## UPPER GULF COAST AQUIFER PLANNING AREA (GMA 14)

## Joint Planning Group Meeting

Wednesday, July 25, 2018 10:00 AM

## **MEETING MINUTES**

A regular meeting of GMA 14 was held Wednesday, July 25, 2018, at 10:00 AM, in the board room of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District located at 655 Conroe Park North Drive, Conroe, Texas.

The meeting was called to order by Kathy Turner Jones (Lone Star GCD) at 10:01 AM with a roll call of District representatives and Interlocal Agreement Participants. Districts represented included: Kent Burkett, Brazoria County GCD, Zach Holland, Bluebonnet GCD, Kathy Turner Jones, Lone Star GCD, Gary Ashmore, Lower Trinity GCD and John Martin, Southeast Texas GCD. Interlocal Agreement Participants included: The Honorable John Brieden, Washington County Judge; Robert Thompson, Fort Bend Subsidence District; Mike Turco, Harris-Galveston Subsidence District and Fort Bend Subsidence District; and Pudge Willcox, Chambers County. Also, in attendance at the meeting were Larry French, Texas Water Development Board (TWDB); and members of the public. (see Attachment "A" for a list of attendees).

Ms. Jones called for and opened the floor to public comment. No public comment was provided.

Ms. Jones proceeded with requests for and receipt of posted notices from District Representatives. Ms. Jones then asked for consideration of the approval of the minutes from the GMA 14 meeting on March 27, 2018 and May 30, 2018. After discussion and upon a motion by Mr. Ashmore, seconded by Mr. Martin, the minutes for the March 27, 2018 and May 30, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously.

Meeting convened as a meeting of the GMA 14 Joint Planning Interlocal Agreement Participants.

The GMA 14 Joint Planning Interlocal Agreement Participants meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM.

Ms. Jones called for the presentation of information from the Texas Water Development Board and discussions of items of interest to the GMA. Mr. French provided general information from TWDB, including announcements of the new manager to technical assistance, Natalie Ballew, posting of the subsidence report, and evaluation of MAG Peak Factor request for Region G for Brazos County from GMA 12 and Brazos Valley GCD.

Ms. Jones recognized Philip Taucer and Courtney Corso, Freese and Nichols, for a presentation of Region H Water Planning Group MAG Peak Factors (see <u>Attachment "B" for Freese and Nichols Presentation</u>).

Ms. Jones noted no updates to the GMA 14 Interlocal Agreements financial report at this time. Ms. Jones called for a discussion of GMA 14 planning group board positions and provided a history of the positions for GMA 14. Mr. Ashmore raised a question regarding moving meetings throughout the planning area and since we are beginning a new planning cycle if there was interest in sharing the administrative load to others who have not or are not currently serving. Further discussion outlined the different responsibilities of the positions and moving meetings. An agenda item will be added to the next meeting for nominations and action. Ms. Jones called for discussion of GMA 14 regional water planning group(s) representation. Ms. Jones again provided a history of SB 660 requirements and the positions for GMA 14. An agenda item will be added to the next meeting to reaffirm the representatives and alternates for action. In addition, considering an agenda item for updates from the regional water planning groups to the GMA from those representatives.

Ms. Jones called for discussion and possible action regarding path forward for GMA 14 to accomplish statutory mandates for Round 3 Joint Planning to discuss and take possible action to review and amend as necessary the Interlocal Agreement related to joint planning in GMA 14. After discussion, a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with updated signature pages related to joint planning in GMA 14 was made by Mr. Turco, seconded by Mr. Martin. The motion carried unanimously. Ms. Jones called for selection of contracting entity responsible for entering into a contractual agreement with the consulting engineer in accordance with scope of work approved and attached as Appendix B of the revised Interlocal Agreement. A motion to select Harris-Galveston Subsidence District as the contracting entity responsible for entering into a contractual agreement with the consulting engineer in accordance with scope of work approved and attached as Appendix B of the revised Interlocal Agreement on behalf of GMA 14 was made by Mr. Burkett, seconded by Ms. Jones. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Jones called for a presentation and discussion by districts of recent activities of interest or accomplishments impacting the GMA 14 planning group. With no comments from the participants, Ms. Jones adjourned the meeting of the GMA 14 Interlocal Agreement Participants and reconvening the Joint Planning Group meeting at 11:11 AM.

## Meeting of the GMA 14 Joint Planning Interlocal Agreement Participants adjourned.

Ms. Jones reconvened the GMA 14 meeting and called for other business before GMA 14. With no other business brought before the group, Ms. Jones called for discussion of next meeting date, location, and agenda items. The next meeting was set for September 26, 2018 at 10:00 AM to be held at the offices of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District, located at 655 Conroe Park North, Conroe, Texas 77303.

Without further discussion or comment and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:16 AM.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPT	ED THIS 26 day of September, 2018
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