



MEETING MATERIALS

August 3, 2011

San Jacinto River Authority

Region H Water Planning Group
10:00 AM Wednesday
August 3, 2011
San Jacinto River Authority Office
1577 Dam Site Rd, Conroe, Texas

AGENDA

1. Introductions.
2. Review and approve minutes of May 4, 2011 meeting.
3. **Receive public comments on specific issues related to agenda items 4 through 12.** (Public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)
4. Receive presentation from Consultant Team regarding the status and schedule related to the application for a Regional Water Planning Grant submitted to the Texas Water Development Board for funding of the fourth round of regional water planning for Region H.
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9. Consider and take action on requesting approval from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) for potential use of alternatives to using WAM Run 3 models and potential use of alternatives to firm yield for defining regional water supplies in Region H.
10. Receive presentation from Texas Water Development Board on the addition of new members to the Region H Planning Group representing local GMAs as a result of recent legislation.
11. Receive status report from the Region H Regional Water Planning Group Nominations Committee.
12. Agency communications and general information.
13. **Receive public comments.** (Public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)
14. Next Meeting: November 2, 2011.
15. Adjourn

Agenda Item 2

Review and approve minutes of May 4, 2011 meeting.

**MINUTES
REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP MEETING
10:00 A.M.
MAY 4, 2011
SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
1577 DAM SITE ROAD
CONROE, TEXAS**

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Bartos, John Blount, Robert Bruner, Jun Chang, Reed Eichelberger, Mark Evans, Bob Hebert, Art Henson, John Hofmann, John Howard, Robert Istre, Gena Leathers, Glynn Leiper, Ted Long, Marvin Marcell, James Morrison, Ron Neighbors, Jimmie Schindewolf, Danny Vance, C. Harold Wallace, and Pudge Willcox

DESIGNATED ALTERNATES: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: William Teer and Steve Tyler

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Temple McKinnon, Melinda Silva, and Scott Hall

PRESIDING: Mark Evans, Chair

CALL TO ORDER PUBLIC MEETING AT 10:00 A.M.

Mr. Evans welcomed the members and the public guests, including Mr. David Blackburn, City Manager from the City of Temple and the Region G liaison.

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE SUBMITTED TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION

No public comment received.

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED PLANNING ACTIVITIES TO BE CONSIDERED DURING THE FOURTH CYCLE OF REGIONAL WATER PLANNING FOR REGION H

Mr. Mike Reedy with Freese and Nichols stated that sixteen comments were received from various interested parties related to the scope of activities to be considered during the Fourth Cycle of Regional Water Planning. Mr. Reedy announced the name and details for each entity and/or individual that submitted comments.

Mr. Evans confirmed that no one signed up for public comment. There being no further business, the public meeting was adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING AT 10:09 A.M.

Mr. Evans called the regular meeting to order.

MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2011 MEETINGS

The minutes for the October 6, 2010, and January 5, 2011, meetings were presented. Motion was made by Mr. Wallace, seconded by Mr. Neighbors, to approve both sets of minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC ISSUES RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS 4 THROUGH 11

No comments were made by the public.

RECEIVE PRESENTATION REGARDING RECENT RENEWAL OF REGION H DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS INSURANCE COVERAGE

Mr. Evans proceeded to the next item on the agenda to receive information from Mr. Jace Houston on the recent renewal of the Region H Directors and Officers (D & O) insurance coverage. Mr. Houston gave an overview of the basic coverage, including the need for same. No action was required.

RECEIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FROM JACE HOUSTON ON THE REGION H REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP LOCAL CONTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Mr. Houston continued with a financial report on the Region H Regional Water Planning Group local contribution account, including: the water user contributions, Texas Water Development Board funds, expenses from the local contribution account, and San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) direct expenses. Mr. Schindewolf inquired as to the \$280.00 in meeting expenses incurred by SJRA and requested that the SJRA be reimbursed from Region H funds for these expenses. Motion was made by Mr. Vance, seconded by Mr. Schindewolf and unanimously approved, to reimburse SJRA for the 2008 posting expenses in the amount of \$280.00.

