



SUMMARY

Flood Management Task Force Meeting

Thursday, October 17, 2013

9:30 AM, William J. Pitstick Executive Board Room,

NCTCOG Offices, CPII

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011

1. Welcome and Introductions

Jack Tidwell, Manager of Environment and Development, welcomed everyone to the Flood Management Task Force meeting. Each person introduced themselves and identified the agencies they represent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 2. Trinity River COMMON VISION Steering Committee (TRCVSC) Meeting Update.** Jack Tidwell will deliver an update on discussions from the TRCVSC meeting on August 29, 2013. He will provide the results of actions taken and the status of the FY2014 Work Program.

Jack Tidwell provided an update on the recent Steering Committee meeting. He informed everyone that the Steering Committee had approved the updated CDC Regulatory Model and gave instructions to move forward. He described the lengthy discussion on methodology. A majority of the committee approved the FY2014 Work Program. The Trinity River COMMON VISION Steering Committee felt that the Work Program represented a set of activities that would not be possible otherwise without the COMMON VISION Program.

- 3. Corridor Development Certificate (CDC) Manual Update.** The Flood Management Task Force (FMTF) will begin discussions on revisions necessary for the 4th Edition CDC Manual. They will discuss the possibility of convening a working group to head the manual update.

Jack lead discussion on the topic of revising the 4th Edition CDC Manual. He asked the FMTF to consider how to implement and incorporate the newly approved regulatory model into the CDC manual. He mentioned that this may involve a more effective method to bring in the updated tables, delineations and other engineering information into the CDC process. The protocol of electronic submittals of CDC applications also was highlighted for future discussion as new technologies have become available and demand for this method increase.

The group discussed the need to address existing projects. The United States Army Corps of Engineers staff present informed the group that all projects that have an active application are included in the model. Projects that have been designed under the older model and are substantially underway will continue to be evaluated under the older model criteria.

Implementation of the approved regulatory model will begin January 1, 2014. The USACE will review all tables that are currently included in the 4th Edition CDC Manual or posted online.

NCTCOG mentioned the possibility of convening a working group and asked for volunteers to head the manual update. Staff will examine this idea and how it is currently being used in other NCTCOG project areas. Staff will share findings and recommendations with the FMTF at a future date.

- 4. Stormwater Initiatives.** At several of the past FMTF meetings, staff from the USACE have expressed that there is a need for a regional storm water management approach. We will discuss current initiatives that are addressing storm water management.

Edith Marvin, Environment and Development Director, expressed NCTCOG's interest in working with local governments on expanding current efforts in watershed management. She mentioned the recent request for applications for flood protection planning made by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). She expressed the TWDB's interest in focusing on flooding issues at the watershed level and not simply along the Trinity River corridor or the local level. NCTCOG would like to bring in more communities in the on these efforts and perhaps reinvigorate the Floodplain Administrator Roundtable. NCTCOG will contact TWDB to find out if they have any particular watersheds in mind for these efforts.

Jack provided an example by mentioning NCTCOG's *integrated* Stormwater Management (*iSWM*TM) Program. Progress and implementation of *iSWM*TM has been considerable but have plateaued because of the state of regulatory issues coming from EPA and the State. Even so, the participating governments represent the majority of the population within our region. Jack asked the Task Force to think of additional topics or areas of concern that need to be looked at in addition to projects like Big Fossil, Village Creek, Denton Creek or the Trinity River corridor. The topics of regional detention and/or retention could be among the items discussed and possibly reconsidered with a regional approach rather than simply by individual local governments.

Discussion about the need and possibility for a regional authority to work on regional planning and implementation of regional Stormwater Management initiatives such as *iSWM*TM - type strategies and other cooperative activities across the region.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 5. Cooperating Technical Partnership (CTP) Proposal.** The NCTCOG staff will discuss the CTP opportunity and the recent approval of funds from the FEMA awarded for the Village Creek Watershed Flood Risk Identification project.

Leo Valencia, Environment and Development Planner, provided a brief summary on the Discovery activities lead by NCTCOG. He informed everyone that the current year's effort is reached its conclusion. A final report has been submitted to the Federal Emergency

Management Agency (FEMA) and is also available online. A wrap-up event will be scheduled as soon as comments from FEMA have been received and addressed.

Leo then spoke to the new CTP opportunity with FEMA. NCTCOG has been awarded funds to undertake a flood risk identification project for select portions of the Village Creek Watershed. NCTCOG is going through the process of executing interlocal agreements with the three main stakeholders (City of Arlington, City of Kennedale and Tarrant County). NCTCOG will keep everyone informed on the progress as we move forward.

6. Feral Hog Management. The NCTCOG staff will discuss the upcoming Feral Hog Conference.

Jack discussed the upcoming Feral Hog Forum scheduled for October 24, 2013 at the Ruthe Jackson center located in Grand Prairie. He mentioned that NCTCOG, along with the City of Dallas, and Texas Parks and Wildlife, is hosting a regional forum on the management of urban feral hogs in North Texas. This event is a half day forum intended to bring together environmental policy makers, experts, and interested parties from around the region to communicate and coordinate on feral hog issues.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

7. Roundtable Topics/Other Business.

Leo Valencia mentioned the NFIP training that is scheduled to run from December 2nd to 5th with an opportunity to take the CFM exam on December 6th. NCTCOG has sent announcements on the training and is currently taking registration from our member governments. Registration will be opened to everyone on October 24th at which time TFMA will make a broader state-wide announcement of the opportunity.

8. Schedule for the Next Meeting.

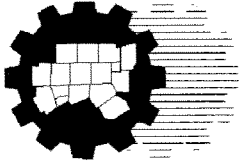
Scheduled for Thursday, December 19th at 9:30 A.M.

9. Adjournment.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact **Leo Valencia** by phone at **(817) 608-2363**, or by email at lvalencia@nctcog.org.

Thank you.

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