

Statewide Regional Flood Planning Group Member Welcome & Orientation

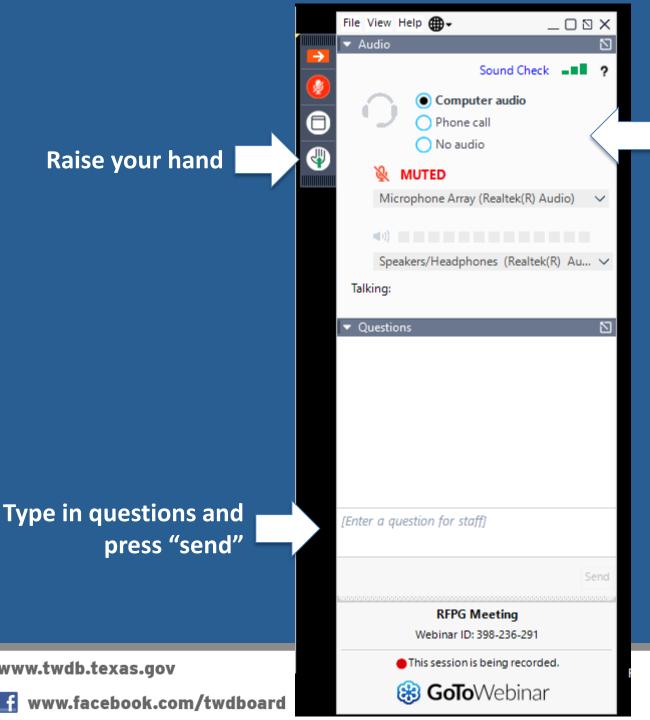
October 19th and 20th 2020 (Alternate Meetings)

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Welcome & Orientation

Senator Charles Perry

TWDB Chairman Peter Lake Jeff Walker, Executive Administrator Jessica Zuba, Deputy Executive Administrator





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AGENDA:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. New Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG) Member General Orientation
 - a. Welcome, Introductions & Background
 - b. RFPG Member Preparation for Initial Regional Meetings
 - c. Priority Decisions for RFPGs to Make
 - d. RFPG First Meetings Roles and responsibilities
 - Questions from Designated RFPG Members
- 3. TWDB Staff Introductions & Role in Process
 - Staff Introduction and Point of Contact for each RFPG
 - b. Role of TWDB Planners
 - Questions from Designated RFPG Members
- 4. Public Comment (Public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)
- 5. Adjourn



Agenda Items 2a and 2b

New RFPG member general orientation

How we got here

- Long history of flooding
- SB 8 passed in 2019 requiring a statewide flood plan based on regional flood plans
- Flood risk management through planning is a good investment











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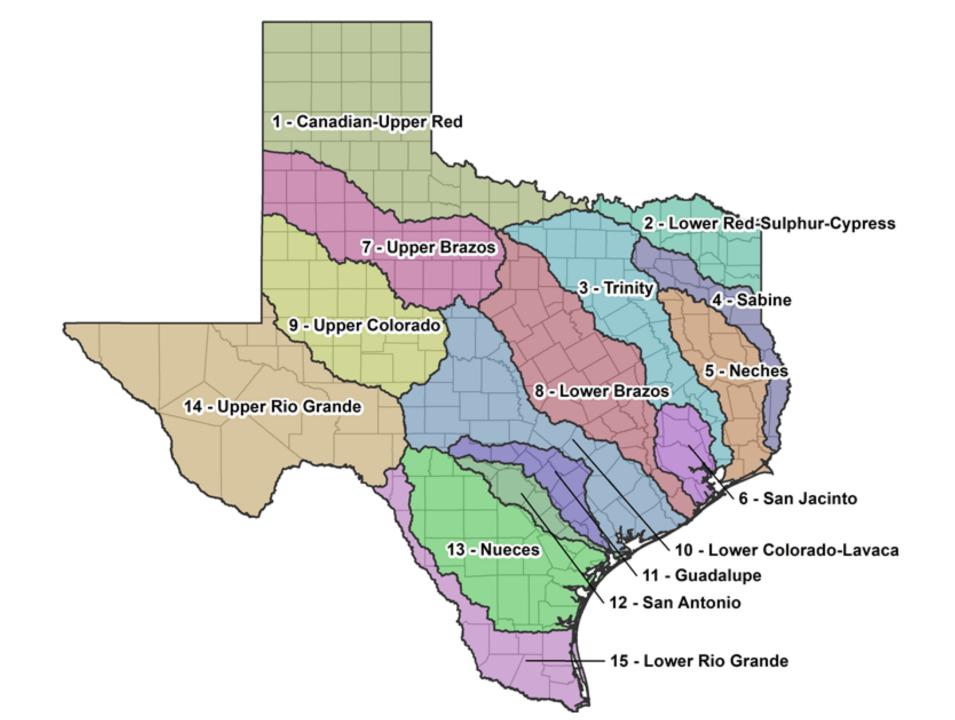
Goal of today's meeting

Orient you on the basics of RFPG establishment

Ensure successful first RFPG meetings

Explain key roles of RFPG, sponsors, and the TWDB

Introduce you to the TWDB staff who will be your primary support



Statutory & rule - required interest categories

- Agricultural interests
- Industries
- River authorities
- Counties
- Municipalities
- Water districts

