## MINUTES OF THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD BOARD MEETING JULY 24, 2025 – 9:30 A.M.

Chairwoman L'Oreal Stepney called to order the meeting of the Texas Water Development Board at 9:30 a.m. This meeting was held at 1700 N. Congress Avenue, Room 170, and through GoToWebinar in Austin, TX. In addition to Chairwoman Stepney, Director Miller was in attendance, and a quorum was present.

The General Counsel announced the items for consideration:

- 1. Consider adopting the revised Texas Water Development Board Ethics Policy. Joe Reynolds, Office of General Counsel, presented this item.
  - Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the revised Texas Water Development Board Ethics Policy, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.
  - The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.
- 2. Consider authorizing the Executive Administrator to execute an amendment to the Shared Technology Services interagency contract with the Department of Information Resources to extend the contract to August 31, 2027, with a contract amount not to exceed \$11,418,885 during the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 biennium. Patricia Avitia,
  - Director Miller moved to authorize the Executive Administrator to execute an amendment to the Shared Technology Services interagency contract with the Department of Information Resources to extend the contract to August 31, 2027, with a contract amount not to exceed \$11,418,885 during the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 biennium, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.
  - The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.
- 3. Consider authorizing the Executive Administrator to execute contracts for Fiscal Year 2025 Agricultural Water Conservation Grants. Antonio Delgado, Water Science & Conservation, presented this item.
  - Chairwoman Stepney moved to authorize the Executive Administrator to execute contracts for Fiscal Year 2025 Agricultural Water Conservation Grants, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.
  - The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.
- 4. Consider authorizing the Executive Administrator to execute a contract amendment with Sanborn to increase the contract amount for a total cost not to exceed \$490,000 for the continued development and implementation of the Texas Water Data Hub. Sam Hermitte, Water Science & Conservation, presented this item.
  - Director Miller moved to authorize the Executive Administrator to execute a contract amendment with Sanborn to increase the contract amount for a total cost not to exceed

\$490,000 for the continued development and implementation of the Texas Water Data Hub, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

5. Consider approving by resolution: (a) the issuance, sale and delivery of the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas Revenue Bonds, Series 2025 (Master Trust); (b) the issuance, sale and delivery of State of Texas, General Obligation Water Financial Assistance Bonds, Series 2025E (State Water Plan), and Taxable Series 2025F (State Water Plan); (c) the execution of the Bond Indenture and Bond Resolutions; (d) the execution of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas Funds Transfer Agreement; (e) the Preliminary Official Statements; and (f) authorization for the Executive Administrator, Assistant Executive Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Development Fund Manager, Director of Debt and Portfolio Management, or any other authorized representative to action behalf of the Texas Water Development Board in the sale and delivery of such bonds. David Duran, Office of Finance, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the issuance, sale and delivery of the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas Revenue Bonds, Series 2025 (Master Trust); the issuance, sale and delivery of State of Texas, General Obligation Water Financial Assistance Bonds, Series 2025E (State Water Plan), and Taxable Series 2025F (State Water Plan); the execution of the Bond Indenture and Bond Resolutions; the execution of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas Funds Transfer Agreement; the Preliminary Official Statements; and the authorization for the Executive Administrator, Assistant Executive Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Development Fund Manager, Director of Debt and Portfolio Management, or any other authorized representative to action behalf of the Texas Water Development Board in the sale and delivery of such bonds, as recommended by the Executive Administrator. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

6. Consider approving by resolution for: (a) the transfer of funds from the Texas Water Fund to the New Water Supply for Texas Fund; (b) the transfer of funds from the Texas Water Fund to State Water Implementation Fund for Texas; (c) the transfer of funds from the New Water Supply for Texas Fund to the State Water Implementation Fund; and (d) delegation to the Executive Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Development Fund Manager, Director of Debt and Portfolio Management, and General Counsel to take all actions necessary for the transfers. David Duran, Office of Finance, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the transfer of funds from the Texas Water Fund to the New Water Supply for Texas Fund; from the Texas Water Fund to the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas; from the New Water Supply for Texas Fund to the State Water Implementation Fund; and delegation to the Executive Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Development Fund Manager, Director of Debt and Portfolio Management, and General Counsel to take all actions necessary for the transfers, as approved by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

7. Consider amending by resolution the previously adopted Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 24-054, as amended, to modify the Brazosport Water Supply Corporation's State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas closing source account. Clay Schultz, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution amending the previously adopted Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 24-054 to modify the Brazosport Water Supply Corporation's State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas closing source account, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

8. Consider amending by resolution the previously adopted Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 24-062, to modify the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority's State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas closing source account. Clay Schultz, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution amending the previously adopted Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 24-062 to modify the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority's State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas closing source account, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

