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# SUMMARY

Flood Management Task Force  
Friday, June 16, 2017  
9:30 AM, Pitstick Conference Room  
NCTCOG Offices, CPII  
616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76011

## 1. **Welcome and introductions.**

The meeting began at 9:30 a.m. with introductions of all present.

## DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION/ACTION ITEMS

2. **Meeting Summary.** The April 21, 2017 meeting summary is available online for review. Comments will be sought at the meeting. (Mia Brown)

A motion to approve the summary as presented was carried.

3. **FY 2017 Trinity COMMON VISION Work Program Updates.** (Mia Brown)

- a. **Common Software Options for Rain/Stream Gauge Systems.** NCTCOG staff will update the FMTF on efforts related to this FY17 work program item with a revised schedule. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown updated the Task Force that the Request for Proposals closed on May 30th and that the scoring process was currently underway, with an anticipated contract execution in September.

- b. **Training.** NCTCOG staff will update FMTF on efforts to hold a Substantial Damage Training and Floodproofing Training. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown informed the Task Force that Floodproofing and Substantial Damage trainings are tentatively planned for September 19th, each approximately half a day long.

4. **FY 2018 Trinity River COMMON VISION Work Program Activities Discussion.** NCTCOG staff will present the outline components of our upcoming FY 2018 work program and seek input from the Flood Management Task Force. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown went over the draft FY18 Work Program document. No comments were received from the Task Force, and Mia notified them that the work program would require a vote at the August meeting.

5. **iNFRM Statistical Analysis Study.** Kristine Blickenstaff, USGS, will give a presentation on the efforts of the iNFRM team's Statistical Analysis Study.

Kristine Blickenstaff informed the Task Force about the USGS N-Day Streamflow Volume Statistical Approach.

6. **Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region VI RAMPP Team Presentation on Model Consolidation Progress.** The FEMA Risk Assessment, Mapping, and Planning Partners (RAMPP) team will give an update on the status of the integration of the CDC model for a shared consolidated model across agencies.

Barrett Goodwin of the RAMPP Team let the Task Force know that the hydrology model is considered final, but that it would be sent out again and comments will still be accepted. The hydraulic model has incorporated comments from USACE, and they are currently working on cross sections and the floodway. Draft results will be available at the time of the August meeting.

7. **Presentation on LOMR Delegation.** Ramesh Chintala, Project Director with Atkins Global, will give a presentation on behalf of San Antonio River Authority describing their work as a LOMR Delegate.

Ramesh Chintala gave a presentation describing the San Antonio River Authority's work as a LOMR delegate. After group discussion, Edith Marvin (NCTCOG) asked the Task Force if they would like to see a presentation from the current groups that review LOMRs in the North Central Texas region, and the Task Force agreed that they would.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

### 8. Other Program Related Efforts

- a. **CRS Users Group.** NCTCOG and the Texas Floodplain Management Association (TFMA) continue to hold meetings for floodplain administrators and CRS users throughout the region. The next meeting will be June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. The topic will be "Enforcing Historical Violations," with a panel of speakers from the cities of Arlington and Benbrook, Collin County, Federal Emergency Management Agency Region 6, and the United States Army Corps of Engineers. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown told the Task Force that the next CRS Users Group meeting will be June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12p.m. to 2p.m. at the 9-1-1 Training Center in Centerpoint III due to the increasing attendance at CRS Users Group meetings.



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- b. **East Fork Update.** NCTCOG staff will update FMTF on initiatives to bring additional communities along the East Fork Trinity into the Common Vision program. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown let the Task Force know that NCTCOG staff are working on draft resolutions for the prospective East Fork communities.

- c. **Countywide Watershed Management Planning Update.** NCTCOG staff will update FMTF on the 16-County Regional Watershed Management Initiative, as well as next steps. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown briefed the Task Force on the 16-County Watershed Management Initiative. The 16-County Watershed Management Roundtable was held March 14, 2017, where county floodplain administrators decided on 13 regionally recommended watershed standards. This item was presented at the May NCTCOG Executive Board with a resolution for board endorsement and a sample resolution for counties. The item was tabled, and the Executive Board directed NCTCOG staff to hold a 16-County Watershed Management Forum with county floodplain administrators and district/county attorneys to discuss the legal implications of the legislation discussed at the roundtable and Executive Board (SB 936, 2001), and also to send the legislation in a letter to the county judges. The forum is scheduled for July 12th.

- d. **Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD) Update.** TRWD staff will update the FMTF on the Floodway Stakeholders Steering Committee.

