

TEXAS CLEAN RIVERS PROGRAM (funded by the TCEQ, managed by LCRA)

T1: PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Activities include administration, on-going communication with LCRA staff via email or telephone, maintenance of technical and financial files, planning, scheduling, and the preparation of required reports. UCRA staff, Chuck Brown & Scott McWilliams attended the annual SWQM conference in Bandera from 11.6-11.8.17.

T2: QUALITY ASSURANCE

Work associated with data review and laboratory assistance is routine. Revisions to the QAPP due to changing conditions are reviewed and incorporated into normal procedures as requested and/or needed.

T3: WATER QUALITY MONITORING

11.01.17	River Run SS1426
11.27 & 11.28	24 hour diurnal samples on SS1421 Site No. 15886 & 12412

T4: DATA MANAGEMENT

Analytical data is compiled, reviewed continuously and placed in the UCRA database for inclusion into the state database. The review includes QA/QC protocol.

T5: DATA ANALYSIS AND REPORTING

Staff evaluates water quality conditions in the basin regularly. Watershed characteristics and changing climatic conditions are assessed for effects on water quality. Data is evaluated as to location, sample frequency and parameters tested. UCRA staff worked on compiling information required for the QTR1 data submittal. The PM has requested that the data be submitted by December 8.

T6: STAKEHOLDER PARTICPATION & OUTREACH

Periodic changes were made to the UCRA CRP project webpage and the PM was notified via email of updates.

ROBERT LEE CHLORIDE STUDY (funded by EPA, managed by TCEQ):

T1: PROJECT ADMINISTRATION:

Routine administrative tasks were performed in regards to the project.

T2: QUALITY ASSURANCE:

UCRA staff is currently working on completion of the Desk Review and the Primary QAPP.

BRADY CREEK WPP IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT (funded by EPA, managed by TCEQ):

UCRA staff submitted the Draft QAPP and is waiting on TCEQ comments. The monitoring equipment prices were negotiated and the necessary equipment was ordered and received.

OH IVIE BRUSH CONTROL:

UCRA is still waiting on TSSWCB's project ranking and selection process to be completed for two Watershed Enhancement Program applications submitted in May 2017.

WATER SALES & OTHER AGREEMENTS:

In October, UCRA staff submitted a letter requesting a public hearing from the Public Utility Commission (PUC) in regards to a utility service application submitted by Petra Firma. UCRA received correspondence from PUC stating that staff does not recommend a hearing at this time but will recommend the issue for referral to the State Office of Administration for a full evidentiary hearing.

UCRA staff continued correspondence with COSA water utilities staff regarding an existing agreement between UCRA/COSA (2011 water treatment contract) and a new agreement which will add an additional 500 acre feet of treated water for UCRA to supply current and future water customers.

REGION F

UCRA staff continues to update files and charts for spring flow data to share with the Region F Engineering firm, Freese and Nichols. Chuck Brown attended the Region F Meeting in Big Spring on 11.16.17.

GENERAL AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL TASKS:

UCRA staff participated in a webcast on 11.20.17 with USGS in regards to identification and assistance with new high resolution geography and stream flow data for the USGS mapping website.

UCRA staff Ellen Groth continued to provide information required for the annual financial audit. The audit should be completed for presentation and approval at the December board meeting. UCRA staff is spending considerable time reviewing policy legislated by the Sunset Review (HB1921) in order to ensure that UCRA will be in compliance with all of the new requirements by the Sunset compliance review at the end of fiscal year 2018. There will be no cost for UCRA for this review.

UCRA staff is working on a Board Member Training program to include updated handbooks (required by the new legislation). Staff will be updating other policies and procedures to be submitted for board for review and approval at a later date. Staff records review and compliance with the Records Retention Policy is on-going.