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM CONSULTANT TEAM REGARDING THE STATUS AND SCHEDULE RELATED TO THE APPLICATION FOR A REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GRANT SUBMITTED TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TWDB) FOR FUNDING OF THE FOURTH ROUND OF REGIONAL WATER PLANNING FOR REGION H

Mr. Evans then introduced Mr. Mike Reedy with Freese and Nichols to update the Group on the status and schedule related to the application for a Regional Water Planning Grant. Mr. Reedy briefly introduced and announced that Mr. Jason Afinowicz (formerly with AECOM) recently joined Freese and Nichols and would be part of their regional water planning team. The Group welcomed Mr. Afinowicz. Mr. Reedy then continued by discussing the timeline for submitting

such application and the consideration of same. He discussed the 4th Cycle (2011-2015) of Regional Water Planning and the individual tasks to be completed, including the cost for each. Mr. Reedy explained that the draft of the Regional Water Planning contract will be provided to SJRA by TWDB in May and that the final execution of the contract will be by August 31, 2011.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION AUTHORIZING THE SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY (SJRA) TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD FOR FUNDING RELATED TO THE 2016 REGIONAL WATER PLAN

After discussion, motion was made by Mr. Neighbors, seconded by Mr. Blount and unanimously approved, to authorize the SJRA to execute an agreement with the TWDB for funding related to the 2016 Regional Water Plan.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION AUTHORIZING THE SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH FREESE & NICHOLS, INC. FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2016 REGIONAL WATER PLAN

Moving on to the next item on the agenda, motion was then made by Mr. Neighbors, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and unanimously approved, to authorize the SJRA to execute an agreement with Freese & Nichols, Inc., for the development of the 2016 Regional Water Plan.

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM CONSULTANT TEAM ON COMPARISON OF 2010 CENSUS POPULATION RESULTS TO THE 2010 POPULATION PROJECTIONS INCLUDED IN THE 2011 REGION H REGIONAL WATER PLAN

Mr. Afinowicz stated that it was good to be back and to be part of the regional water planning team. He then continued on to compare the 2010 Census population results and the 2010 population projections included in the 2011 Region H Regional Water Plan. He discussed and compared the results and projections for each county located in Region H. Mr. Marcell discussed the submittal and approval of the resolution related to population projections and thanked everyone for the support and approval of same. Mr. Marcell continued by emphasizing the need for accuracy in records related to population and the recognition of same by those involved in water planning.

RECEIVE STATUS REPORT FROM THE REGION H REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Evans then announced that the Group would receive an update from the Nominations Committee, chaired by Mr. Schindewolf. Mr. Schindewolf began by briefly announcing that Mr. Paul Nelson will be leaving the North Harris County Regional Water Authority and joining the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District. He then continued by stating that the Nominations Committee, including Jimmie Schindewolf, William Teer, Jun Chang, John Blount, and Bob Hebert, would meet after the Region H meeting to further discuss a replacement for Mr. Alexander representing the category of public interest. He explained that Mr. Houston is

researching the qualifications for the vacant position and also evaluating how “public interest” is defined in the Water Code and regulations of the TWDB. Mr. Schindewolf requested that bios of prospective candidates be sent to Mr. Houston.

AGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Ms. Temple McKinnon discussed the draft of the mining and non-municipal demands and stated that this information would be sent to Mr. Houston for distribution. She also discussed funding issues related to the legislative session.

In closing, Ms. Glenda Callaway with Ekistics Corporation announced that the direct mail for the public meeting notice consisted of 3,500 individuals, plus newspapers.

Mr. John Howard requested an update on the environmental flows in the near future.

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS

NEXT MEETING:

August 3, 2011
San Jacinto River Authority
General and Administration Building
1577 Dam Site Road
Conroe, Texas 77304

ADJOURNED AT 10:41 A.M.

Agenda Items 4-8

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REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP

August 3, 2011
San Jacinto River Authority



Freese and Nichols, Inc. | Region H Water Planning Group

Agenda Item 4 Status and Schedule of Application




Contract Status

- TWDB and SJRA
 - SJRA signature
 - Submitted to TWDB for final execution
- SJRA and Prime Consultant
 - Fully executed contract
- Subconsultants
 - Preparing Contracts



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Agenda Item 5 Committees for 2016 RWP Development



- Consider development of standing committees for 2016 RWP development process.
- Means to work in depth with a subset of the RWPG and minimize burden on the overall group.
- Interest in forming standing committees on specific topics?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Population Water Demands WMS Selection Regional Issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-Population Water Demands Public Outreach
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- Consider creation at future meeting.



