

# Water Operations Committee Agenda

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

## Earliest start time: 9:45 a.m.

THE MEETING WILL BE LIVESTREAMED AT https://www.lcra.org/about/leadership/stream/

ONLY THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE WILL BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON. ALL OTHERS ARE INVITED TO VIEW THE LIVESTREAM OF THE MEETING.

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- 3. Late Spring and Summer Weather Forecast
- 4. Basin Conditions Update
- 5. 2020 Water Management Plan Discussion

### **Executive Session**

The Committee may go into executive session to receive advice from legal counsel on any item listed above 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.texas.gov/open/index.shtml</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 general 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>.

However, <u>any member of the public wishing to address the committee</u> on topics under the jurisdiction of this committee or any item on the Water Operations Committee agenda <u>may do so either via telephone or in person</u>. The committee will take all public comments at the beginning of the meeting.

Members of the public who wish to address the committee in person <u>must sign in at</u> <u>the desk outside the meeting before the meeting begins</u>.

Members of the public who would like to address the committee via telephone must register by calling the number below between 8 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

 Phone number:
 833-548-0282 (toll free)

 Meeting ID:
 6442096404##

## FOR ACTION

# 2. Approve Committee Meeting Minutes

#### **Proposed Motion**

Approve the minutes of the Feb. 24, 2021, meeting.

#### **Committee Consideration**

Section 2.09 of the LCRA bylaws requires the committee to 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 Feb. 24, 2021, meeting

### EXHIBIT A

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WATER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY

# Austin, Texas

#### Feb. 24, 2021

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 2:24 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021, 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 Michael L. "Mike" Allen [attended via videoconference] Lori A. Berger Raymond A. "Ray" Gill Jr. Charles B. "Bart" Johnson Robert "Bobby" Lewis George W. Russell Timothy Timmerman Margaret D. "Meg" Voelter [attended via videoconference] Martha Leigh M. Whitten Nancy Eckert Yeary [attended via videoconference]

Absent: Joseph M. "Joe" Crane, committee vice chair Stephen F. Cooper Laura D. Figueroa Thomas L. "Tom" Kelley

Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with the governor's disaster declaration and subsequent temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, the public was not allowed to attend this meeting in person but had access to the open session portions of this meeting via livestream and via telephone for comment.

Chair Martine convened the meeting at 2:24 p.m.

David Lindsay, a member of the Central Texas Water Coalition (CTWC) Board of Directors, addressed the committee regarding the 2020 Water Management Plan and expressed concerns about water supply planning, risk management and policy issues. CTWC also provided written comments.

General Manager Phil Wilson noted, due to time constraints, the staff briefing on the 2020 Water Management Plan that was on today's agenda would be rescheduled for a future meeting soon.

<u>21-01</u> Upon motion by Director Whitten, seconded by Director Russell, the committee unanimously approved the minutes of its last meeting, held Sept. 23, 2020, as presented.

Vice President of Water Operations Kelly Payne presented an update on basin and water supply conditions, including drought information, inflows to the Highland Lakes, and lakes Buchanan and Travis total combined storage projections.

Executive Vice President of Water John B. Hofmann gave an update on projected water availability of interruptible stored water for agriculture.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Thomas Michael Martine, Chair Water Operations Committee

Approved: May 19, 2021

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