



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Flood Management Task Force

Friday, June 26, 2020

9:30 AM, Virtual Meeting via Webex

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1. **Welcome and introductions.**

The meeting began at 9:30 a.m. Attendees introduced themselves via the chat box.

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION/ACTION ITEMS

2. **Meeting Summary.** The April 17, 2020, meeting summary is available online for review. Comments will be sought at the meeting. (Mia Brown)

The summary was approved as presented.

3. **FY 2020 Trinity River COMMON VISION Work Program Activities Discussion.** NCTCOG staff will update the FMTF on FY 2020 Work Program activities. (Mia Brown)

- a. **NFIP and CDC Model Consolidation Team.** NCTCOG staff will update the FMTF on scopes of work and timelines submitted by the USACE related to:
- i. Updating the newly georeferenced CDC model with approved but not yet constructed CDC project geometries from 2017 onward and future flows.
 - ii. Creating the CDC future flows for the FEMA detailed study on the East Fork Trinity and the Trinity mainstem to extend the consolidated model.

Mia Brown (NCTCOG) and Landon Erickson (USACE) informed the Task Force that the USACE approved \$485,000 to fully fund the two CDC scopes. Some initial work will begin in the current fiscal year. Updates will be provided as they become available.

- b. **CDC Model and Application Website** NCTCOG staff will give an update on the newly created data management website for the CDC model. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown shared that the CDC website now has its own domain at www.trinityrivercdc.com and that full functionality is scheduled no later than October 1st. FMTF communities and partners will soon receive an email from Mia requesting a list of everyone that will need an account to submit and review CDC

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applications. Instructional materials regarding the transition to submitting CDC applications online will be available late this summer.

- c. **East Fork/Denton Creek Update.** NCTCOG staff will update FMTF on the initiatives to bring additional communities into the Common Vision program. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown informed the Task Force that NCTCOG staff met with staff of Grapevine and Flower Mound in February to discuss possible participation in the Trinity Common Vision program as Denton Creek communities. The communities were open to future discussions. NCTCOG will send both communities letters of invitation next month. Mia also said that the City of Mesquite intends to take the East Fork resolution to their council sometime in the future, and that they offered to talk with neighboring communities Sunnyvale and Forney about joining the program.

- d. **Ongoing Support Activities.** NCTCOG Staff will give an update on the Ongoing Support Activities Section of the FY2020 Work Program.

- i. **TWDB Flood Planning Regions.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on TWDB's flood planning regions, especially as they relate to the Trinity River flood planning region. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown noted that the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) approved the flood planning rules and regional flood planning group (RFPG) boundaries in the spring. The TWDB is currently soliciting nominations for members in the twelve interest categories and sponsors for each RFPG; nominations are due by July 2nd. NCTCOG has nominated itself for the sponsor of the Trinity River RFPG and Edith Marvin (NCTCOG) has nominated herself for membership in the Environmental Interests category for the Trinity River RFPG.

- ii. **OneRain Regional Flood Warning Software Contract.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on the renewal of the OneRain Regional Flood Warning Software Contract. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown let the Task Force know that the current OneRain contract expires in early July, and that NCTCOG staff have been working with OneRain to negotiate a renewal. The renewal discussions have focused on providing services that all entities can utilize regardless of the size of their flood early warning system and approaching the contract in a partnership. Talks have gone well, and a renewal is anticipated to be executed in the next couple of weeks. Details on the renewal will be shared as soon as they are available.



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- iii. **USACE Storm Shifting Application.** NCTCOG staff will update the FMTF on the USACE application to the Silver Jackets for \$100,000 to perform storm shifting on the Trinity River Corridor. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown stated that at the time of the meeting, there was no information regarding the request for funding for storm shifting over the Trinity River Corridor; a decision is anticipated in July.

4. **FY 2021 Trinity River Common Vision Work Program Activities Discussion.**

NCTCOG staff will present the outline components of our upcoming FY 2021 draft work program and seek input from the Flood Management Task Force. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown summarized the draft FY21 Work Program for the FMTF. Maintenance of the CDC application and tracking website was added to the Ongoing Support Activities. Three Additional Activities were presented for consideration: continued participation in the NFIP/CDC Consolidation Team; update of the CDC Manual to the 5th Edition, and; continued work to bring East Fork and Denton Creek communities into the Trinity Common Vision program, with a larger vision for program expansion. Lisa Biggs, City of Fort Worth, suggested that the NFIP/CDC Consolidation Team be involved in the CDC Manual update. Mia will send an updated draft work program to the FMTF, who will vote at the August meeting to recommend the work program to the Steering Committee.

INFORMATION ITEMS

5. **Other Program Related Efforts**

- a. **Integration of Transportation and Stormwater Planning.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on efforts to pursue funding for the Integration of Transportation and Stormwater Planning Project.

