

Groundwater Management Area 15 Meeting Minutes

The Groundwater Management Area 15 meeting convened at 9:00 AM on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at the Pattie Dodson Health Center, 2805 N. Navarro St, Victoria, Texas.

Members GCD Representatives Present:

1	Aransas County Groundwater Conservation District	
2	Bee Groundwater Conservation District	Lonnie Stewart
3	Calhoun County Groundwater Conservation District	Tim Andruss
4	Coastal Bend Groundwater Conservation District	Neil Hudgins
5	Coastal Plains Groundwater Conservation District	Neil Hudgins
6	Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District	Jim Brasher
7	Corpus Christi ASR Conservation District	Larijai Francis
8	Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District	Russell Labus
9	Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District	David Van Dresar
10	Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District	Art Dohmann
11	Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District	Charlotte Krause
12	Refugio Groundwater Conservation District	Tim Andruss
13	Texana Groundwater Conservation District	Tim Andruss
14	Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District	Tim Andruss

Agenda Item 1: Call to order and welcome guests.

Mr. Andruss called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. A quorum was present.

Attached to these minutes is a copy of the meeting attendance sheet.

No action was taken.

Agenda Item 2: Receive public comment.

Mr. Andruss offer to accept any public comments.

No action was taken.

Agenda Item 3: Consideration of and possible action on matters related to the minutes of the previous meeting.

Mr. Andruss explained that the minutes of the previous meeting were sent to the GMA 15 representatives prior to this meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Dohmann moved to approve the meeting minutes for June 14, 2016 as drafted. Mr. Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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Agenda Item 4: Consideration of and possible action on matters related to budget and financial reports of Groundwater Management Area 15.

Mr. Andruss explained that the final invoice for professional services from INTERA, Inc, in the amount of \$3,408.06 was paid by VCGCD on September 26, 2016 after receiving funds from Pecan Valley GCD. Pecan Valley GCD remitted the remaining balance of \$0.46 from the joint planning account. The funds were deposited in the VCGCD's Operations Funds on April 10, 2017.

No action was taken.

Agenda Item 5: Consideration of and possible action on reports and communication from Groundwater Management Area 15 member districts and Groundwater Management Area 15 representatives to Regional Water Planning Groups.

Several representatives provided updates to various projects and upcoming hearings related to DFC adoptions.

Mr. Andruss agreed to submit a memorandum to each member district addressing the sequence and timeline related to member district adoption of the DFCs.

No action was taken.

Agenda Item 6: Consideration of and possible action on reports from Texas Water Development Board representatives to Groundwater Management Area 15 including GR-16-025.

Mr. Andruss explained that the GMA 15 received a draft version of GAM Run Report GR-16-025 MAG on March 10, 2017. After comparing the draft report's MAG values at 2069 to estimated MAG values from our "baseline" model run, differences between the corresponding values (i.e., 59,963 AF vs. 60,043 AF) were observed. Mr. French of the TWDB was notified of this observation and the possibility of questions regarding the differences to be raised at this meeting. GMA 15 received the final version of GAM Run Report GR-16-025 MAG on March 22, 2017.

Mr. Bradley and Mr. Rohit Goswami of TWDB addressed questions regarding GAM Run GR16-025..

No action was taken.

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Agenda Item 7: Consideration of and possible action on matters related to joint planning including the review of management plans and accomplishments of Groundwater Management Area 15 member districts.

Mr. Andruss explained that Chapter 36 (36.108(c)) of the Texas Water Code instructs district representatives to meet, at least annually, to review 1) management plans, 2) achievements, and 3) proposals to adopt or amend DFCs. Copies of submittals from member GCDs regarding District achievements and a summary review of management plans within the GMA are included in the packet. Based on a review of the management plans conducted prior to the meeting, he believed that each plan 1) had a positive impact on the goals of joint planning (TWC 36.108(c)(1)), 2) had a positive effect on conserving and protecting groundwater as well as preventing waste of groundwater (TWC 36.108(c)(2)), and 3) contributes to the achievement of the desired future condition to an adequate degree (TWC 36.108(c)(4)).

No action was taken.

Agenda Item 8: Consideration of and possible action on administrative and organizational matters of Groundwater Management Area 15.

Mr. Andruss explained that with the conclusion of the 2nd Cycle of Joint Planning for Groundwater Management Area 15, the member district should consider designating an administrator for the 3rd cycle of planning. In addition, current district information should be submitted to the administrator including:

1. Presiding Officer's Name, Mail Address, Email Address, and Phone Number;
2. District General Manager's Name, Mail Address, Email Address, and Phone Number;
3. Presiding Officer Designee's Name, Mail Address, Email Address, and Phone Number, and documentation of designation as alternate;
4. District's Administrative Assistance Email Address.

The representatives discussed the possibility of considering arrangements for cost-sharing associated with administrative tasks. Future discussion will be tabled until the conclusion of the current legislative session.

MOTION: Mr. Brasher moved to renew the designation of Tim Andruss of Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District as Groundwater Management Area 15 Administrator. Mr. Van Dresser seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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Agenda Item 9: Consideration of and possible action on identification and scheduling of future agenda items and meetings.

Mr. Dohmann encouraged member districts to present reports and findings associated with studies related to groundwater planning including DFC-related investigations to the GMA 15 at future meeting.

Mr. Andruss agreed to incorporate changes, if needed, in the standard meeting agenda to afford members the opportunity to make such presentations.

Agenda Item 10: Receive public comment.

Mr. Andruss offer to accept any public comments.

No action was taken.

Agenda Item 11: Adjournment.

MOTION: At 9:49 AM, Mr. Stewart moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms.. Krause seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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Prepared by: Tim Andruss

The above and foregoing minutes were considered and approved on this the

12 day of October a.d. 2017.

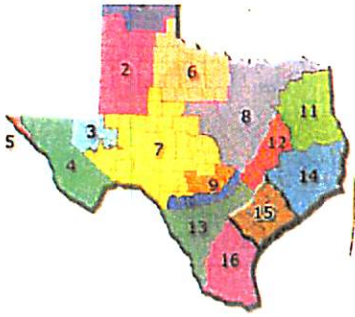


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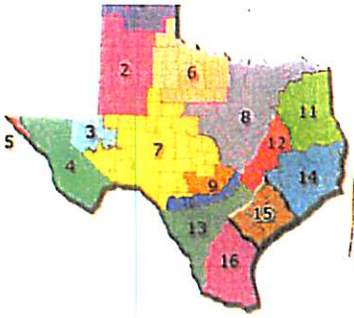
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NAME	COMPANY OR ORGANIZATION
Al Johnson	GCG CD
Chris Webb	self
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Jim Kerts	Midway Grass Farms
Caitlin Fitzgerald	BHP Billiton
CKrause	PD GCD
Mark Cooke	-
Tammy Amadio	CCGCD
Donald Reese	LOV
Russell Labus	Evergreen UWCD
Candace Whittley	Tgcd
Jim Brasher	CCGCD
LJ Francis	Corpus Christi ASR CD
Anna Daniels	GBRA
Heather Sumpter	Goliad County GCD



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NAME	COMPANY OR ORGANIZATION
Lonnie Stewart	Bee GCD
Robert Brody	TWDB
Rohit P. Goswami	TWDB
Billie J. Danneran	RGCD
David A. Van Drossen	FCGCD
Leo J. Welch	FCGCD