

# LOWER BRUSHY CREEK WCID

Regular Called Meeting of the Board of Directors On Monday October 17, 2022 at 7:30am

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Mike Schneider, Director

Edmond S Komandosky, President
sident Monica Masters, Secretary/Treasurer
Director Allen R David, Director

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### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome, Call to Order, and determination of a Quorum;
- 2. Citizens Communications an opportunity for the public to address the Board on agenda items or concerns not on the agenda (limited to 3 minutes each);
- 3. Consider approval of Minutes for the:
  - a. Special Called Meeting held on September 7, 2022 and
  - b. Regular Called Meeting held on September 12, 2022;
- 4. Consider approval of Financial Reports:
  - a. Account Register for September 2022
  - b. Fourth Quarter Financial Report and
  - c. Fourth Quarter Investment Report;

County Clerk, Williamson Co. TX

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- Consideration and approval of the General Manager to execute a Task Order with M&E Consultants to perform the FY 23 inspection of sites for the not-to-exceed amount of \$35,688;
- 6. Consideration and discussion of the General Manager's report and update;
- 7. Executive Session as authorized by Section 551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property) of Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Local Government Code: easements and land values associated with the LBC Site 18 Upgrade project);
- 8. Reconvene to open session to take action, if any, on matters discussed in the Executive Session;
- 9. Directors Comments, and
- 10. Adjournment.

"The Lower Brushy Creek Water Control & Improvement District Board of Directors reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Local Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations regarding Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations regarding Security Devices), and 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiations)."

# CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above Notice of Regular Called Meeting and Public Hearing to be considered by the Board of Directors of the Lower Brushy Creek WCID was posted on October 11, 2022.

Sue Lilly

District Clerk

# Minutes of the September 7, 2022 Special Called Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Brushy Creek WCID

President Ed Komandosky called the Special Called Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Brushy Creek WCID to order at 7:01pm on Wednesday September 7, 2022 and announced that a quorum was present. Board members present included Secretary Monica Masters and Director Allen David. Others present included, General Manager Jim Clarno, Communications Consultant Richard Stone and Board Attorney Ted Hejl.

General Manager, Jim Clarno, presented the proposed FY 23 Budget and the proposed tax rate for the tax year 2022. . No actions were taken.

President Komandosky opened a Public Hearing on the proposed FY 23 Budget and the proposed tax rate for the tax year 2022. There were no comments.

There were no other director's comments

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Monica P Masters Secretary

# Minutes of the September 12, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Brushy Creek WCID

President Ed Komandosky called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Brushy Creek WCID to order at 7:36am on Monday September 12, 2022 and announced that a quorum was present. Board members present included Vice President Scott Ging, Secretary Monica Masters and Director Allen David. Others present included, General Manager Jim Clarno, Communications Consultant Richard Stone, District Clerk Sue Lilly and Board Attorney Ted Hejl. Also present were the following landowners: CW Schneider, Jeff Sciarretta, and Carl League.

There were no citizens communications.

General Manager, Jim Clarno, presented for consideration and approval the July 25, 2022 Regular Called Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Vice President Scott Ging to approve the meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Allen David and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Clarno presented for consideration and approval of the following Financial Reports: Checking Account Register for July 2022 and Checking Account Register for August 2022. A motion was made by Director David to approve the financial reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Secretary Monica Masters and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Landowners, CW Schneider, Jeff Sciaretta and Carlo League, discussed the easements and land values associated with the Site 18 Upgrade. No action was taken.

President Komandosky opened an Executive Session at 8:17am, as authorized by Section 551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property) of Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Local Government Code: easements and land values at LBC Site 18. No action was taken. The Executive Session was closed at 8:31am.

Clarno presented the proposed FY 23 Budget and the proposed tax rate for the tax year 2022.

