

Summary of Minutes

Water Conservation Advisory Council Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 10, 2014
 Time: 1:02 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 Location: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
 Conference Room – Building 6
 1340 Airport Commerce – Austin, TX

Meeting chaired by: C.E. Williams, Presiding Officer
 Meeting Facilitators: TWDB support staff

<i>Institutional Water Users</i>	Bill Hoffman	<i>Refining & Chemical Manufacturing</i>	Karl Fennessey
<i>Landscape Irrigation & Horticulture</i>	Brad Smith	<i>Environmental Groups</i>	Ken Kramer
<i>Professional Organizations Focused on Water Conservation</i>	Alternate Nora Mullarkey	<i>Higher Education</i>	Kevin Wagner
<i>Regional Water Planning Groups</i>	C.E. Williams	<i>Water Control & Improvement Districts</i>	Linda Christie
<i>Texas Parks and Wildlife Department</i>	Cindy Loeffler	<i>Groundwater Conservation Districts</i>	---
<i>Municipal Utility Districts</i>	Alternate Mark Froehlich	<i>Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board</i>	Alternate Steven Bednarz
<i>Electric Generation</i>	---	<i>Texas Department of Agriculture</i>	David Villarreal
<i>Mining and Recovery of Minerals</i>	CJ Tredway	<i>TWDB</i>	Robert Mace
<i>Agricultural Groups</i>	---	<i>TCEQ</i>	Chris Loft
<i>Rural Water Users</i>	Lara Zent	<i>Federal Agencies</i>	John Mueller
<i>River Authorities</i>	Jim Parks	<i>Irrigation Districts</i>	Wayne Halbert
<i>Municipalities</i>	Karen Guz		

Approval of Minutes from the April 8, 2014 Meeting

The Council took up and approved minutes from the prior meeting.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Presentation on the LUC Project (water loss, use, and conservation) Consolidated Reporting Database

John Sutton of the Texas Water Development Board provided an overview of the Consolidated Reporting Database. The project is on a timeline going with the annual water use survey and the annual water loss audit being live in December 2014. The consolidated database will include the annual conservation report by May 2015 and will include reports and public access in August 2015.

Presentation on the Texas Municipal Water Consortium

Brewster McCracken of the Texas Municipal Water Consortium presented on the work the group is doing with the University of Texas. The consortium conducts research trials of water supply, management and conservation solutions in homes and businesses across Texas. Mr. McCracken led a discussion after the presentation focusing on membership and the technology the group was advancing.

Discussion on and Action on Content for the 2014 WCAC Legislative Report

CE Williams, chair, opened the floor to walk through the report, section by section.

The Council made minor edits to several portions of the report and requested several sections be rewritten or expanded.

Ken Kramer requested specific language reflected the use of 2012 data in the report. TWDB staff will add content that explains.

Within the Municipal Water Conservation Efforts section, Chris Loft will send TWDB support staff more content to update the section. Kevin Wagner will send updated numbers and data for the Agricultural Water Conservation Efforts Section and a brief paragraph referring to AgriLife water conservation.

Ken Kramer will send information on Charge 6.

Denise Hickey and Linda Christie will provide information under the Drought Planning section which highlights the North Texas region.

TWDB support staff will work to incorporate the content from Council members, organize the draft, and complete the appendices.

Robert Mace will work with Texas Water Development Board management to find direction on the Council's want to make recommendations in the 2014 Legislative Report. Feedback will be distributed to the Council.

Reports from Workgroups

Agriculture: No Report

Commercial & Institutional: No Report.

Industrial: No report.

Municipal: No Report

Public Awareness: No Report

Wholesale: No report.

Announcements of Conferences and Events

Discussion and selection of dates and locations of future meetings

Discussion on when the next meeting should take place. Several dates were suggested and TWDB support staff will check back with the Council with the official date.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.