Mia Brown provided the link to the June 18th meeting for elected officials and staff of the project area, and summarized funding opportunities that NCTCOG is pursuing. NCTCOG submitted an abridged application to the TWDB requesting \$3 million of Category 1 funds from the Flood Infrastructure Fund and will hear late this summer if the TWDB is going to extend an invitation to submit a complete application. The USACE Fort Worth District has requested \$3 million for technical/modeling work related to the project and will hear later this summer on approval. NCTCOG is submitting an application to FEMA in July in the amount of \$80,000 for Community Outreach and Mitigation Strategy (COMS) funds to perform Phase 1 outreach in the project area and will be notified of award status in September. The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) is anticipated to set aside \$3 million in transportation planning dollars to contribute to the project. NCTCOG anticipates submitting an application to the Texas General Land Office (TX GLO) for CDBG-MIT funds; the application period is now open through October 28th.

- b. **North Texas Floodplain Administrators/CRS Users Group.** NCTCOG and the Texas Floodplain Management Association (TFMA) continue to hold meetings for floodplain administrators and CRS users throughout the region. The annual Combined CRS Users Group/Elected Officials Seminar is being planned for mid-July in a virtual format. Details on the agenda and registration will be available soon. (Mia Brown)

The Combined CRS Users Group/Elected Officials Seminar will be held virtually on July 30th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The TWDB will be the main speaker and discuss topics such as what the agency is doing in floodplain management and updates on the state flood planning process. NCTCOG will request continuing education credits from the Texas Floodplain Management Association. Registration will open the following week.

- c. **Cooperating Technical Partnership.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on the CTP projects that are ongoing and newly submitted. (Mia Brown)

Mia Brown gave updates on all CTP projects. FY17 flood risk identification projects for Town Creek (Weatherford) and Stream CF-5 (Benbrook) are nearing completion; the Town Creek Flood Resilience meeting was held in May and the Stream CF-5 Flood Resilience meeting is pending. The Richland-Chambers Discovery Findings webinar was held April 2nd. The recording and draft Discovery Report are available at: <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/watershed-management/cooperating-technical-partners/discovery>. The FY18 Marys Creek flood risk identification project is ongoing, mapping is nearly complete and a Flood Risk Review meeting will be scheduled in late summer. FY19 flood risk identification projects on Waxahachie Creek and Harriet Creek held their kickoff meetings virtually in April, and field survey is underway for both projects. For the FY 20 application cycle, NCTCOG is in the process of applying for funds for a flood risk identification project on Catherine Branch (Denton County) and a Community Outreach and Mitigation Strategy (COMS) grant to conduct outreach for the Integrated Transportation and Stormwater Planning project.

- d. **Integrated Stormwater Management (iSWM) Program.** An update on iSWM activities will be provided by NCTCOG staff. (Mia Brown)

All activities for Task Order #3 were completed on April 30th:

- Technical Meeting of iSWM Adopters
- Site Development Control Workshops
- iSWM Designation Implementation
- iSWM Principles Regional Review
- Updated Technical Manual Rainfall Intensities

Task Order #4 runs May 1st, 2020 to April 30th, 2021:

- Five Year Outreach and Implementation Strategy (High Priority)
- Reorganize/Redevelop Site Development Controls
- Guidance on Developing a Regional Detention Program
- Detention Criteria Guidance
- Re-evaluate and 85th percentile (1.5") Rainfall Requirements
- Provide Details and Specifications for Water Quality BMPs

The next iSWM Meeting is July 8th, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. via Webex



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OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

6. **CDC Applications.** NCTCOG staff will share CDC applications received since the last FMTF meeting and invite FMTF members to share any upcoming CDC applications. (Mia Brown)
 - New CDC Applications
 - GP 052020-1 (Central Regional Wastewater System Alternate Plant Access)
 - Technical Review Completed
 - DC 040120-1 (Langdon Road Connector)
7. **Roundtable Topics/Other Business.** The FMTF members and NCTCOG staff may share additional items as time allows.

No information was shared by attendees during the roundtable.

8. **Schedule for the Next Meeting.** The next meeting date is scheduled for Friday, August 14, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. Details for an in-person meeting or Webex are to be determined.
9. **Adjournment.**

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Mia Brown by phone at (817) 695-9227, or by email at MBBrown@nctcog.org. Thank you.

Attendance Recorded Via Webex

Mia Brown – NCTCOG*
Tamara Cook – NCTCOG*
Landon Erickson - USACE Fort Worth District*
Joe Trammel - Tarrant County*
Heather Harris - Carollo Engineers
Kelley Chastain - Kaufman County*
Ronald Sullivan – Kaufman County*
Lissa Shepard - Dallas County*
Noe Villarreal - Dallas County*
Stephanie Griffin - Halff Associates
Clair Davis - City of Fort Worth*
Lisa Biggs – City of Fort Worth*
Ben Thompson – City of Fort Worth*
Aaron Hoff – TRWD*
Jim Keith – Freese and Nichols
Jeff Kelly - City of Lewisville*
Noreen Housewright - City of Grand Prairie*
Alan Johnson – FEMA Region 6*
George Marshall – City of Corinth
Michael Smith – City of Denton
Chris Moss – AECOM
Heather Firn – Trinity River Authority*
Kumar Gali – City of Coppell*
Jon Bunner – City of Carrollton*
Chad Ballard – Plummer Associates

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