Minutes of the North East Texas Regional Water Planning Group July 10, 2013 – 1:00 P.M. Mount Pleasant Civic Center 1800 N. Jefferson, Mount Pleasant, Texas

The North East Texas Regional Water Planning Group (NETRWPG) – Region D met in an open meeting on Wednesday, July 10, 2013, at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was held at the Mount Pleasant Civic Center, 1800 N. Jefferson, in Mount Pleasant, Texas. Notice of the meeting was legally posted.

Vice-Chairman Jim Eidson called the meeting to order at 1:00 and welcomed everyone. Linda Price gave the invocation. Introductions were made and a quorum was present. Twenty one members of the planning group were present in person or represented by a designated alternate.

The following voting members were present:

Johnny Mack Bradley Troy Henry Jerry Gaskill Robert Holt Robert Speight, Jr. **David Nabors** Nancy Clements Tim Nicholson Darwin Douthit Linda Price Jim Eidson Shirley Shumake Danny Evans Tommy Slater Darrell Grubbs **Kevin Spence**

The following alternates were present:

Sharron Nabors for Sam V. Long Richard LeTourneau for Charles Gillis Sheri New for Doug Wadley Jim Eidson for Bret McCoy Keith Bonds for Michael Brown

The following non-voting members were present:

Sandy Cash, representing UTRWD Temple McKinnon, representing TWDB Robert McCarthy, representing NTMWD

The following non-voting members were absent:

Curtis Campbell Jerry Clark
David Inman Worth Whitehead
Marcia Hackett Mike Rickman

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The following voting members were absent:

Sam V. Long Bret McCoy Doug Wadley Mark Crews Mike Dunn Michael Brown Jeremy DuMond Charles Gillis

David Nabors made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2013 meeting. Shirley Shumake seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dr. David Harkins with RPS/Espey Consultants discussed the RWP Project Schedule and the budget. Dr. Harkins indicated that the consultants were on schedule with activities and that approximately half of the budget was expended. Dr. Harkins addressed the following overview:

- Administrative,
- Supply, with response to TWDB comments, including livestock supplies that are to be determined by the RWPG,
- Non Municipal Projected Demands for Region D approved by TWDB, TCEQ, TDA and TPWD staff,
- Communications with WUG's and WWP's on Municipal Population and Demands and continuing discussion on supply,
- Coordination with Regions C and I.

Tony Smith with RPS/Espey Consultants explained the deadline for submittal of revisions to municipal population and demands to TWDB as August 16, 2013 and that the planning group would address those revisions at the next scheduled meeting of Region D. Mr. Smith noted that the consultants sent surveys to the WUG's and to date, about 25% had responded. He relayed the municipal water demand projection methodology: *population projections multiplied by the 2011 GPCD (Dry-Year Gallon Per Capita Daily) minus the assumed efficiency savings*. Mr. Smith said this number would be compared to the numbers submitted in the previous round.

In conclusion, Mr. Smith gave an overview of the next steps:

- Regional planning groups would review the draft projections and submit documentation to support requested changes. Due by the deadline of August 16, 2013.
- Continue evaluation of water supply availability for surface and groundwater supplies,
- Informal discussions with TWDB regarding data and potential changes,
- Continued coordination of WUG;s and WWP's,
- Consider authorization of SOW and budget request to TWDB for additional funding for the study of WMS's,
- TWDB Staff would consult with other agencies to develop consensus recommendations for final projections,
- Board Adopts Final Demand Projections.

A motion was made by Darwin Douthit and seconded by David Nabors to amend the contract between RPS/Espey and the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District for the revised Scope of Work for the completion of Round 4 planning. Motion carried, all voting aye.

No liaison reports were given.

Temple McKinnon with the Texas Water Development Board informed the planning group that House Bill (H.B.) 4 passed. Ms. McKinnon stated the Governor would appoint initial TWDB members by September 1 and the TWDB would appoint an executive administrator by October 1, 2013. Ms. McKinnon gave timelines about H.B. 1025 and Senate Joint Resolution 1 (SJR1), but said that all deadlines after November 5th would be contingent on voter approval of SJR1. She also discussed the H.B. 4 criteria to be used for developing prioritization of water planning projects in all regions. Ms. McKinnon relayed to the planning group that the TWDB Board would meet on July 18 to discuss the conflict between Region's C and D plans and further information would be available after July 18 on this topic.

Richard LeTourneau made a motion to approve RPS/Espey invoices for payment. David Nabors seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

David Nabors made a motion to set the next meeting for regional water planning group for August 7, 2013. Darwin Douthit seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Public comments were received from Ann Rushing.

On a motion by Darwin Douthit and a second by Jerry Gaskill, the regional water planning group was adjourned.

Secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

Walt Sears, Jr. **NETMWD** Lou Richards **NETMWD**

Judy Barton Titus County Fresh Water District

Mary Catherine Grant Self

Audrey Whaley **TAMU-Commerce**

Nina Holt Self

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