Minutes of Lavaca Regional Water Planning Group August 24, 2020 Edna, Texas

A meeting of the Lavaca Regional Water Planning Group was held on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. With respect to COVID-19, the meeting was held via video conference.

Voting Group Members present via video were: Patrick Brzozowski, Tom Chandler, Steve Cooper, Neil Hudgins, Jack Maloney, Richard Ottis, Robert Shoemate, Michael Skalicky, Jill Sklar, Phillip Spenrath, and Ed Weinheimer.

Absent Voting Group Members were: Jim Coleman, Marie Day, Bart McBeth, Edward Pustka, Jill Sklar, and David Wagner.

Also present via video were: Jean Devlin of Texas Water Development Board, Jaime Burke and Alicia Smiley of AECOM, Jami McCool of Texas Department of Agriculture, Mike Rivet of Formosa, Karen Gregory, LNRA Deputy General Manager, Administration, and Scott Hartl, LNRA Assistant Manager, Operations.

Vice Chairman Hudgins called the meeting to order.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Minutes

The minutes of the February 10, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Weinheimer moved to approve the minutes as presented. Cooper seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Nominations for New Voting Members

Brzozowski informed the Group that there was no new nominations at this time.

The Group will continue to seek new members to fill the vacancies.

Briefing and Update from Texas Water Development Board

Devlin informed the Group as follows:

- 1. TWDB adopted amendments to the Administrative Code regarding RWP on June 4, 2020.
- 2. RWP Data Entry is to be completed by October 6, 2020
- 3. Extension of the Final 2021 Regional Water Plan deliverable to November 5, 2020.
- 4. TWDB eliminated the requirement to submit nine (9) hard copies of the RWP. Instructions on how to submit the deliverables in electronic form will be communicated to RWPGs groups.

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Briefing from AECOM Consultant

Burke briefed the Group on the following:

- Project Status to Date
- Work Since Last Meeting
- Timeline
 - o Final 2021 Plan due November 5, 2020.
 - o Reviewing proposed draft responses to IPP comments and updates to chapters.
 - o Wait for feedback from TWDB staff regarding responses to IPP.
 - RWPG to review changes to plan and draft prioritization spreadsheet and provide any additional edits.
 - o RWPG to meet in October to approve the final RWP.

The Group discussed the comments received on the Initially Prepared Plan (IPP). The Group also reviewed the proposed draft responses/changes to the RWP. Copies were presented to the Group for their review.

Burke presented updates to the chapters since the IPP was submitted and the draft prioritization spreadsheet. The Group was presented copies of the information discussed and were asked to submit recommendations or edits to Burke by September 30th.

Future Meeting Dates

The Region P Group tentatively scheduled a regular meeting for Monday, October 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Brzozowski moved for the meeting to adjourn at 11:46 a.m. Weinheimer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Phillip Spenrath	
Chairman	