

Agenda Item 5.A.6: Consider Amendment to the 2021 Region M Water Plan to Address Infeasible Water Management Strategies

Infeasible WMSs, Methodology & Results

RWPG Responsibilities:

- Review the status of strategies and projects with an online decade of 2020 in the 2021 RWPs
- Additionally: Review additional, near-term strategies and projects that have lengthy permitting or construction processes

From a survey sent to WUGs regarding implementation status, all received responses, except two, said their project was either completed or they had moved forward with implementation:

- Edinburg said their 2020 Non-Potable Reuse project has been put on hold.
- McAllen has taken no affirmative action to move the 2030 Potable Reuse project forward.
- Region M needs to complete an amendment to the 2021 Plan to remove Edinburg's project from the 2020 decade and McAllen's project from the 2030 decade. RWPG-adopted amendments due **June 4, 2024**

Amendment to the 2021 Region M Water Plan to Address Infeasible Water Management Strategies



See Handout C for Draft Amendment

Modify infeasible strategies from 2021 Regional Water Plan:

- **Non-Potable Reuse WMS for Edinburg:** Shift the online decade from 2020 to 2030. This revision results in Unmet Needs in 2020 for Edinburg.
- **North WWTP Potable Reuse Phase 1 WMS for McAllen:** Shift the online decade from 2030 to 2040. This revision does not result in Unmet Needs for McAllen or other WUGs.

The following chapters require edits as part of this amendment:

Chapter 5. Water Management Strategies

Chapter 6. Impacts of Regional Water Plan; Unmet Water Needs

Chapter 10. Public Participation and Plan Adoption

Appendix B.5. Major Water Provider Second Tier Water Needs

Next Steps



RWPG approves submittal of amendment package to TWDB (subsequent agenda item)



TWDB determines whether it is a major or minor amendment



RWPG adopts amendment at May meeting, pending possible need for a public hearing

Recommendation

Consider Action to:



Approve the submittal of the amendment package to TWDB for determination of minor amendment status



Authorize the LRGVDC to post public notice and hold a public hearing should the amendment status be deemed major