Clarno presented for consideration and approval the President executing an Order levying taxes for the Tax Year 2022. A motion was made by Director David to approve the agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice President Ging and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Clarno presented for consideration and approval the FY 23 Budget. A motion was made by Secretary Masters to approve the FY 23 Budget, as amended. The motion was seconded by Director David and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Clarno presented for consideration and approval of the following: Execute an updated Contract for Professional Services with RTS Connect, LLC for communication services, Execute a Contract for Professional Services with Ancira Strategic Partners, LLC for communication services and Execute a Modification/Change Order No 1, extending the current contract with TerraSol, LLC for FY 23 and increasing the Schedule for Unit Prices by 5%. A motion was made by Secretary Masters to approve the following executions for contracts as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice President Ging and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Clarno presented for consideration and possible action to execute two Task Orders regarding the completion and implementation of the WCID's Emergency Action Plan with Freese and Nichols for the following: Preparing and submitting breach analysis, inundations maps and report for sites 18, 20, and 32 and Reviewing and submitting damspecific data prepared by M&E Consulting for the remaining 10 sites, managing a table-top exercise as required and finalizing and implementing the final EAP. A motion was made by Vice President Ging to approve the two Task Orders as presented. The motion was seconded by Director David and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Clarno presented for consideration and approval of the General Manager to execute a Joint Funding Agreement for FY 23 with the USGS to maintain the rainfall/water level gauge at Site 25 and install and maintain similar gauges at Sites 18, 20, 29 and 32. A motion was made by Director David to approve the Joint Funding Agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Secretary Masters and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Clarno presented for consideration and approval of the LBCWCID President to execute Applications for Federal Assistance for grant funds from the USDA- Natural Resources Conservation Service for the rehabilitation of Sites 25 and 29. A motion was made by Secretary Masters to approve the Applications for Federal Assistance for grant funds from the USDA as presented. The motion was seconded by Director David and approved by a vote of 4-0.

Clarno presented the General Manager's Report and update. There were no actions taken

There were no other director's comments

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 8:58am.

Respectfully submitted:

Monica P Masters Secretary

# LOWER BRUSHY CREEK WCID FY 22 Account Register For the period ending September 30, 2022

\$668,830.31	\$38,887.15		\$51,594.72	\$656,122.74
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Total Funds Available	Site 25 & 29 Rehab Tax Revenue- September Interest Posted Interest Posted Total Income	Debit Card Purchase- Brouchures Debit Card Purchase- for Expo Debit Card Purchase- for Expo Debit Card Purchase- Mail Agenda Pc Director's Fees Accounting Services USGS Guage at Site 25 Director's Fees Operation & Maintenance Office Rent Legal Services Director's Fees Invoice 1330826 District Clerk Services Debit Card Purchase- Office Supplies Communications/Media Consulting Director's Fees	Site 25 & 29 Rehab Director's Fees  Total Expenses	Total Funds Available
al Fund) Day Fund)	Transfer TexPool to Checking TSSWCB TexPool (General Fund) TexPool (General Fund) TexPool (Rainy Day Fund)		Southern Infrstructure Group LLC Allen David	al Fund) Day Fund) kct
Balance as of 09/01/22 TexPool Acct (General Fund) TexPool Acct (Rainy Day Fund) City National Bank	Income 09/09/22 09/12/22 various 09/30/22 09/30/22	99/02/22 09/06/22 09/09/22 09/09/22 09/09/22 09/13/22 1953 09/14/22 1944 09/14/22 1944 09/15/22 1947 09/15/22 1945 09/15/22 1945 09/15/22 1945 09/15/22 1950 09/20/22 1951 09/20/22 1951 09/20/22 1951 09/20/22 1951	09/28/22 1958 09/30/22 1963	Balance as of 09/30/22 TexPool Acct (General Fund) TexPool Acct (Rainy Day Fund) City National Bank Acct

