

**The Woodlands Township  
One Water Task Force Meeting  
June 22, 2021 - Meeting Summary**

**Members in attendance:**

Bruce Rieser (Task Force Chairman) - The Woodlands Township; Dr. Shelly Sekula-Gibbs – The Woodlands Township; Jeff Jones – The Woodlands Township; Jim Stinson - Woodlands Water Agency; Laura Norton, Mark Vonderau, Neil Gaynor, John Yoars, Walter Lisiewski, Roland Johnson, Bob Leilich, Stephanie Zertuche, Benjamin Slotnick, Paul Cote, Timothy Austin - Montgomery County MUDs; Kimberly Wright – Southern Montgomery County MUD; Emil Jacobs – Harris/Montgomery County MUD 386; Jackie Chance – WCID #1; Matt Barrett, Ron Kelling, Ed Shackelford – San Jacinto River Authority; Alan Black – Harris County Flood Control District; Michael Turco – Harris-Galveston Subsidence District; Jean Mann – Montgomery County Precinct 4; Antonio Paz – Howard Hughes Corporation; Jennifer Thayer – Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District; Margaret Cook – Houston Advanced Research Center; Nancy Becker – Creekside Park Village Association; Burton Johnson, Jeff Jones, John Powers, Ruthanne Haut, William Pham, Todd Stephens - The Woodlands Township

**To view the archived video of the online videoconference meeting, please visit:**

<https://woodlandstx.new.swagit.com/videos/123267>

**Referenced Materials:**

- Statement on Upper Watershed focus area (attached)
- Link to Houston Chronicle article on subsidence and the combined map for Montgomery and Harris Counties: <https://www.houstonchronicle.com/news/houston-texas/houston/article/New-goals-would-allow-for-ground-to-sink-in-The-16109699.php>

**The date/time for the next One Water Task Force meeting has been set for:**

Date -- Tuesday, August 24, 2021

Time -- 3:30pm

Location / Format – To be announced

*NOTE: NO MEETING IN JULY, 2021*

Part of documentation for Upper Watershed application: focus areas (Gaynor)

Consistent with the TWDB flood planning guidelines (draft Exhibits C & D), my focus areas as an Upper Watershed Category representative will be as follows:

- Update of flood risk maps across the entire watershed to achieve consistency with those being developed by HCFCD,
- Integration of the San Jacinto regional watershed drainage plan recommendations into the Region 6 flood planning process,
- Development of regionally consistent standards for residential and commercial growth near floodplains to minimize additional flooding risk,
- Consideration of approaches to prioritize the management of extreme floodwater volumes to limit peak discharge to the 1% annual chance event, if technically feasible and cost-effective,
- Development of strategies to reduce sediment load in the West Fort of the San Jacinto River and its tributaries,
- Development of strategies to improve water quality in all upper watershed rivers and creeks that contribute to Lake Houston, a critical source of drinking water for the City of Houston, and
- Develop outreach to elected officials, jurisdictions, and community groups in the Upper Watershed to promote the vision for Region 6 flood planning.