



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Flood Management Task Force
Friday, February 25, 2022
9:30 AM, Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

1. **Welcome and introductions.**

The meeting began at 9:30 a.m. Attendees introduced themselves via the chat box.

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION/ACTION ITEMS

2. **Meeting Summary.** The November 19, 2021, meeting summary is [available online](#) for review. Comments will be sought at the meeting. (Breanne Johnson)

The November 19th meeting summary was approved by the Task Force as presented, without comment.

3. **FY 2021 Trinity River COMMON VISION Work Program Activities Discussion.**

- a. **NFIP and CDC Model Consolidation Team.** USACE staff will update the FMTF on scopes of work and timelines submitted by the USACE related to:
- i. Updating the newly georeferenced CDC model with approved but not yet constructed CDC project geometries from 2017 onward and future flows.
 - ii. Creating the CDC future flows for the FEMA detailed study on the East Fork Trinity and the Trinity mainstem to extend the consolidated model. (Matt Lepinski)

Matt Lepinski, USACE, provided an update on two ongoing USACE-funded CDC model consolidation studies. Preliminary maps were released in 2020, and NCTCOG and USACE are working to get a full model released soon for use with the Common Vision/CDC program. A more comprehensive update on the model timeline will be given at the May 20th FMTF meeting.

- b. **USACE Storm Shifting Application.** USACE staff will discuss progress of the storm shifting project on the Trinity River Corridor, funded by the Silver Jackets. (Matt Lepinski)

Matt shared background and updates on the Upper Trinity Storm Shift Silver Jackets Study. The Storm Shifting software is now available at no cost, and USACE is available to train consultants on how to utilize the tool.

- c. **Update the CDC Manual to the 5th Edition.** The NFIP-CDC Model Consolidation Team will share progress on updates to the CDC Manual, including sharing several completed sections for review by the FMTF. (Lisa Biggs)

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Lisa Biggs, Team Chair, reminded Task Force members to submit comments on the draft CDC Manual sections 1-3 (posted online here), and shared that drafts of section 4 and the CDC verification form are on track to be completed soon. The Team will meet again in March and hopes to have the Manual finalized by summer 2022.

- d. **OneRain Regional Flood Warning Software Contract.** OneRain will provide an update on current contracts with communities in North Central Texas. (Sue Swenor)

Sue Swenor, High Sierra Electronics, gave an update on the current communities participating in the regional OneRain contract. Sue also shared the many functionalities of the OneRain software tools, including weather monitoring, realtime stormwater runoff monitoring, flood warning beacons and road closure activation, and more. Questions about OneRain can be directed to Sue at sue@hsierra.com.

- e. **Trinity Common Vision Cost Shares Discussion.** NCTCOG will verify roster updates with participants, update the participants on cost-share collections to date for FY22, and will share proposed updates to the Trinity Common Vision program cost shares for communities to consider in their FY23 budget process. (Edith Marvin)

Edith Marvin asked members to verify the current FMTF roster and make updates to community representatives as needed. Edith also reminded the Task Force that cost share amounts for FY22 have not changed from the historic 2001 cost shares, but that a cost share increase will be proposed to the Common Vision Steering Committee at the next annual meeting (September 2022). Member communities were also reminded to pay their FY22 cost share invoices if they have not already.

INFORMATION ITEMS

4. Other Program Related Efforts

- a. **Integration of Transportation and Stormwater Planning.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on the scope and funding for the Integration of Transportation and Stormwater Planning Project. (Edith Marvin)

Edith provided background and an update on the Transportation and Stormwater Integration (TSI) project. TSI is an ongoing collaboration between NCTCOG and USACE to address stormwater infrastructure and transportation planning in future development. NCTCOG and USACE have received \$10 million total to fund this project. Project partners are currently working on scopes of work, and contracting will begin soon.



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- b. **North Texas Floodplain Administrators/CRS Users Group.** NCTCOG and the Texas Floodplain Management Association (TFMA) continue to hold meetings for floodplain administrators and CRS users in the region. (Breanne Johnson)

The next CRS Users Group meeting will be held on March 22nd, 2022 at 2:00 pm. Matt Lepinski, USACE, will present on the Upper Trinity Storm Shifting Study, and Kathy Jack, The Nature Conservancy, will present on a green stormwater infrastructure study completed with Texas A&M AgriLife. [RSVP here](#).