- Flood districts
- Electric generating utilities
- Public
- Water utilities
- Environmental interests
- Small businesses

- + non-voting coastal and split-basin liaisons
- ? additional voting, if necessary, to ensure adequate representation





RFPG membership terminology

"position" (aka seat)

Attributes:

- 'interest' category
- voting/non-voting
- individual or ex officio

liaison

"member" = individual
who occupies that
position/seat



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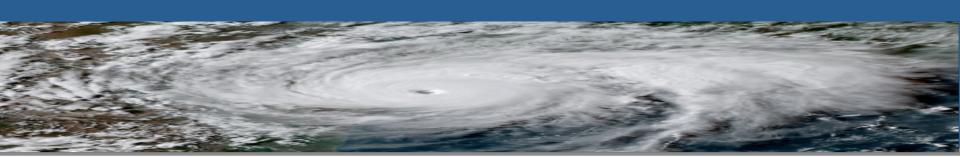
Initial RFPG membership

VOTING

- The board designated 166 of the possible 177 initial voting members
- Positions for which the EA did not designate a member will be filled by the RFPG after it convenes and begins operating
- Each group must maintain 12 voting members

NON-VOTING

Each group by statute will have 7 non-voting members from TWDB, TDA, GLO, TDEM, TCEQ, TSSWCB, and TPWD







Individual member responsibilities

- a) represent your interest group but consider all the region-wide stakeholders when making decisions
- b) regularly attending their RFPG meetings
- understand the state flood planning framework and process & consume information esp for group action
- d) consider stakeholder input
- participate in directing technical consultants
- make decisions and recommendations for the region
- ensure adoption of a regional flood plan by deadline

General RFPG Responsibilities

- Follow flood planning statute and rules and TOMA
- Adopt and follow bylaws that govern how each RFPG conducts its business.
- Designate additional representatives, if necessary, to ensure adequate representation from the interests in the region
- Designate a political subdivision to act on your behalf
- Hold public meetings in accordance with notice requirements and in a transparent manner
- Select and direct a technical consultant(s).
- Maintain a website for making notices, materials, and other information available to the public.

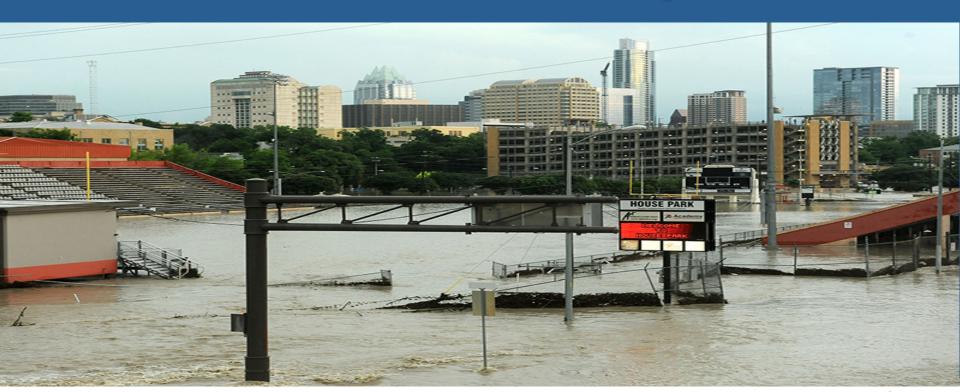
TWDB technical & financial support

- Convene & facilitate first RFPG meetings
- Serve as a non-voting member at meetings as resource
- Appropriations provided through regional flood planning grant contracts
- Guidance documents for developing plans
- Organize regular conf calls with chairs
- Support to sponsor political subdivisions
- Training and other general support

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Your 15 initial RFPG meetings

Reem Zoun, PE, CFM Director of Flood Planning









Agenda Items 2c and 2d

Priority decisions for RFPGs to make and RFPG first meetings – roles and responsibilities





The Flood Planning Division

- Regional Flood Planning Department
- Flood Data Department



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Anna Gonzales Executive Assistant



Steven Richter Team Lead, Flood Data



James Bronikowski, PE, CFM Manager, Regional Flood Planning james.bronikowski@twdb.texas.gov 512-475-0145





Facilitation of first meetings

- Virtual GoToWebinars run by TWDB
- Modest, mostly organizational agenda
- 3-hour meeting window
- Please arrive prepared
- Facilitated by TWDB until Chair selected

Three key decisions...



