

North Central Texas Council of Governments

Summary

Flood Management Task Force
Friday, November 4, 2022
9:30 AM, Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

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1. **Welcome and introductions.**

Kate Zielke (NCTCOG) took role (present): Arlington (No one in attendance); Carrollton – Matt Brennan; Coppell – Cole Baker, Renee Esses; Dallas – Mitnhtam Vu; Farmers Branch (No one in attendance), Fort Worth – Lisa Biggs, Ben Thompson; Grand Prairie (No one in attendance), Irving – Garry Fennell; Lewisville – Jeff Kelly; Seagoville (No one in attendance); Dallas County – Lissa Sheppard; Denton County – Stephen Belknap; Kaufman County (No one in attendance); Tarrant County (No one in attendance); TRWD (No one in attendance), TRA – Heather Firn; FEMA (no one in attendance); USACE – Jerry Cotter, Matt Lepinski

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION/ACTION ITEMS

2. **Meeting Summary.** The August 19, 2022, meeting summary is [available online](#) for review.

Motion to approve: Garry Fennell (City of Irving)
Seconded by: Lisa Biggs (City of Fort Worth)
All participants in favor to approve Meeting Summary.

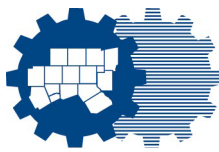
3. **FY 2023 Cost Share Invoices.** Cost share invoices have been sent out to the members. Please be on the lookout for them.

Jai-W Hayes Jackson (NCTCOG) announces invoices have been sent out to cost-share members for FY23; reach out if invoice has not been received.

4. **FY 2023 Trinity River COMMON VISION Work Program Activities Discussion.**

- a. **NFIP and CDC Model Consolidation Team.** USACE staff will update the FMTF on scopes of work and timelines submitted by the USACE related to:
 - i. Updating the newly georeferenced CDC model with approved but not yet constructed CDC project geometries from 2017 onward and future flows.

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- ii. Creating the CDC future flows for the FEMA detailed study on the East Fork Trinity and the Trinity mainstem to extend the consolidated model. Projected posting for the updated model will be best available data (not yet FEMA effective); estimated to be posted in Fall 2022. (Matt Lepinski)

USACE is incorporating LOMRs into the model and meeting with FEMA to discuss a path forward for consolidating. They will provide link to the CDC website for input and review. Meetings were held with NCTCOG to discuss a path forward for appropriate land use, keep data consistent, and develop hydrology. USACE hopes to complete the work in 2023.

- b. **Update the CDC Manual to the 5th Edition.** The NFIP-CDC Model Consolidation Team will share progress on updates to the CDC Manual. (Lisa Biggs)

Lisa is meeting with team members to finalize the last portions of the manual in late November/early December. Next steps involve NCTCOG staff compiling manual sections into one document for everyone on the Task Force to see and comment. The document may be sent out early January to the Task Force for comment. Let Lisa or NCTCOG know ASAP of any comments to try to address/incorporate.

- c. **OneRain Regional Flood Warning Software Contract.** NCTCOG will provide an update on current contracts with communities in North Central Texas. (Sue Swenor)

Jai-W Hayes-Jackson provided an overview of OneRain Region Flood Warning Software. More information can be found at Floodatantx.com.

INFORMATION ITEMS

5. Other Program Related Efforts

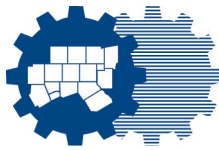
- a. **26th Annual FEMA NFIP L-273 Course and CFM Exam.** The FEMA NFIP L-273 Course will be held November 14 – 17, with the exam taking place November 18. The course is sold out; option to still sign up for the waiting list. (Jai-W Hayes-Jackson)

Jai-W Hayes-Jackson updated members on the status of the L-273 Course and the CFM Exam. Course and Exam are currently sold out. For more information about the class, contact Paul Gutierrez at Paul.Gutierrez@twdb.texas.gov, and for the exam Selina Mirza at ssmirza@tfma.org.

- b. **North Texas Floodplain Administrators/CRS Users Group.** NCTCOG will share updates from the October 25 CRS Users Group/Elected Officials Seminar. (Erin Blackman)

Erin Blackman (NCTCOG) provided an update on the combined Community Rating System (CRS) Users Group/Elected Officials Floodplain Seminar that was held October 25, 2022. There were 41 attendees, including seven elected officials. The presentations are posted to NCTCOG's CRS website at <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/watershed-management/crs-user->

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group. The City of Dallas presented on their efforts to reach a CRS rating of 4; Halff Associates provided an update on the Regional Flood Planning Effort; and NCTCOG and USACE discussed the Integrated Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure Initiative. Erin added that there was great participation at the seminar and NCTCOG hopes to hold quarterly CRS Users Group meetings. She encouraged this Task Force to send any needs on future topics and potential speakers to eblackman@nctcog.org.

- c. **Trinity River Paddling Trail.** NCTCOG will provide an update on designation of the Trinity River in Dallas-Fort Worth as a National Water Trail and efforts to enhance the trail and maintain the National Park Service designation. (Erin Blackman)

Erin Blackman provided an update on the quarterly meeting of the Trinity River National Water Trail Task Force that was held virtually on November 2, 2022. Thirty-one people attended and heard updates from Trinity Coalition and the City of Irving on the state of the trail, including river events, sites that are open, closed, or in need of attention, as well as opportunities for expansion. Dallas County also gave a presentation on their Parks and Open Space Program. The meeting presentation is posted to NCTCOG's Water Trail website at <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/trinity-river-national-water-trail-task-force>, and a meeting summary will be posted next week.

