

AGENDA
TEXAS WATER
DEVELOPMENT BOARD
WORK SESSION
AUGUST 5, 2026
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Chairwoman L'Oreal Stepney called the meeting of the Texas Water Development Board to order at 9:31 a.m. This meeting was held at 1601 Congress, Barbara Jordan Building, Room 2.029, Austin, Texas, 78701. In addition to Chairwoman Stepney, Directors Ashley Morgan and Brady Franks were in attendance, and a quorum was present. Also in attendance for TWDB were Kerry Neiman, Ron Ellis, Kate Raetz, Ashley Harden, Bryan McMath, Kathleen Ligon, Joe Reynolds, Kendal Kowal, Breann Hunter, Kristine Richmond, Berkley Dyer, Tom Barnett, Fritz Reinig, Matt Nelson, Reem Zoun, Temple McKinnon, Nelun Fernando, Mark Wentzel, Dena Green, Srikanth Koka, Jerry Moore, Solomon Jordan, Jessica Pena, Les Davis, Marvin Cole-Chaney, and Jesse Milonovich. Also in attendance were Tom Entsminger with the National Wildlife Federation; Lindsay McClune with Halff & Associates, and J.D. Hale with Texas Association of Builders.

1. Executive Administrator's update and discussion on agency activities. John Nielsen-Gammon gave a presentation on the State Climatologist's Advisory Report. Also addressing the Board were Matt Nelson; John Dupnik; Temple McKinnon; and Carla Guthrie.
 - Discussion of the State Climatologist's Advisory Report and related TWDB research studies
 - Update on the implementation of Senate Bill 3
 - Overview of the Draft Phase II 2027 State Water Plan

No final action was taken on this item.

2. Update and discussion on Texas Water Development Board financial programs. Jessica Pena and Marvin Cole-Chaney addressed the Board.
 - Briefing on the Draft 2027 Intended Use Plans for the State Revolving Fund base programs

No final action was taken on this item.

3. The Board will receive public comments on any matters within the jurisdiction of the TWDB, with the exception of matters that are subject to the ex parte prohibition found in Texas government code §2001.061.

No comments were received.

4. 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.

The Board recessed at 10:42 a.m. and reconvened at 10:51 a.m. The Board recessed at 11:40 a.m. and reconvened at 12:23 p.m. There being no further business for the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:23 p.m.

APPROVED and ordered of record this the 5th day of August 2026.

TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

L'Oreal Stepney, P.E., Chairwoman

DATE SIGNED:_____

ATTEST:

Bryan McMath, Executive Administrator