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## **Trinity River Basin Stakeholders Urged to Submit Priority Flooding Solutions Now to Qualify for 2028 Regional Flood Plan Inclusion**

***Submissions are due to the Region 3 Trinity RFPG no later than October 30, 2026***

**Texas Trinity River Basin – May 27, 2026** – All regional stakeholders and interested parties are urged to submit flood risk reduction solutions (FMXs) that they would like to be eligible for inclusion in the 2028 Trinity Regional Flood Plan (Trinity RFP).

**Submissions are due no later than Friday, Oct. 30, 2026, to the Trinity RFPG’s lead consultant, Stephanie Griffin at Halff Associates, via email at [sgriffin@halff.com](mailto:sgriffin@halff.com).** If your submittal requires a SharePoint link due to size, please reach out to Stephanie to coordinate.

Actions that are recommended in the 2028 Regional Flood Plan will be included in the 2029 State Flood Plan and will be eligible for the 2030-31 Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) funding cycle.

The Trinity RFPG has posted a set of guidance documents to its [website](#) and invites entities within the region that have flood control responsibilities to **submit flood risk reduction solutions (with complete documentation and data) for regional consideration by Oct. 30**. The RFPG will review these FMXs through November 2026 to confirm they meet Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) criteria and will reach out to entities with any questions. The Trinity RFPG will decide which FMXs qualify to be included in the plan in early 2027.

The Trinity RFPG will consider approval of the draft Regional Flood Plan in late spring 2027, a required submittal in the flood planning process. The Draft Regional Flood Plan will reflect the submitted FMEs, FMPs, and FMSs at a recommended status, as applicable. The Trinity RFPG will submit the Draft Trinity Regional Flood Plan and associated materials to the TWDB no later than May 26, 2027. The TWDB will subsequently evaluate all regional submissions as part of the contract checkpoint submittal.

A full list of information needed from the submitting entity is included in the attachments below.

- [Attachment A – Defining and Differentiating between FMEs, FMPs, and FMSs](#)
- [Attachment B – List of Required Information for FME Submittals](#)
- [Attachment C – List of Required Information for FMP Submittals\\*](#)
- [Attachment D – List of Required Information for FMS Submittals](#)

If you have any questions or concerns about meeting the data submittal requirements, please reach out to Stephanie Griffin or to [info@trinityrfpg.org](mailto:info@trinityrfpg.org). The Trinity RFPG consultant team will work with you to determine the best way to include your desired action in the 2028 Trinity Regional Flood Plan.

Submittal spreadsheets are also available on the Trinity RFPG website for each submittal type. These tables include placeholders for required information. Go to the Resources tab and click on "[Planning Documents](#)" to find and download the following spreadsheets:

- FME Table Submittal
- FMP\* Table Submittal
- FMS Table Submittal

\*Due to schedule and budget constraints, the Trinity RFPG will consider complete FMP requests in the order in which they are received, as FMPs take significantly more effort to incorporate into the flood plan.

### **About the Trinity RFPG and the Flood Planning Process**

The Trinity RFPG's planning region (Trinity River Basin or Region 3) has an estimated population of approximately 8 million and spans nearly 18,000 square miles across 38 counties from Cooke County in the north to Chambers County on the Gulf Coast.

The Trinity RFPG is among 15 regional flood planning groups first designated in April 2020 by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), as a result of Senate Bill 8, 86<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature, which established a groundbreaking, new regional and state flood planning process. At the same time, the Texas Legislature also created a new flood financial assistance fund and charged the TWDB with administering the fund. The Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF), approved by Texas voters in Nov. 2019, requires studies, projects and strategies to be recommended in the State Flood Plan in order for the sponsor to be eligible to apply for this funding.

The first-ever Trinity Regional Flood Plan, was adopted in 2023 and is now part of the 2024 State Flood Plan. In March 2025, the Trinity RFPG adopted an amendment to the Plan to incorporate newly recommended FMXs and submitted amendment materials to the TWDB for evaluation as part of an ongoing process to amend the existing State Flood Plan. The 2023 Trinity Regional Flood Plan draws on the best available science, data, models and flood risk mapping to **recommend over \$1 billion in flood mitigation actions** designed to fix local flooding issues and reduce flood-related loss of lives, property and livelihoods throughout the region. The TWDB's Interactive 2024 State Flood Plan Viewer may be found at <https://texasstatefloodplan.org/overview>.

Each of the regional flood planning groups across Texas updates their plans every five years.

The Planning Group's membership includes at least one voting member from each of the following interest categories: the public, counties, municipalities, industry, agriculture, environment, small business, electric-generating utilities, river authorities, water districts, water utilities and flood districts. The Trinity RFPG has engaged a technical consultant team led by Halff to support its planning efforts.

For more information, visit the Trinity RFPG website at [trinityrfpg.org](http://trinityrfpg.org), follow the group on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/TrinityRFPG> or email the group via [info@trinityrfpg.org](mailto:info@trinityrfpg.org).

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