



**GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

May 21, 2026

The San Jacinto River Authority ("SJRA") GRP Review Committee Meeting was held at 11:30 a.m., May 21, 2026, 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:

Erich Peterson, P.E.
John Sellars
Benjamin Slotnick, Ph.D.
Mike Stoecker

GRP Review Committee:

Vice Chair

Representing:

Woodlands Water Agency
City of Conroe
MUDs East of I-45
Investor-Owned Utilities

Excused:

Vacant
Vacant

MUDs West of I-45
Cities other than City of Conroe

SJRA staff present and other meeting participants:

Name:

Aubrey Spear, P.E.
Ed Shackelford, P.E.
Chris Meeks
Jason Williams
Maleia Good
Jodi Chaney
Amy Sims
Jamy Lewis
Tiffany White
Duke Coon

Title:

SJRA General Manager
SJRA Director of Operations
SJRA Utility Enterprise Manager
SJRA Utility Enterprise Operations Manager
SJRA Utility Enterprise Administrative Manager
SJRA Records Manager
SJRA General Counsel
SJRA Accounting Controller
Lone Star Groundwater Conservation Director of Operations
Mayor, City of Conroe

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

3. WORK SESSION

3.1 Items by GRP Administrator

Mr. Chris Meeks advised that effective May 13, 2026, Mr. Harry Hardman resigned from the GRP Review Committee. On May 20, 2026 the City of Conroe appointed Mr. John Sellars to fill the vacancy. Following an inquiry from Dr. Benjamin Slotnick regarding potential employment-related conflicts of interest, Mr. Sellars affirmed his commitment to representing the City of Conroe citizens and recusing himself if necessary. Ms. Amy Sims confirmed Mr. Sellars' appointment does not constitute a conflict under the GRP Contract.

3.1.1 Presentation regarding the proposed GRP Fiscal Year 2027 Operating Budget and GRP Rate Order.

Ms. Jamye Lewis presented an overview of the draft Fiscal Year 2027 GRP Operating Budget. Ms. Lewis shared the FY27 operating budget accounts for an overall increase in both participant groundwater pumpage and surface water production. She discussed that no rate increases are proposed for Fiscal Year 2027. Despite rising employment costs along with increased raw water supply rates from the City of Houston and SJRA; Groundwater and Surface Water rates remained stable due to highly competitive chemical procurement and efficiencies gained from increased plant production.

No formal action was taken during this presentation. Mr. Meeks requested that any questions regarding the draft budget be submitted to the GRP Administrator by June 12, 2026. A formal request for recommendation of the FY27 GRP Operating Budget will be taken at the June 22, 2026 GRP Review Committee meeting.

3.1.2 Presentation of GRP 10-Year Project Plan

Mr. Nabeel Khan presented the GRP 10-Year Project Plan, noting the plan incorporates a newly restructured framework for long-term scheduling of the aging infrastructure, and proposed transfers to the R&R Fund. Mr. Khan explained major infrastructure components completed in 2015 have surpassed their useful life expectancies, and the plan introduces recurring maintenance and asset life-extension assessments alongside critical capital projects.

3.1.3 GRP Updates

Mr. Jason Williams highlighted the Utility Enterprise Division's participation at the Texas Water conference at the end of April 2026. In the first year participating in the full nine-event utility skills competition against 16 other operations teams, the SJRA team secured first place in two of the events. Out of 19 submitted water samples, the GRP Division was named the runner-up in the "Best Water in Texas" competition.

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

Ms. Tiffany White reported that the public comment period for the proposed DFCs opened on May 5, 2026, and will close on August 11, 2026. A formal public hearing is scheduled to take place during the LSGCD's regular board meeting on August 11, 2026. Lone Star

Groundwater Conservation District successfully completed its Rainwater Harvesting Barrel and Scholarship program, which included presenting scholarships at senior award ceremonies across Montgomery County.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Approval of Minutes - GRP Review Committee meeting of April 20, 2026

Mr. Peterson requested a motion to approve the minutes of the GRP Review Committee meeting held on April 20th, 2026. The motion for approval was made by Dr. Benjamin Slotnick, with a second by Mr. Mike Stoecker. The vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

5. FUTURE GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. John Sellars submitted a request for a cost accounting report detailing the actual production cost of treated surface water. Dr. Benjamin Slotnick requested an overview regarding the Global Amendment.

6. ADJOURN

Mr. Peterson adjourned the meeting at 12:24pm



Chris Meeks
SJRA Utility Enterprise Manager / GRP Administrator