Public Notice – Public Hearing to Review and Obtain Citizen Input on Initially Prepared Regional Water Plan

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (RGRWPG) will hold one in-person/virtual public hearing on May 22, 2025, to receive written and oral comments on the Initially Prepared Plan (IPP) for the Rio Grande 2026 Regional Water Plan. All meetings of the RGRWPG are open to the public and include opportunities for public comment.

Public Hearing:

Date: May 22, 2025

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council 301 W. Railroad St. Weslaco, TX 78596

Virtual Meeting Link: https://meet.goto.com/581851189

Call in #: United States +1 (571) 317-3122

Access code: 581-851-189

The IPP includes primarily updated and new information on water demand due to population change, current water supplies, and water management strategies. The RGRWPG planning area encompasses the 8-county region of Cameron, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Maverick, Starr, Webb, Willacy and Zapata.

The IPP has been submitted to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), which will combine it with the other 15 regional plans into the State Water Plan that is used to guide state funding for water projects. To review the IPP in advance of the public hearing, please go to the website, www.riograndewaterplan.org.

A printed or electronic copy of the IPP is available at the County Clerk's office and at a depository library in each county in the region. A list of depositories are available on the RGRWPG website at www.riograndewaterplan.org.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, but would like to comment on the IPP, please send written comments to:

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Email: Outreach RegionM@BlackandVeatch.onmicrosoft.com

Written comments on the IPP will be accepted upon posting of this notice until July 22, 2025

The RGRWPG will be accepting written and oral comments on the IPP at this public hearing. They will acknowledge these comments and report to the TWDB how these comments will be incorporated into the final plan to be submitted to the TWDB by October 20, 2025. For questions or additional information regarding the public hearing, please contact Mrs. Melisa-Gonzales Rosas at (956) 682-3481 ext.163 or melisa.gonzales@lrgvdc.org, or at the physical address listed above.