

REGION 14. UPPER RIO GRANDE FLOOD PLANNING GROUP
 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
 Thursday, July 28, 2022
 9:00 AM (MDT)
 8037 Lockheed, Suite 100 TX 79925

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Interest Category</u>	<u>Present (✓)/Absent (X) / Alternate Present (✓)</u>
Omar L. Martinez, Chair	<i>Water Districts</i>	✓
Zhuping Sheng	<i>Agricultural Interests</i>	✓
Gilberto Saldaña Jr.	<i>Counties</i>	✓
Jeff Bennett	<i>Environmental Interests</i>	X
Sal Masoud	<i>Industries</i>	✓
Javier Acosta	<i>Municipalities</i>	✓
David "Dave" Hall	<i>Public</i>	X
Rene Rodriguez	<i>Small Business</i>	✓
Gisela Dagnino	<i>Water Utilities</i>	X
Vacant	<i>Flood Districts</i>	
Levi Bryand	<i>Water Utilities</i>	X
Rick Tate	<i>River Authorities</i>	X
Carlos Velarde	<i>Public</i>	✓
<u>Non-voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)</u>
James Weaver	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	
Elijah Casas	General Land Office/Region 14 Liaison	✓
Richard Bagans	Texas Water Development Board	✓
Anita Keese	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	
Vanessa Rosales-Herrera	Region 15 Liaison	
Dr. Apurba Borah	International Boundary Water Commission	✓
Judy Lucio	Texas Division of Emergency Management	✓
JD Lawrence	Texas Department of Agriculture	✓
Judy Albus for Ben Wilde	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	✓
Others Present:		
	Jeff Irvin	
Maria Jayni Saenz	Bryan Blaisdell	
Gilbert Anaya	Gilbert Anaya, TWDB	
Reem Zoun		

1. Welcome and call to order
Chairman Omar Martinez received confirmation that a quorum was present. The meeting started at 9:19 AM MDT.
2. Public Comments
Chairman Martinez asked if there were any public comments from the public. There were none.
3. Review and approve the minutes for the meeting held July 26, 2022.
The Minutes will be tabled and will be presented at the next meeting.
4. Update from TWDB, Richard Bagans
Last major push by the consultants and group before submitting the draft plan, that is due August 1st. He reminded the group to post the public meeting and has a requirement for thirty days prior and thirty days after to receive comments. He also reminded the group that at their next meeting they can have Task 12 on the agenda to discuss potential FMEs.
5. Review of remaining RFP chapters
Jeff Irvin, AECOM, discussed the outcome of the subcommittee 4 meeting.
6. Discussion and action to vote on RFPG Chapter 8 Administrative, Regulatory, and Legislative Recommendations from Subcommittee 4
Gilbert Saldaña made a motion Rene Rodriguez seconded the motion. Chairman Martinez called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.
7. Next Potential General RFPG Meeting Date
The group discussed having the public meeting the week of September 12th to determine the best day the group is available.
8. Adjourn
Rene Rodriguez made a motion to adjourn. Sal Massoud seconded the motion. Chairman Martinez called for a vote and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

9/19/22
Date


Javier Acosta, Secretary