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Lower Laguna Madre Brownsville Ship Channel Watershed Partnership



319 Steering Committee Meeting: Lower Laguna Madre & Brownsville Ship Channel, USIBWC Floodway, Hidalgo/Willacy, and Raymondville Drain Floodway Watershed Planning Projects

On June 9, 2022 at 9:00 am, LLM-BSC, Hidalgo Willacy Floodway, USIBWC Floodway and Raymondville Steering Committee Chairs reunited to discuss 319 Projects Expansion and Development.

Dr. Ernest provided a brief summary of the LLMBSC WPP. Linda Navarro provided Status of the North and Central Watershed.

Christopher Fuller, Ph.D from RATES, presented an overview of the North and Central Watersheds Protection Plan Phase II Project and discussion on 2022 319 North and Central Watersheds Award.

Dr. Christopher Fuller also provided a summary of the TGLO Coastal Management Plan-Project of Special Merit project, which entitles LLM Hydrodynamic Characterization and is scheduled to begin Summer 2022.

A summary of the National Science Foundation project Sustainable Regional Systems Research Networks Shared Destinies-Hydro-social Infrastructure for Community Involvement in Fragmented Border Communities was provided by Dr. Fuller as well. This development project is being led by the University of Texas at

El Paso with partners at University of California-San Diego, UTRGV, and RATES.

TCEQ Proposal Developments for fiscal year 2022 were discussed. Kristin DeBone and Heather Robinson indicated due date for this round of proposals is July 15, 2022.

At the end of the meeting, it was suggested that separate stakeholder meetings be held for LLMBSC and NC Watersheds. The next North and Central Watershed meeting should involve review of the Draft Final Report and is targeted for the end of July.

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