

Water Resources Council

Meeting Summary

Thursday, June 13, 2013

William J. Pitstick Executive Board Room
NCTCOG Offices

ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ITEMS

1. **Welcome.** The Chair welcomed the members to the meeting. Edith Marvin, Director of Environment and Development, was re-introduced to the Water Resources Council (WRC). She encouraged the members to submit topics for discussion and to contact her with any concerns.
2. **Summary of the May 16, 2013 Meeting.** Richard Talley made a motion to approve the May 16, 2013 meeting summary. The motion was seconded by Robert McCarthy. The WRC was unanimous in its approval.
3. **North Central Texas Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP).** Prior to the WRC meeting, a public meeting was held seeking input on the 2013 WQMP. NCTCOG staff informed the WRC that while there were no verbal comments, written comments regarding population projections were received from the Upper Trinity River Water District. Land use and population projections were discussed. It was noted that the 2013 WQMP meets the guidelines of the Quality Assurance Plan. Glenn Clingenpeel made a motion to recommend the 2013 WQMP to NCTCOG's Executive Board. Kevin Mercer seconded the motion. The WRC was unanimous in its approval.
4. **Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) 319 Call for Projects.** NCTCOG Staff reviewed the eligibility for TCEQ 319 grant possibilities in support of total maximum daily loads (TMDL) and watershed protection bearing in mind that there can be no competition with cities or counties located within the region. The challenge is meeting the 60/40 funding match. Environment and Development submitted a grant through the EPA for producing a wetlands video. NCTCOG is also hoping to obtain funding to revitalize the Stream Team program. A US Forest Service grant is being explored to improve water quality using urban forests. The Soil Board is also another source of potential funding. The WRC will be kept informed of the status of these potential grants.
5. **TMDL Implementation Plan Project.** TCEQ scheduled a public comment hearing at NCTCOG on June 19, 2013 for the Segment 0841 TMDL. An I-Plan public meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2013 at NCTCOG.

REVIEW ITEMS AND ACTIONS

6. **There were no review items for consideration this month.**

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. **TCEQ Water Quality Management Plan Quarterly Update.** TCEQ performs quarterly updates for the State of Texas' Water Quality Management Plan. The April 2013 Update includes two items related to the region: **Projected Effluent Limit Update** for the City of Cleburne (Johnson County – Brazos River Basin) and a **Service Area Population Update** for the City of Grand

Prairie. NCTCOG staff will share information on future quarterly TCEQ Draft Texas WQMP Updates with the WRC to orchestrate common elements between the Texas WQMP and region's annual WQMP.

8. **Trinity River Recovery Potential Project.** This project is designed to pinpoint watersheds that have different levels of recovery potential for identified bacteria. Data is being fed into an evaluation tool to obtain trial results to control the bacteria. This project is slated to be completed by August 31, 2013.
9. **WRC Roundtable Topics, NCTCOG Programs, and Environmental Activities.** Protection initiatives for state threatened species are very costly. More data needs to be gathered and a regional approach developed. It would be best to deal with this issue at the state level versus the federal level.
10. **Schedule for Next Meeting of the Water Resources Council.** The next WRC meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 8, 2013