Laura Blaylock of TRWD said that the Fort Worth Floodway Stakeholders Steering Committee is wrapping up their contract. They are waiting on responses from stakeholders and are watching the 16-County Watershed Management Initiative.

- e. **Cooperating Technical Partnership.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on the CTP projects that are ongoing and newly submitted. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown informed the Task Force that the models for the FY15 flood risk identification projects on Lynchburg and Irving Creeks are being finalized with community input and that meetings with city councils at the communities' request will be held later in the year. FY15 Cedar and Denton Watershed Discovery meetings are ongoing and will be completed in the following week. The FY16 RFSQ is in final legal review and will be released this summer. FEMA provided feedback on the FY17 Business Plan and NCTCOG staff are currently going through the application process.

- f. **Integrated Stormwater Management (iSWM) Program.** An update on iSWM activities will be provided by NCTCOG staff. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown told the Task Force that the City of Kennedale has been officially awarded Silver Certification and were awarded with a plaque and street sign at their April 17th city council meeting. The City of Fort Worth is now an official Silver-Certified city, and NCTCOG will be presenting their award soon. NCTCOG and the iSWM Subcommittee is still working with Halff Associates on various work plan items. Currently, they are focusing on preparing Construction Control Standard Details.

## **OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

9. **CDC Tracking.** NCTCOG staff will solicit feedback from the FMTF regarding the CDC tracking tables. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown told the Task Force that only one community had returned their CDC tracking tables with corrections and additions. She said she would resend the tracking tables. Barrett Goodwin emphasized the importance of receiving the updates so that they could be incorporated into the consolidated model.

10. **CDC Applications.** NCTCOG staff will share CDC applications received since the last FMTF meeting and invite FMTF members to share any upcoming CDC applications. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown told the Task Force that she received four CDC applications since the April meeting: FW 050917 (IH820 East Loop Improvements), FW 030217 (Riverfront Lofts), ARL 050917 (Trinity Branch Sanitary Sewer Renewal; Exemption), and IRV 042517 (Lindamood Demolition).

11. **Roundtable Topics/Other Business.** The FMTF members and NCTCOG staff may share additional items as time allows.

Mia Brown told the Task Force that the Trinity Common Vision program received the John Ivey Higher Standards award at the TFMA Spring Conference in April. She thanked the partners for all of their hard work and contributions, let them know that the award would be replicated and distributed to each partner, and said that NCTCOG staff would be available to present the award at council meetings if requested. Mia also gave a Texas legislative update. HB 1257, HB 2019/SB 1248, HB 2064, and SB 1538 were signed by the governor and will become law on September 1st. HB 2334 was vetoed by Governor Abbott.

Jessica Baker gave a short presentation about the Dallas County and Tarrant County PMR appeals process. She also mentioned that June 30th is the deadline to submit abstracts to TFMA for the Fall Technical Summit in San Antonio.

Amy Cannon (Arlington) mentioned that the city had undergone CRS verification.

Lisa Biggs (Fort Worth) said that they were also going through CRS verification.



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Stephanie Griffin (Grand Prairie) said that the city received its revised draft CRS score, and is expected to stay at a 5. The score will become final in October. The city executed its contract for flood gauge software, and has also completed its first buyout as a result of the new erosion resolution.

12. **Schedule for the Next Meeting.** The next meeting date will be Friday, August 11, 2017, at 9:30 a.m., in NCTCOG's Pitstick Conference Room, CPII.

13. **Adjournment.**

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Mia Brown by phone at (817) 695-9227, or by email at [MBBrown@nctcog.org](mailto:MBBrown@nctcog.org).

Thank you.



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### MEMBER SIGN-IN SHEET

Contact	Signature	Agency
Susan Alvarez		City of Dallas
Marc Bentley		City of Farmers Branch
Laura Blaylock		Tarrant Regional Water District
Amy Cannon		City of Arlington
Kent Collins		City of Coppell
Jerry Cotter		U.S. Army Corp of Engineers
Clair Davis		City of Fort Worth
Garry Fennell		City of Irving
James Gossie		Denton County
Stephanie Griffin		City of Grand Prairie
Jeff Kelly		City of Lewisville
Webster Mangham		Trinity River Authority
Mike McKay		City of Carrollton
Steve Parker		City of Dallas
Mike Segner		Texas Water Development Board
Lissa Shepard		Dallas County
Joe Trammel		Tarrant County
Ron Wanhanen		FEMA Region 6



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**Guest Sign-in Sheet**

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