

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.

Update from Planning Group Sponsor – 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.

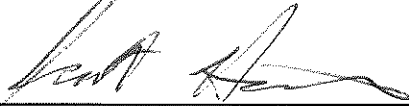
Consider agenda for next meeting

Discuss amendment process to the adopted plan

Adjourn

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

9/24/24
Date



GLENN CLINGENPEEL, Chair
REGION 3 TRINITY FLOOD PLANNING GROUP

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