

8/7/09

Time Start: 9:02 pm

Time Stop: 9:35 pm

Teleconference Call:

Work Group 3 ~ Monitor the implementation of water conservation strategies by water users in regional water plans.

Council Members, Alternates, & Interested

Parties

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The meeting was called to order and roll was taken. The meeting began with some discussion about the history of the template that was provided to the workgroup and a question about if other workgroups were using this template. It was explained that the template was just a draft and that other workgroups were also provided a copy.

There was discussion about what research projects the workgroup should be developing. The workgroup decided that the research projects should not be divided among regional issues, but that it would be helpful to survey individual regional planning groups to see what strategies have been implemented from their previous water conservation plans.

Although it can be difficult to get information from the regional planning groups (they don't always have the answers and it is hard to quantify water saved) it was decided that the Texas Water Development Board staff will call the regional planning chairs and ask them three questions:

1. *In your opinion, based on the 2007 water management strategies in your regional water plan, what water conservation strategies have been implemented in your region? Please provide examples of achievements by the different water user groups, such as municipal, agricultural, and industrial use.*

Please indicate which Best Management Practices (BMPs) from the BMP Guide you have utilized.

2. *Are there any water conservation strategies that you are considering for the next plan that were not included in the 2007 plan?*
3. *What will help with implementing your water conservation strategies? Technical resources? Financial assistance?*

4. *Does your region feel like there are conservation research needs that could benefit your region? If so, please indicate what research is needed.*

After the workgroup reviews and approves the questions, staff will call the regional planning chairs and provide the answers to the workgroup at the next conference call. The conference call adjourned at 2:35 pm.