

Meeting Minutes
Region 2 Lower Red-Sulphur-Cypress Flood Planning Group
Technical Advisory Sub-Committee Meeting
March 28, 2022
2:00 p.m.

**Small Business Development Center, The Community Room – (2nd Floor), 105 N. Riddle Avenue,
Mount Pleasant, TX 75455 and Via Zoom Webinar/Teleconference**

Roll Call:

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Interest Category</u>	<u>Present (x) / Absent () / Alternate Present (*)</u>
Preston Ingram (William)	Agricultural interests	
Andy Endsley	Counties	
W. Greg Carter	Electric generating utilities	X
Laura-Ashley Overdyke	Environmental interests	X
Casey Johnson	Industries	
Dustin Henslee	Municipalities	X
Kirby Hollingsworth	Public	
R. Reeves Hayter	River authorities	X
Kelly Mitchell	Small business	
Joseph W. Weir III	Water districts	
Susan Whitfield	Water utilities	

<u>Non-voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)</u>
James (Clay) Shipes	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	
Andrea Sanders	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Darrell Dean	Texas Department of Agriculture	
Tony Resendez	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	
Trey Bahm	General Land Office	
Anita Machiavello	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	X
Michelle Havelka	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	
Darlene Prochaska	USACE, Fort Worth District	
Travis Wilsey	USACE, Tulsa District	
Randy Whiteman	RFPG 1 Liaison	
Richard Brontoli	Red River Valley Association	
Jason Dupree	TxDOT – Atlanta District	
Dan Perry	TxDOT – Paris District	

Quorum:

Quorum: **Yes**

Number of voting members or alternates representing voting members present: **4**

Number required for quorum per current voting membership of **5: 3**

Other Meeting Attendees: **

Chris Brown - ATCOG

Kathy McCollum - ATCOG

Paul Prange – ATCOG

Joshua McClure – Halff Associates Team

David Rivera – Halff Associates Team

Parker Moore – Halff Associates Team

Jim Keith – Halff Associates Team

Tyler Ogle - Freese & Nichols

Matt Nelson – TWDB

Morgan White - TWDB

**Meeting attendee names were gathered from those who entered information for joining the Zoom meeting.

All meeting materials are available for the public at:

<http://www.twdb.texas.gov/flood/planning/regions/schedule.asp>.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order

Reeves Hayter called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. and welcomed members and attendees to the Region 2 Lower Red-Sulphur-Cypress Flood Planning Group Technical Advisory Sub-Committee Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Confirmation of attendees / determination of a quorum

Reeves Hayter asked ATCOG staff member, Paul Prange, to conduct a roll call of attendees. Each present voting member of the Sub-Committee introduced themselves, establishing that a quorum had been met. Four voting members were present and one was absent.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: *Election of Sub-Committee Officers per Article XII, Section 3 of the Bylaws

Reeves Hayter asked ATCOG Executive Director, Chris Brown if the group needed to re-elect officers at this meeting and Mr. Brown stated that this agenda item does not need any action, since the officers of the Sub-Committee have already been chosen at the previous meeting. No action was required.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Acknowledgement of written public comments received

Reeves Hayter opened the floor for public comments. No public comments were provided.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Receive registered public comments on specific agenda items – limit 3 minutes per person

Reeves Hayter opened the floor for public comments. No public comments were provided.

TECHNICAL CONSULTANT UPDATE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Technical presentation by Halff Associates, Inc.

1. Technical Presentation by Halff Associates, Inc.
 - a. Task 5 – Recommendation of FME, FMP and FMS
 - i. Preliminary TC recommendations.
 1. FME
 2. FMP
 3. FMS
 - b. *Sub-Committee reviews and confirms/rejects TC recommendations.
 - c. *Sub-Committee considers vote to adopt the recommended actions (FME, FMP, FMS) to present to RFPG

Reeves Hayter turned the floor over to Joshua McClure who announced that the Sub-Committee will be making decisions today on which FME/FMP/FMSs will be recommended to the Region 2 Board of Directors for inclusion in the Regional Flood Plan. Mr. McClure stated that Chapters 2 and 4 this week for review by the RFPG2 and he then turned the presentation over to David Rivera to discuss Task 5.

