

**REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP
WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2017**

A meeting of the Region H Water Planning Group Water Management Strategy Committee was held at 9:00 a.m., November 1, 2017, at the San Jacinto River Authority General and Administration Building. A notice of said meeting was posted as required by law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Glenn Lord, John Bartos, Robert Bruner, Jace Houston, Ivan Langford, Mark Evans, Mike Turco, and Bob Hebert

DESIGNATED ALTERNATES: Brad Burnett for David Collinsworth, Jun Chang for Jimmie Schindewolf, Jim Sims for Kevin Ward

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Evans

CONSULTANT TEAM: Jason Afinowicz, Philip Taucer, Mike Reedy, Courtney Merket, John Seifert, Glenda Callaway

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Hebert welcomed the committee members and guests to the meeting.

2. RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC ISSUES RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS 3 THROUGH 5

There were no public comments.

3. DISCUSS COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND SCHEDULE

Mr. Taucer provided an update to the 2021 Regional Water Plan schedule referencing various due dates.

4. DISCUSS THE PROCESS FOR IDENTIFYING POTENTIALLY FEASIBLE WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES AND CONSIDER MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP.

Mr. Taucer explained the process applied by the Region H Water Planning Group in the 2016 Regional Water Plan (RWP) to identify potentially feasible Water Management Strategies (WMS) and

recommended applying a similar process for the 2021 RWP. The process would consist of identifying strategies from the prior RWP, adding new projects as requested by Water User Groups (WUGs) in a survey from August 2017, adding projects recommended by Major Water Providers, and considering other requests for inclusion. The Committee recommended updating the process to only consider identifying and evaluating projects where there is a projected water need. The Committee agreed to recommend this updated WMS identification process to the Region H Water Planning Group at a regular meeting later in the day on November 1, 2017.

5. DISCUSS THE PROCESS FOR EVALUATING POTENTIALLY FEASIBLE WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES AND CONSIDER MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP.

Mr. Taucer explained the joint process of identifying shortages and evaluating potential Strategies based on WUG needs and WMS matrix criteria. The Committee recommended updating the process to only consider evaluating projects where there is a projected water need. The committee also discussed the consideration of physical proximity and ability to support a strategy or project's unit cost as factors when evaluating the viability and feasibility of applying WMS to a specific WUG. The committee recommended adding a check-box criterion (not a numerical rating) to WMS evaluation to check that a WMS development timeline is in agreement with the decade in which unmet needs are projected to occur.

6. RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Ken Kramer noted that flood control function could be identified by note in applicable WMS technical memoranda.

7. ADJOURN

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.