

**Meeting of the
Groundwater Management Area 8
November 30, 2018 in Itasca, TX**

Minutes

The Groundwater Management Area 8 (GMA 8) district representatives (referred to herein collectively as “the Committee” for easy reference), which consists of representatives from the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District, Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District, Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, North Texas Groundwater Conservation District, Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District, Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District, Red River Groundwater Conservation District, Saratoga Underground Water Conservation District, Southern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, and Upper Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, held a **Joint Planning meeting at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, November 30, 2018**, at the Hilco Civic & Event Center in Itasca, Texas.

Groundwater Conservation District Representatives Present:

Central Texas GCD: Mitchell Sodek	Red River GCD: David Gattis
Clearwater UWCD: Dirk Aaron	Middle Trinity GCD: Joe Cooper
Northern Trinity GCD: Bob Patterson	Upper Trinity GCD: Doug Shaw
Post Oak Savannah GCD: Gary Westbrook	Southern Trinity GCD: Peter Kultgen
Prairielands GCD: Charles Beseda	

Groundwater Conservation District Representatives Absent:

North Texas GCD: Ronny Young
Saratoga UWCD: Jason Jones

1. Invocation

James Beach provided the invocation for the meeting.

2. Call meeting to order and establish quorum

Chair Joe Cooper, Middle Trinity GCD, established that a quorum was present and called the GMA 8 meeting to order at 10:05 am.

3. Welcome and introductions.

Chair Joe Cooper welcomed the guests present at the meeting. He introduced the new TWDB representative, Jean Perez.

4. Public Comments.

Chair Joe Cooper asked if any of the attendees had public comments to present to the GMA 8. Judy Reeves, property owner in the Upper Trinity GCD questioned why the DFCs were reviewed every five years. She questioned why the goals were changed if the DFCs were agreed upon for a 50 year period. Joe Cooper informed her that the 5-year joint planning process is required by law, Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code. Goals may need to be altered due to changes of a number of factors including but not limited to population, economic growth, new scientific data, and land use. She was advised to speak with representatives from Upper Trinity GCD to address her specific concerns.

5. Consider and act upon approval of minutes from the June 27, 2018, GMA 8 meeting

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the June 27, 2018 meeting. Mitchell Sodek requested that the spelling of his name in Item 6 be corrected. Charles made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2018 meeting with the spelling of Mitchell Sodek's name correction. Bob Patterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Consider and act upon selection of consultant(s) to perform professional services related to the development of Desired Future Conditions for aquifers within Groundwater Management Area 8.

Chair Joe Cooper informed the Committee that four SOQs were submitted by INTERA, LRE, Meadows Center and WSP. The Committee then proceeded to rank the firm teams 1 through 4. The rankings were then tallied and WSP was the consultant who received the highest ranking. The GMA 8 Committee suggested creating a committee to negotiate a contract, scope of work, and cost with WSP. Drew Satterwhite, Joe Cooper and Dirk Aaron were nominated to serve on the committee. The information compiled is to be sent to all Districts and a meeting will then be scheduled to vote on the contract, scope of work, and cost. Peter Kultgen made the motion to create the committee to develop a contract, scope of work and cost. Dirk Aaron seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion of possible agenda items and dates for next GMA 8 meeting.

Chair Joe Cooper suggested that the contract, scope of work and cost be presented at the next GMA 8 meeting. The date for the next meeting will be announced.

15. Closing comments.

Chair Joe Cooper thanked Dirk Aaron for his help in obtaining Hilco Civic and Event Center to hold the GMA 8 meeting.

16. Adjourn

Dirk Arron made the motion to adjourn. Charles Beseda seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Chair Joe Cooper declared the meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

The GMA 8 Committee unanimously approved the minutes on this 6th day of May, 2019.

Velma Starks
Recording Secretary

Joe Cooper
Chairman