David Rivera provided three tables indicating potential FME/FMP/FMSs for possible inclusion within the Region 2 Flood Plan. Mr. Rivera presented the table containing the list of potential FMEs to the Sub-Committee for review and approval. Reeves Hayter asked if TWDB required each item to be recommended by a vote. Joshua McClure stated that the Sub-Committee can vote on items in groups, according to their categories. Mr. Rivera presented items 1-19 (FIS Categories) for review and recommendation. A motion was made by Laura-Ashley Overdyke to accept these items as presented and Greg Carter seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Rivera then presented items 26-37

(Storm Drain/Stormwater Rate Study Categories) for review and recommendation. Discussion took place among the group and Greg Carter made a motion to approve items 26-37 with suggested revisions, excluding item 36. Reeves Hayter seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Rivera presented items 20-25, 59, 60 and 62 (Flood Preparedness Categories) for review and recommendation. Discussion took place among the group. Laura-Ashley Overdyke made a motion to approve these items with suggested revisions, and Reeves Hayter seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Rivera then presented items 42-64 (Storm Drain Improvement/Property Buyout/Other Categories) for review and recommendation. Discussion took place among the group and Mr. Hayter suggested combining items 42-44 and items 45-53 into two FMEs. A motion was made by Greg Carter to approve these items with revisions and the motion was seconded by Reeves Hayter. The motion carried. Mr. Hayter then called for a 10-minute break in the meeting.

David Rivera then presented the table containing the list of potential FMPs to the Sub-Committee for review and approval. Mr. Rivera asked Dustin Henslee to elaborate on the projects located within Texarkana, TX and discussion took place among the group. Reeves Hayter opened the floor up for a vote on items 1-3 and a motion was made by Greg Carter to approve the items as presented. The motion was seconded by Dustin Henslee. The motion carried.

David Rivera presented the table containing the list of potential FMSs to the Sub-Committee for review and approval. Mr. Rivera began with items 1-32 (NFIP Category) for review and recommendation. Discussion took place among the group and Greg Carter made a motion to approve the items as presented. Laura-Ashley Overdyke seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Rivera then presented items 33-51 and items 81 and 83 (Stormwater Management Categories) for review and recommendation. Discussion took place among the group and a consensus was reached to recommend these items as a region-wide strategy, as opposed to individual counties. Chris Brown stated that ATCOG could potentially act as a sponsor to develop an Integrated Stormwater Management Manual. A motion was made by Laura-Ashley Overdyke to approve these items with revisions. The motion was seconded by Reeves Hayter. The motion carried. David Rivera presented items 52-70 (Early Warning Systems) for review and recommendation. Discussion took place among the group regarding region-wide versus individual county notification. Mr. Brown stated that ATCOG could potentially act as a sponsor of Early Warning Systems throughout the region and suggested adding a new FMS, as number 84 on the list. Mr. Hayter opened the floor up for a vote and a motion was made by Greg Carter to approve these items with revisions. The motion was seconded by Reeves Hayter. The motion carried. Mr. Rivera then presented items 59-64 and 70-83 (Preventative Maintenance Categories) for review and recommendation. Discussion took place among the group. Mr. Hayter stated that envisions these items as one-time projects as opposed to recurring projects. Joshua McClure announced that some of these projects may not meet the requirements by the TWDB to be eligible for funding. Mr. Carter suggested the removal of items 54-64 from the flood plan and Mr. Hayter suggested that the group keep items 70-74 and 79-83, and to combine items 75 and 82. Additional discussion took place among the group and Reeves Hayter made a motion to approve these items with revisions. The motion was seconded by Greg Carter. The motion carried.

The Region 2 Flood Planning Group Sub-Committee plans to present their recommendations to the full board for approval at the next meeting, scheduled for April 7, 2022.

OTHER BUSINESS

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Update from Planning Group Sponsor

Reeves Hayter turned the floor over to Chris Brown for an update. No update was provided.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Consider date and agenda items for next meeting

Reeves Hayter opened the floor for discussion. The Region 2 RFPG Sub-Committee agreed to conduct the next regular board meeting on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at the Small Business Development Center located in Mount Pleasant, TX and via webinar/teleconference.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Adjourn

Reeves Hayter opened the floor to adjourn the meeting.

The vote to adjourn was passed by unanimous consent.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:15 p.m. by Reeves Hayter.

Accepted by the Region 2 Lower Red-Sulphur-Cypress RFPG at a meeting held on 04/07/2022.


Reeves Hayter, CHAIR