Key first meeting items:

✓ Adoption of RFPG bylaws (by 2/3rds vote)

✓ Election of Chair or interim Chair

✓ Designation of sponsor political subdivision



Tentative agenda for 1st RFPG meetings

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Welcome, Meeting Facilitation Information and Instructions
- 3. Member Introductions
- 4. Regional Flood Planning Overview Presentation
- 5. Discussion of group bylaws and consider adopting group bylaws
- 6. Consider nominating and electing regional flood planning group Chair or Interim Chair
- 7. Consider selecting a planning group sponsor to act on behalf of the regional flood planning group

Tentative agenda for 1st RFPG meetings (continued)

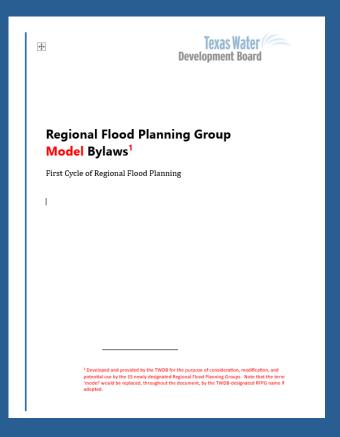
- 8. Consider additional, region-specific public notice requirements, if any, that might be necessary to ensure adequate public notice in the region per 31 Texas Administrative Code §361.12(3).
- 9. Consider authorizing the RFPG sponsor to apply for grant funds and enter into a contract with the TWDB on behalf of the RFPG
- 10.Discussion of necessary additional voting and non-voting positions that may be needed to ensure adequate representation from the interest in the region
- 11. (Only applicable to certain regions) Consider initiating RFPG solicitation process for individuals to fill required voting member positions not designated by the TWDB
- 12.Receive general public comments (Public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)
- 13. Consider date and agenda items for next meeting
- 14.Adjourn





Key materials to read before your 1st meetings

- Senate Bill 8
- TWDB 'Model' bylaws
- Texas Administrative Code (agency rules)
 - -Governance of RFPG §361.11
 - —General responsibilities §361.12
 - Public notice requirements §361.21
 - Guidance principles §362.2



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General RFPG orientation materials





Officer general responsibilities

- Model By-Law Officers
 - Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Executive Committee
- Chair (1st Meeting Agenda Item)
 - The Chair shall be the executive officer of the Model RFPG.
 - The Chair will preside at all meetings of the Model RFPG.
- Vice Chair
 - The Vice Chair shall assist the Chair in the discharge of his/her duties
 - If the Chair is unable to carry out his/her duties, the Vice Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair.
- Secretary
 - The Secretary shall maintain the minutes and take attendance of the Model RFPG meetings.
- Executive Committee
 - The Executive Committee shall be composed of five Model RFPG members, including the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and two members- at-large.



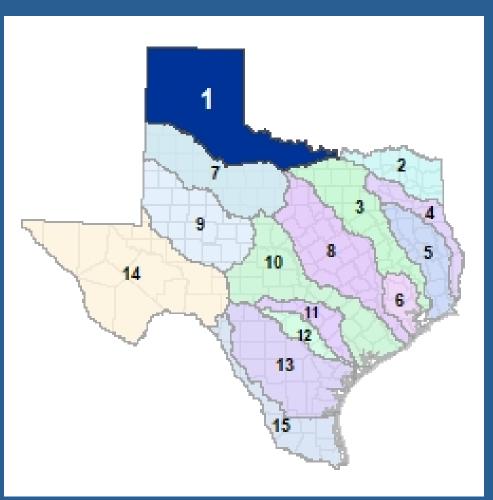
Planning group sponsor responsibilities

- apply for grant funding TWDB on behalf of the RFPG
- enter into and managing a contract with the TWDB
- procure and manage technical consultant(s)
- serve as the RFPG's administrative agent by organizing RFPG meetings, public notices, agendas, meeting presentations, handouts, and meeting minutes; and
- deliver the first regional flood plan no later than January 10, 2023.



Region 1 Canadian-Upper Red

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 10

Chandler Bowers, Agricultural Interests Jeffrey Kyle Watts, Counties [vacant], Electric Generating Utilities Nathan Howell, Environmental Interests [vacant], Flood Districts Don C. Davis, Industries Kyle Schniederjan, Municipalities Jane Ketcham, Public Randy Whiteman, River Authorities Joseph Shehan, Small Businesses Tracy R. Mesler, Water Districts Floyd Hartman, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Trey Bahm, GLO Melinda Torres, TCEQ Carol Faulkenberry, TDA Brian Hurtuk, TDEM Brad Simpson, TPWD Bob Gruner, TSSWCB Megan Ingram, TWDB



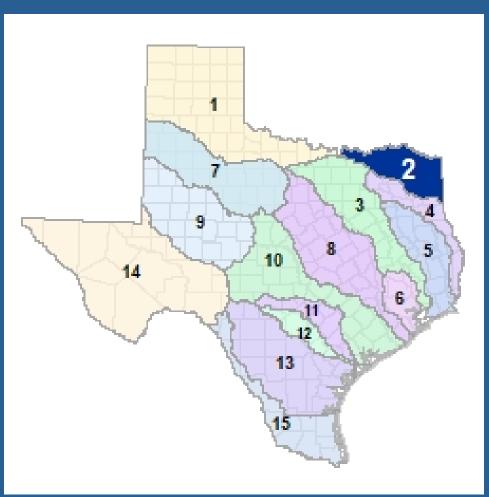




Region 2 Lower Red-Sulphur-Cypress

Initial Voting Members - 9

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Preston Ingram (William), Agricultural Interests [vacant], Counties

W. Greg Carter, Electric Generating Utilities Laura-Ashley Overdyke, Environmental Interests [vacant], Flood Districts [vacant], Industries Dustin Henslee, Municipalities Kirby Hollinsworth, Public R. Reeves Hayter, River Authorities Kelly Mitchell, Small Businesses Joseph W. Weir III, Water Districts

