

Minutes: Agricultural Workgroup Meeting

05/09/13

Time Start: 12:00 pm

Time Stop: 1:00 pm

Members	Alternates	Interested Parties	TWDB Staff
Hughes Abell Richard Egg Richard Eyster Steve Bednarz Wayne Halbert	Jay Bragg	John Bender Stacy Pandey	Cameron Turner Mindy Conyers Comer Tuck Bridget Cameron

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm following the conclusion of the regular Council meeting.

The meeting began with confirmation that the following BMPs were approved by the Council at the May 9th meeting:

- Irrigation Scheduling
- Volumetric Measurement of Irrigation Water Use
- On Farm Irrigation Audit
- Crop Residue Management and Conservation Tillage

TWDB staff member Cameron Turner presented on TWDB’s annual irrigation estimates process and a forthcoming technical note.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion on preparing a status report on agricultural irrigation water use and conservation efforts in Texas. Workgroup members also discussed the possibility of updating TWDB Report 347: Surveys of Irrigation in Texas. Workgroup members will review the report and identify key data needs and methods to obtain such data. TWDB staff to write a draft proposal that outlines the scope of such an effort.

The workgroup then discussed the Blue Legacy Award in Agriculture. TWDB staff will draft an amended document on a simplified nomination process meant to increase participation.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.