

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
REGION F WATER PLANNING GROUP
10:00 A.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024 AT THE OFFICE OF THE
COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
400 E. 24TH ST. BIG SPRING, TEXAS**

The Region F Water Planning Group (WPG) met at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2024 at the Office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District in Big Spring, Texas and. Voting members present were: Cole Walker, Kenneth Dierschke, Gil Van Deventer, Richard Gist, Raymond Straub, John Allen, Dusty Kilgore, Schuyler Wight, Shane Kelton, Tommy Ervin, Scott McWilliams, Ben Deishler, Ashley Masters for Rhetta Hector, and Ty Edwards. Non-voting members present were: Heather Rose, TWDB; Dale Adams, Nolan County; Melanie Barnes, Region O; JD Lawrence, Tx Dept. of Agriculture; and Diana Thomas, Sterling County. Other interested parties present were: Lissa Gregg with Freese & Nichols; Jordan Skipworth, Freese & Nichols; Abbie Gader, Freese & Nichols; Jill Johnson, GMA 2; Angela Lance, PBUWCD; James Beach, AGS; Carl Craigo, City of Midland; Ray B Randy; and Audra Hoback, Colorado River Municipal Water District.

Call to Order

Chair, Cole Walker, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

Introductions and Opening Remarks

Voting and Non-Voting members and audience attendees introduced themselves.

Public Comment

Raymond Straub, GMA 2, addressed the group regarding transient pressure fronts and mineralized fluid. He asked the group to consider well monitoring programs to monitor lower sections of the Pecos Valley Aquifer troughs to watch for mineralized zones.

Region F Administrative Matters

- a. Consideration of the Minutes of the October 19, 2023 meeting:
Motion to accept made by Richard Gist and seconded by Gil Van Deventer.
Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Financial Report: CRMWD is the designated Political Subdivision for Region F and contracts with the Water Development Board, manages funds and keeps meeting minutes. The Administrative Fund had a balance of \$30,507.396 as of October 31, 2023. The Planning Fund had a balance of \$14,444.39 as of October 31, 2023. Motion to accept made by John Allen and seconded by Raymond Straub. Motion passed unanimously.

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Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Report

Heather Rose, TWDB Project Manager, provided Region F and TWDB updates and information on rule changes and revisions to the State Water Plan, changes to the regional water planning process, Sixth Cycle Planning updates, Upcoming Contract Amendment, IPC update, and reminder of upcoming critical deadlines.

Planning Process

Lissa Gregg, Freese & Nichols, went over the current planning cycle schedule and reviewed upcoming deadlines.

James Beach, Advanced Groundwater Solutions, reviewed the updated Other-Aquifer and Non-Relevant aquifer availabilities.

Lissa Gregg and Jordan Skipworth, Freese & Nichols, reviewed and discussed the Technical Memorandum. The floor was open to public comment on the Technical Memorandum. There were no comments made. The planning group was asked to consider approval of the Technical Memorandum and to authorize the consultant to work with the TWDB to make adjustments as needed. Motion to approve was made by Gil Van Deventer and seconded by Raymond Straub. Motion passed unanimously.

Jordan Skipworth, Freese & Nichols asked the group to consider approval of the remaining scope of work for Task 5B and to authorize the political subdivision to submit a request to the TWDB for a notice to proceed with the remaining scope of work for Task 5B. Motion to approve was made by Scott McWilliams and seconded by Ashley Masters. Motion passed unanimously.

Lissa Gregg, Freese & Nichols, asked the group to consider approval of an amendment package to TWDB for determination of minor amendment status and authorize posting of public notice and holding a public hearing should the amendment status be deemed major. Motion to approve was made by John Allen and seconded by Raymond Straub. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning Group Comment

Region F had no further comments.
Melane Barnes gave a brief update from the Region O Planning Group.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date will be May 23, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

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Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Raymond Straub, Jr., Secretary
Region F Water Planning Group

Cole Walker, Chair
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