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Agenda Item 6 Communications Plan

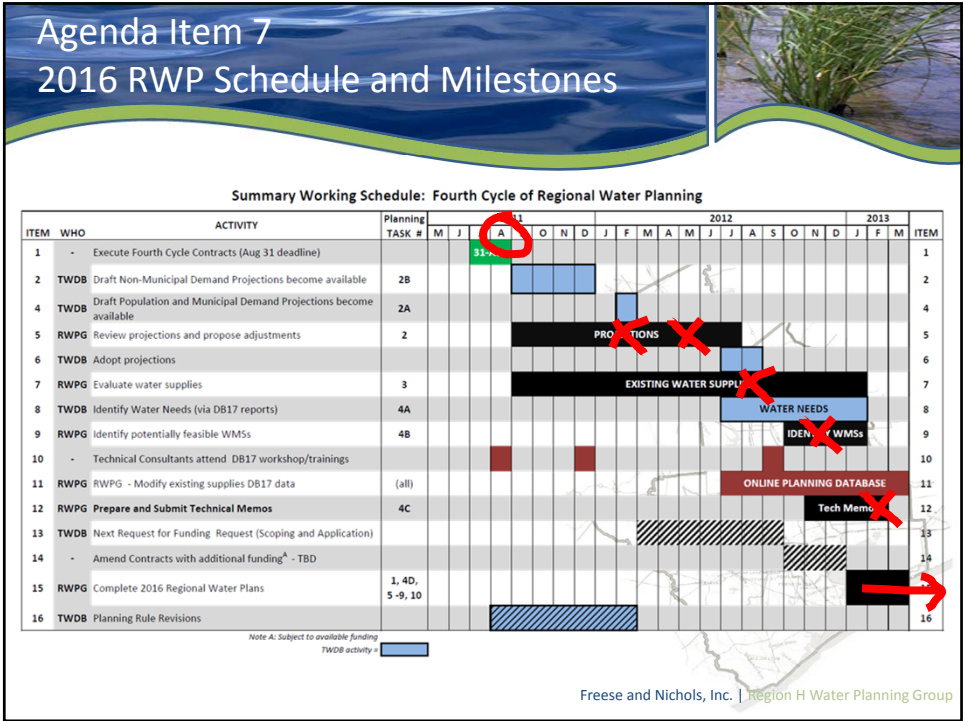


- Meeting materials available
 - Region H Water website
 - Printed copies at meetings
- Is this the most efficient approach?
 - Cost (\$1,000-2,000 per meeting)
 - Environment
- Options to consider
 - Reduction (elimination?) of printed copies
 - Streamlined meeting packets (no presentation slides, multi-page printed “communications” section, etc.)
 - Convenience vs. cost
- Consultant recommendation
 - Consider alternatives to reduce printing materials





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Agenda Item 7 2016 RWP Schedule and Milestones


Date	Event	Scheduled Tasks
08/2011	RWPG Meeting	No Scheduled Tasks
11/2011	RWPG Meeting	No Scheduled Tasks
02/2012	RWPG Meeting	Review Non-Population Demands
05/2012	RWPG Meeting	Review Population Demands
08/2012	RWPG Meeting	Review Supply Allocations
11/2012	RWPG Meeting	Review WMS
02/2013	RWPG Meeting	Approve Technical Memorandum
??/2013	Due Date	Technical Memorandum to TWDB

Agenda Item 8 Community Outreach


- **Building Cities, Building Futures**
Hyatt Regency Houston
June 14, 2011
- **Civic forum: Water the Challenges Facing the Houston Region**
Museum of Fine Arts Houston
August 24, 2011



National League of Cities



Rice Design Alliance

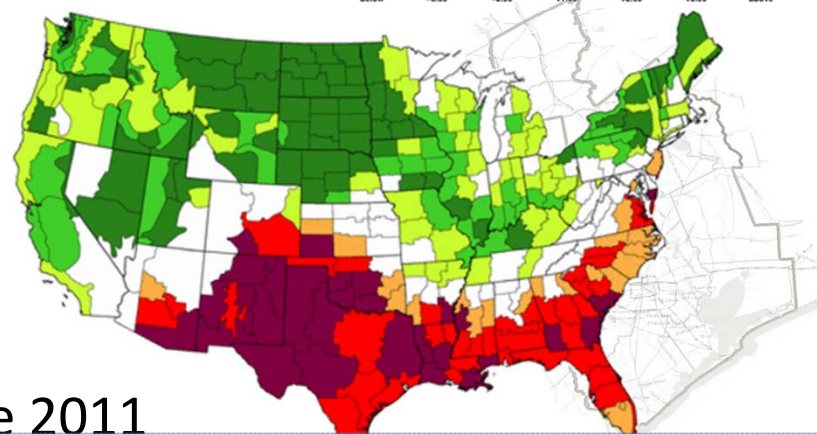


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Drought and the Planning Process

