

MINUTES FROM A JOINT PLANNING MEETING OF GMA 6

Date: 1-29-2015

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority, 135 North Munday Avenue, Munday, TX 76371

DISTRICTS PRESENT AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES

Gateway GCD, Jack Campsey, General Manager

Rolling Plains GCD, Mike McGuire, General Manager

Mesquite GCD, Amy Crowell, General Manager

DISTRICTS ABSENT

Clear Fork GCD, Belynda Rains, General Manager

OTHERS PRESENT

Ray Brady, RMBJ Geo, Inc., Floydada, TX

Nathan van Oort, TWDB, Austin, TX

Gary Burke, USGS, Wichita Falls, TX

Leon Burkham, NCTMWA, Munday, TX

Bud Redder, Munday, TX

The meeting was called to order by Mike McGuire at 1:04 p.m., noting that public notice had been posted by the individual groundwater conservation districts and on the Secretary of State website, as required by Chapter 36.108.

The purpose of the meeting was for discussion and possible action to amend Desired Future Conditions for the Trinity, Ogallala, Dockum, Blaine and Seymour Aquifers in the GMA 6 planning area, discuss and review of management plans, explanatory factors and any other matters that the boards consider relevant to the protection and conservation of groundwater and the prevention of waste in the management area, to satisfy the requirements of joint planning in the management area, as required in Sec. 36.108 of the Water Code.

It was noted that with 3 of the 4 groundwater conservation districts in GMA 6 in attendance that a quorum was constituted.

All those present introduced themselves.

No public comments were received.

A motion was made by Amy Crowell that the Minutes from the meeting of 1-29-2014 be accepted as presented. The motion was seconded by Jack Campsey. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Nathan van Oort, from The Texas Water Development Board, gave a status update on the desired future condition (DFC) processes and provided a copy the planning check list. He also announced the availability of cost share funds for monitoring projects. Cameron Turner is the point of contact for these funds. He also discussed the GMA 2/GMA 6 border adjustment in southeast Briscoe County. This border adjustment should be an agenda item for our next meeting.

The planning group reviewed the discussion points from the 1-29-2014 meeting. The planning group reviewed the requirements for the Explanatory Report and reviewed the current DFCs. The Trinity Aquifer slivers should remain non-relevant. The Ogallala 50/50 DFC in HPUWCD will probably change, which will affect Dickens and Motley County DFCs. We should reconsider the relevance of the Ogallala Aquifer in Motley County. The Mesquite District considers the Ogallala Aquifer non-relevant in Collingsworth County. TWDB was to inquire about status of the areas not in a GCD with little or no water.

The Total Estimated Recoverable Storage for the aquifers in the GMA was reviewed. These values had previously been reviewed by the GCD boards. The Calculation Methods for determining Total Recoverable Storage was reviewed. The maps, county totals and groundwater district totals for the Blaine, Dockum, Trinity, Ogalla and Seymour Aquifers in GMA 6 were reviewed. TWDB is to provide the actual specific yield values for the Blaine Aquifer. Questions were asked about the possible over-estimation of Total Recoverable Storage in Eastern Collingsworth County.

The planning group reviewed the recharge, inflows and discharge values for each aquifer within each of the groundwater districts. These values had previously been reviewed by the GCD boards. There was a brief discussion of subsidence, sinkholes and the Truscott Brine Lake within the Blaine Aquifer. It was noted that no values were provided for the Blaine Aquifer in Fisher County.

Motion by Amy Crowell and seconded by Jack Campsey to reappoint Amy Crowell as representative to Region A, Jack Campsey as representative to Region O and Region B and Mike McGuire as representative to Brazos G for GMA 6.

The next meeting date was confirmed to be April 2, 2015 @ 10:30 a.m. Items to be discussed will include three more of the nine explanatory factors for the Explanatory Report and as well as the administrative boundary change in Briscoe County.

A motion to adjourn was made by Amy Crowell and seconded by Jack Campsey. With unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

ATTEST: Jack Campsey Amy Crowell