

Meeting Minutes

REGION 8 - LOWER BRAZOS REGIONAL FLOOD PLANNING GROUP

Brazos River Authority, Lt. Gen. Phillip J. Ford Central Office,
4600 Cobbs Dr. Waco, TX 76710

10:00 a.m. – Thursday, December 18, 2025

Meeting agenda, materials, and audio recordings are available online at www.lowerbrazosflood.org

1. Call Meeting to Order and Attendance

Anthony Beach presided over the meeting in Waco, TX. Mr. Beach called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Anthony Beach	P	Alysha Girard	P
Bruce Bodson	P	Matt Phillips	P
Sujeeth Draksharam	P	Kristina Ramirez	P
Tim Finley	P	Jonathan Steiber	P
Russell Ford	A	Mark Vogler	P
Charlotte Gilpin	P	Brandon Wade	P

Quorum Present: **Yes**. A quorum is 7 of 12 voting members.

2. Public Input - Public comments on agenda items or flood planning issues (limited to 3 minutes each)

Anthony Beach opened the floor for public comments. No public comments.

3. Consent Agenda

3.1. Approval of Minutes for the November 20, 2025 meeting

3.2. Report, Approval and Certification of the Finance Report Expenditures

Anthony Beach opened the floor for approval of the consent agenda items as they were presented. Sujeeth Draksharam made the motion to approve the previous meeting minutes presented and Kristina Ramirez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Discussion and possible action on the report from the technical consultant.

The Technical Consultant team provided an update on Tasks 2A and 2B. The Regional Flood Planning Group emphasized the importance of messaging on what future flood risk information represents. The Technical Consultant team agreed to ensure that documentation reflects the assumptions used to determine future flood risk metrics.

The Technical Consultant team provided an update on Task 3C. The RFPG discussed potential adjustments to the wording of the new and revised goals to ensure they convey their importance. The RFPG decided to add “at a minimum” to the short-term goal for implementing flood warning systems to emphasize the importance of this goal.

The Technical Consultant team led a discussion on Tasks 4C and 5B. The RFPG discussed the distribution of funding for performance of FMEs. The RFPG discussed the “rural” definition. The Technical Consultant Team agreed to provide more information on the “rural” definition and look at potential modifications to ensure rural county areas are not being overlooked.

Action item: Lower Brazos RFPG approval of the updated Flood Mitigation and Flood Management Goals.

Alysha Girard made the motion to accept the revised goal for flood warning systems with the addition of the word minimum in the Short-Term goal, and to accept the Ag goal as presented with the noted changes. The Ag goal will change to include both crop and livestock damages and add to the short-term goal to investigate additional data

sources for a more accurate representation. Kristina Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Action Item: Approval of submission of the Technical Memorandum as presented, with non-substantive changes, to the Texas Water Development Board by January 7, 2026.

5. Discussion and potential action on the update of the Bylaws

The planning group members were provided with the red line changes as part of the meeting materials. Alysha Girard made a motion for the adoption of the Bylaws as presented. Sujeeth Draksharam seconded the motion. Motion passed.

6. Report from:

6.1. Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) staff

Sara Magana provided the TWDB Report to the RFPG.

6.2. Regional Planning Sponsor

No Sponsor Report

6.3. Lower Brazos RFPG Chair

Alysha Girard provided the Chair report.

7. Confirm next meeting date and discuss new business to be considered at next meeting

The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, January 15, 2026, at 10:00AM.

Adjourn

Anthony Beach adjourned the meeting at 11:11 AM.

Approved by the Region 8 Lower Brazos RFPG at the meeting held on January 15, 2026.



[Matt Phillips \(Jan 15, 2026 18:26:04 CST\)](#)

Matt Phillips, Secretary



[Alysha Girard \(Jan 16, 2026 08:25:49 CST\)](#)

Alysha Girard, Chair

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