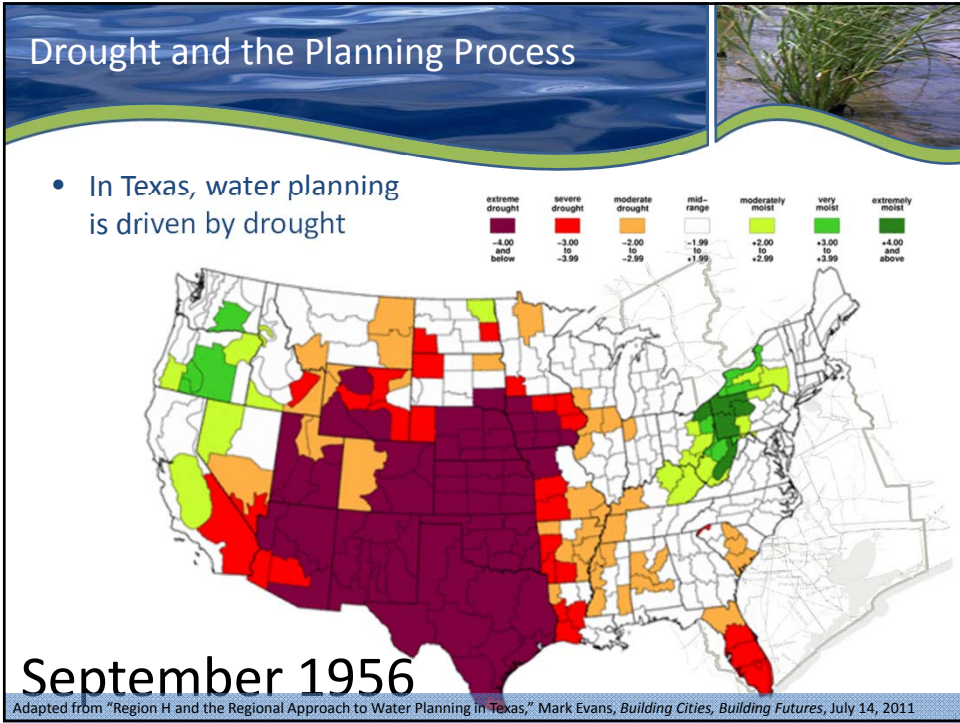
- In Texas, water planning is driven by drought

extreme drought	severe drought	moderate drought	mid-range	moderately moist	very moist	extremely moist
-4.00 and below	-3.00 to -3.99	-2.00 to -2.99	-1.99 to +1.99	+2.00 to +2.99	+3.00 to +3.99	+4.00 and above



June 2011

Adapted from "Region H and the Regional Approach to Water Planning in Texas," Mark Evans, *Building Cities, Building Futures*, July 14, 2011



Agenda Item 9

Consider and take action on requesting approval from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) for potential use of alternatives to using WAM Run 3 models and potential use of alternatives to firm yield for defining regional water supplies in Region H.

Agenda Item 9 Request Exception to WAM Run 3



*Unless the TWDB's executive administrator has approved other models, **planning groups should use "Run 3"** of Water Availability Models maintained by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to estimate firm yields for surface water supplies. The TWDB's **executive administrator must approve**, in writing, any modifications to data files used in Water Availability Models for permitted return flows and changed conditions.*

-Draft General Guidelines for Regional Water Plan Development

- Region H has relied upon modified versions of WAM Run 3
 - Trinity River
 - Brazos River
- Prepared letter for submittal to TWDB

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REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP
Senate Bill 1 - Texas Water Development Board

c/o San Jacinto River Authority
P. O. Box 329, Conroe, Texas 77305
Telephone 936-588-1111 Facsimile 936-588-3043

August 3, 2011

Agricultural

Robert Bruner
Pudge Wilcox

Ms. Melanie Callahan
Interim Executive Administrator
Texas Water Development Board
1700 North Congress Avenue
Austin, TX 78711-3231

Counties

John Blount
Judge Mark Evans, Chair
Judge Art Henson

Subject: Use of Alternatives to WAM Run 3 Supplies
Request from Region H Water Planning Group

Electric Generating Utilities

Ted Long

Dear Ms. Callahan:

Environmental

John R. Bartos,
Executive Committee

The Region H Water Planning Group (RHWPG) considered the use of alternatives to the WAM Run 3 as a basis for determining firm water supplies for the 2016 Regional Water Plan (RWP) at their August 3, 2011 meeting. As you know, the RHWPG has adopted the use of a modified Run 3 model for determining firm yield in the lower Trinity River Basin in the 2001, 2006, and 2011 RWPs. These models included a limited quantity of return flows as determined through correspondence with the Region C Planning Group in the upper basin. In addition, the RHWPG has traditionally employed the Brazos WAM developed by the Brazos G Water Planning Group for determining firm yield in that basin for the sake of inter-regional consistency. This model also includes limited return flows for its yield evaluations.

