

Region F, Regional Water Planning Meeting
**Updates from the
Texas Water Development Board**

February 1, 2024, Big Spring TX

Sixth Cycle of Regional Water Planning (2026 Regional Water Plans) Working Schedule (as of March 2023)^A

Entity	Activity	Planning SOW Task #	2024												2025											
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
TWDB/RWPG	Anticipated additional contracting activities	NA																								
TWDB	Regional Water Planning rules update	NA																								
TWDB/RWPG	DB27 individualized training for consultants	NA																								
RWPG	Identify water needs	4A																								
RWPG	Technical Memo due	4C																								
RWPG	Amendments to 2021 RWPs to remove/revise infeasible WMSs	4B																								
RWPG	RWPG adopted amendments to 2021 RWPs to remove/revise infeasible WMSs due to TWDB	4B																								
RWPG	Identify potentially feasible WMSs	5A																								
TWDB/RWPG	Review and negotiate SOW submittals for WMS evaluations and issue notice-to-proceeds ^D	5B																								
IPC	Interregional Planning Council report due to the TWDB	NA																								
RWPG	Initially Prepared Plan due	10																								
TWDB	Socioeconomic Impact Report released to RWPGs	6																								
RWPG	Final Plan due	10																								

Notes:
^A Estimated timeline based on currently available agency resources and subject to change
^B DB27 is the updated, online water planning database for the 2027 State Water Plan
^C Anticipated database availability dates are estimates based on currently available agency resources
^D Subject to available funding

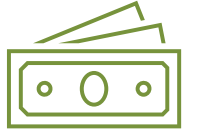
Upcoming Items of Note

- **Technical Memorandum**– Due to TWDB **March 4, 2024**
 - Electronic Submittal Folders will be provided by TWDB in **February**.
 - TWDB to Accept or Reject **within 30 Days**.
- **Prop 6/Texas Water Fund** -TWDB is seeking public input during Board Meetings and Stakeholder Workshops as well as online surveys **through April**. Details and [FAQs](#) on TWDB Website.
- Water Use Survey is open until **March 1, 2024**
- **Texas Water Service Boundary Viewer** open for editing until **July 1, 2024**

Upcoming Resource Materials

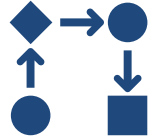
- County-Specific Water Supply Planning Info & Resource Documents
 - Includes Rural Entities and At-Risk Suppliers (<7,500, SS, 180 Day)
- Conservation Resources
- Drought/Drought Preparedness Resources
 - List of Entities Required to Submit Drought Contingency Plans to TCEQ
 - Drought Preparedness Council Recommendations to RWPGs
 - Updated Drought Management Costing Information
- Updated Uniform Costing Model

Agricultural Water Conservation Grant Application Period is Open



- TWDB is now accepting applications for Fiscal Year 2024 [Agricultural Water Conservation Grants](#). **Applications are due April 3 at 2:00 p.m.**
- Up to \$1.5M in grant funding is available to eligible political subdivisions and state agencies for agricultural water conservation projects.
- The TWDB will host **webinars** on **February 7, March 6, and March 27** from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. to provide additional information about the program and the application process. Please [register](#) in advance.
- For more information, please view the full request for applications and application instructions on the [TWDB's website](#). Interested applicants may contact agconservation@twdb.texas.gov with any questions.

Overview of 2021 RWP Amendment Process



- For potential minor plan amendments:
 - **RWPG takes action** to request TWDB determination of minor amendment.
 - RWPG submit draft amendment materials to TWDB for review.
 - TWDB review, evaluation, and written determination (may take up to 45 days).
 - **RWPG takes action** to adopt minor amendment.
 - RWPG submit adopted amendment to the TWDB.
 - TWDB staff present the regional plan amendment to the TWDB board for approval.
- Overall process may take approximately 2.5 months.
- Grant funds *can be used* to amend the 2021 RWP only if the amendments are related to the identification of infeasible strategies (otherwise grant funds cannot be used to amend previous RWPs).

Chairs' Call

- Chairs Call took place on January 16, 2024.
- Review of Upcoming Materials for RWPGs.
- Review RWP Amendment Guidance and Infeasible Amendment Timeline.
- Discuss Notice to Proceed Process.
- Review Socioeconomic Impact Analysis Process & Timeline (**August 2025**).
- Update on the Interregional Planning Council.
- Next Chairs Call will be scheduled for date TBD in **April 2024**.

Interregional Planning Council (IPC)

- The Council met on November 30, 2023, reviewed a draft of the Council's report, and discussed council recommendations.
- Next meeting will be on **February 8, 2024** in Austin, virtual option available.
- Final report is due to the TWDB on March 4, 2024.
- More information available online at:
<http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/rwp/ipc/2027IPC.asp>

Questions?

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