

Summary of Minutes

Water Conservation Advisory Council Workgroup Conference Call
Workgroup: Wholesale Water Suppliers & Regional Water Authorities

January 13, 2016

Time Start: 10:00 AM

Time Stop: 10:25 AM

Members	Alternates	Interested Parties	TWDB Staff
Donna Howe Matt Phillips	Jennifer Allis Dustan Compton Nora Mullarkey	Denise Hickey Stacy Pandey Jasper van Heesch	Mindy Conyers Shae Luther John Sutton

I. Introductions/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM and roll call was taken.

II. Review BMPs to date

Workgroup discussed the four completed wholesale best management practices (BMPs).

- BMP 1. Customer contract for water conservation and drought contingency plans
- BMP 2. Technical assistance and outreach
- BMP 3. Wholesale supplier collective purchase and direct distribution of water conservation equipment
- BMP 4. Coordination of customers on cost-sharing programs

Some work has been done on updates to BMP 2; Nora to send to TWDB for posting and distribution.

III. Review remaining BMPs identified to determine if still applicable

Five topics for best management practices had been identified by the workgroup during previous discussions back in 2013 and were revisited during the call.

1. *Water Conservation Education and Public Awareness*

The group decided to continue work on this as a BMP for wholesale water providers. Denise Hickey will lead efforts.

2. *Providing financial incentives directly to customer's end-users*

Several participants expressed an interest in developing this BMP. Stacy Pandey will lead efforts.

3. *Wholesale conservation water rates*

The group discussed tiered water rates and raw versus treated water providers. Donna Howe will explore this idea further and will report back to the workgroup at a future meeting.

4. *Assisting customers with using tools to calculate program savings, costs and benefits*

5. *Assisting customers with development of consistent methodologies for accounting and tracking water loss and gallons per capita per day and other metrics*

Topics 4 and 5 were addressed together. The group discussed that these topics were developed several years ago. Since that time, both savings tools and consistent methodologies have been developed and exist online (or will very soon). The group also thought that if the BMPs were to be created, they might be better developed

within the municipal workgroup. At this time, topics 4 and 5 will not be explored further by this workgroup.

IV. Assign lead responsibility for remaining BMPs

Water Conservation Education and Public Awareness (Denise Hickey)

Providing financial incentives directly to customer's end-users (Stacy Pandey)

Wholesale conservation water rates (Donna Howe)

V. Adjourn

The call ended at 10:25 AM.