

Notice to Public

The Region 15 Lower Rio Grande Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG) is soliciting nominations to fill four (4) voting positions on the Region 15 Lower Rio Grande RFPG.

Nominees who either operate in or have interests in the Region 15 Lower Rio Grande RFPG are being solicited to represent the following interest groups:

- (2) Water Districts
- (1) Flood Districts
- (1) Agriculture

The Region 15 Lower Rio Grande RFPG was established by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) on October 1, 2020, through the designation of initial flood planning group members. The Region 15 flood planning region (FPR) is comprised of 14 counties including the entirety of Zapata, Starr, Hidalgo, Willacy, Cameron and partially includes Edwards, Val Verde, Kinney, Maverick, Dimmit, Webb, Jim Hogg, Brooks and Kenedy.

The purpose of the Region 15 Lower Rio Grande RFPG is to carry out the responsibilities placed on regional flood planning groups as required by Texas Water Code Chapter 16 and TWDB rules, including 31 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapters 361 and 362. Foremost among those responsibilities shall be the development of a regional flood plan for Region 15 Lower Rio Grande that identifies flood risks, establishes flood mitigation and floodplain management goals, and recommends evaluations, strategies, and projects to reduce flood risks.

In order to be eligible for voting membership on the Region 15 Lower Rio Grande RFPG, a person must be capable of adequately representing the interest for which a member is sought, be willing to participate in the regional flood planning process, attend meetings, and abide by RFPG bylaws. The initial terms of all voting members shall be for a period of two (2) years.

Nominations may be made to the Region 15 Lower Rio Grande RFPG Sponsor, the Hidalgo County Drainage District No.1 (HCDD1), until 5:00 PM, **March 14, 2025**. Please complete the attached nomination form and submit to region15lrg@hcdd1.org or you can complete and submit the form online at <https://www.region15lrg.org/>, or by mail to: Region 15 RFPG, c/o Jaime J. Salazar, Hidalgo County Drainage District No.1, 902 N. Doolittle Rd., Edinburg, TX 78542. Please call 956-292-7080 for further information. Or explore the TWDB's Flood Planning webpage at <https://www.twdb.texas.gov/flood/planning/index.asp> for additional Flood Planning Group information.

Regional 15 Lower Rio Grande Flood Planning Group Member Nomination Form

Name of individual being nominated (nominee): _____
Nominee phone number: _____ Nominee email: _____
Nominee mailing address: _____
County in which the individual nominee resides: _____
Current occupation of nominee: _____
Professional qualifications of nominee (attach resume or CV, optional):

Brief bio and summary of qualifications of the nominee:

General type of flood-related knowledge, experience, and approximately number of years of being involved in flood-related issues:

Previous public service and/or leadership experience and roles:

Description of why nominee is interested in membership, how they could contribute most as RFPG member, and how they otherwise meet criteria for selection:

Is this individual being nominated for more than one Interest Category? YES NO
(each interest category that an individual is being nominated for requires a separate submission)

*Check the SINGLE **interest category** for nomination.*

Interest Category

- Water Districts
- Flood Districts
- Agriculture

Does the nominee reside within the region for which they are being nominated? YES NO

If no, does the nominee’s professional or other activities occur within the region for which they are being nominated? YES NO

If yes, in what county(s) does this occur: _____

Please list any endorsements from individuals and/or organizations for this nominee and attach any supporting information.

Provide two references (*name, title/affiliation, phone number*):

Does this submission include attachments? YES NO

If yes, please email attachments to region15lrg@hcdd1.org.
Please use the following naming convention for submitted files:
"RegionNumber_InterestCategory_NomineeName"

Submission Details

Total number of attached pages to this submission (including these 2 pages): _____

Name & phone number of the person submitting this form (nominator, may be the same as nominee):