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Susan Whitfield, Water Utilities

Trey Bahm, GLO Michelle Havelka, TCEQ Darrell Dean, TDA Brian Hurtuk, TDEM James (Clay) Shipes, TPWD Tony Resendez, TSSWCB Megan Ingram, TWDB

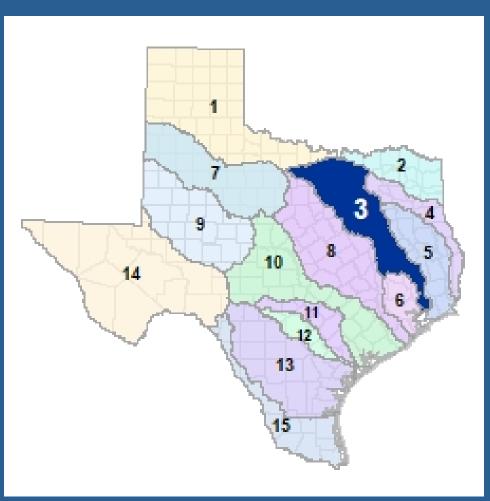






Region 3 Trinity

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 11

[vacant], Agricultural Interests

Lissa M. Shepard, Counties Sano Blocker, *Electric Generating Utilities* Jordan Macha, Environmental Interests Rachel A. Ickert, Flood Districts Matt Robinson, Industries Sarah Standifer, Municipalities Andrew Isbell, Public Glenn Clingenpeel, River Authorities Gerardo Ocanas, Small Businesses Mike Rickman, Water Districts Scott Harris, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Jonah Chen, GLO Kevin McCalla, TCEQ Rob Barthen, TDA Brian Hurtuk, TDEM Adam Whisenant, TPWD Steve Bednarz, TSSWCB Richard Bagans, TWDB

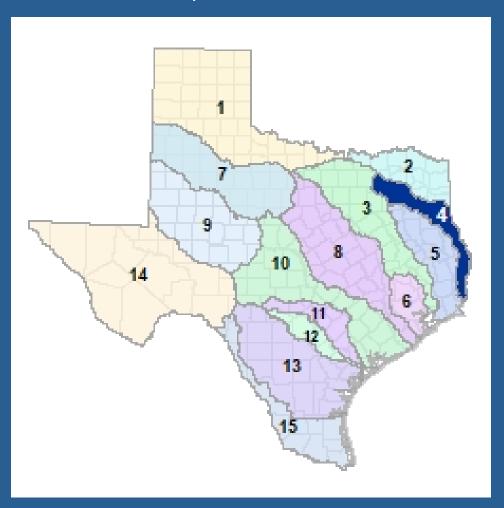






Region 4 Sabine

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 12

James (Bill) Bruce, Agricultural Interests Johnny Trahan, Counties Francis X. Shannon, *Electric Generating Utilities* Clyde V. McKee III, Environmental Interests Don Carona, Flood Districts Nikki Davis, Industries Alton Bradley, Municipalities Michelle Falgout, Public William R. (Bill) Hughes, River Authorities Jeff Rogers, Small Businesses Roman D. Griffin, Water Districts Ross Gordon, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Colleen Jones, Ph.D., GLO Kathy Sauceda, TCEQ Manuel Martinez, TDA Brian Hurtuk, TDEM Robert (Bob) Baker, TPWD Trey Watson, TSSWCB Ryke Moore, MUP, TWDB

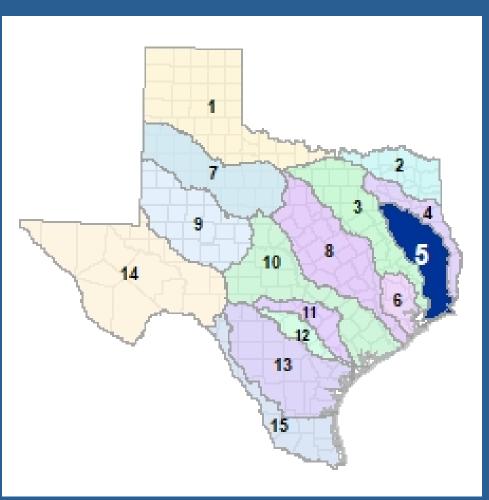






Region 5 Neches

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 12

Brent Heironimus, Agricultural Interests Jeff Branick, Counties Liv Haselbach, Electric Generating Utilities Ellen Buchanan, Environmental Interests Phil Kelley, Flood Districts Steve Moon, Industries Kyle Kingma, Municipalities John Beard, Jr., *Public* Scott Hall, River Authorities Stan Mathews, Small Businesses Joseph G. Majdalani, Water Districts Robb Starr, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Colleen Jones Ph.D., GLO Jonathan Walling, TCEQ Manuel Martinez, TDA Natalie Johnson, TDEM Bregan Brown, TPWD Trey Watson, TSSWCB Richard Bagans, TWDB

