



**GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

July 21, 2025

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

James Corn
Erich Peterson, P.E.
Jackie Chance
Harry Hardman
Mike Stoecker

GRP Review Committee:

Chair
Vice Chair

Representing:

Cities other than City of Conroe
Woodlands Water Agency
MUDs West of I-45
City of Conroe
Investor-Owned Utilities

Excused:

Benjamin Slotnick, Ph.D.

MUDs East of I-45

Also present:

Name:

Aubrey A. Spear, P.E.
Ed Shackelford, P.E.
Chris Meeks
Jason Williams
Jacob Everett
Maleia Good
Kelli Stormer
Pam Steiger
Jamy Lewis
Jodi Chaney
Amy Sims
Jamy Lewis
Aaron Schindewolf
Sarah Kouba

Title:

SJRA General Manager
SJRA Director of Operations
SJRA Utility Enterprise Manager
SJRA Utility Enterprise Operations Manager
SJRA Utility Enterprise Maintenance Manager
SJRA Utility Enterprise Administrative Manager
SJRA Accounting Manager
SJRA Chief Financial Officer
SJRA Accounting Controller
SJRA Records Manager
SJRA General Counsel
SJRA Accounting Controller
SJRA Project Manager
Lone Star Ground Water Conservation District General Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. James Corn called the meeting to order at 11:33 am.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

3. WORK SESSION

3.1 Items by GRP Administrator

3.1.1 Update by Utility Enterprise staff regarding operations and maintenance.

Mr. Jason Williams provided an operational update. As of June 30, 2025, average daily demand was 13 MGD, with a peak of 16 MGD. The plant is operating efficiently with no reported issues.

3.1.2 Update on easement encroachments – TxDot and development projects.

Mr. Aaron Schindewolf provided updates on four active encroachment concerns:

- TxDOT – SH 75 Widening: The 24-inch water line and fiber optic line along SH 75 between FM 830 and Silver Springs Road will require relocation due to right-of-way expansion. TxDOT has informed SJRA reimbursement will be made for the expense of relocation and easement acquisition.
- TxDOT – FM 3083 Widening: Currently at 30% design. No conflicts identified at this stage, but further evaluation will be needed at 60%.
- Howard Hughes – Teralyn Trails Drive (Woodlands Hills) @ FM830: A proposed crossing will require casing and offsetting of approximately 150 linear feet of the 24-inch water line. Design and construction are proposed to be developer-funded in lieu of reimbursement.
- Fish Creek Thoroughfare @ Two Step Blvd: A 250 linear foot section of 54-inch steel water line will require casing, not relocation. Coordination is ongoing with the developer and Montgomery County.

3.2 Update by Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District (LSGCD) regarding projects and other activities.

Ms. Sarah Kouba provided three updates:

- **GMA 14 Model Update – Public Stakeholder Meeting**: A virtual meeting hosted by the Texas Water Development Board is scheduled for July 30, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. to address comments on the updated groundwater model.
- **Public Water Supplier Forum**: An informational forum tailored to public water suppliers will be held September 18, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. at LSGCD.
- **Model Calibration Clarification**: Ms. Kouba addressed previously stated questions from the GRP Review Committee on GMA 14 model calibration.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Approval of Minutes - GRP Review Committee meeting of June 23, 2025.

Mr. Corn requested a motion to approve the minutes of the GRP Review Committee meeting held on June 23, 2025. The motion for approval was made by Mr. Harry Hardman, with a second by Mr. Erich Peterson. The vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

4.2 Consider a recommendation to the SJRA Board of Directors relating to design engineering services for 24-inch water line relocation along SH 75 between FM 830 and Silver Springs Road.

Mr. Schindewolf presented the design proposal for relocating the 24-inch water line and fiber optic line along SH 75 due to TxDOT right-of-way expansion. The scope includes survey, easement preparation, final design, and limited procurement assistance. Recommended approval of a work order not to exceed \$96,286 with Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc.

The motion for approval was made by Mr. Mike Stoecker, with a second by Mr. Jackie Chance. The vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

4.3 Consider a recommendation to the SJRA Board of Directors relating to the MidSouth Electric Cooperative (MSEC) surface water allocation request and Supplemental Agreement.

Mr. Chris Meeks discussed the request by MSEC to resume receiving surface water. The projected increase in average daily demand of 1.5 MGD fits within existing plant capacity. Financial analysis for the increased water production resulted in a net \$0.01 per 1,000 gallon decrease in the groundwater pumpage and surface water rates for all participants. The recommendation was made for approval of the supplemental agreement and surface water allocation for MSEC.

The motion for approval was made by Mr. Chance, with a second by Mr. Peterson. The vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

4.4 Consider a recommendation to the SJRA Board of Directors relating to the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budget for the GRP Division.

Mrs. Jamye Lewis presented changes to the FY26 operating budget following MSEC's surface water allocation which increased the GRP FY26 average production to 16.5 MGD. Mrs. Lewis demonstrated the net financial impact is balanced, which supports an overall \$0.05 rate reduction from FY25. The motion for approval of the FY26 GRP Operating Budget was made by Mr. Hardman, with a second by Mr. Stoecker. The vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

4.5 Consider a recommendation to the SJRA Board of Directors relating to an amended Fiscal Year 2026 GRP Rate Order.

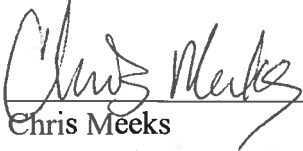
Mrs. Lewis recommended approval of the FY26 GRP Rate Order amendment reflecting a surface water rate of \$3.21 per 1,000 gallons and a groundwater rate of \$2.62 per 1,000 gallons. The motion for approval was made by Mr. Hardman, with a second by Mr. Chance. The vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

5. FUTURE GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

No items were requested for future agendas.

6. ADJOURN

Mr. Corn adjourned the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Meeks", is written over a horizontal line.

Chris Meeks

SJRA Utility Enterprise Manager / GRP Administrator