Industries

Gená Leathers
Glynn Leiper

In the development of the 2011 RWP, the RHWPG requests permission to conduct firm yield analyses using models that have been adapted in a manner similar to that described above. As part of the study, return flows would be included in the models at a level warranted through cooperation with the upstream regions of the Trinity and Brazos River Basins. For further detail concerning the way these models have been adapted and utilized in past RWPs, please see Sections 3.3.1.2 and 3.3.1.6 of the 2011 Region H RWP for details on the Trinity and Brazos River models, respectively. The RHWPG approved the use of these alternatives to the WAM Run 3 model at their August 3rd regular meeting.

Municipalities

Jun Chang
Robert Istre

Please feel free to contact me or the Region H consultant, Jason Afinowicz at 713.600.6841, if you have any questions regarding this request. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

River Authorities

John Hofmann
Danny F. Vance
Reed Eichelberger, Secretary

Sincerely,

Small Businesses

Judge Bob Hebert
John Howard
Steve Tyler

Mark Evans
Region H Chair

Water Districts

Marvin Marcell
Ron Neighbors, Vice-Chair
Jimmy Schindewolf

cc: Temple McKinnon, TWDB

Water Utilities

James Morrison
William Teer
C. Harold Wallace,
Executive Committee

TWDB Liaison

Temple McKinnon

Agenda Item 10

Receive presentation from Texas Water Development Board on the addition of new members to the Region H Planning Group representing local GMAs as a result of recent legislation.

Texas Water Development Board

P.O. Box 13231, 1700 N. Congress Ave.
Austin, TX 78711-3231, www.twdb.state.tx.us
Phone (512) 463-7847, Fax (512) 475-2053

July 22, 2011

RE: Groundwater Management Area Representation on Regional Water Planning Groups

Dear Regional Water Planning Group Members:

Since passage of Senate Bill 660 by the 82nd Texas Legislature, Regional Water Planning Groups (RWPGs) and representatives from Groundwater Conservation Districts (GCDs) have begun inquiring about how the new RWPG membership requirements will be implemented. This communication is to provide the TWDB staff interpretation of this new statutory requirement under Section 16.053(c) of the Water Code.

Among other things, Senate Bill 660 requires that, in addition to the representation of 11 interest groups currently required by statute, each RWPG will have to maintain additional representation for each groundwater management area (GMA) (from a GCD located within both the regional water planning area and GMA) that is at least partially located within a regional water planning area. Senate Bill 660 modifies the Water Code as follows (underlined text was added by SB660):

"(c) No later than 60 days after the designation of the regions under Subsection (b), the board shall designate representatives within each regional water planning area to serve as the initial coordinating body for planning. The initial coordinating body may then designate additional representatives to serve on the regional water planning group. The initial coordinating body shall designate additional representatives if necessary to ensure adequate representation from the interests comprising that region, including the public, counties, municipalities, industries, agricultural interests, environmental interests, small businesses, electric generating utilities, river authorities, water districts, and water utilities. The regional water planning group shall maintain adequate representation from those interests. In addition, the groundwater conservation districts located in each management area, as defined by Section 36.001, located in the regional water planning area shall appoint one representative of a groundwater conservation district located in the management area and in the regional water planning area to serve on the regional water planning group. In addition, representatives of the board, the Parks and Wildlife Department, and the Department of Agriculture shall serve as ex officio members of each regional water planning group."

Senate Bill 660 takes effect on September 1, 2011, at which time GCDs in the GMAs are to appoint these additional RWPG members. RWPGs must accept the individuals appointed by the GCDs in the GMAs without a vote or other confirmation by the other RWPG members. It is the responsibility of the GCDs in the GMAs to appropriately maintain and refill these RWPG membership positions through appointment, for example, in the event that a GMA representative resigns from the RWPG.