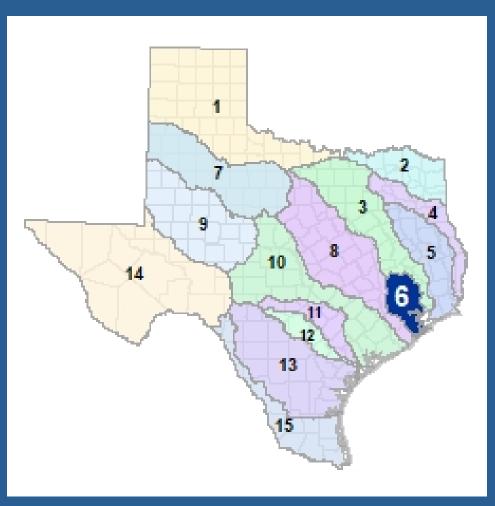






Region 6 San Jacinto

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 12

Elisa Macia Donovan, Agricultural Interests Alisa Max, Counties Paul E. Lock, *Electric Generating Utilities* Sarah P. Bernhardt, Environmental Interests Russell "Russ" A. Poppe, Flood Districts Timothy E. Buscha, *Industries* Stephen Costello, Municipalities Gene Fisseler, Public Matthew Barrett, River Authorities Jenna Armstrong, Small Businesses Alia Vinson, Water Districts Todd Burrer, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Colleen Jones, Ph.D., GLO Kelly Mills, PG, TCEQ Kristin Lambrecht, TDA Natalie Johnson, TDEM Adam Terry, TPWD Joel Clark, TSSWCB Megan Ingram, TWDB

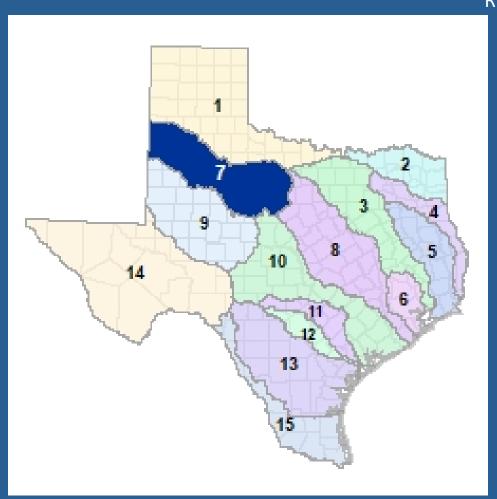






Region 7 Upper Brazos

Voting positions - 11 Members needed for quorum – 6



Initial Voting Members - 11

Dale Spurgin, Agricultural Interests Jennifer Davidson, Counties Richard Blake Moore, Electric Generating Utilities Richard Oller, Environmental Interests Erin C. Stiggins, *Industries* Michael Keenum, Municipalities Ken Rainwater, Public Michael McClendon, River Authorities Kyle Jacobson, Small Businesses Chris Wingert, Water Districts Aubrey A. Spear, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Jet Hays, GLO Kelly Cook, TCEQ Larissa Place, TDA Brian Hurtuk, TDEM Jennifer Bronson Warren, TPWD Jack Foote, TSSWCB Ryke Moore, TWDB

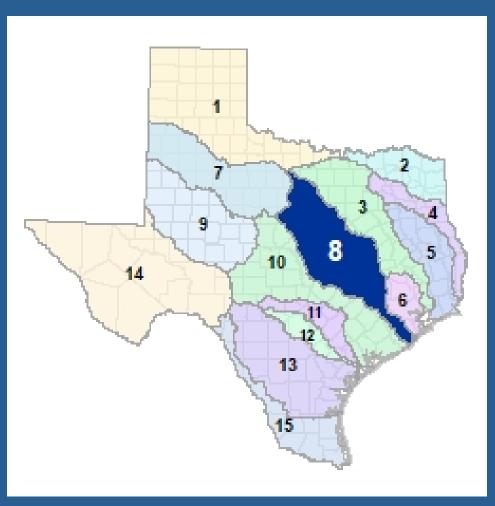






Region 8 Lower Brazos

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 12

Claudia Scott Wright, Agricultural Interests David Lilly, Counties Susan Alford, Environmental Interests Gary L. Spicer, *Electric Generating Utilities* Mark Vogler, Flood Districts Glenn Lord, Industries Anthony Beach, Municipalities Sujeeth Draksharam, Public Matt Phillips, River Authorities Andrew B. Earles, Small Businesses Alysha Girard, Water Districts Brandon Wade, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Colleen Jones, Ph.D., GLO David Van Soest, TCEQ Michelle Bobo, TDA Natalie Johnson, TDEM David Young, TPWD Steve Bednarz, TSSWCB Ryke Moore, TWDB







Region 9 Upper Colorado

Initial Voting Members - 11

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7 Kenneth Dierschke, Agricultural Interests Rick Bacon, Counties

