



**GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

June 19, 2023

The San Jacinto River Authority ("SJRA") GRP Review Committee Meeting was held at 11:30 a.m., June 19, 2023, at the SJRA G&A Building – Boardroom 1577 Dam Site Rd, Conroe, Texas 77304. The meeting was also available for viewing only via a livestream on www.sjra.net/grp/meetings. Notice of said meeting was duly posted per GRP Contract requirements.

The following Review Committee Members participated:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>GRP Review Committee:</u>	<u>Representing:</u>
Rick Moffatt	Chair	MUDs East of I-45
Mike Mooney	Vice Chair	Woodlands Water Agency
Jackie Chance		MUDs West of I-45
James Corn		Cities other than City of Conroe
Mike Stoecker		Investor-Owned Utilities
Harry Hardman		City of Conroe

Also present:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Title:</u>
Ed Shackelford, P.E.	SJRA Director of Operations
Chris Meeks	SJRA Utility Enterprise Manager
Summer Hvasta	SJRA UE Customer Service Manager
Jacob Everett	SJRA UE Maintenance Manager
Kelli Stormer	SJRA Senior Accountant
Jamye Lewis	SJRA Accounting Manager
Daniel Hilderbrandt, P.E.	SJRA Technical Services Manager
Heather Cook	SJRA Director of Communications & Public Affairs
Erich Peterson	Woodlands Water Agency
Tom Michel	SJRA Director of Financial and Administrative Services
Jim Spigener	Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District ("LSGCD"), President
Justin Saenz	LSGCD, Education and Conservation Outreach Coordinator
Kirstin Hein, P.G.	LSGCD, Permitting Director

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Moffatt called the meeting to order at 11:30 am.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Corn moved to approve the minutes from April 24, 2023. Mr. Mooney seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

4. GRP DIVISION UPDATES

Mr. Meeks shared two division updates. Last week, the seven surface water recipients received notices of their remaining allocation numbers for the rest of the 2023 Fiscal Year (FY). Mr. Hardman requested a digital copy of the slide with the allocation numbers; all members received a printed copy with their meeting packets at the start of the meeting. Ms. Homewood emailed the slide as a PDF to all committee members during the meeting. Upon request from Mr. Corn, Mr. Meeks provided a review of the process if a surface water participant requests an increase in surface water allocation for the current fiscal year.

Mrs. Hvasta provided an update on recent communications with GRP Participants regarding the FY 2024 Rate Order Notice and efforts to encourage participants to update their on-file contact information to ensure record accuracy as much as possible. She reported several participants have already responded within the first few weeks of mailing with new contact information.

5. RECEIVE SUBSIDENCE STUDY INFORMATION FROM A GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBER

Mr. Stoecker provided a brief overview of his overall purpose for commissioning the study information provided to the Committee Members, related to subsidence, extensometers, and the relevant conclusions that may be drawn from any applicable studies. Mr. Stoecker questioned if there were any studies missing from the information he provided. Mr. Shackelford stated SJRA staff will send information on relevant studies to the committee members. There was general discussion among the members around subsidence, the role of extensometers, the duration of time required to gather sufficient historically valid data from any extensometers, the overall increase in population and number of wells, and the potential impact of fiscal decisions made by particular entities. In response to members' discussion around the LSGCD's efforts towards understanding subsidence, Mr. Hardman confirmed there are nine factors involved in the District's subsidence study, which is currently in Phase 3. Mr. Moffatt added that subsidence has been a topic of concern and discussion since he served with the LSGCD back in 2011. Mr. Hardman requested Ms. Hein, attending as an LSGCD representative, forward material to the Review Committee members related to the nine factors mentioned under consideration by the LSGCD.

6. LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REPORT

Ms. Hein shared several updates. The first Groundwater Management Area ("GMA") 14 meeting was held on May 23, 2023. She stated it was focused on the new model and discussions with the Texas Water Development Board ("TWDB"), and that the next meeting is scheduled for fall. The Board of Directors for the LSGCD has reopened public comments on the current District rules; there are no rule revisions currently

up for comment. Any written comments must be submitted by 5:00 PM on July 13th, via either email or mail. Regarding the questions raised earlier on Phase 3 of the subsidence study, they have received interest from a couple municipalities and are still actively looking for interest. At the June 13, 2023, LSGCD Board meeting, Samantha Reiter resigned her position as General Manager, effective June 15, 2023. The LSGCD Board is currently looking to fill this position, and interested candidates can find more information on the District's website.

Mr. Hardman brought up LSGCD's interest in obtaining core samples from various sites during Phase 3, and Ms. Hein confirmed she will include their one-page of FAQs covering Phase 3 with the nine subsidence factors previously mentioned. Mr. Moffatt requested clarification around whether they are looking for additional financial assistance at this point, and Mr. Spigener confirmed that while any financial assistance offered may not be refused, they are primarily looking to move forward with core sampling sites without additional delay. He added that so far, they have two volunteers for potential sites. Mr. Shackelford asked if they are looking for potential sites in the Conroe area. Mr. Spigener responded that while Conroe does have a couple of very good options, their preference is to start in the Woodlands or south county areas, as subsidence is reported to be greatest there. Mr. Shackelford stated that SJRA might have a few options available.

7. GRP ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE SJRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mr. Shackelford reported that there were no GRP items to be considered at the SJRA Board of Directors meeting scheduled for June 22, 2023.

8. ATTORNEY'S UPDATE

There was no update for the month on GRP-related legal matters.

9. FUTURE GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

No new items were added at this time.

10. FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

a. Monday, August 21, 2023.

11. ADJOURN

Mr. Moffatt adjourned the meeting at 11:49 PM.



Chris Meeks

SJRA Utility Enterprise Manager / GRP Administrator