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WATER MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

March 16, 2023

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The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) Water Management Council met on Thursday, March 16, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. at the GRADD Office. The following persons were in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Pete Conrad, Henderson County Water District Mayor Ronda Moore Smith, City of Corydon Randy Sallee, Sacramento Waterworks Les Piper, City of Morganfield Jamie Harkins, City of Providence Eric Hickman, Ohio County Water District Ryan Christian, Green River District Health Department Russ Evans, Owensboro Municipal Utilities Joe Schepers, Regional Water Resource Association Trey Pedley, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission

MEMBERS ABSENT

Charlie Castlen, Daviess County Fiscal Court Mayor Betty Howard, City of Sacramento Mayor Joseph Hamilton, City of Island Brent Wigginton, Daviess County Water District William Higdon, Southeast & West Daviess County Water Michael Wahl, Beech Grove Water Association Kevin Roberts, Henderson Water Utility Shawn Martin, City of Morganfield Tyler Gentry, City of Sturgis Todd Adkins, City of Hawesville Jason Arnold, City of Calhoun Lance Wilson, McLean County Regional Water Commission



Steve Henry, Chairman | Adam O'Nan, Vice Chairman | Johnny "Chic" Roberts, Secretary | Curtis Dame, Treasurer | Joanna Shake, Executive Director



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Keith Long, City of Livermore
Sean O'Bryan, Regional Water Resource Agency
Bo Swift, Ohio County Regional Wastewater District
Robert Schindley, Webster County Water District
David May (Jim Crowell), City of Providence
Franklin Rhinehardt, City of Clay
Gary Sheffer, Union County Water District
Bryan Henderson, Regional Water Resource Agency
Adam Mills, East Daviess County Water Association
Denney Quisenberry, City of Fordsville

GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Nick Whitsell, City of Whitesville
Tom Williams, Henderson Water Utility
Robert Lindsey, Island Waterworks
Jason O'Bryan, East Daviess County Water Association
Jennifer Alvey, GRADD
Colie Smith, GRADD
Cheyton Pendley, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pete Conrad called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and noted there was a quorum.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Secretary's Report

Secretary Eric Hickman presented the minutes of the December 15, 2022, meeting of the GRADD Water Management Council for approval.

A motion was made by Eric Hickman and seconded by Jamie Harkins to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2022, meeting of the GRADD Water Management Council as presented. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. Consideration of Projects

None

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B. <u>CISA Infrastructure Resiliency Pilot Project Update</u>

Colie Smith presented an update of the CISA Infrastructure Resiliency Pilot Project Final report which included vulnerabilities and strengths determined during meetings with all system operators in the GRADD region. The biggest takeaways were electrical service from the energy sector is the primary vulnerability to water and wastewater infrastructure sector in the GRADD region. Utilities are just as vulnerable to loss of critical personnel and critical nodes as natural hazards and infrastructure dependences. Possible funding opportunities from FEMA for future projects are available.

C. <u>Guest Speaker-KRWA Apprenticeship Program</u>

Mrs. Heather Stevenson with Kentucky Rural Water Association presented information about the Kentucky Rural Water Association Apprenticeship Program.

E. <u>Planning with Pete</u>

Chairman Pete Conrad discussed the importance of safety in the aftermath of the accident that occurred in Daviess County. Cheyton Pendley then gave an update on the Cleaner Water Grant Program.

IV. <u>Public Comments.</u>

None

V. Adjournment

With no further business, Gary Sheffer made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:23 p.m. With a second from Eric Hickman, the motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Chairman

Secretary