

Agenda Item 5. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding Nomination of a Region F Representative for the Interregional Planning Council

In 2019, the Texas Legislature passed House Bill (HB) 807, which added new requirements to the regional planning process. One of these requirements dictates that the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) shall appoint an Interregional Planning Council during each five-year cycle for the adoption of a new State Water Plan. This council will consist of one member from each regional water planning group, who will serve until a new State Water Plan is adopted. Each regional water planning group shall nominate one or more members for appointment to the council, and the TWDB shall consider the nominations in making appointments to the council.

The purpose of this Interregional Planning Council is to improve coordination among the regional water planning groups, as well as between regional water planning groups and the TWDB. This coordination could help regional water planning groups meet the goals of the state water planning process, facilitate dialogue regarding water management strategies that could affect multiple regional water planning areas, and enable the sharing of best practices regarding the operation of the regional water planning process.

This agenda item will allow the Region F water planning group to nominate one or more representatives to serve on the Interregional Planning Council.

Attachments:

1. None