

REGION 14. UPPER RIO GRANDE FLOOD PLANNING GROUP
 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
 Wednesday, July 20, 2022
 9:00 AM (MDT)
 8037 Lockheed, Suite 100 TX 79925

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Interest Category</u>	<u>Present (✓)/Absent (X) / Alternate Present (*)</u>
Omar L. Martinez, Chair	<i>Water Districts</i>	✓
Zhuping Sheng	<i>Agricultural Interests</i>	✓
Gilberto Saldaña Jr.	<i>Counties</i>	✓
Jeff Bennett	<i>Environmental Interests</i>	✓
Sal Masoud	<i>Industries</i>	✓
Javier Acosta	<i>Municipalities</i>	✓
David "Dave" Hall	<i>Public</i>	✓
Rene Rodriguez	<i>Small Business</i>	X
Gisela Dagnino	<i>Water Utilities</i>	✓
Vacant	<i>Flood Districts</i>	
Levi Bryand	<i>Water Utilities</i>	X
Rick Tate	<i>River Authorities</i>	X
Carlos Velarde	<i>Public</i>	✓
<u>Non-voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)</u>
James Weaver	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	
Elijah Casas	General Land Office/Region 14 Liaison	✓
Richard Bagans	Texas Water Development Board	✓
Anita Keese	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	
Vanessa Rosales-Herrera	Region 15 Liaison	
Dr. Apurba Borah	International Boundary Water Commission	✓
Judy Lucio	Texas Division of Emergency Management	✓
JD Lawrence	Texas Department of Agriculture	✓
Judy Albus for Ben Wilde	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	✓
Others Present:		
Joanna McKenzie		
Ramon Macias		
Alejandra Marco		

1. Welcome and call to order
Chairman Omar Martinez received confirmation that a quorum was present. The meeting started at 9:04 AM MDT.
2. Public Comments
Chairman Martinez asked if there were any public comments from the public. There were none.
3. Review and approve the minutes for the meeting held on May 25, 2022, June 30, 202, and July 13, 2022.
Dr. Zhuping Sheng made a motion to approve the Minutes with the changes noted by Dave Hall for May 25, 2022. Gisela Dagnino seconded the motion. Chairman Martinez called for a vote and the motion was approved.
4. Discussion and potential action regarding administrative expenses to be submitted to the Texas Water Development Board for reimbursement The Administrative Expenses were tabled because no expenses were presented.
5. Updates were provided from Richard Bagans, Texas Water Development Board.
6. General RFP Updates provided were provided by AECOM.
7. Review of Chapters 9 and 10.
The group reviewed Chapters 9 and 10. The group did not take any action on the chapters.
8. Discussion and action to vote on RFPG Recommendations for FMEs, FMSs, and FMPs
Dr. Zhuping Sheng made a motion to accept the RFPG recommendations for FMEs, FMSs, and FMPs. The motion was seconded by Dave Hall. Chairman Martinez called for a vote and the motion was approved.
9. Discussion and action to vote on RFPG Chapter 8 Administrative, Regulatory, and Legislative Recommendations from Subcommittee 4. No action was taken.
10. Discussion and action to vote for approval of Draft RFP Deliverables as presented by AECOM with authorization of Consultant/Political Subdivision to make non-substantial edits and submit the Draft RFP Deliverables to TWDB
Dr. Zhuping Sheng made a motion to approve the draft RFP deliverables as presented by AECOM with authorization of Consultant/Political Subdivision to make non-substantial edits and submit the Draft RFP Deliverables to TWDB. The motion was seconded by Dave Hall. Chairman Martinez called for a vote and the motion was approved.

Dave Hall made a motion to void the motion and adopt the new motion as presented made a motion to approve the draft RFP deliverables as presented by AECOM with authorization of Consultant/Political Subdivision to submit the Draft RFP Deliverables to TWDB including all chapters and digital geodatabases. This assumes there are no significant comments the RFPG will make, which they may

request for chapters yet to be submitted. Dr. Zhuping Sheng seconded the motion. Chairman Martinez called for a vote and the motion was approved.

11. Next Potential General RFPG Meeting Date
No action was taken on this agenda item.

12. Adjourn
Jeff Bennett made a motion to adjourn. Levi Bryand seconded the motion. Mr. Hall called for a vote and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

9/19/22

Date



Javier Acosta, Secretary