Our Mission	:	Board Members		
To provide leadership, planning, financial assistance, information, and education for the conservation and responsible development of water for Texas	:	Edward G. Vaughan, Chairman	Thomas Weir Labatt III, Member	Billy R. Bradford Jr., Member
	:	Joe M. Crutcher, Vice Chairman	Lewis H. McMahan, Member	Monte Cluck, Member
	:	Melanie Callahan, Interim Executive Administrator		

Regional Water Planning Group Members
July 22, 2011

TWDB staff interprets the requirement to mean that a RWPG must add and maintain a single, new RWPG member (that is a GCD representative) representing each GMA that:

- is at least partially located within the regional water planning area, and
- contains at least a portion of one GCD within the portion of that GMA that is located within the regional water planning area.

In addition:

- the individual appointed to the RWPG to represent the GMA is a voting member,
- the individual appointed to the RWPG to represent the GMA has to be a representative of a GCD that is located at least partially within that regional water planning area,
- one individual may not serve to represent two GMAs, and
- one RWPG member may not serve to represent two statutorily required interests.

For example, in a regional water planning area that includes portions of two GMAs but only one of those two portions of GMAs that overlap with the regional planning area includes a portion of a GCD (also within the regional planning area), the associated RWPG must maintain representation from a minimum of 12 interest groups, including one representative of a GMA. Table 1 summarizes the additional GMA representatives that will be required for each RWPG. Table 2 lists the GCDs from which each of those associated GMA representatives could be selected. The attached map shows where regional water planning areas overlap with GMAs and GCDs.

If GCDs in a GMA intend to appoint an individual to a RWPG who is already serving as a member of the RWPG (but representing a different statutorily required interest such as a 'water district'), that RWPG member could resign from the RWPG position to become the appointed representative for the GMA. The RWPG might then have to replace that original RWPG member with someone who represents the same interest that individual originally represented if required by the RWPG bylaws or if that member were the only representative of a statutorily required interest group. Alternate representation for all RWPG members is subject to each RWPG's bylaws.

TWDB anticipates that this new requirement will be incorporated into TWDB planning rules through a future rule revision. If you have any questions, please contact your TWDB Project Manager.

Thank you all for your efforts to implement this new requirement.

Sincerely,



Carolyn L. Brittin
Deputy Executive Administrator
Water Resources Planning and Information

Attachment: Map of Groundwater Management Areas, Regional Water Planning Groups, and Groundwater Conservation Districts

c: RWPG Political Subdivisions
GMA Representatives
TWDB Project Managers

Table 1: Additional RWPG members required by Senate Bill 660 to represent GMAs

	Groundwater Management Areas																New RWPG members required by SB 660	Minimum RWPG membership
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
A	1					1											2	13
B						1		1									2	13
C						0		1			1	1					3	14
D								0			1						1	12
E				1	0		1*										2	13
F		1	1				1	0									3	14
G						1	1	1				1		1			5	16
H											0	1		1			2	13
I											1			1			2	13
J							1		1	1							3	14
K							1	1	1	1		1				1	6	17
L									1	1			1		1		4	15
M													0			1	1	12
N													1		1	1	3	14
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P															1		1	12
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Blank = GMA is not located within regional planning area

0 = GMA located within regional planning area, but no GCD overlaps the GMA within the regional planning area

1 = GMA located within the regional planning area, and a GCD overlaps the GMA within the regional planning area (new GMA representative required)

* Subject to confirmation election

Table 2: GCDs from which each of the GMA representatives could be selected



















Region	GMA	Potential Representative Groundwater Conservation Districts
A	1	Hemphill County UWCD
		High Plains UWCD No.1
		Panhandle GCD
		North Plains GCD
	6	Gateway GCD
		Mesquite GCD
B	6	Gateway GCD
		Rolling Plains GCD
	8	Upper Trinity GCD
C	6	No GCDs currently overlap Region C and GMA 6
	8	Northern Trinity GCD
		North Texas GCD
		Prairelands GCD
		Red River GCD
		Upper Trinity GCD
	11	Neches & Trinity Valleys GCD
12	Mid-East Texas GCD	
D	8	No GCDs currently overlap Region D and GMA 8
	11	Harrison County GCD
E	4	Brewster County GCD
		Culberson County GCD
		Hudspeth County UWCD No. 1
		Jeff Davis County UWCD
		Presidio County UWCD
	5	No GCDs currently overlap Region E and GMA 5
7	Terrell County GCD*	
F	2	Permian Basin UWCD
	3	Middle Pecos GCD
	7	Coke County UWCD
		Crockett County GCD
		Glasscock GCD
		Hickory UWCD No. 1
		Irion County WCD
		Kimble County GCD
		Lipan-Kickapoo WCD
		Lone Wolf GCD
		Menard County UWD
		Middle Pecos GCD
		Plateau UWC and Supply District
		Santa Rita UWCD
		Sterling County UWCD
	Sutton County UWCD	
8	No GCDs currently overlap Region F and GMA 8	

