Texas Groundwater Protection Committee (TGPC)

LEGISLATIVE REPORT SUBCOMMITTEE

Fiscal Year 2012 Wednesday, June 13, 2012 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Campus Building F, Room 3202A, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, TX 78753 1:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order and Introductions
- 2. Review Process and Timeline for Completion of Draft Activities and Recommendations of the Texas Groundwater Protection Committee: Report to the 83rd Legislature ("Legislative Report")
- 3. Discussion and Editing of Draft Legislative Report
- 4. Discussion of the Completion of the Draft Legislative Report and Presentation to the TGPC
- 5. Set Future Meeting Date
- 6. Announcements
- 7. Public Comment
- 8. Adjourn

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Subcommittee Members	Affiliation
Kelly Mills (Chair) Cary Betz Peggy Hunka Janie Hopkins Peter Pope Richard Egg David Villarreal David Van Dreser Kevin Wagner David Gunn	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) TCEQ TCEQ Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Texas Railroad Commission Texas State Soil Water Conservation Board Texas Department of Agriculture Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD) Texas A&M Water Research Institute (TAMWRI) Department of Licensing and Registration
Ken Ofunrein	Department of State Health Service

MEETING HANDOUTS

- 1. June 13, 2012 Legislative Report Subcommittee Meeting Agenda
- 2. 2012 Report Development Timeline
- 3. TGPC Legislative Committee Recommendation Review
- 4. TGPC Legislative Report Subcommittee Groundwater Protection Interim Charges
- 5. Subchapter J. Groundwater Protection
- 6. TAMWRI Recommendations

MEETING RECORD OF JUNE 13, 2012

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Kelly Mills (TCEQ), Chair of the Texas Groundwater Protection Committee (TGPC) Legislative Report Subcommittee, called the meeting to order. All agencies except for the Bureau of Economic Geology were present.

DISSCUSSION AND EDITING OF DRAFT REPORT

Kelly went over the items that were emailed to the subcommittee members on 5/18/12. Comments were received from TWDB and TDLR. A draft of the report will be ready this afternoon. Efforts to streamline the report were discussed.

There was a discussion on the state classification for usable water and brackish water. The subcommittee reviewed the existing definitions, discussed putting a table at the bottom of page 5, and discussed a definition for brackish water.

Janie Hopkins (TWDB) said she liked the recommendations at the front of the report.

Kevin Wagner (TAMWRI) discussed his recommendations and provided a handout.

David Van Dresser (TAGD) reported that a poll of the districts was done to see how many have well plugging programs; only a handful have a program. He feels that the subcommittee needs to keep the abandoned water well plugging recommendation in the report the number one recommendation.

The subcommittee then went over §§26.401-26.408.

The subcommittee agreed to the following action items;

- 1) list out all the recommendations in the previous report
- 2) combine all recommendations for "continue to support and fund"
- 3) work with Cary Betz (TCEQ) for recommendation on the TGPC charges.

REVIEW PROCESS AND TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF DRAFT REPORT AND PRESENTATION TO THE TEXAS GROUNDWATER PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Timeline:

- Second draft report to members by July 11, 2012.
- Main committee meeting and discussion on July 18, 2012.

SET FUTURE MEETING DATE

July 11, 2012

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURN

Kelly Mills adjourned the meeting.