- c. **Cooperating Technical Partnership.** NCTCOG staff will provide an update on the CTP projects that are ongoing and newly awarded. (Edith Marvin)

Edith stated that the Harriet Creek, Waxahachie Creek, and Catherine Branch studies are ongoing. NCTCOG received FEMA FY21 grants to complete projects for Hog Branch, East Fork, and Upper West Fork. NCTCOG also received grants for CTP Program Management and Community Outreach and Mitigation Strategies (COMS).

- d. **Integrated Stormwater Management (iSWM) Program.** An update on iSWM activities will be provided by NCTCOG staff. (Edith Marvin)

The next iSWM Subcommittee meeting will take place on March 30th, 2022 at 1:30 pm. [RSVP here](#).

- e. **Trinity River Paddling Trail.** NCTCOG will provide an update on designation of the Trinity River in Dallas-Fort Worth as a National Water Trail and efforts to enhance the trail and maintain the National Park Service designation. (Breanne Johnson)

The Trinity River National Water Trail Task Force met on February 11th, 2022. Meeting materials are posted [online here](#). The next Task Force meeting will be held in May 2022.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

5. **CDC Applications.** NCTCOG staff will share CDC applications received since the last FMTF meeting and invite members to share any upcoming CDC applications. (Breanne Johnson)
- New CDC Applications
 - DC 12102021
 - DC 12202021
 - GP 021122-1 (Exemption)
 - FW 021622-1
 - Technical Review Complete
 - IRV 062121-1 (Meets Criteria)

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- ARL 092221 (Meets Criteria)
- Final Action Forms
 - FW 091321-1 (Exemption)
 - GP 083121-1
 - FB 092121-1 (Exemption)
 - GP 110421-1 (Exemption)
 - FW 111121-1 (Exemption)

6. **Roundtable Topics/Other Business.** The FMTF members and NCTCOG staff may share additional items as time allows.

The City of Carrollton and Dallas County shared that they have upcoming CDC applications to submit.

Edith announced a new NCTCOG staff member, Jai-W Hayes-Jackson, who will be working with the Trinity Common Vision program.

Stephanie Griffin (Half Associates) gave an update on the Trinity Regional Flood Planning Group. The group is currently finalizing flood solutions to include in their report. The next Trinity RFPG meeting will be held in-person on March 15th in Huntsville, TX, with a hybrid option, and is open to the public.

7. **Schedule for the Next Meeting.** The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, May 20, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. Meeting format TBD.

Edith asked the group for their preference on in-person vs. virtual meetings going forward. Two members shared a preference for in-person, but most members had no preference. The May meeting will be planned as virtual, but NCTCOG may contact participants prior to the meeting to assess shifting to in-person (based on the group's preference).

8. **Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Breanne Johnson by phone at (817) 695-9148, or by email at bjohnson@nctcog.org. Thank you.



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Participant List

Aaron Hoff	TRWD
Amy Cannon	City of Arlington
Angela Davidson	Halff Associates
Bardia Heidari Haratmeh	Texas A&M AgriLife
Barry D. Fulfer	City of Grand Prairie
Benjamin Thompson	City of Fort Worth
Breanne Johnson	NCTCOG
Brett Hardy	TRWD
Brian Gross	Halff Associates
Cameron Cornett	FEMA
Clair Davis	City of Fort Worth
Cody Cash	City of Irving
Cole Baker	City of Coppell
Craig Ottman	TRWD
Edith Marvin	NCTCOG
Garry Fennell	City of Irving
Heather Firn	Trinity River Authority
Jacob Lesue	Dewberry
James Gossie	Denton County
Jarred Overbey	Halff Associates
Jasmine Ferrell	City of Mesquite
Jayce Proctor	City of Irving
Jeff Kelly	City of Lewisville
Jerry Cotter	USACE
Jim Keith	Freese and Nichols
Julie Jones	Nathan D. Maier Consulting Engineers
Kelly Dillard	Walter P. Moore
Kelly Wells	Jacobs
Lisa Ann Biggs	City of Fort Worth
Lissa Shepard	Dallas County
Mamata Bhandari	City of DeSoto
Matt Lepinski	USACE
Michael Pantell	GEI Consultants
Minhtam Vu	City of Dallas
Mitchell B. Carpenter	Tarrant County
Noe Villarreal	Dallas County
Noreen M. Housewright	City of Grand Prairie
Olivia Whittaker	City of Dallas

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Rob Armstrong	Huitt Zollars
Ryan P. Harrell	City of Grand Prairie
Stephanie Griffin	Halff Associates
Stephen Bolster	O'Brien Engineering
Sue Swenor	High Sierra Electronics
Susan Butler	Jacobs
Swamy Pati	Jacobs
Wes McClure	City of Mesquite
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