7

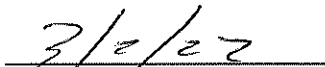
Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

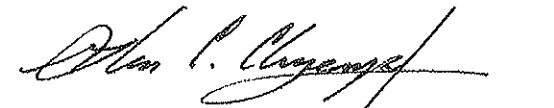
THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING ARE CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE REGION 3 TRINITY FLOOD PLANNING GROUP HELD DECEMBER 16, 2021.



SCOTT HARRIS, Secretary
REGION 3 TRINITY FLOOD
PLANNING GROUP



Date



GLENN CLINGENPEEL, Chair
REGION 3 TRINITY FLOOD
PLANNING GROUP

12/16/2021

Date