Henryk Alexander Olstowski, Electric Generating Utilities

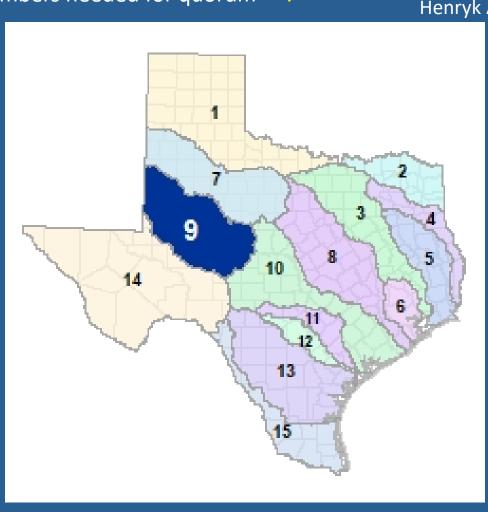
Christy Youker, Environmental Interests

[vacant], Flood Districts

Morse Haynes, *Industries* Lance Overstreet, Municipalities David H. Loyd Jr., Public Scott McWilliams, River Authorities Chuck Brown, Small Businesses Cole D. Walker, Water Districts Allison Strube, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Jet Hays, GLO Winona Henry, TCEQ Larissa Place, TDA Tim Frere, TDEM John McEachern, TPWD Ben Wilde, TSSWCB Hayley Gillespie, Ph.D., TWDB





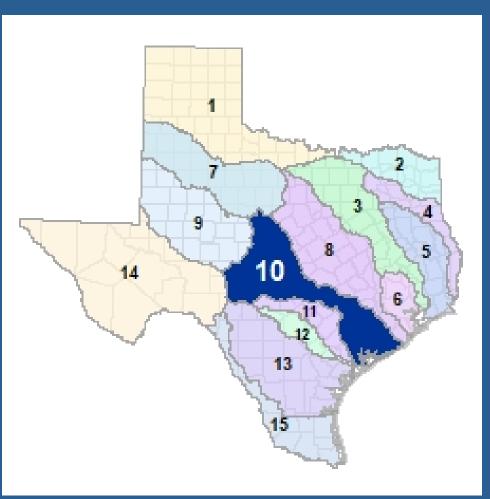




Region 10 Lower Colorado-Lavaca

Initial Voting Members - 12

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Terry Been, Agricultural Interests Phillip Spenrath, Counties Jason Ludwig, Electric Generating Utilities Kirby Brown, *Environmental Interests* G. Nicholas Textor, Flood Districts Brandon Klenzendorf, Industries Matt Hollon, Municipalities Frances Acuna, Public Patrick Brzozowski, River Authorities Ann Yakimovicz, Small Businesses Kacey Cubine Paul, Water Districts Hank Smith, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Colleen Jones, Ph.D., GLO David Galindo, TCEQ Lauren Mayes, TDA Natalie Johnson, TDEM Beth Bendik, TPWD Allen Nash, TSSWCB Hayley Gillespie, Ph.D., TWDB

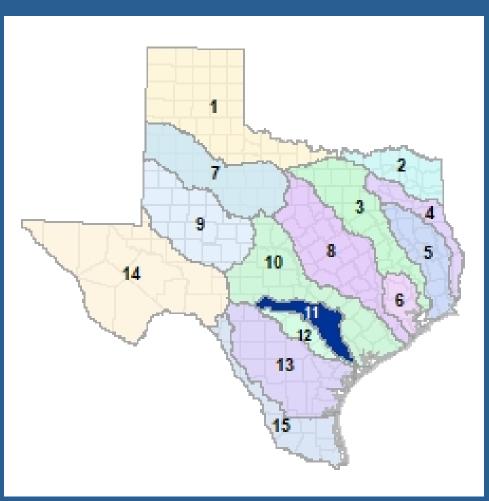






Region 11 Guadalupe

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 11

Doug Miller, Agricultural Interests John A. Johnston, Counties [vacant], Electrical Generating Utilities

Annalisa Peace, Environmental Interests Beth Parker, Flood Districts Kevin Stone, Industries Joseph G. Pantalion, Municipalities Kimberly Metzen, Public R. Brian Perkins, River Authorities Gian C. Villarreal, Small Businesses Ronald G. Fieseler, Water Districts Joseph McDaniel, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Kris Robles, GLO Joel Klumpp, TCEQ Jami McCool, TDA Natalie Johnson, TDEM Sue Reilly, TPWD Allen Nash, TSSWCB Morgan White, MPA, CFM, TWDB

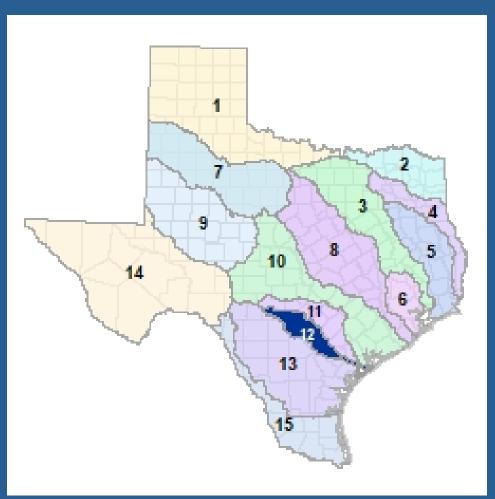






Region 12 San Antonio

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 11

[vacant], Agricultural Interests David Wegmann, Counties Deborah (Debbie) Reid, Environmental Interests Nefi M. Garza, Flood Districts Cara C. Tackett, *Industries* Jeffrey Carroll, Municipalities John Paul Beasley, Public Suzanne B. Scott, River Authorities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Steve Gonzales, Small Businesses