9. Consider amending by resolution the previously adopted Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 24-047 to modify the Palo Pinto County Municipal Water District No. 1's State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas closing source account. Clay Schultz, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution amending the previously adopted Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 24-047 to modify the Palo Pinto County Municipal Water District No. 1's State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas closing source account, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

10. Consider authorizing the Executive Administrator to execute a one-year contract with an optional extension period through December 31, 2026, with the Texas Rural Water Association to complete the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's 8th Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey and Assessment in an amount not to exceed \$250,000. Suzanne Wright, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to authorize the Executive Administrator to execute a one-year contract with an optional extension period through December 31, 2026, with the Texas Rural Water Association to complete the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's 8th Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey and Assessment in an amount not to exceed \$250,000, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

11. Consider approving by resolution a request from the Brushy Creek Regional Utility Authority (Travis and Williamson counties) for \$72,480,000 in multi-year financing from the Texas Water Development Fund program for construction of a water treatment expansion project. Nancy Richards, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the Brushy Creek Regional Utility Authority (Travis and Williamson counties) for \$72,480,000 in multi-year financing from the Texas Water Development Fund for construction of a water treatment expansion project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

12. Consider approving by resolution a request from the Baytown Area Water Authority (Harris and Chambers counties) for \$69,000,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for construction of a water supply project. Nancy Richards, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the Baytown Area Water Authority (Harris and Chambers counties) for \$69,000,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for construction of a water supply project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

13. Consider approving by resolution a request from Central Harris County Regional Water Authority (Harris County) to amend Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 15-078, as amended, to authorize \$8,000,000 in financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Fund to finance additional acquisition, design, and construction funding for the Transmission and Distribution Expansion project. Nancy Richards, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution amending the previously adopted Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 15- 078, as amended, to authorize \$8,000,000 in financial assistance for Central Harris County Regional Water Authority (Harris County) from the Texas Water Development Fund to finance additional acquisition, design, and construction for the Transmission and Distribution Expansion project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

14. Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of Houston (Harris County) for: a) \$966,090,000 in multi-year financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for planning, design, and construction of a water supply project; and b) a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as a part of this project. Nancy Richards, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of Houston for \$966,090,000 in multi-year financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for planning, design, and construction of a water supply project; and a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as a part of this project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

15. Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of Fort Worth (Tarrant, Denton, Parker, and Wise counties) for: a) \$180,000,000 in financing from the Texas Water Development Fund for construction of a water treatment plant expansion project; and b) a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project. Joe Koen, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of Fort Worth for \$180,000,000 in financing from the Texas Water Development Fund for construction of a water treatment plant expansion project; and a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

16. Consider approving by resolution a request from the North Texas Municipal Water District, (Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Fannin, Hunt, Kaufman, Rains, and Rockwall counties) for \$239,060,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for the construction of a water system improvements project. Joe Koen, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the North Texas Municipal Water District for \$239,060,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for the construction of a water system improvements project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

17. Consider approving by resolution a request from the Upper Trinity Regional Water District to amend Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 23-059 to authorize \$60,580,000 in financial assistance from the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas for construction of a water system improvements project. Joe Koen, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution amending previously adopted Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 23-059 to authorize for the Upper Trinity Regional Water District an additional \$60,580,000 in financial assistance from the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas for construction of a water system improvements project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

18. Consider approving by resolution a request from the Alliance Regional Water Authority (Hays, Caldwell, Guadalupe, Comal, and Bexar counties) for \$33,500,000 in financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Fund program for design and construction of water system improvements. David Firgens, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the Alliance Regional Water Authority for \$33,500,000 in financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Fund program for design and construction of water system improvements, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

19. Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of Austin (Travis County) for \$10,000,000 in financial assistance from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for construction of reclaimed water system improvements. David Firgens, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Joseph Gonzales with Austin Wateraddressed the Board.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of Austin (Travis County) for \$10,000,000 in financial assistance from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for construction of reclaimed water system improvements, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

20. Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of Austin (Travis County) for \$45,000,000 in financial assistance from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for construction of water system improvements. David Firgens, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Joseph Gonzales with Austin Water addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of Austin (Travis County) for \$45,000,000 in financial assistance from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for construction of water system improvements, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

21. Consider approving by resolution a request from the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (Guadalupe, Comal, Hays, and Caldwell counties) for \$40,000,000 in financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Fund program for planning, design and construction of water system improvements. David Firgens, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority for \$40,000,000 in financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Fund program for planning, design and construction of water system improvements, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

22. Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of San Antonio, acting by and through the San Antonio Water System (Bexar County) for: a) \$27,635,000 in financial assistance from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for design of water system improvements; and b) a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project. David Firgens, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of San Antonio, acting by and through the San Antonio Water System for: a) \$27,635,000 in financial assistance from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for design of water system improvements; and b) a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

