

# Groundwater Management Area 15 Meeting Minutes

The Groundwater Management Area 15 meeting convened in the Pattie Dodson Health Center, 2805 N. Navarro St., Victoria, Texas, Classroom 108 at 9:00 AM on October 11, 2018.

**Members GCD Representatives Present:**

1	Bee Groundwater Conservation District	Lonnie Stewart
2	Calhoun County Groundwater Conservation District	Tammy Amaimo
3	Coastal Bend Groundwater Conservation District	Neil Hudgins
4	Coastal Plains Groundwater Conservation District	Neil Hudgins
5	Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District	
6	Corpus Christi ASR Conservation District	
7	Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District	Russell Labus
8	Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District	David Van Dresar
9	Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District	Heather Sumpter
10	Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District	Charlotte Krause
11	Refugio Groundwater Conservation District	Tim Andruss
12	Texana Groundwater Conservation District	Tim Andruss
13	Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District	Tim Andruss

**Agenda Item 1: Call to order and welcome guests.**

Mr. Andruss called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. A quorum was present.

Attached to these minutes is a copy of the meeting sign-in sheet.

No action was taken.

**Agenda Item 2: Receive public comment.**

Mr. Andruss offer to accept any public comments.

Mr. Dohmann provided comments regarding the inclusion of water level measurements and comparisons to modeled water levels within the explanatory report.

No action was taken.

**Agenda Item 3: Consideration of and possible action on minutes of the previous meeting.**

Mr. Andruss explained that the minutes of the previous meeting were sent to the GMA 15 representatives prior to this meeting.

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**MOTION:** Mr. Stewart moved to approve the meeting minutes for July 12, 2018 as drafted. Mr. Labus seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Agenda Item 4: Consideration of and possible action on GMA 15 budget, financial reports, and future funding requirements.**

Ms. Krause notified the members that the agreement between LRE Water and Pecan Valley GCD on behalf of GMA 15 had been approved and invoices related to the joint planning cost-sharing agreement would be sent to member districts.

No action was taken.

**Agenda Item 5: Consideration of and possible action on reports and communication from Groundwater Management Area 15 member districts and Groundwater Management Area 15 representatives to Regional Water Planning Groups.**

Mr. Hudgins explained that a spreadsheet developed to compare member districts in GMA 15 had been completed; would be shared with the general managers of the member districts; and would be provided to the Texas Alliance of Groundwater District to support its efforts to advocate on behalf of its members.

Mr. Van Dresar explained that Fayette County GCD had submitted an approved management plan to TWDB for review.

**Agenda Item 6: Consideration of and possible action on reports from Texas Water Development Board representatives to Groundwater Management Area 15.**

Mr. Perez of Texas Water Development Board reported on the agencies efforts to process management plans and reminded the members of the upcoming Water for Texas event.

No action was taken.

**Agenda Item 7: Consideration of a presentation by the USGS regarding Gulf Coast Modeling.**

Mr. Andruss explained the USGS is currently working on a 5-year study assessing groundwater availability in the aquifers adjacent to the Gulf of Mexico, including the aquifers located in the GMA 15 boundary. The study is referred to as CLAS Regional Groundwater Availability Study. Additional information can be viewed at <https://www2.usgs.gov/water/lowermississippigulf/lmgweb/clas/>.

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Ms. Linzy Foster, civil engineer and co-primary investigator of the study, provided more information regarding this study including a description of the primary focus areas of the model being developed, the methodology employed to complete the project, and differences between this modeling effort and other existing models of groundwater availability for the Gulf Coast Aquifer.

Ms. Foster requested that members provide relevant information to the USGS to support the development of the model.

No action was taken.

### **Agenda Item 8: Consideration of and possible action on matters related to joint planning including professional services related to development and adoption of DFCs for aquifers within GMA 15 and the draft evaluation of management plans and accomplishment of member districts.**

Mr. Andruss explained the Committee has received and reviewed revised management plans for Calhoun County Groundwater Conservation District, Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District, Refugio Groundwater Conservation District, Texana Groundwater Conservation District, and Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District. Based on a review completed by the GMA 15 Administrator, the implementation of plans would 1) have a positive impact water resource planning 2) have a positive effect conservation and protection of groundwater resources as well as preventing waste of groundwater, and 3) result in adequate achievement of the desired future conditions for the district. See included draft assessment of management plans.

**MOTION:** Mr. Hudgins moved to accept and approve the management plan assessment as drafted. Mr. Van Dresar seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Andruss explained that Mr. Keester of LRE Water had contact the GMA and would present data to the members for consideration as the next cycle of DFC development was initiated.

Mr. Keester presented the members with pumping distribution maps and pumping charts from the GMA 15 MAG run and explained that meetings would be scheduled for the near future between LRE Water and individual members to discuss pumping scenarios for current planning cycle.

Mr. Andruss agreed to provide contact information to LRE Water for planning purposes.

No action was taken.

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**Agenda Item 9: Consideration of and possible action on administrative and organizational matters of Groundwater Management Area 15.**

No action was taken.

**Agenda Item 10: Consideration of and possible action on identification and scheduling of future agenda items and meetings.**

Mr. Andruss explained that the next meeting of GMA 15 is scheduled for January 10, 2019 in Victoria County.

**Agenda Item 11: Receive public comment.**

No public comment provided.

**Agenda Item 12: Adjournment**

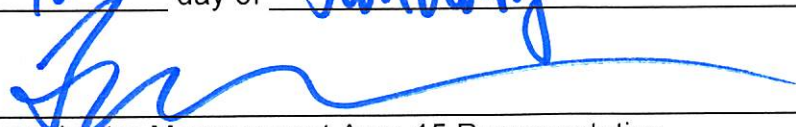
**MOTION:** At 10:15 AM, Mr. Stewart moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Krause seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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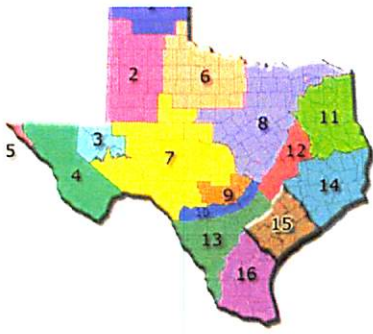
Prepared by: Tim Andruss

The above and foregoing minutes were considered and approved on this the  
10th day of January a.d. 2019.

  
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Groundwater Management Area 15 Representative

ATTEST:

  
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Groundwater Management Area 15 Representative



# GMA 15

DATE: October 11, 2018

NAME	COMPANY OR ORGANIZATION
Carl Hummel	NADA
Heather Sumpter	GLGCD
Art Orshman	GCDCD
Morgan Ayers	Texas Sea Grant
Anna Daniels	GBRA
Russell Labus	Evergreen UWCD
Tammie Amadio	Calhoun County GCD
Corey Stanton	USGS TEXAS WATER SCIENCE CENTER
Lorrie Stewart	Bee GCD
Chae Hedgin	Coastal Bend/Plains GCDs
Krause	PVGCD
Randy H. Meyer	NADA.
David A. Van Dresar	FCGCD.
Mike Kerstev	LRE Water
Sean Perez	TWINB