- d. **Integration of Transportation and Stormwater Planning.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on the scope and funding for the Integration of Transportation and Stormwater Planning Project. (Kate Zielke)

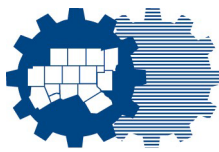
Kate Zielke provided background and work completed over the last quarter for the Integrated Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure project. Agreements have been finalized with UTA and are awaiting finalization with other partners. Other activities still underway are reviewing projected land use data and performing a literature review on similar projects.

- e. **Cooperating Technical Partnership.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on the CTP projects that are ongoing. (Jai-W Hayes-Jackson)

Jai-W Hayes-Jackson updated the task force on the status of current Flood Risk Studies and Discovery projects. Waxahachie Creek and Harriet Creek projects were closed out last quarter, and the Discovery Meeting for the Upper West Fork of the Trinity River is scheduled for January 17.

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

Casey Cannon (NCTCOG) provided an update on the status of iSWM activities. The budget for a new contract for a consultant for FY23 was approved. The City of Arlington was also awarded a Bronze iSWM Certification for their Stormwater Management Criteria. The Work Program tasks can be found online at <https://www.nctcog.org/getmedia/d9f0976f-7637-4413-95be-43416a4017b3/iSWM-Task-List-2022-2023-v2.pdf?ext=.pdf>.



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OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- 6. CDC Applications.** NCTCOG staff will share CDC applications received since the last FMTF meeting and invite members to share any upcoming CDC applications. (Jai-W Hayes-Jackson)

Jai-W Hayes-Jackson (NCTCOG) provided tracking information for current CDC applications and where they are in the process. The Task Force was also asked to use the Tracking Code convention detailed in the CDC Manual in order to keep the applications in order.

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

Arlington – N/A

Carrollton – Update given by Matt Brennan

Coppell – N/A

Dallas – N/A

Farmers Branch – No response

Fort Worth – N/A

Grand Prairie – N/A

Irving – N/A

Lewisville – Lingering CDC application; will be submitting as soon as we get a check.

Application is for a landfill; CDC expired, so starting over in a way, like a renewal (Jeff Kelly)

Seagoville – N/A

Dallas County – Public meeting next week for Inland Port Flood Planning Study – looking forward to receiving comments from the public on flooding in southern Dallas, received grant TWDB flood infrastructure to study 10-mile creek and obtain feedback from public on flooding, using TFMA flood model for their meeting. (Noe – is someone available to pick up model, shoot for Monday morning and will coordinate with Edith; Lissa will make sure it gets to Minhtam by Thursday; just one box, Lissa could provide directly to Tam – stay online after meeting to coordinate)

Denton County – N/A

Kaufman County – No response

Tarrant County – No response

TRWD – No response

TRA – Heather Firn presented an update on the regional flood planning group. On November 17 the group will go through all public comments and proposed responses during a meeting at TRWD with a virtual option; flood model discussed, will be borrowing from NCTCOG.

TWDB – No response

USACE – Jerry Cotter mentioned the TSI outreach meetings – several communities said upstream development happened and led to flooding. Compliments of this group were given, especially of NCTCOG, Lisa Biggs and Stephanie Griffin for the model.

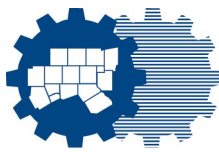
FEMA – No response

Edith Marvin (NCTCOG) acknowledged the presence of Jasmin Ferrell and Wes McLure from the City of Mesquite. NCTCOG is still working to add members along the East Fork.

Outside participants were invited to provide updates – No response.

- 8. Schedule for the Next Meeting.** The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, February 17, 2023, at 9:30 AM. Meeting format TBD.

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Floor was opened to discuss next meeting preference: virtual or in-person. Still TBD.

9. Adjournment.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Jai-W Hayes-Jackson by phone at (817) 695-9212, or by email at JHayes-Jackson@nctcog.org. Thank you.

| Attendance List | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Matthew Brennan | City of Carrollton |
| Renee Esses | City of Coppell |
| Cole Baker | City of Coppell |
| Minhtam Vu | City of Dallas |
| Benjamin Thompson | City of Fort Worth |
| Lisa Biggs | City of Fort Worth |
| Garry Fennell | City of Irving |
| Jeff Kelly | City of Lewisville |
| Jasmin Ferrell | City of Mesquite |
| Wes McClure | City of Mesquite |
| Lissa Shepard | Dallas County |
| Noe Villarreal | Dallas County |
| Stephen Belknap | Denton County |
| Jacob Lesue | Dewberry |
| Yeontae Jeong | Guest |
| Paul Robinson | Guest |
| Kyle Moynihan | IEA World |
| Kelly Wells | Jacobs |
| Swamy Pati | Jacobs |
| Larissa Knapp-Scott | LJA Engineering |
| Edith Marvin | NCTCOG |
| Jai-W Hayes-Jackson | NCTCOG |
| Kate Zielke | NCTCOG |
| Casey Cannon | NCTCOG |
| Erin Blackman | NCTCOG |
| Julie Jones | NDMCE |
| Mandy Clark | TNP |
| Heather Firn | TRA |
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