# LOWER BRUSHY CREEK WCID Financial Statement Fourth Quarter of FY 22

Description	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total to Date	FY 22 Budget (Approved)	% of budget
INCOME							
Tax Income	\$320,385.02	\$236,928.10	\$11,162.55	\$6,184.58	\$574,660.25	\$570,000.00	100.82%
TSSWCB Grants							
Maintenance Grants	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$226,800.00	0.00%
Repair Grants	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$208,477.00	0.00%
Rehabilitation Grants	\$2,027,565.53	\$1,310,193.54	\$579,807.34	\$169,270.98	\$4,086,837.39	\$3,815,532.00	107.11% <b>96.14%</b>
Total TSSWCB Grant Income	\$2,027,565.53	\$1,310,193.54	\$579,807.34	\$169,270.98	\$4,086,837.39	\$4,250,809.00	90.14%
Other Income							
Williamson County	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Permits, fees and interest	\$39.72	\$182.96	\$1,536.20	\$3,936.70	\$5,695.58	\$600.00	949.26%
Total Other Income	\$39.72	\$182.96	\$1,536.20	\$3,936.70	\$5,695.58	\$600.00	949.26%
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,347,990.27	\$1,547,304.60	\$592,506.09	\$179,392.26	\$4,667,193.22	\$4,821,409.00	96.80%
<u>EXPENSES</u>							
Administrative Expenses		1					
General Manager	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$19,500.00	\$12,000.00	\$67,500.00	\$72,000.00	400000000000000000000000000000000000000
District Clerk	\$2,020.00	\$820.00	\$860.00	\$1,260.00	\$4,960.00	\$15,000.00	
Directors Fees	\$400.00	\$1,200.00	\$3,100.00	\$1,100.00	\$5,800.00	\$7,500.00	
Professional Services - Accounting	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$4,200.00	\$4,800.00 \$15,500.00	
Professional Services - Auditing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,500.00 \$3,000.00	\$0.00 \$4,000.00	\$15,500.00 \$16,446.65	\$18,000.00	1
Professional Services - Communications	\$7,446.65	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$10,440.03	\$10,000.00	31.5770
Professional Services - Engineering/Surveying General	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$984.25	\$0.00	\$984.25	\$0.00	
Inspection of all dams	\$0.00	\$11,114.00	\$16,881.73	\$4,519.88	\$32,515.61	\$30,000.00	1
Breach maps for Emergency Action Plans	\$58,309.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$77,656.29	\$135,966.00	\$75,000.00	
Emergency Action Plans	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,261.00	\$4,261.00	\$30,000.00	
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	00.279/
Total Engineering/Surveying	\$58,309.71	\$11,114.00	\$17,865.98	\$86,437.17	\$173,726.86 \$2,980.00	\$175,000.00 \$12,000.00	
Professional Services - Legal	\$360.00	\$520.00	\$0.00	\$2,100.00 \$7,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$40,000.00	
Professional Services - USGS	\$0.00 \$3,374.50	\$7,500.00 \$1,199.00	\$7,500.00 \$0.00	\$0.00		\$6,000.00	
Advertising/Legal Notices Bonds/insurance	\$1,330.84	\$0.00	\$130.00	\$0.00		\$2,000.00	
Dues/Subscriptions/Prof Development	\$251.28	\$385.00	\$0.00	\$1,380.98	\$2,017.26	\$2,500.00	80.69%
Meals/Entertainment	\$0.00	\$323.14	\$25.56	\$0.00	\$348.70	\$500.00	
Office-rental/deposit	\$2,745.00	\$2,589.45	\$2,937.00	\$2,985.95		\$10,000.00	1
Office - furniture/equipment	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$1,000.00	1
Office - Supplies	\$201.29	P	\$0.00	\$315.03		\$2,500.00 \$600.00	TOTAL OF TRANSPORT
Postage/Delivery Charges	\$0.00	1	\$400.00	\$8.95 \$1,000.00		\$6,400.00	1
Travel/Mileage	\$1,500.00	1	\$0.00 \$766.50	\$1,000.00		\$2,400.00	1
Website	\$0.00 \$596.00		\$766.50	\$766.50		\$4,000.00	1
Williamson Central Appraisal District Williamson County - Election Office	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	1	\$20,000.00	The second second
Williamson County - Election Office Williamson County - Tax Collector/Assessor	\$0.00	1	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$5,200.00	0.00%
Misc. (5% contingency)	\$0.00		\$1,790.03	\$597.00		\$21,000.00	
Total Administrative Expenses	\$97,585.27	\$49,103.56	\$75,191.57	\$122,501.58	\$344,381.98	\$443,900.00	77.58%
Project Expenses							
Dam Maintenance	\$19,523.60	\$1,875.00	\$83,384.00	\$18,463.40	\$123,246.00	\$370,000.0	33.31%
Dam Repairs	\$637,227.55			1	I work and a second	\$214,000.0	
Dam Rehabilitation	\$1,724,795.72	1 .	\$555,963.81	200000000000000000000000000000000000000	1	\$3,790,000.0	of the second of the second of
Other Projects	\$0.00		\$0.00			\$0.0	
Total Project Expenses	\$2,381,546.87						1
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,479,132.14	\$1,347,018.19	\$714,539.38	\$309,702.93	\$4,850,392.64	\$4,817,900.0	100.67%



# LOWER BRUSHY CREEK WCID

PO Box 267 Georgetown, Texas 78627

612 Quail Valley Drive Georgetown, Texas 78626

# **Board of Directors**

**Edmond Komandosky** President

TO:

President and Member of the Board of Directors

FROM:

