

March 13, 2023

Mr. Travis Pruski
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RE: Request for Information: Regional Flood Planning Grant Contract with Nueces River Authority; Contract No. 2101792498, Final Regional Flood Plan

Dear Mr. Pruski,

Thank you for submitting the 2023 Region 13 Nueces Regional Flood Plan (RFP) to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) under the above referenced contract.

During our review we noticed some deficiencies that need to be addressed before the regional flood plan will be considered acceptable by TWDB. Please see the attached spreadsheet that contains a listing of these issues.

It is expected that the data presented within and across all written report sections, tables, excel spreadsheets, and the geodatabase which constitute the single RFP submission will be consistent. In cases where there are any discrepancies between equivalent data, the submitted geodatabase dataset shall supersede other data and the TWDB shall utilize the geodatabase dataset when developing the state flood plan.

For Level 1 comments:

Staff members have completed their initial review and have found these items either missing or not sufficient for our review. These Level 1 comments must be addressed with all relevant files resubmitted before our final plan review may continue.

For Level 2 comments:

We noted several issues that will require attention. Note that these issues are not required to be resolved and resubmitted. However, we do request that you work to address these issues as part of the Amended Regional Flood Plan due by July 14, 2023.

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Please email your Planner with a response, including resubmission of all relevant files, no later than March 27, 2023.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Tressa Olsen at tressa.olsen@twdb.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

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Office of Planning

Attachment: TWDB Final Regional Flood Plan Review Comments

cc: LJ Francis, RFPG Chair
Kristi Shaw, HDR Inc.
Bryan Martin, HDR Inc.
Matt Nelson, TWDB
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Tressa Olsen, TWDB

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Region 13 Nueces Regional Flood Plan

| Comment No. | SOW Task No. | Task Name | Item Type | Ex C Item | Ex D Table No. | Ex D feature class | Level 1 | Level 2 | RFPG Response |
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| 1 | 1 | Existing Infrastructure | Map 1 | Section 2.1 | | | | Please consider referencing Map 1 and its location within the text of Chapter 1. | Reference added. |
| 2 | 1 | Deficient Infrastructure | Map 3 | Section 2.1 | | | | Please consider referencing Map 3 and its location within the text of Chapter 1. | Reference added. |
| 3 | 2A | Existing Exposure | Table | Table 3 | | | Roadway Stream Crossings in 1% annual risk is 2,309 in the geodatabase as opposed to 5,382 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | | Table 3 updated to match geodatabase |
| 4 | 2A | Existing Exposure | Table | Table 3 | | | Critical Facilities in 1% annual risk is 11,356 in the geodatabase as opposed to 445 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | | Table 3 updated to match geodatabase |
| 5 | 2A | Existing Exposure | Table | Table 3 | | | Roadway Stream Crossings in Unknown% annual risk is 426 in the geodatabase as opposed to 1 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | | Stream Crossings in the Unknown annual risk is 3 in GDB and has been corrected in Table 3. |
| 6 | 2A | Existing Exposure | Table | Table 3 | | | Critical Facilities in Unknown% annual risk is 65 in the geodatabase as opposed to 32 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | | Table 3 updated to match geodatabase |
| 7 | 2A | Existing Exposure | Table | Table 3 | | | | Structures in 1% annual risk is 60,934 in the geodatabase as opposed to 60,967 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | The GDB shows 60,967 (See image 3), TWDB is not taking into account the "Power Generation" category of buildings |
| 8 | 2A | Existing Exposure + Vulnerability | GIS feature class | | 14 | ExFldExpAll | Roadway Stream Crossings in 1% annual risk is 2,309 in the geodatabase as opposed to 5,382 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | | Table 3 updated to match geodatabase |
| 9 | 2A | Existing Exposure + Vulnerability | GIS feature class | | 14 | ExFldExpAll | Critical Facilities in 1% annual risk is 11,356 in the geodatabase as opposed to 445 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | | Table 3 updated to match geodatabase |
| 10 | 2A | Existing Exposure + Vulnerability | GIS feature class | | 14 | ExFldExpAll | Roadway Stream Crossings in Unknown% annual risk is 426 in the geodatabase as opposed to 1 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | | Stream Crossings in the Unknown annual risk is 3 in GDB and has been corrected in Table 3 |
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| 12 | 2A | Existing Exposure + Vulnerability | GIS feature class | | 14 | ExFldExpAll | | Structures in 1% annual risk is 60,934 in the geodatabase as opposed to 60,967 in the Exhibit C Table 3. Please reconcile. | The GDB shows 60,967 (See image 3), TWDB is not taking into account the "Power Generation" category of buildings |
| 13 | 2A | Model Coverage | GIS feature class | | N/A | ModelCoverage | | Per Exhibit D, All ArcMap documents (.mxd) or equivalent map document formats used in final map production are also required for delivery to the TWDB with accompanying data in a stand-alone directory structure. Using the ModelCoverage feature class, please provide the underlying data used to create the map of model coverage included in the plan. | For R13 we did not have any model coverage areas in the 2023 RFP but have provided for the 2023 Amended RFP. The 2023 RFP did not have any models or recommended FMP's. However we did show the model info we had incorporated into the ExFld Hazard layer with this map. In order to provide these layer we saved them in the "Base GDB" we provided as additional information. See Image 4 for screenshot of Map 22 that was provided as well as where the data came from. For the USGS and USACE data we never actually recieved floodplain data, however we showed the approximate study. |
| 14 | 2B | Existing vs. Future Hazard | Map 10 | Section 2.2.B.1 | | | | It appears difficult to distinguish flood hazard areas that increase from existing condition to future condition. Please consider revising how the extent of increased flood hazard area is displayed on this map. | Based on our criteria that was developed, it was assumed that outside of cities/towns there would be little to no change in the floodplains. You will only see increases in future floodplains within cities or towns based on the analysis that was done for population growth. |
| 15 | 2B | Future Exposure | Table | Table 5 | | | Critical Facilities in 1% annual risk is 11,474 in the geodatabase as opposed to 642 in the Exhibit C Table 5. Please reconcile. | | Table 5 updated to match geodatabase |
| 16 | 2B | Future Exposure | Table | Table 5 | | | Critical Facilities in Unknown% annual risk is 67 in the geodatabase as opposed to 32 in the Exhibit C Table 5. Please reconcile. | | Table 5 updated to match geodatabase |
| 17 | 2B | Future Exposure + Vulnerability | GIS feature class | | 19 | FutFldExpAll | Critical Facilities in 1% annual risk is 11,474 in the geodatabase as opposed to 642 in the Exhibit C Table 5. Please reconcile. | | Table 5 updated to match geodatabase |

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| 18 | 2B | Future Exposure + Vulnerability | GIS feature class | | 19 | FutFldExpAll | Critical Facilities in Unknown% annual risk is 67 in the geodatabase as opposed to 32 in the Exhibit C Table 5. Please reconcile. | | Table 5 updated to match geodatabase |
| 19 | 2B | Future Exposure + Vulnerability | GIS feature class | | 19 | FutFldExpAll | | Critical infrastructure type 'EMS' appears to be missing, but may be included as 'Fire'. Please confirm if correct. | Correct. Received data from HIFLD that had a combination of Fire Department, Emergency Services, and Emergency Medical Services. These were all categorized under the term "Fire" |