

# AGENDA

## RIO GRANDE REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP (RGRWPG) (REGION M)

9:30 A.M. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2023

LRGVDC MAIN CAMPUS  
INITIATED AND CHAIRED VIA GoToMeeting & IN PERSON AT  
301 W. RAILROAD ST., WESLACO, TEXAS

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WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS 5.A.3 AND  
5.A.6 WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL **NOVEMBER 15, 2023, by 5:00p.m.**  
COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED EITHER BY EMAIL TO:

[mcruz@lrgvdc.org](mailto:mcruz@lrgvdc.org)

OR SENT BY MAIL TO:

JIM DARLING, CHAIRMAN  
RIO GRANDE REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP  
C/O LRGVDC  
301 W. RAILROAD ST.  
WESLACO, TX 78596

PRESIDING: JIM DARLING, CHAIR

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1. Call to Order & Roll Call.....Chairman
  2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve August 2, 2023, Meeting Minutes .....Chairman
  3. Public Comment.....Chairman
  4. Discussion and **ACTION** to Authorize LRGVDC to Negotiate and Execute an  
Amendment to the TWDB Contract .....Chairman

5. Status Reports

**ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**

- A. Status on Current TWDB Contract Activities..... Jaime Burke  
Black & Veatch
  - 1. Schedule and Progress Update
  - 2. Briefing on Methodology to Identify Infeasible Water Management Strategies and/or Projects in the 2021 Rio Grande Regional Water Plan and Analysis of Results
  - 3. Receive Public Comments on the Results of the Analysis of Infeasible Water Management Strategies and/or Projects in the 2021 Rio Grande Regional Water Plan
  - 4. RGRWPG to Consider Public Comments and Discuss and Consider Approval of Results of Analysis of Infeasible Water Management Strategies and/or Projects in the 2021 Rio Grande Regional Water Plan
  - 5. Briefing on Process for Identifying Potentially Feasible Water Management Strategies for the 2026 Rio Grande Regional Water Plan
  - 6. Receive Public Comments on the Process for Identifying Potentially Feasible Water Management Strategies for the 2026 Rio Grande Regional Water Plan
  - 7. RGRWPG to Consider Public Comments and Discuss and Consider Approval of Final Process for Identifying Potentially Feasible Water Management Strategies for the 2026 Rio Grande Regional Water Plan
  
- B. Financial Report.....Chairman
  - 1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Accept Expenditure Report
  
- C. Status of Joint Groundwater Area Planning in GMA’s 13 & 16..... Louie Pena, GMA 16  
Debbie Farmer, GMA 13
  
- D. Reports from Other Regional Water Planning Groups
  - 1. Reports from Liaisons with: Region J, Tomas Rodriguez; Region L, Don McGhee, and Region N, Commissioner David Fuentes
  
- E. Report on Water Conservation Plans and Drought Management Plans  
Filed with Region.....Chairman

- F. Report on Notices of Applications for Funding and Grants .....Chairman
- G. Report on Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee (RWRAC)..... Melisa Gonzales  
RWRAC Interim Chairman

6. Reports from Federal and State Agencies

**ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**

- A. TWDB..... Kevin Smith  
Regional Water Planning

- 1. RWPG Chairs Call Held September 28, 2023
- 2. Interregional Planning Council
  - a. Interregional Planning Council Update:
    - Meetings Held: 11/09/2022, 3/09/2023, 5/30/2023, 8/15/2023
    - Next Meeting: 11/30/2023

- B. IBWC ..... Dr. Maria-Elena Giner  
Commissioner

- C. TCEQ Watermaster ..... Georgina Bermea  
Rio Grande Watermaster

- 1. Status of Reservoirs

7. Discussion, Consideration, and **ACTION** on Date for Next Business Meeting.....Chairman

8. Adjourn

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated and/or acted upon in a different order than numbered above. The Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (RGRWPG) (Region M) reserves the right to adjourn into Executive (Closed) Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the items listed on this agenda as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act. No final action will be taken during the Executive Session.

**PUBLIC INPUT POLICY**

Public Input Policy: “At the beginning of each RGRWPG meeting, the RGRWPG will allow for an open public forum/comment period. This comment period shall not exceed one (1) hour in length, and each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak. All individuals desiring to address the RGRWPG must be signed up to do so, prior to the open comment period. The purpose of this comment period is to provide the public an opportunity to address issues or topics that are under the jurisdiction of the RGRWPG as outlined within final implementation guidelines of Senate Bill 1, 75<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session (SB-1). For issues or topics which are not otherwise part of the posted agenda for the meeting, RGRWPG members may direct staff to investigate the issue or topic further. No action shall be taken on issues or topics which are not part of the posted agenda for the meeting. Members of the public may be recognized on posted agenda items deemed appropriate by the Chairman as these items are considered, and the same time limitation (3 minutes) applies.”