Mike Schneider, Treasurer and Investment Officer

Scott Ging Vice President

DATE:

October 17, 2022

Monica P. Masters Secretary

SUBJECT:

**Investment Report** 

Fourth Quarter of FY 22

Mike Schneider Treasurer/ Investment Officer

Allen R. David Director

Following please find the Second Quarter Investment Report for FY 22 as required by the Public Fund Investment Act (Chapter 2459 of the Texas Government Code, as amended by Chapter 2256) and the Investment Policy adopted by the Board of Directors of the Lower Brushy Creek WCID on June 10, 2019:

	Fund	General	Rainy Day
General Manager	Starting Book/Market Value	\$562,389.65	\$200,377.99
James R. Clarno, P.E.	Total Deposits	\$6184.58	\$0.00
108 Trinity Lane	Total Withdrawn	\$130,000.00	\$0.00
Georgetown, TX 78633 Cell: 512.517.7596	Interest Earned	\$2313.74	\$1025.96
Email: jclarno.pe@att.net			\$201,403.95
	Trade Date	n/a	n/a
<b>Board Attorney</b>	Maturity Date	n/a	n/a

Ted W. Hejl Hejl & Schroeder, PC P.O. Box 192 311 Talbot Street Taylor, Texas 76574 Office: 512.365.6348

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Clarno or myself.

FAX: 512.365.2226

Sincerely,

LowerBrushyCreekWCID.com

Mike Schneider, **Investment Officer** 



**CLIENT:** Lower Brushy Creek WCID

Date: October 11, 2022

RE:

Price Proposal for Annual Dam Inspections:

Lower Brushy Sites 2, 3, 4A, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 & 24

Upper Brushy Sites 25, 29, 30, 31, 32 & 33

This proposal is for a work order to perform the annual inspections for the site listed above. The map and documentation for each structure will be sent to the district when it is complete. The attached breach analysis documents outline the services to be performed.

The cost to provide the inspections is shown in the attached price proposal spreadsheet. The total contract cost is \$35,688.

M&E Consultants will provide the services at the contract hourly rates.

The requested services will be performed in accordance with M&E Consultants' contract with Lower Brushy Creek WCID.

The above represents M&E Consultants' understanding of the requested work. If you have any questions, please contact Trent Street.

Date: 10/11/2022

B. Trent Street PE

President

**M&E Consultants** 

tstreet@mande-pe.com

# LOWER BRUSHY CREEK 23 ANNUAL DAM INSPECTIONS COST PROPOSAL

LABOR COST DED CITE							
LABOR COST PER SITE							
	Project Engr.	Ag. Engr.					
TASKS	RATES						
IASKS	\$198.34	\$119.01					
Field Invesigation	3.0	3.0					
Report	1.0	2.0					
Total Labor/Site	\$793.36	\$595.05					
Total Labor All Sites		\$31,933.43					
TRAVEL COST							
		Mileage					
Travel 1/		\$0.58					
	880						
		\$510.40					
<sup>1/</sup> -Three sites per day at 110 mile round trip							
Total Labor & Travel \$32,443.83							
10% Contingency	\$3,244.38						
Total Cost \$35,688.							

## M&E Consultants LLC GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1. PARTIES AND SCOPE OF WORK: M&E Consultants, LLC. (M&E Consultants) shall include said company, or its particular division, subsidiary or affiliate performing the work. "Work" means the specific surveying, engineering design, construction oversight, or other service(s) performed by M&E Consultants for client as set forth in M&E Consultant's proposal or at client's direction. "This agreement" consists of M&E Consultant's proposal or work order, M&E Consultant's Schedule of Fees, client's written acceptance thereof if accepted by M&E Consultants, and these General Conditions, "Client" refers to the person or business entity ordering the work to be done by M&E Consultants. If client is ordering the work on behalf of another, client represents and warrants that client is the duly authorized agent of said party for the purpose of ordering and directing said work and in such case the term "client" also includes the principal for whom the work is being performed. Prices quoted and charged by M&E Consultants for its work are predicated upon the conditions and the allocations of risks and obligations expressed in this agreement. Unless this agreement specifically provides that M&E Consultants is to perform its work pursuant to specified Federal, State, or local regulations, client assumes sole responsibility for determining whether the quantity and the nature of the work ordered by client is adequate and sufficient for client's intended purpose. Client shall communicate these General Conditions to each and every third party to whom client transmits any part of M&E Consultant's work product(s). M&E Consultants shall have no duty or obligation to any party other than those duties and obligations expressly set forth in this agreement. Ordering work from M&E Consultants shall constitute acceptance of the terms of this agreement.
- 2. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS: All documents including Drawings and Specifications prepared or furnished by M&E Consultant's independent professional associates and consultants are instruments of service and M&E Consultants shall retain an ownership and property interest therein. Any reuse without written verification or adaptation by M&E Consultants for the specific purpose intended will be at Client's sole risk.
- 3. OPINIONS OF COST: As M&E Consultants has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment or services furnished by others or over the Contractor(s)' methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, opinions of probable costs cannot and do not guarantee that proposals, bids or actual total project or construction costs will not vary from opinions of probable cost prepared by M&E Consultants.
- 4. WARRANTY: M&E Consultant's work will be performed, its findings obtained and its reports prepared in accordance with this agreement and with generally accepted principles and practices. In performing its professional services M&E Consultants will use that degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised under similar circumstances by members of its profession in the community. THIS WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES OR REPRESENTATIONS, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED. STATEMENTS MADE IN M&E CONSULTANTS REPORTS ARE OPINIONS BASED ON ENGINEERING JUDGEMENT AND ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS REPRESENTATIONS OF FACT.

