

Region 3 Trinity Flood Planning Group Meeting Thursday, July 11, 2024 2:00 p.m.

The Region 3 Trinity Flood Planning Group will hold a public meeting in-person pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.127. This meeting will be conducted in a hybrid format.

In-person: Trinity River Authority of Texas TRA General Office 5300 S Collins St Arlington TX 76018

Virtually: Via WebEx videoconference at: <u>https://bit.ly/3VVRLIx</u> or via phone at 1-408-418-9388 access code 2494 717 8949 Webinar number: 2494 717 8949 Webinar password: trinity5300 (87464895 from phones).

Members of the public may attend, participate and/or address the RFPG in-person, or they may virtually access the meeting using the videoconference link or teleconference information provided above. Members of the public wishing to address the Trinity RFPG during the meeting are encouraged to follow the registration and comment procedures found below.

MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Roll call
- 3. * Approval of minutes from the previous meeting
- 4. Acknowledgement of written public comments received
- Receive registered public comments on specific agenda items limit 3 minutes per person
- 6. TWDB Update
- 7. Update from the Policy Subcommittee
- 8. Updates from liaisons for adjoining coastal regions
 - a. Region 5 Neches RFPG
 - b. Region 6 San Jacinto RFPG

- 9. Updates from Planning Group Sponsor
 - a. Status of contracts for second cycle of planning
 - b. Overview of amendment process for Regional and Statewide Flood Plans
- 10. Receive registered general public comments limit 3 minutes per person
- 11. Announcements
- 12. Confirm meeting date for next meeting
- 13. Consider agenda items for next meeting
- 14. Adjourn
- * Denotes Action Item

ORAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

If you wish to provide oral public comments at the meeting, you are encouraged to register in advance by emailing <u>info@trinityrfpg.org</u> no later than 1:00 p.m. on July 11, 2024, providing your name, phone number, email address and who are you representing, and indicating if you wish to comment on a specific agenda item or provide general comments. During the meeting, those who have registered to speak, either in-person or virtually, will be called upon by the Chair during the appropriate comment period. At the discretion of the Chair, unregistered attendees who wish to speak may also have the opportunity to provide oral comments during the public comment periods of the agenda.

- Those participating by videoconference will be asked to use the "raise hand" function, visible by hovering the cursor over the attendee's name onscreen, to indicate their interest in speaking during the appropriate public comment period.
- Those participating by teleconference will be asked to enter *3 to indicate their interest in speaking and to be placed into the queue in order to be called upon during the appropriate public comment period.

WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS

If you wish to provide written comments prior to or after the meeting, please email your comments to <u>info@trinityrfpg.org</u> and include "Region 3 Trinity Flood Planning Group Meeting" in the subject line of the email.

Additional information may be obtained from: Alexis Long at: (817) 467-4343 or by email at: <u>longas@trinityra.org</u> Physical location: 5300 South Collins Street, Arlington, TX 76018



July 11, 2024

1. Call to order

2. Roll call

3. Approval of minutes

Region 3 Trinity Flood Planning Group Meeting Thursday, April 4, 2024 2:00 p.m.

The Region 3 Trinity Flood Planning Group convened a public meeting, in person as well as virtual, on Thursday, April 4, 2024, 2:00 p.m. Chairman Glenn Clingenpeel opened the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

Voting Members Present:

Chad Ballard, joined after roll call Sano Blocker (absent) Melissa Bookhout Glenn Clingenpeel Rachel Ickert Craig Ottman (present alternate for Rachel Ickert) Scott Harris Andrew Isbell (absent) Jordan Macha (absent) Galen Roberts Matt Robinson (absent) Lissa Shepard Sarah Standifer

7 voting members were present at the time of roll call, constituting a quorum.

