

Region 6 Executive Summary

The proposed TWDB Request for Application requires the Regional project sponsor Harris County to submit a regional flood planning grant application leading to the possible award of contracts to develop a regional flood plan as described in 31 TAC Chapter 361. The objective is to complete the scope of work developed by Texas Water Development Board, which supports the regional flood planning group's 2028 Regional Flood Plan efforts in accordance with statute, rule, and guidance requirements.

Region 6 scope of work follows the scope of work provided by TWDB. The work is broken out into the following 18 tasks:

Task		Objective	
1	Planning Area Description	The objective of this task is to prepare a standalone chapter to be included in the 2028 Regional Flood Plan that describes the Flood Planning Region (FPR).	
2A	Existing Condition Flood Risk Analysis	The objective of this task is to prepare a chapter to be combined with Task 2B and included in the 2028 Regional Flood Plan that describes the existing and future condition flood risk in the FPR.	
2B	Future Condition Flood Risk Analysis	The objective of this task is to prepare a chapter to be combined with Task 2A and included in the 2028 Regional Flood Plan that describes the existing and future condition flood risk in the FPR.	
3A	Evaluation and Recommendations on Floodplain Management Practices	The objective is to recognize the extent of the previous and current practices which may have increased flood risks, including residual risks, and consider broad floodplain management and land use approaches that will avoid increasing flood risks, and avoid negatively affecting neighboring areas	
3B	Flood Mitigation Needs Analysis	The objective is to conduct the analysis in a manner that will ensure the most effective and efficient use of the resources available.	
3C	Flood Mitigation and Floodplain Management Goals	The objective is to consider Guidance Principles under 31 TAC 362.3, Tasks 1-3B, input from the public, and other relevant information and consideration.	
4A	Identification and Evaluation of Potential Flood Management Evaluations and Potentially Feasible Flood Management Strategies and Flood Mitigation Projects	The objective is to use the analyses and decisions under Tasks 2A through 4A the RFPG must identify and evaluate potential FMEs, and identify and evaluate potentially feasible FMPs and FMSs, including nature-based solutions, some of which may have already been identified by previous evaluations and analyses by others	
4B	Prepare and Submit Technical Memorandum	The objective is to prepare and submit a Technical Memorandum	
4C	Performance of Identified Flood Management Evaluations	The objective of this task is to perform identified potential FMEs to, for example, evaluate flood risks in areas with currently limited flood risk data, and evaluate potential flood risk reduction solutions, including performing hydrologic and hydraulic modeling, feasibility studies, and preliminary engineering needed to identify, evaluate, and recommend additional potentially feasible FMPs. Additional FMPs that are identified and evaluated under this Task may be recommended under Task 5A. FMEs that are performed under this Task would not also be recommended as FMEs under Task 5B.	

5A	Recommendation of flood	The objective of this task is to consider and recommend Flood	
	management evaluations, flood	evaluations, flood Management Evaluations (FMEs), Flood Management Strategies (FMSs)	
	mitigation projects and flood	and their associated Flood Mitigation Projects (FMPs) to be included in	
	management strategies	the 2028 Regional Flood Plan that describes the work completed,	
		presents the potential FMEs, potentially feasible FMPs and FMSs,	
		recommended and alternative FMPs and FMSs, including all the	
		technical evaluations, and presents which entities will benefit from the	
		recommended FMPs and FMSs.	
5B	Recommend a list of flood	The objective of this task is for the RFPG to submit a list to TWDB that is	
	management evaluations to be	a subset of the FMEs that were identified by the RFPG under Task 4A,	
	performed by TWDB	and not performed under Task 4C, along with a request to TWDB to	
		perform those FMEs on behalf of the RFPG, subject to TWDB's available	
		resources. This Task relies on completed work under Tasks 2A through	
		4A. TWDB will complete performance of these FMSs with the intention	
		of generating additional FMPs that will be in consideration for RFPGs for	
		recommendation during the current or the following planning cycle.	
6A	Impacts of Regional Flood Plain	The objective is to prepare a stand-alone Chapter 6 (including work	
		from both Tasks 6A & 6B) to be included in the 2028 Regional Flood	
		Plan. Any additional deliverables identified in the TWDB Flood Planning	
		guidance documents.	
6B	Contributions to and Impacts of	The objective is to prepare a stand-alone Chapter 6 (including work	
	Water Supply Development and the	from both Tasks 6A & 6B) to be included in the 2028 Regional Flood	
	State Water Plan	Plan. Any additional deliverables identified in the TWDB Flood Planning	
		guidance documents.	
		The objective is to summarize the nature and type of flood responses	
	Actives	and coordinate and communicate with entities in the region.	
8	Administrative, Regulatory, and	The objective of this task is to prepare a separate chapter to be included	
	Legislative Recommendations	in the 2028 Regional Flood Plan that presents the RFPG's administrative,	
		legislative, and regulatory recommendations.	
9	Flood Infrastructure Financing	The objective of this task is to report on how sponsors of recommended	
	Analysis	FMPs propose to finance projects.	
10	Public Participation and Plan	The objective of this task is to address public participation, public	
	Adoption	meetings, eligible administrative and technical support activities, and	
		other requirements and activities eligible for reimbursement. Objectives	
		also include activities necessary to complete and submit a draft and	
		final Regional Flood Plan and obtain TWDB approval of the Regional	
		Flood Plan.	
11	Implementation and Comparison to	The objective of this task is to collect information from local sponsors of	
	Previous Regional Flood Plan	FMEs, FMSs, and FMPs.	

The estimated budget developed and provided by TWDB for Region 6 is as follows:

	Task	Cost
1	Planning Area Description	\$ 188,500.00
2A	Existing Condition Flood Risk Analysis	\$ 263,900.00
2B	Future Condition Flood Risk Analysis	\$ 263,900.00
3A	Evaluation and Recommendations on Floodplain Management	\$ 37,700.00
	Practices	
3B	Flood Mitigation Needs Analysis	\$ 75,400.00
3C	Flood Mitigation and Floodplain Management Goals	\$ 37,770.00



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4A		\$ 377,000.00
	Evaluations and Potentially Feasible Flood Management Strategies	
	and Flood Mitigation Projects	
4B	Prepare and Submit Technical Memorandum	\$ 75,400.00
4C	Performance of Identified Flood Management Evaluations	\$ 942,500.00
5A	Recommendation of flood management evaluations, flood mitigation	\$ 377,000.00
	projects and flood management strategies	
5B	Recommend a list of flood management evaluations to be performed	\$ 37,000.00
	by TWDB	
6A	Impacts of Regional Flood Plain	\$ 113,100.00
6B	Contributions to and Impacts of Water Supply Development and the	\$ 37,700.00
	State Water Plan	
7	Flood Response Information and Actives	\$ 37,700.00
8	Administrative, Regulatory, and Legislative Recommendations	\$ 37,700.00
9	Flood Infrastructure Financing Analysis	\$ 75,400.00
10	Public Participation and Plan Adoption	\$ 754,000.00
11	Implementation and Comparison to Previous Regional Flood Plan	\$ 37,700.00
	Total	\$ 3,770,000.00

Region 6 Project milestone included in the grant application are as follows:

- Submission of RFA 02/02/2024
- Solicitation for Technical Consultant 05/03/24 -08/05/24
- Pre-planning Meeting for Public Input 02/23/24 06/03/24
- Prepare and Submit Technical Memorandum 05/01/25 09/19/25
- Preparation and Submission of Draft 09/01/25 02/26/27
- Adopt and Submit the 2028 RFP to TWDB 11/02/27 01/10/28