

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Region 15 Lower Rio Grande Flood Planning**  
**Group Meeting April 12, 2022**  
**2:30 PM**  
**Virtual Meeting**

**Roll Call:**

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Interest Category</u>	<u>Present (x) / Absent ( ) / Alternate Present (*)</u>
Jose "Joe" Angel Hinojosa	<i>Agricultural interests</i>	X
David A. Garza	<i>Counties</i>	X
Daniel Lucio, Jr.	<i>Electric generating utilities</i>	X
Hudson DeYoe	<i>Environmental interests</i>	X
David L. Fuentes	<i>Flood Districts</i>	X
Plinio Joey Trevino	<i>Industries</i>	X
Rene Estrada	<i>City of Combes</i>	X
Joe A. Califa/Laura Haley	<i>Public</i>	X
Jose Luis Caso	<i>Small business</i>	X
Sonia Lambert	<i>Water districts</i>	X
Riazul I. Mia	<i>Water utilities</i>	
Eduardo Gonzalez	<i>Counties</i>	
Raul Pena Jr	<i>Counties</i>	
Alan Moore	<i>Flood districts</i>	X
Rene Estrada		X

<u>Non-voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent ( ) / Alternate Present (*)</u>
Willy Cupit	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	
Brian Hurtuk	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Nelda Barrera	Texas Department of Agriculture	
Adrian Perez	Tx State Soil and Water Conservation Board	
Elijah Casas	General Land Office	X
David Ramirez	Tx Commission on Environmental Quality	
Megan Ingram	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	X
Rick Herrera	Lower Rio Grande Development Council	X
Ramon Macias	USIBWC	
Lupita Trinidad Ramos	South Texas Development Council	
Nick Gallegos	Middle Rio Grande Development Council	
Michelle Garcia	Middle Rio Grande Development Council	

**Quorum:**

Quorum: **Yes**

Number of voting members or alternates representing voting members present: 12

Number required for quorum per current voting positions of 12: 15

**Other Meeting Attendees:**

Kristina Leal, Halff & Associates  
Sam Edwards, Halff & Associates  
Lisa McCracken Mairs – USACE  
Jonathan Prukop  
Skyler Levrier  
Andy Ernest  
Yvette Barrera, PE, HCDD1  
Jaime Salazar, HCDD1  
Enriqueta Zambrano, HCDD1  
Nora D Cavazos, HCDD1  
Mike Kanto, HCDD1

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order and welcoming remarks**

David Garza called the meeting to order at 2:33 PM.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Roll Call and establish quorum:**

A roll call of the planning group members was taken to record attendance and a quorum was established prior to calling the meeting to order.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Review of written public comments received:**

No written public comments were received.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Discussion and action as appropriate - consider approval of minutes from previous meeting on March 9, 2022**

Correction on Item 7, \$60,000 divided between Task 11 & Task 13, remove Task 1

A motion was made by Hudson Deyoe to approve minutes with corrections. The motion was seconded by David L. Fuentes. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Discussion and Update from the Texas Water Development Board.**

Megan Ingram notified the Board the 2<sup>nd</sup> technical memo was completed by March 7, 2022.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6. For Clarification purposes: Contract Amendment will include \$20,000 to Task 10 "Public Participation and Plan Adoption" for Planning Group Sponsor.**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Approval and certification of administrative expenses incurred by the Planning Group Sponsor (HCDD1) for the development of the Regional Flood Plan.**

No expenses at this time, this will be a standing item.

**AGENDA ITEM NO 8: Discussion and update by Technical Consultant.**

- a. Task 3a
- b. Task 7
- c. Task 8
- d. Task 9

Jonathan Prukop & Kristina Leal presented the tasks to the Board.

**AGENDA ITEM NO 9: Introduction of Sub-Consultant RATES Inc. as it relates to Task 11**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Receive general public comment (Public comments will be limited to 3 Minutes per speaker)**

No General Public Comments were received.

**AGENDA ITEM NO 11. Consider date and agenda items for next meeting.**

Chairman Garza proposed next meeting for May 18, 2022 @ 2:30 PM

**AGENDA ITEM NO 12. Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M. A motion was made by David Fuentes to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Sonia Lambert. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

*Approved by the Region 15 Lower Rio Grande RFPG at a meeting held on March 9, 2022.*

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**SONIA LAMBERT, SECRETARY**

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**DAVID A. GARZA, CHAIR**