

10/30/07
Time Start: 2:00 pm
Time Stop: 3:05 pm

Teleconference Call:

Work Group 2 ~ Monitor Trends in Water Conservation Implementation & Monitor Target & Goal Guidelines

Council Participants

Spokesperson Karen Guz

Carole Baker

Greg Carter

Wayne Halbert

Kelly Hall

Donna Howe

Ken Kramer

Gene Montgomery

Ken Petersen

Wilson Scaling

C.E. Williams

Denise Hickey for Jim Parks

TWDB Staff Sitting In

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John Sutton

C.E. Williams called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. There was some discussion and concerns regarding a “quorum” of the entire council on this teleconference and what role did those sitting in for a member have. Two members excused themselves in order for the conference call to continue. It was mentioned that if the quorum issue continues to be a problem that the work group may consider breaking into two.

GeneMontgomery discussed the document he drafted up which gave a brief background of the task force recommendations and summarized the charges for each work group. The document was intended for those not previously on the task force or for those who are new to the council. It was noted that the work group should develop charges that would be approved by the council.

The work group discussion then centered on:

What is the role of the state agencies in reviewing targets and goals?

Is there a need to establish metrics to measure success?

Is it important to define GPCD?

It was noted that the council should be able to make recommendations regarding these questions within the scope of these tasks.

The group discussed looking at trends regarding targets and goals in the 2006 regional water plans, as well as the recently completed water loss study that can be accessed at:

http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/RWPG/rpgm_rpts/0600010612_WaterLossinTexas.pdf .

Donna Howe asked about looking at the possibility of defining a ratio for an amount of money it might take to reach goals depending on population. It might be possible to include a related question on a survey that Work Group 1 is considering.

Karen Guz was then elected spokesperson.

Kelly Hall asked about a graph from the task force report that showed the volume of the different water management strategies in the 2002 State Water Plan and how have, or might, they change over time. A request was made for an updated graph by the next meeting.

The group decided that monthly conference calls were good, as well as the possible need for a face to face meeting. At the next meeting, priorities would be discussed on the assigned tasks.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Immediate Actions	Long Term Actions
Address the potential problem of having a quorum of council members participating in this work group and the role of those sitting in for members.	
For next meeting, provide graphs of the use of water conservation as a water management strategy in the 2002 and 2007 State Water Plans.	