

### **GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE** MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

### **April 21, 2025**

The San Jacinto River Authority ("SJRA") GRP Review Committee Meeting was held at 11:30 a.m., April 21, 2025, 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:

Present: **GRP** Review Committee: Representing:

James Corn Cities other than City of Conroe Chair

Erich Peterson, P.E. Vice Chair Woodlands Water Agency Jackie Chance MUDs West of I-45

Benjamin Slotnick, Ph.D. MUDs East of I-45

Mike Stoecker **Investor-Owned Utilities** 

SJRA General Manager

### Also present:

Aubrey A. Spear, PE

Name: Title:

Ed Shackelford, PE SJRA Director of Operations

Chris Meeks SJRA Utility Enterprise Manager Jason Williams SJRA UE Operations Manager SJRA UE Maintenance Manager Jacob Everett Maleia Good SJRA UE Administrative Manager

Kelli Stormer SJRA Accounting Manager SJRA Chief Financial Officer Pam Steiger

Jodi Chaney SJRA Records Manager **Amy Sims** SJRA General Counsel

Sarah Kouba Lone Star Ground Water Conservation District General Manager

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Sellars and Sarah Kouba addressed the committee with comments related to Agenda Item 3.2.2.

### 3. WORK SESSION

### 3.1.1 Presentation of the GRP 10-Year Project Plan.

Mr. Chris Meeks shared the schedule for reviewing the draft FY2026 Budget and Rates which will be presented to the GRP Review Committee at the May 2025 meeting; and for consideration of approval during the June 2025 meeting. Mr. Meeks introduced Mr. Jacob Everett, Utility Enterprise Maintenance Manager, to present the 10-Year GRP Project Plan. Mr. Everett led the presentation of the project plan which included an overview of how projects are determined, the Surface Water Receiving Facility Optimization project, as well as the Membrane Replacement and Optimization study.

### 3.1.2 Review of the draft GRP Review Committee meetings agendas policy

Mr. Chris Meeks presented a draft of the GRP Review Committee Meetings Agendas Policy. The purpose of the policy is to document who is responsible for establishing the meeting agenda, how Review Committee members may request items to be added, both during meetings and outside of them, and the timeline for submitting related documentation.

Mr. Mike Stoecker expressed concerns regarding the draft policy. In response, Mr. Meeks clarified that the policy is still in draft form and open to recommendations from the Review Committee. The goal is to reach a consensus so the policy can be presented as an action item at the next meeting in May. Review Committee members were therefore requested to submit any comments or suggested revisions to the draft policy to the GRP Administrator within two weeks.

## 3.1.3 Update by Utility Enterprise staff regarding operations and maintenance

Mr. Jason Williams provided an update on the FY2025 surface water allocations. He reported that all MUDs are currently on track for FY2025. Allocation updates will continue to be shared at each GRP Review Committee meeting through the end of the fiscal year.

# 3.2.1 Discussion of GRP Review Committee goals and objectives requested by Vice Committee Chair Erich Peterson, P.E.

Review Committee members provided information and discussion regarding the goals and objectives of the districts that they represent.

### 3.2.2 Status of Aquifers presentation by Committee Member Benjamin Slotnick, Ph.D.

Dr. Benjamin Slotnick. delivered a presentation that provided information compiled regarding the status of the underlying aquifers in a 20 square mile area of zip code 77386.

## 3.2.3 Discussion of MUD 88, 89, and Spring Creek Utility District Agreement requested by Committee Member Mike Stoecker

Mr. Mike Stoecker asked what the cost impact would have been to MUD 88 and 89 if the GRP surface water pipeline had not been available. Dr. Benjamin Slotnick responded that it is difficult to create a meaningful cost comparison due to various complexities. However, Dr. Slotnick emphasized that from a

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redundancy standpoint, the pipeline is beneficial and contributes to long-term water supply stability for residents in those districts.

## 3.3 Update by Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District regarding projects and other activities

Ms. Sarah Kouba shared information related to Groundwater Management Area 14 in relation to Desired Future Conditions (DFC) planning. The meeting in March was hosted by Brazoria County Groundwater Conservation District in Angleton. A link to the recording of the meeting will be posted on the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District website when it becomes available.

### 4. ACTION ITEMS

## 4.1 Approval of Minutes - GRP Review Committee meeting of March 24, 2025

Mr. Corn requested a motion to approve the minutes of the GRP Review Committee meeting held on March 24, 2025. Dr. Benjamin Slotnick made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Jackie Chance made a second to approve the minutes. The vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

### 5. FUTURE GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were raised by Review Committee members.

#### 6. ADJOURN

Mr. Corn adjourned the meeting at 12:19 p.m.

Chris Meeks

SJRA Utility Enterprise Manager / GRP Administrator