David Mauk, Water Districts Steve Clouse, Water Utilities

> Kris Robles, GLO Susan Jablonski, TCEQ Jami McCool, TDA Natalie Johnson, TDEM Marty Kelly, TPWD Jarod Bowen, TSSWCB Richard Bagans, TWDB

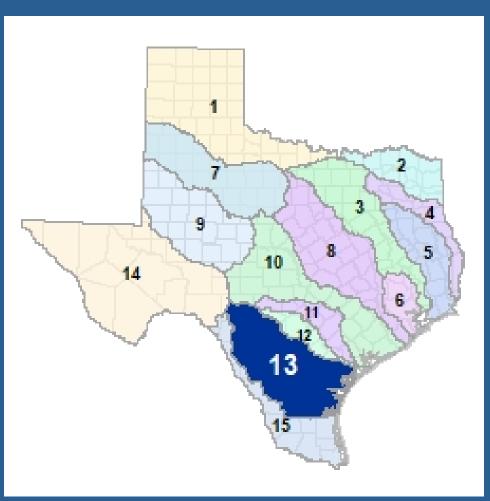






Region 13 Nueces

Voting positions - 12 Members needed for quorum - 7



Initial Voting Members - 10

Debra Barrett, Agricultural Interests Shanna K. Owens, Counties [vacant], Electrical Generating Utilities Lauren Hutch Williams, Environmental Interests [vacant], Flood Districts Jeffrey Pollack, Industries Lj Francis, Municipalities Adnan Rajib, *Public* Sky Lewey, River Authorities Andrew M. Rooke, Small Businesses J. R. Ramirez, Water Districts

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Simone Sanders, GLO Joel Anderson, TCEQ Nelda Barrera, TDA Tim Frere, TDEM Jim Tolan, TPWD Kendria Ray, TSSWCB Hayley Gillespie, Ph.D., TWDB

Larry Dovalina, Water Utilities

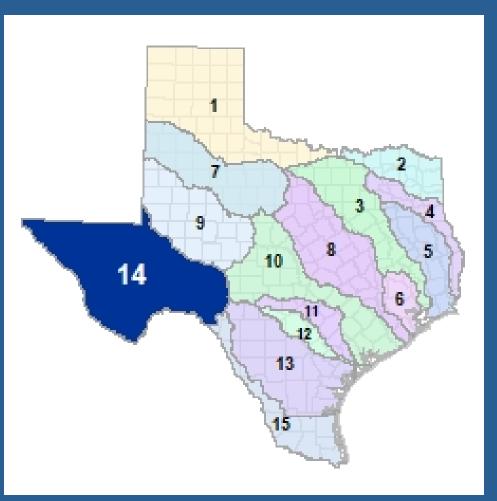






Region 14 Upper Rio Grande

Voting positions - 11 Members needed for quorum – 6



Initial Voting Members - 9

Oscar D. "Jay" Ornelas, Agricultural Interests Gilberto Saldana Jr., Counties Jessica Christianson, *Electric Generating Utilities* Jeff Bennett, Environmental Interests Sal Masoud, *Industries* Javier Acosta, Municipalities David "Dave" Hall, Public Rene Rodriguez, Small Businesses [vacant], River Authorities Omar L. Martinez, Water Districts [vacant], Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Sarah Douglas, GLO Anita Keese, TCEQ Larissa Place, TDA Tim Frere, TDEM James Weaver, TPWD Ben Wilde, TSSWCB Richard Bagans, TWDB

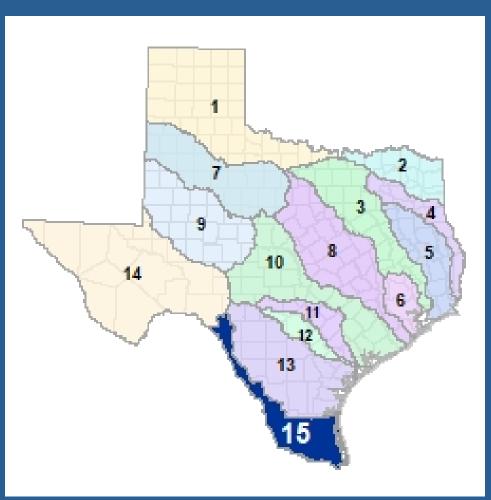






Region 15 Lower Rio Grande

Voting positions - 11 Members needed for quorum – 6



Initial Voting Members - 11

Jose "Joe" Angel Hinojosa, Agricultural Interests David A. Garza, Counties Daniel Lucio, Jr., Electric Generating Utilities Hudson DeYoe, Environmental Interests David L. Fuentes, Flood Districts Plinio Joey Trevino, *Industries* Vanessa Rosales-Herrera, Municipalities Joe A. Califa, Public Jose Luis Caso, Small Businesses Sonia Lambert, Water Districts Riazul I. Mia, Water Utilities

Initial Non-Voting Members - 7

Colleen Jones, Ph.D., GLO David Ramirez, TCEQ Nelda Barrera, TDA Tim Frere, TDEM Willy Cupit, TPWD Adrian Perez, TSSWCB Megan Ingram, TWDB







Flood planning process basics

- Regional groups make decisions
- Collaborative across basin
- Transparent and public process to develop plans
- Regional plans will roll into statewide plan
- Five-year planning cycle