IF M&E CONSULTANTS OR ANY OF ITS PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES IS FOUND TO HAVE BEEN NEGLIGENT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS WORK, OR TO HAVE MADE AND BREACHED ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY, REPRESENTATION OR CONTRACT, CLIENT, ALL PARTIES CLAIMING THROUGH CLIENT AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING TO HAVE IN ANY WAY RELIED UPON M&E CONSULTANTS'S WORK AGREE THAT THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF THE LIABILITY OF M&E CONSULTANTS, ITS OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF 200% OF THE FEE PAID TO M&E CONSULTANTS FOR ITS WORK PERFORMED.

TO THE EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, CLIENT HEREBY RELEASES M&E CONSULTANTS FROM ANY SUCH EXCESS LIABILITY, REGARDLESS OF M&E CONSULTANTS'S FAULT, NEGLIGENCE, OR STRICT LIABILITY. NEITHER PARTY HERETO SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE OR HELD LIABLE TO THE OTHER FOR PUNITIVE, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, LIABILITY FOR LOSS OF USE OF ANY EXISTING PROPERTY, LOSS OF PROFITS, LOSS OF PRODUCT OR BUSINESS INTERRUPTION HOWEVER THE SAME MAY BE CAUSED, INCLUDING THE FAULT OR NEGLIGENCE OR STRICT LIABILITY OF EITHER PARTY. THE REMEDIES PROVIDED HEREIN ARE EXCLUSIVE AND ARE IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER REMEDIES WHICH MAY BE OR BECOME AVAILABLE TO EITHER PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT AT LAW OR IN EQUITY.

