## **Summary of Minutes**

### Water Conservation Advisory Council - Commercial and Institutional Workgroup Meeting

September 2, 2015 Time Start: 2:00 PM Time Stop: 3:15 PM

Members	Alternates	<b>Interested Parties</b>	TWDB Staff
Bill Hoffman	Ruthanne Haut	Dustan Compton	Mindy Conyers
C.E. Williams		Mark Jordan	Shae Luther
		Brandon Leister	John Sutton
		Aubrey Spear	
		Steve Stelzer	
		Art Torres	

#### Introductions/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM and roll call was taken.

# <u>Discussion on revising draft Best Management Practice: Commercial and Institutional BMPs – A Complete Guide</u>

- Workgroup discussed Commercial & Institutional BMP Guide draft which incorporated SECO (State Energy Conservation Office) Water Conservation Design Standards for State Buildings and Institutions of Higher Education Facilities
- Primary discussion centered on the guide's Table of Contents
  - Two chapters could be added on Texas-specific information (statutes, requirements, etc.) and case studies (metrics, audits, etc.)
    - → Case studies should include illustrations from various cities and contain examples of cost savings, recognizing that each end-user may have a different savings outcome.
    - → Customers like to see Return on Investment (ROI), but should be in a manner that is easily understood (ex: cents per gallon).
    - → Can be difficult to breakdown cost of water due to several factors, including frequently changing rates.
- Other discussion topics
  - o potentially include details from California Department of Water Resources' Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional Task Forces Water Use Best Management Practices Report to the Legislature, Volume II.
  - o how to get the completed guide distributed to cities and commercial and institutional end users (maybe via newsletter)
  - o Bill working to update introductory section with more current data
  - water rate costs
  - o auxiliary water (onsite) at the state level
  - o guidance on using the San Antonio Water System calculator

- Study by a San Antonio university on air conditioning condensate should be included in list of references
- o Struggles with Commercial and Institutional rebates
- o TWDB staff to receive and distribute audit examples, benchmarking studies, etc.
- The next conference call for the Commercial and Institutional Workgroup will be sometime in mid-October.

## <u>Adjourn</u>

The call ended at 3:15 pm.