

Lower Colorado-Lavaca
**REGIONAL FLOOD
PLANNING GROUP**

REGION 10

**Technical Committee Meeting
April 28, 2022**

Region 10 Lower Colorado-Lavaca RFPG Technical Committee Meeting

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Welcome**
- 3. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting**

Region 10 Lower Colorado-Lavaca Flood Planning Group
April 13, 2022
9:00 AM
 Hybrid Meeting

Roll call:

Voting Member	Role	Present (x) /Absent () Alternate Present (*)
Kelly Payne	Chair	X
Kacey Cubine Paul	Vice Chair	X joined at 9:59 am
Ann Yakimovicz	Secretary	X
Matt Hollon	Member	X
Brandon Klenzendorf	Member	X

Quorum:

Quorum: **Yes, a quorum was present.**

Number of voting members or alternates representing voting members present: 4 at start of meeting, 5 once Kacey Paul joined at 9:59 am.

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

Other Meeting Attendees: **

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

Reem Zoun – TWDB

James Bronikowski – TWDB

Tressa Olsen - TWDB

Cindy Engelhardt – Halff Associates, Inc.

Mike Personett – Halff Associates, Inc.

Jay Scanlon – Freese & Nichols

Cris Parker – HDR

Karen Ford – Water PR

Jennifer Bassett - LCRA

Lauren Graber - LCRA

Annette Keaveny – LCRA

Marcin Tyszka – LCRA

All meeting materials are available for the public at:

www.lowercoloradolavacaflood.org/meetings

Agenda:

1) Call to Order

Chair Kelly Payne called the meeting to order at 9:00 am CDT. A roll call of the technical committee members was taken to record attendance and a quorum was established prior to calling the meeting to order.

2) Welcome

Chair Kelly Payne welcomed members and other attendees to the meeting.

3) Approval of minutes from the previous meeting

The draft meeting minutes were reviewed.

Matt Hollon moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Brandon Klenzendorf. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

4) Public comments– limit 3 minutes per person

Chair Kelly Payne called for public comments. No comments were made.

5) Task 5 – Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding recommended Flood Management Evaluations and Strategies and Flood Mitigation Projects

Using completed Strategy templates as examples, Mike Personett, Halff Associates, led the discussion about three potential region-wide strategies that the RFPG might want to implement. The technical consultants advised that quite a few items included in community Hazard Mitigation Plans were not specific enough to qualify as an FMS, yet inclusion in the HMPs indicates a need. Proposing region-wide strategies in the Regional Flood Plan might target three of these needs.

The three potential strategies are: (1) public education and outreach, (2) technical support for communities joining the NFIP and for communities wanting to update or adopt new ordinances for better flood prevention such as higher standards, and (3) technical assistance in determining necessary basic information for low water crossings such as location, priority, and identification of a solution. These strategies should be complementary with FMEs, FMPs, and FMSs where the community already has a solution for a specific area.

The committee noted that the region-wide work proposed for inclusion in the Regional Flood Plan as Flood Management Strategies should be limited to what the RFPG can realistically do to close gaps in the region. Broader policy recommendations should be included in Chapter 5 of the Regional Flood Plan as recommendations to the Legislature for funding that would support on-going work. These three potential region-wide strategies should be coordinated with efforts by other organizations and agencies such as TFMA, FEMA, NFIP, TDM, TxDOT, and NOAA-NWS to ensure the most effective reach and avoid overlap of efforts.

The committee then evaluated the templates themselves and made comments that will allow the technical consultants to finalize the forms for use.

For all forms:

- * Move the sponsor near the top of the form, under the title
- * Use descriptive title for project rather than “Blanco County 5” or similar
- * Check for consistent font size, readability, and typographical errors (“constaint”)
- * Rearrange sections and space usage to allow enough detail on the form for clear understanding of each project, whether an FMS, FME, or FMP
- * Extend horizontal areas of Goals section for full goal statement and readability
- * Change terminology to “No Adverse Impact” from No Negative Impact

Particularly for FME template:

- * Rearrange Scope of Project section to increase the space available for the description
- * Note that the cost is just for the study.

* Where cost from other sources is a range, use the top of the range as the cost

For both FME and FMP templates:

- * Include flood level of protection or note that evaluation will determine
- * Include Social Vulnerability Index score
- * Use consistent format for map displays
- * Use simple North arrow on map and orient to top of page
- * Insert a key map for the project county to locate project
- * Truncate drainage area numbers
- * Where applicable, include size of road, average daily traffic count, closest alternative route, type of structure
- * Where applicable, note whether project is existing or new

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Chair Kelly Payne called for public comments. No comments were made.

7) Consider date and agenda items for next meeting

Chair Kelly Payne opened discussion to consider the date and agenda items for the next meeting.

After general discussion, Chair Kelly Payne concluded that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 28 at 9:00 AM CDT. Matt Hollon and Brandon Klensendorf advised they will not be able to attend this meeting. They will send comments in advance to Kelly Payne, Mike Personett and Jay Scanlon. Kelly Payne, Kacey Paul and Ann Yakimovicz plan to attend the meeting, which would be a quorum. Agenda items will include discussion and possible action to recommend a subset of the identified feasible FMEs, FMPs, and FMSs for consideration by the full RFPG at the scheduled public meeting on May 2, 2022.

8) Adjourn

Kacey Paul made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ann Yakimovicz. The motion passed 5 to 0. The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 AM CDT by Chair Kelly Payne.

*Approved by the Lower Colorado-Lavaca RFPG Technical Committee at a meeting held on **DATE**.*

Ann Yakimovicz, SECRETARY

Kelly Payne, CHAIR

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****See summaries file for details***

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