

North Central Texas Council of Governments



Water Resources Council

Thursday, April 19, 2018 10:30 a.m., Regional Forum Room NCTCOG Offices – CenterPoint II, First Floor, 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011

Chair: Wayne Owen, Tarrant Regional Water District Vice-Chair: Glen Clingenpeel, Trinity River Authority

1. Welcome and introductions. NCTCOG staff and meeting participants will be introduced.

Wayne Owen, Tarrant Regional Water District and Chair of the Water Resources Council (WRC), welcomed meeting participants. Members of the WRC, meeting participants and NCTCOG staff were introduced.

Action Items/Presentation

2. Meeting Summary. The February 1, 2018 meeting summary will be presented for approval.

The February 1, 2018 meeting summary was reviewed by meeting participants. Fiona Allen, Trinity River Authority, made a motion to approve the summary and Stacy Walters, City of Fort Worth, seconded the motion. The meeting summary was approved unanimously.

Discussion

3. **2018 Water Resources Questionnaire Results.** NCTCOG will discuss the North Central Texas Water Resources Questionnaire results.

NCTCOG discussed the 2018 Water Resources Questionnaire results. NCTCOG received 46 responses from 32 different entities. NCTCOG presented the feedback provided by entities regarding important messages for the Regional Water Outreach Campaign. There were four main messages identified through this survey:

- 1. Water Conservation and Protection
- 2. Outdoor Water Use and Protection
- 3. Cost of Water Infrastructure and Water Loss Control
- 4. Water Quality/Pollution Prevention

NCTCOG also provided some statistics from the survey:

- 1. 60% of entities said that replacing aging infrastructure was a top priority
- 2. 60% of entities said the water conservation was a top priority
- 3. 20% said that social media was the most effective way to educate the public
- 4. 20% said that workshops were the most effective way to educate the public
- 5. 18% said that websites were the most effective way to educate the public
- 6. 50% said they were currently addressing cost recovery of water

616 Six Flags Drive | P.O. BOX 5888 Arlington, TX 76005-5888 (817) 640-330 | Fax: (817) 640-7806 nctcog.org Wayne Owen, Tarrant Regional Water District, stated that the cost recovery of water is a huge challenge and asked what other entities are doing to face this challenge. It was requested that NCTCOG look into hosting a workshop/webinar to help facilitate the discussion over this issue.

4. **2018 Water Quality Management Plan Update.** NCTCOG will provide the discharge monitoring report data to the committee for review and go over other information that will be added or updated as part of the 2018 WQMP Update.

NCTCOG provided handouts of the draft 2018 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) data to the WRC and requested any comments or feedback be provided to Ryann Cline, <u>rcline@nctcog.org</u>, by May 4, 2018. NCTCOG asked the WRC if they wanted to continue receiving DMR data. There was a consensus among the WRC that the DMR data is useful to the region but there are a few items that could be added to the information. It was suggested to include the permit holder for each permitted facility, as well as adding a permitted flow column.

NCTCOG also went over items to be updated in the 2018 WQMP. These items include: SSO data, NCTCOG Population Estimates, Watershed Protection Plans status, RUAA recommendations and TPDES maps. NCTCOG will host the Public Hearing for the 2018 WQMP on June 21, 2018 prior to the WRC meeting.

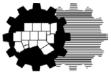
5. **2018 Efforts on Regional Water Campaign.** NCTCOG will present the draft Regional Water Outreach Campaign to get input from the WRC.

Regarding topic areas, NCTCOG asked the committee where they would like to draw the line between "Water Quantity" and "Water Conservation". The WRC expressed that it may be beneficial to change "Water Quantity" to something like "Water Supply" or "Water Accessibility".

Wayne Owen, Tarrant Regional Water District, expressed that this campaign should leverage all other efforts already occurring in our region. In addition, the creation of an advisory committee comprised of water quality and marketing experts would be beneficial during the development of the campaign. NCTCOG will be sending out the draft Regional Water Outreach Campaign Work Plan.

6. **FY2019 Water Resources Council Committee Reappointments.** NCTCOG has sent out reappointment forms to members whose terms are expiring and plans to bring the completed roster to the committee for approval at the June 21, 2018 meeting.

NCTCOG staff announced that the reappointment forms for FY2019 Water Resources Council membership have been sent out. Please return to Ryann Cline, <u>rcline@nctcog.org</u>, by May 18, 2018. NCTCOG announced that there is an opening for one of the NCTCOG Region at Large Positions on the WRC.



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Other Business and Roundtable Discussion

7. Roundtable. Members and staff share what is happening in their communities.

NCTCOG shared information regarding the NCTCOG SHARE cooperative services program initiative to develop an overall solution related to water systems, smart meters, and the technology to effectively manage the data and customer billings for local governments. A survey regarding the interest in the SHARE initiative for Smart Meters for Water Systems is being sent out. The link to the survey will be sent out via email. NCTCOG received a new CWSRF item for review, which will be sent out via email. Upcoming workshops were announced and are as follows:

- ISWM Workshop April 27, 2018
- Grease Interceptor Training TBD
- NCT Energy Efficiency Workshop May 8, 2018
- Water Loss Audit Webinar June/July
- 8. Schedule for the next meeting. The next WRC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 21, 2018, in the Regional Forum Room at 10:30 a.m.

9. Adjournment.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Ryann Cline at (817) 608-2363 or rcline@nctcog.org. Thank you!

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