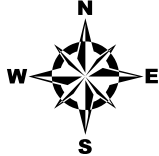
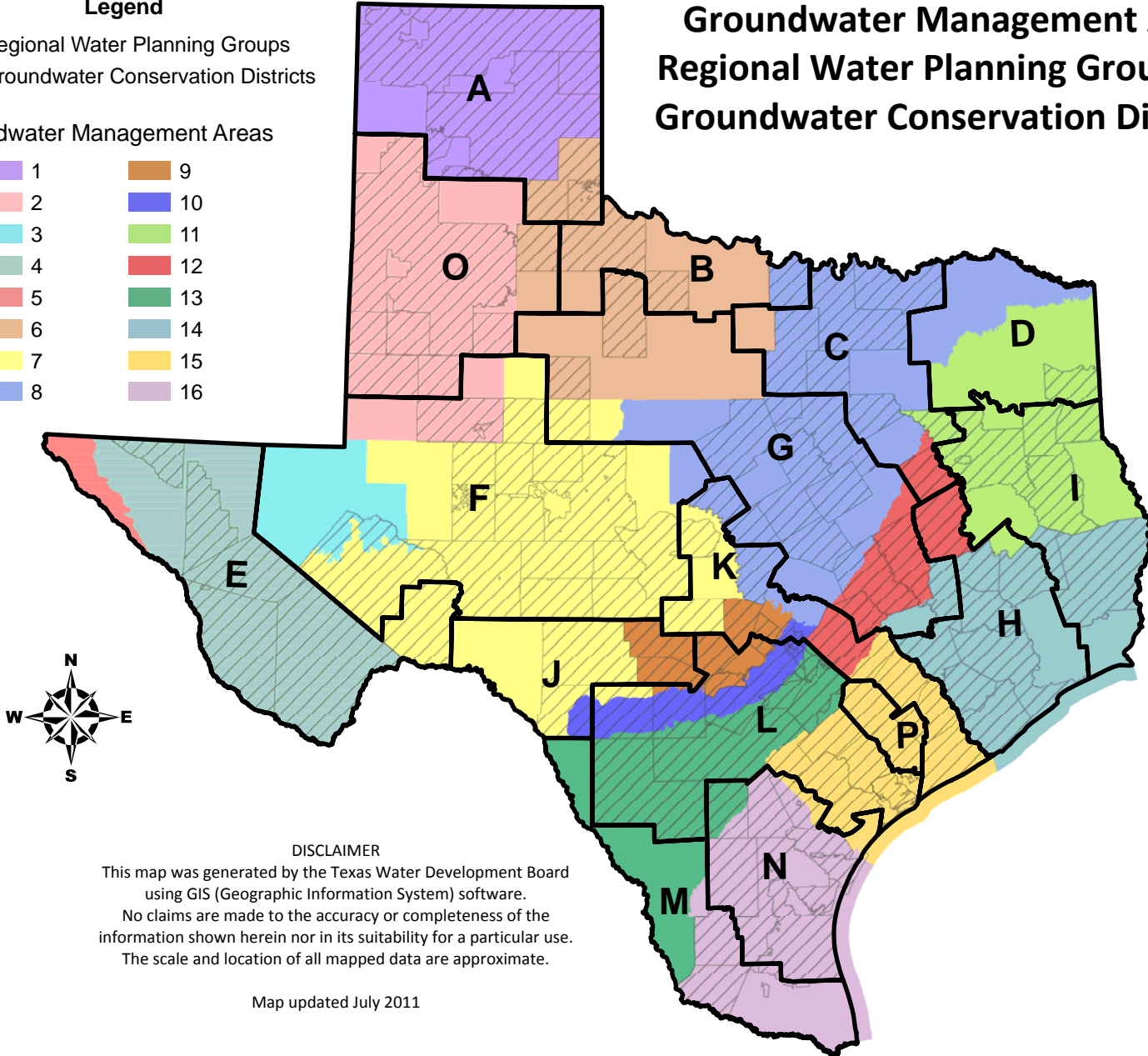
Region	GMA	Potential Representative Groundwater Conservation Districts
G	6	Clear Fork GCD
		Rolling Plains GCD
	7	Wes-Tex GCD
	8	Clearwater UWCD
		Middle Trinity GCD
		Post Oak Savannah GCD
		Prairelands GCD
		Saratoga UWCD
		Southern Trinity GCD
		Upper Trinity GCD
	12	Brazos Valley GCD
		Lost Pines GCD
		Post Oak Savannah GCD
	14	Bluebonnet GCD
Brazos Valley GCD		
H	11	No GCDs currently overlap Region H and GMA 11
	12	Mid-East Texas GCD
	14	Bluebonnet GCD
		Brazoria County GCD
		Fort Bend Subsidence District
		Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District
		Lone Star GCD
Lower Trinity GCD		
I	11	Anderson County UWCD
		Neches & Trinity Valleys GCD
		Panola County GCD
		Pineywoods GCD
		Rusk County GCD
	14	Lower Trinity GCD
Southeast Texas GCD		
J	7	Kinney County GCD
		Real-Edwards C and R District
	9	Bandera County River Authority & Ground Water District
		Headwaters GCD
10	Kinney County GCD	
K	7	Hickory UWCD No. 1
		Hill Country UWCD
	8	Central Texas GCD
		Fox Crossing Water District
	9	Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer CD
		Blanco-Pedernales GCD
		Hays Trinity GCD
	10	Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer CD
		Edwards Aquifer Authority
		Hays Trinity GCD
	12	Fayette County GCD
		Lost Pines GCD
	15	Coastal Bend GCD
Coastal Plains GCD		
Colorado County GCD		
Fayette County GCD		

