

# Water Operations Committee Agenda

# Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2020

### Earliest start time: 11 a.m.

### MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND IN PERSON. THE MEETING WILL BE LIVESTREAMED AT <u>https://www.lcra.org/about/leadership/stream/</u>

### Action/Discussion Items

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- 3. General Manager's Remarks
- 4. Long-Term Weather Forecast
- 5. Basin Conditions Update
- 6. Highland Lakes Inflows Discussion
- 7. Ongoing and Recently Completed Water Supply Projects and Potential New Water Supply Strategies

### **Executive Session Discussion Items**

1. Griffith League Ranch Legal Advice

The committee may go into executive session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

### Legal Notice

Legal notices are available on the Texas secretary of state website 72 hours prior to the meeting at <u>www.sos.state.tx.us/open</u>.

# 1. Comments From the Public

## Summary

Consistent with Gov. Abbott's March 16, 2020, temporary suspension of various provisions of the Open Meetings Act, the public will not be able to attend the meeting in person but may view the open session portions of the meeting via livestream at: <u>https://www.lcra.org/about/leadership/stream/</u> and make comments to the committee via telephone.

The committee will take all public comments at the beginning of the meeting. Members of the public who would like to address the committee must <u>register by</u> <u>calling the number below between 10:15 and 10:45 a.m. on the day of the meeting</u>.

Phone number:	833-548-0282 (toll free)
Meeting ID:	6442096404##

### FOR ACTION

# 2. Approve Committee Meeting Minutes

#### **Proposed Motion**

Approve the minutes of the Jan. 21, 2020, meetings.

#### **Board Consideration**

Section 2.09 of the LCRA bylaws states the committee may approve meeting minutes.

### **Budget Status and Fiscal Impact**

Approval of this item will have no budgetary or fiscal impact.

### Summary

Staff presents the minutes of each meeting to the committee for approval.

#### Exhibit(s)

A - Minutes of Jan. 21, 2020, meeting

### <u>EXHIBIT A</u>

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WATER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY Austin, Texas Jan. 21, 2020

Pursuant to notice posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Water Operations Committee (committee) of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) convened in a meeting at 10:08 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2020, in the Board Room of the Hancock Building, at the principal office of LCRA, 3700 Lake Austin Blvd., Austin, Travis County, Texas. The meeting was open to the public, and the following committee members were present, constituting a quorum:

Thomas Michael Martine, committee chair Joseph M. "Joe" Crane, committee vice chair Michael L. "Mike" Allen Lori A. Berger Stephen F. Cooper Charles B. "Bart" Johnson Thomas L. "Tom" Kelley Robert "Bobby" Lewis George W. Russell Timothy Timmerman Margaret D. "Meg" Voelter Martha Leigh M. Whitten

Absent: Laura D. Figueroa Raymond A. "Ray" Gill Jr. Nancy Eckert Yeary

Chair Martine convened the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

Daniel Berglund, a rice farmer in Matagorda County, addressed the committee and discussed agricultural interruptible water rates and the need for additional water conservation projects.

<u>20-01</u> Upon motion by Director Berger, seconded by Director Russell, the committee unanimously approved the minutes of its last meeting, held Oct. 22, 2019, as presented.

Vice President of Water Operations Kelly Payne presented an update on basin and water supply conditions.

Executive Vice President of Water John Hofmann gave an overview of the following agenda items:

- Updated interruptible agricultural Drought Contingency Plan for customers in the Garwood, Gulf Coast and Lakeside agricultural divisions and Pierce Ranch.
- Updated interruptible agricultural water contract rules and rates for the Garwood, Gulf Coast and Lakeside agricultural divisions.

[The LCRA Board considered and approved these items Jan. 22.]

Kelly Payne gave an overview of the agenda item regarding an increase to the lifetime budget for the Inks Dam Spillway Delamination project. [The LCRA Board considered and approved this item Jan. 22.]

John Hofmann gave an update on the contract for the seepage mitigation project for the Arbuckle Reservoir.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Thomas Michael Martine, Chair Water Operations Committee

Approved: Sept. 23, 2020

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