

WRAWG Meeting Minutes – June 3, 2013

Introduction of new employees: Joe Nicosia (Project Manager) & Stephanie Bryant (Summer Intern)

Section Updates: Ron Ellis

Brazos River Authority -

Submitted their System Operating Water Management Plan (WMP) at the end of November

Technical review is due by the end of June and public notice will be issued again

WMP goes back to SOAH to continue hearing

Proposal for Decision (PFD) from SOAH judges must be submitted by January 2014

Rule Packages –

SB3 rule package for the Brazos, Nueces & Rio Grande River Basins

Projected proposal date for the rule package is September 4, 2013

Projected publication date is September 20, 2013

Projected public hearing date is tentatively set for October 15, 2013

Projected Adoption Agenda on February 12, 2014

Municipal Use definition will be discussed at Adoption Agenda Tuesday June 18, 2013

Watermaster Section Update: Amy Settemeyer

Second round of evaluations ongoing for the Trinity & San Jacinto River Basins

Final comments due June 14, 2013

Findings will be presented at Agenda in late August/early September

Rule Package for Rio Grande River Basin to remove contract time limit

Proposal on July 26, 2013

Comment period in August/September

Adoption on November 6, 2013

Public Hearing in Harlingen in September

Hearing process ongoing for the Brazos petition for a watermaster

Hearing at end of September

PFD in January 2014

Legislative Update: Ron Ellis

Special Session -

The following bills passed from the House/Senate and are with the Governor:

HB4 – State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT)
(implemented by the Texas Water Development Board)

HB3233 – Clarified exemption language for exempt IBTs

HB3604 – Drought Contingency Plan/Water Management Plan and
enforcement (Implemented by TWDB & TCEQ)

HB2615 – Increase in penalties for non-reporting for annual Water Use
Reports

Commission Actions: Iliana Delgado

March 27, 2013 Agenda

The City of San Angelo Certificates of Adjudication Nos. 14-1333 & 14-1337

Adding downstream diversion point which is currently authorized
by a separate water right owned by the City

All hearing requests were denied

Both amendments were issued

Next meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2013

Please e-mail or call with proposed topics for discussion at the next meeting