23. Consider approving by resolution a request from the Laguna Madre Water District (Cameron County) to authorize: a) \$64,655,000 in financing from the Texas Water Development Fund program for construction of a seawater desalination plant; and b) a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project. William Alfaro, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the Laguna Madre Water District to authorize \$64,655,000 in financing from the Texas Water Development Fund program for construction of a seawater desalination plant; and a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

24. Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of McAllen (Hidalgo County) for \$195,235,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for planning, design, and construction of a water system improvements project. William Alfaro, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Charles Amos, Chairman of McAllen Public Utility Board, addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of McAllen (Hidalgo County) for \$195,235,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for planning, design, and construction of a water system improvements project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

25. Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of McAllen (Hidalgo County) for \$3,215,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for acquisition of water rights. William Alfaro, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Charles Amos, Chairman of McAllen Public Utility Board, address the Board.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of McAllen (Hidalgo County) for \$3,215,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for acquisition of water rights, as recommended by our Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

26. Consider approving by resolution: a) a request from the City of Del Rio (Val Verde County) for \$12,695,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for planning, design, and construction of a water system project; and b) a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project. Bill Blaik, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of Del Rio for \$12,695,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas for planning, design, and construction of a water system project; and a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project, as recommended by our Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

27. Consider approving by resolution: a) a request from the City of Del Rio (Val Verde County) for \$3,455,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for planning, design, and construction of a water system project; and b) a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project. Bill Blaik, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of Del Rio for \$3,455,000 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for planning, design, and construction of a water system project; and a waiver from the requirement to include funds to mitigate water loss as part of this project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

28. Consider approving by resolution a request from the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (Grayson County) for \$43,200,000 in financing from the Texas Water Development Fund program for planning, acquisition, design, and construction of a water system project. Bill Blaik, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the Greater Texoma Utility Authority for \$43,200,000 in financing from the Texas Water Development Fund program for planning, acquisition, design, and construction of a water system project, a recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

29. Consider approving by resolution a request from the North Texas Municipal Water District (Collin, Dallas, Denton, Fannin, Grayson, Hopkins, Hunt, Kaufman, Rains, and Rockwall

counties) for \$641,695,00 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for the construction of a water system project. Bill Blaik, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the North Texas Municipal Water District for \$641,695,00 in financing from the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas program for the construction of a water system project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

30. Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of Pleasanton (Atascosa County) for \$11,045,000 in financing from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for planning, design, and construction of a wastewater system project. Bill Blaik, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Miller moved to adopt the proposed resolution for the City of Pleasanton for \$11,045,000 in financing from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for planning, design, and construction of a wastewater system project, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Stepney, and it passed unanimously.

31. Consider authorizing the Executive Administrator to execute a contract with the U.S. Geological Survey not to exceed \$500,000 to conduct a high-water marks data collection campaign in the Central Texas area. Sam Marie Hermitte, Water Supply & Conservation, presented this item.

Chairwoman Stepney moved to authorize the Executive Administrator to execute a contract with the U.S. Geological Survey not to exceed \$500,000 to conduct a high water marks data collection campaign in the Central Texas area, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Miller, and it passed unanimously.

- 32. The Board will receive comments from the public on any matters within the jurisdiction of the TWDB the exception of matters which are subject to the ex parte prohibition found in Texas Government Code Section 2001.061. Ted Boriack addressed the Board.
- 33. THE BOARD MAY ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND CONDUCT A CLOSED MEETING TO CONSIDER ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IF A MATTER IS RAISED THAT IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO CONDUCT A PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH ITS ATTORNEY ON A MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE. THE BOARD MAY CONDUCT A CLOSED MEETING TO RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE AND DISCUSS PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION, SETTLEMENT OFFERS, OR THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC BOARD EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING THE

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR AND GENERAL COUNSEL, AS PERMITTED BY SECTIONS 551.071 AND 551.074, THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE. THE BOARD MAY ALSO MEET IN OPEN MEETING TO TAKE ACTION ON LEGAL OR PERSONNEL MATTERS CONSIDERED IN THE CLOSED MEETING AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 551.102 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 551 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE. THE BOARD MAY CONDUCT A CLOSED MEETING TO CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FINANCIAL MATTERS RELATED TO THE INVESTMENT OR POTENTIAL INVESTMENT OF THE BOARD'S FUNDS, AS PERMITTED BY SECTION 6.0601(A) OF THE TEXAS WATER CODE. THE BOARD MAY ALSO MEET IN OPEN MEETING TO TAKE ACTION ON A FINANCIAL MATTER DISCUSSED IN THE CLOSED MEETING AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 6.0601(B) OF THE TEXAS WATER CODE.

There being no further business for the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

APPROVED and ordered of record this the 24th day of July 2025.

	TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD
	L'Oreal Stepney, P.E., Chairwoman
	DATE SIGNED:
ATTEST:	
Bryan McMath, Executive Administrator	