Timeline

RFPG sponsors will solicit First RFPG technical Meetings consultants Oct/Nov 2020 **Early 2021**



Draft regional flood plans due to TWDB

legislature Sept 1, 2024

First state

flood plan

due to

Aug 1, 2022



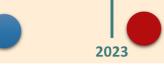
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Contract execution with the RFPG sponsors



Jan 7, 2022

Technical memorandum due to TWDB



Jan 10, 2023

2024

First regional flood plans due to TWDB







Agenda Item 2e

Questions from designated RFPG members



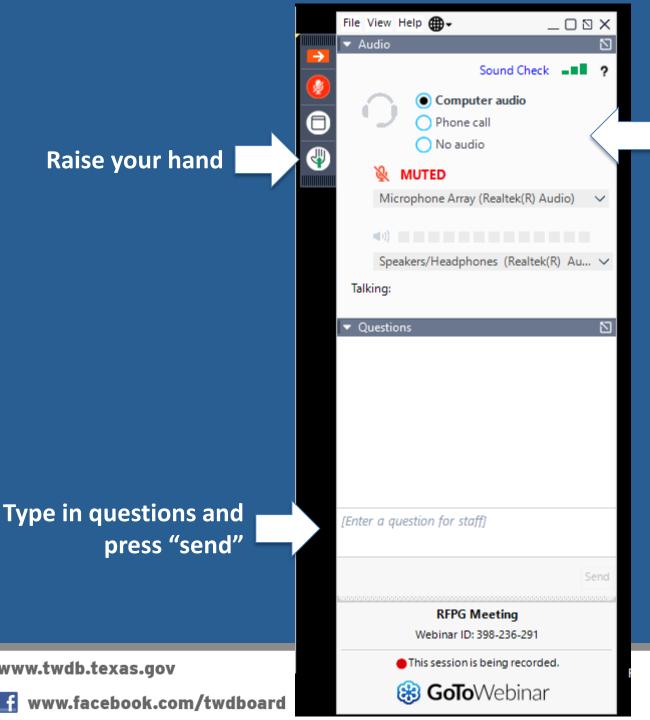


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TWDB Staff Introductions & Role



James Bronikowski, PE, CFM, Manager of Regional Flood Planning







Agenda Items 3a 3b and 3c:

Staff introductions and role in process

Flood Planning Staff



Morgan White Team Lead, Region 11



Anna Gonzales Executive Assistant



Steven Richter Flood Data Team Lead



Richard Bagans Regions 3, 5, 12, 14



Hayley Gillespie Regions 9, 10, 13



Megan Ingram Regions 1, 2, 6, 15



Ryke Moore Regions 4, 7, 8







Role of TWDB planners

- attend all RFPG meetings as non-voting member
- orient members and other participants
- provide consistent, preemptive flow of communication to all 15 RFPGs
- manage/monitor the TWDB planning grant contracts
- review & obtain Board approval of flood plans
- keep out of the RFPG's way & remain neutral

Role of TWDB Flood Data team

- gather and process publicly available flood data and share with RFPGs via Flood Data Hub
- provide guidance on data to be submitted with the regional flood plans
- validate, aggregate, and analyze submitted data
- develop publicly available visualizations for RFPG data
- keep out of the RFPG's way & remain neutral

Flood Data – Data Hub

- prototype Data Hub available: https://twdb-flood-planningresources-twdb.hub.arcgis.com/
- additional data products and applications in development
- send any flood data comments or questions to: floodplanningdata@twdb.texas.gov











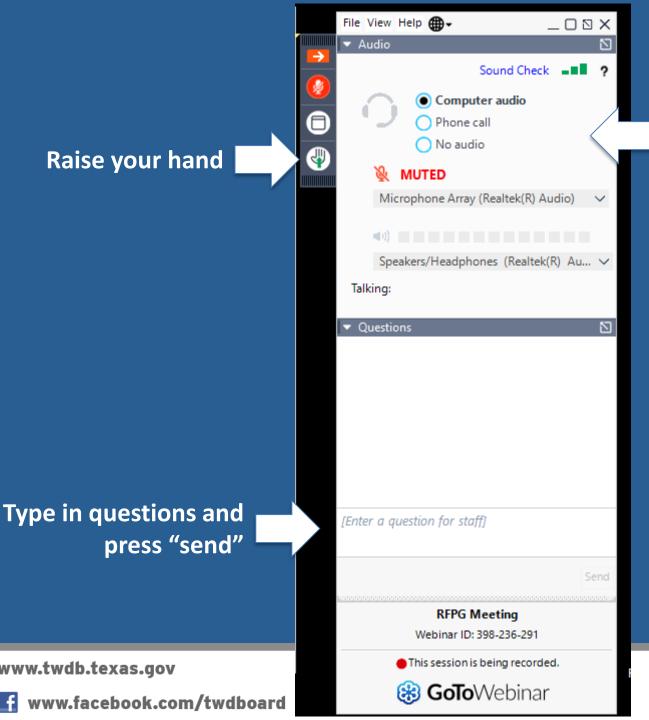


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Agenda Item 4:

PUBLIC COMMENT

 Individuals who have registered using the online Public Comment Registration Form will be called upon and unmuted to provide their comments.

 Limit comments to 3 minutes each.



Adjourn