Region	GMA	Potential Representative Groundwater Conservation Districts
L	9	Cow Creek GCD
		Edwards Aquifer Authority
		Hays Trinity GCD
		Trinity Glen Rose GCD
	10	Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer CD
		Edwards Aquifer Authority
		Guadalupe County GCD
		Plum Creek CD
	13	Edwards Aquifer Authority
		Evergreen UWCD
		Gonzales County UWCD
		Guadalupe County GCD
		Medina County GCD
		Plum Creek CD
		Uvalde County UWCD
		Wintergarden GCD
	15	Evergreen UWCD
		Calhoun County GCD*
		Goliad County GCD
		Pecan Valley GCD
Refugio GCD		
Victoria County GCD		
M	13	No GCDs currently overlap Region M and GMA 13
	16	Brush Country GCD
		Kenedy County GCD
		Red Sands GCD
		Starr County GCD
N	13	McMullen GCD
	15	Bee GCD
	16	Bee GCD
		Brush Country GCD
		Corpus Christi ASRCD
		Duval County GCD
		Kenedy County GCD
		Live Oak UWCD
		McMullen GCD
	San Patricio County GCD	
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		High Plains UWCD No.1
		Llano Estacado UWCD
		Mesa UWCD
		Sandy Land UWCD
		South Plains UWCD
	6	Gateway GCD
P	15	Coastal Bend GCD
		Lavaca County GCD
		Texana GCD

* Subject to confirmation election.

Groundwater Management Areas, Regional Water Planning Groups, and Groundwater Conservation Districts*

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July 25, 2011

Mr. Mark Evans
Chairman, Region H Planning Group
1577 Dam Site Road
Conroe, Texas 77304

Dear Chairman Evans:

I am writing regarding the appointment of a representative of Groundwater Management Area 14 ("GMA 14") to the Region H Planning Group.

On June 6, 2011, Governor Perry signed into law Senate Bill 660, relating to the review and functions of the Texas Water Development Board.

In part, Senate Bill 660 amended Section 9; Subsection 9 (c) of the Water Code as follows:

"In addition, the groundwater conservation districts located in each management area, as defined by Section 36.001, located in the regional water planning area shall appoint one representative of a groundwater conservation district located in the management area and in the regional water planning area to serve on the regional water planning group"

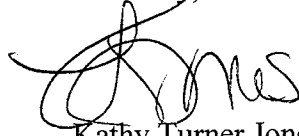
With respect to the Region H Planning Group, there are four (4) groundwater conservation districts ("GCD") that meet the description contained in the above amendment; Lone Star GCD, Bluebonnet GCD, Brazoria GCD and Lower Trinity GCD.

The representatives of the above districts have selected myself to serve on the Region H Planning Group.

In light of the facts that Senate Bill 660 will become law on September 1st and that there is an item pertaining to this matter on the Region H agenda for August 3rd, I felt it advisable that I relate to you the GMA's intent to select and appoint a member GCD to the group pursuant to the recently approved legislation.

I appreciate your consideration of the above matter and look forward to seeing you in August. Please feel free to contact me at kjones@lonestargcd.org, or call at 936/494-3436 if you have questions or would like to discuss this matter prior to the Region H meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jones", written in a cursive style.

Kathy Turner Jones
Chair, GMA 14