Ex Officio Members Present:

Susan Alvarez (absent) Steve Bednarz (absent) John Blount (absent) Justin Bower (absent) Todd Burrer (absent) Humberto (Bert) Galvan Diane Howe (absent) Lonnie Hunt (absent) Risa King (absent) Neely Kirkland for Manuel Martinez Katie Koslan Mark LeMense for Andrea Sanders Matthew Lepinski Lisa McCracken (absent) Greg Waller (absent) Adam Whisenant (absent) Amanda Young (absent)

Approval of the Minutes of the January 18, 2024, Meeting

Motion: Lissa Shepard Second: Galen Roberts

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 – Katie Koslan, TWDB

Katie Koslan, TWDB Project Manager for Region 3 RFPG, provided an update. All Amended Regional Plans were approved in March 2024. The TWDB is, working on closing the first cycle grants and executing contracts for second cycle. All regions Request for Application packages for the second cycle of flood planning have been approved. Public comments on legislative recommendations were encouraged until April 11, 2024.

Update from the Policy Subcommittee – Rachel Ickert, TRWD

Rachel Ickert, TRWD, provided an update. She noted the absence of recent subcommittee meetings and discussed interactions with the TWDB. Rachel suggested reassessing the subcommittee's purpose and role considering TWDB's recent policy recommendations. Matthew Lepinski provided additional context on the TWDB's support for regional initiatives and the potential inclusion of recommendations in future planning cycles. Discussion ensued about the timing and content of recommendations, with a decision to maintain the subcommittee but revisit its role as needed during the next planning cycle.

Updates from liaisons for adjoining coastal regions

- a. Region 5 Neches RFPG: Chad Ballard stated there were no updates.
- b. Region 6 San Jacinto RFPG: Scott Harris stated there were no updates.

<u>Update from Planning Group Sponsor</u> – Glenn Clingenpeel - TRA

a. Grant funding request for second cycle of regional flood planning

The Request for Application for flood planning second cycle had been submitted and revised based on feedback. It was accepted by TWDB in March. Negotiations for the grant contract were expected to follow, with an optimistic target for June, though August was deemed more feasible. b. Consultant selection for second cycle of regional flood planning

Only one firm, Halff Associates, submitted a request for qualifications. They qualified and submitted a proposal.

Chairman Glenn Clingenpeel proposed a motion to accept the proposal that was received from Halff Associates and to authorize the Authority to enter into negotiations with Halff Associates with the intent to ultimately execute a contract for the second round of flood planning.

Motion: Scott Harris moved to accept the proposal from Halff Associates and authorize the Authority to enter into negotiations with Halff Associates for the second round of flood planning; Second: Lissa Shepard; Abstention: Rachel Ickert; Action: Passed with 1 abstention and none opposed.

Review administrative costs requiring certification

There were no administrative costs requiring certification.

Receive registered public comments - limit 3 minutes per person

Audrey Giesler Klump, Halff Associates, referenced a public comment included in the meeting materials packet. This comment pertained to a local sponsor wishing to submit plans and projects to RFPG. The comment was submitted after the RFPG deadline for amended packet materials. Katie Koslan, TWDB Project Manager, noted that the RFPG can amend the plan at any time, provided it is consistent with RFPG bylaws and procedures.

Announcements

Rachel Ickert, TRWD, announced that volunteers are being solicited for the upcoming TRWD Trash Bash events. Additional information is available on the TRWD website. The Central City Flood Control Project, in collaboration with the United States Army Corps of Engineers, is ongoing. Design and construction efforts are underway with the City of Fort Worth to prepare for the federal project.

Confirm meeting date for next meeting

Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 2 p.m.

Consider agenda for next meeting

Discuss amendment process to the adopted plan

<u>Adjourn</u>

2:37 pm adjourned

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 APRIL 4, 2024.

SCOTT HARRIS, Secretary REGION 3 TRINITY FLOOD PLANNING GROUP Date

GLENN CLINGENPEEL, Chair REGION 3 TRINITY FLOOD PLANNING GROUP Date

4. Acknowledgement of written comments received

5. Public comments on agenda items

6. TWDB update

7. Update from Policy Subcommittee

8. Updates from adjoining coastal regions

9. Updates from Planning Group Sponsor

10. General public comments

Limit 3 minutes per person

11. Announcements

12. Meeting date for next meeting

13. Agenda items for next meeting

14. Adjourn