- 5. INDEMNITY: Subject to the foregoing limitations, M&E Consultants agrees to indemnify and hold client harmless from and against any and all claims, suits, costs and expenses including reasonable attorney's fees and court costs arising out of M&E Consultant's negligence to the extent of M&E Consultant's negligence. Client shall provide the same protection to the extent of its negligence. In the event that client or client's principal shall bring any suit, cause of action, claim or counterclaim against M&E Consultants, the party initiating such action shall pay to M&E Consultants the costs and expenses incurred by M&E Consultants to investigate, answer and defend it, including reasonable attorney's and witness fees and court costs to the extent that M&E Consultants shall prevail in such suit.
- 6. PAYMENT: Client shall be invoiced monthly for work performed during the preceding month. Client agrees to pay each invoice within thirty (30) days of its receipt. Client further agrees to pay interest on all amounts invoiced and not paid or objected to for valid cause in writing within said thirty (30) day period at the maximum interest rate permitted under applicable law, until paid. Client agrees to pay M&E Consultant's cost of collection of all amounts due and unpaid after sixty (60) days, including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees. M&E Consultants shall not be bound by any provision or agreement requiring or providing for arbitration of disputes or controversies arising out of this agreement, any provision wherein M&E Consultants waives any rights to a mechanic's lien, or any provision conditioning M&E Consultant's right to receive payment for its work upon payment to client by any third party. These general conditions are notice, where required, that M&E Consultants shall file a lien whenever necessary to collect past due amounts. Failure to make payment within 30 days of invoice shall constitute a release of M&E Consultants from any and all claims which client may have, either in tort or contract, and whether known or unknown at the time. It is understood that all payments by client shall be made from currently budgeted funds.
- 7. TERMINATION: This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon seven day's prior written notice. In the event of termination, M&E Consultants shall be compensated by client for all work performed up to and including the termination date, including reimbursable expenses as per the M&E Consultants Rate Schedule.
- 8. WITNESS FEES: M&E Consultant's employees shall not be retained as expert witnesses except by separate, written agreement. Client agrees to pay M&E Consultants at a rate two times M&E Consultant's then current fee schedule for any M&E Consultants employee subpoenaed by any party as an occurrence witness as a result of M&E Consultant's work.
- 9. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: This agreement contains the entire understanding between the parties. Client acknowledges that no representations, warranties, undertakings or promises have been made other than and except those expressly contained herein. This agreement may be amended, modified or terminated only by a written instrument signed by each of the parties hereto. In the event any of the provisions of these general conditions should be found to be unenforceable, it shall be stricken and the remaining provisions shall be enforceable.
- 10. TITLES: The titles or paragraph headings used in this agreement are for general reference only, are not part of the agreement, and shall not be construed as limiting the meaning of the provisions contained herein.
- 11. CONTROLLING LAW: This agreement shall be subject to the law and jurisdiction of the State of Texas, without application of principles of conflicts-of-laws. Venue shall be proper only in the courts of Bell County, Texas.
- 12. MEDIATION: In an effort to resolve any conflicts that arise during the design or construction of the project or following the completion of the project, the Client and M&E Consultants agree that all disputes between them arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be submitted to nonbinding mediation unless the parties mutually agree otherwise.

The Client and M&E Consultants further agree to include a similar mediation provision in all agreements with independent contractors and consultants retained for the project and to require all independent contractors and consultants also to include a similar mediation provision in all agreements with subcontractors, sub consultants, suppliers or fabricators so retained, thereby providing for mediation as the primary method for dispute resolution between the parties to those agreements.



# LOWER BRUSHY CREEK WCID

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**TO:** President and Members of the Board

FROM: Jim Clarno, General Manager

**DATE:** October 11, 2022

**SUBJECT:** General Manager's Report

# Administration.

• Provided executed agreements and contract extensions with RTS Connect, Ancira Strategic Partners, TerraSol, Freese & Nichols and USGS.

• Met with RTS Connect to develop FY 23 Communications program.

# **Engineering**

- Toured Sites 18, 20, 25 and 29 with USGS regarding locations of possible rain gauge/water level recording devices.
- Continued work with Freese & Nichols and TCEQ to obtain approval of the *Emergency Action Plan*.

# **Dam Operation and Maintenance**

Met with TerraSol to develop FY 23 site maintenance program.

# **Capital Improvements**

- Site 18 Upgrade
  - o Processed Payment 12 and close-out documentation.
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Toured site with NRCS on September 30th and with landowners on October 10th.
  - Prepared Task Order for TerraSol to shred and reseed as necessary.
- Site 25 and 29 delivered executed grant applications to NRCS and TSSWCB. New regulations will require that the WCID provide metes and bounds surveys of easements prior to release of funding.

### Other

- Continued coordination with AECOM who is preparing the *Atlas 14 Report for the Brushy Creek Basin* of Williamson County.
- Met with Halff Associates and with the Williamson Floodplain Coordinator on overall *Atlas* 14 Report for the County.
- Continued coordination with Upper Brushy Creek WCID, Wilco GIS, Wilco Emergency Management and others about the county's plan for hosting a flood information web site.

# LOWER BRUSHY CREEK WCID Schedule of Board Meetings Fiscal Year 2023

# Schedule of Regular and Special Board Meetings:

(Board Meetings are generally held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month)

									Appoint an auditor for FY 24	Preliminary vote on tax rate and budget	Tax Rate Public Hearing	Final Vote on tax rate and budget
Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Special Meeting	Regular Meeting
Monday, October 17, 2022	Monday, November 21, 2022	Monday, December 19, 2022	Monday, January 16, 2023	Monday, February 20. 2023	Monday, March 20, 2023	Monday, April 17, 2023	Monday, May 15, 2023	Monday, June 19, 2023	Monday, July 17, 2023	Monday, August 21, 2023	Wednesday, September 6, 2023	Monday, September 11, 2023 **

<sup>\*\*</sup> This meeting will be the 2nd Monday of the month