

AGENDA
TEXAS WATER
DEVELOPMENT BOARD
WORK SESSION
JANUARY 12, 2026
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Chairwoman L'Oreal Stepney called the meeting of the Texas Water Development Board to order at 9:30 a.m. This meeting was held at 1700 Congress, Room 540E, Austin, Texas, 78701. In addition to Chairwoman Stepney, Directors Brady Franks and Ashley Morgan were in attendance, and a quorum was present. Also in attendance for TWDB were Kerry Nieman, Ron Ellis, Kate Raetz, Bryan McMath, Kathleen Ligon, Tom Barnett, Jonathan Mathers, Kaci Woodrome, Ashley Harden, Joe Reynolds, Kendal Kowal, Breann Hunter, John Dupnik, Sam Marie Hermitte, Georgia Sanchez, Les Davis, Marvin Cole-Chaney, and Clay Schultz. Also present were Adeline Fox, Ruby Brown, Sarah Rountree Schlessinger, and Alan Leonard with the Texas Water Foundation; Tom Entsminger with the National Wildlife Federation; Jeremy Spencer and Matt DeMartino with Butler; Cyrus Reed with the Sierra Club; Heather Harward with Texas Water Supply Partners; Sarah Kirkle with Texas Water Association, Adam Leggett with the Texas Water Infrastructure Network, Jeremy Mazur with Texas 2036, and Perry Fowler with Texas WIN.

1. EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON AGENCY ACTIVITIES. Perry Fowler addressed the Board.

- Review action items from previous work session
- Update on implementation of recent legislation

No final action was taken on this item.

2. The board may conduct a closed meeting to receive legal advice and discuss pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and/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.

3. Public Comment. Perry Fowler, Heather Harward, and Sarah Kirkle addressed the board.

There being no further business for the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

APPROVED and ordered of record this the 12th day of January 2026.

TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

L'Oreal Stepney, P.E., Chairwoman

DATE SIGNED: _____

ATTEST:

Bryan McMath, Executive Administrator