

Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint (ACF) River Basin Stakeholders
GOVERNING BOARD

Lake Blackshear Resort
Cordele, Georgia

December 13-14, 2012
9:00 am Thursday – 12:30 pm Friday

DRAFT AGENDA

Meeting Objectives/Desired Outcomes:

- **Hold Annual Meeting of the ACFS;**
- **Ratify ACFS officers for 2013;**
- **Adopt 2013 budget and authorize EC to enter into professional services contracts;**
- **Receive an update from the Technical Oversight and Contracting Work Group (TOCWG) on SWMP/IFA tasks;**
- **Discuss potential next Phase of SWMP;**
- **Seek consensus on an ACFS comment letter to the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) in response to the request for public comment on the Water Control Manual scoping process;**
- **Discuss functions that might be desirable for a tri-state institution to undertake and provide feedback to the TUC about what additional information would be useful about how other institutions implement these functions. If time, discuss which agencies are currently providing some of these functions in the ACFS basin.**
- **Learn about existing conservation measures and newly developed techniques for reducing irrigation;**
- **Hear update on drought conditions in the ACF Basin;**
- **Learn about other ACFS committee and work group activities, and organize next steps including:**
 - **Financial report and learn about ongoing fundraising activities;**
 - **Update on membership recruitment activities;**
 - **Membership, Intergovernmental Affairs, and Education and Outreach.**
- **Suggest topics for next Governing Board meeting and plan next steps.**

Thursday, December 13, 2012

8:30-9:00 Continental Breakfast, Registration, Informal gathering

9:00-9:20 Welcome, Introductions, Meeting Objectives and Agenda

Advance materials: Proposed agenda.

Charles Stripling, *ACFS Chair*
Gail Bingham, *facilitator*

9:20-9:30 Old Business

Objective: Approve September 2012 meeting notes. Complete any other old business.

Advance materials: September 2012 GB Meeting Notes

Charles Stripling, *ACFS Chair*

Temporarily Adjourn Governing Board Meeting; Call Annual Meeting to Order

- 9:30-10:00 ACFS Annual Meeting
Objective: Hear a report on the year's accomplishments.
Advance materials: 2012 financial report
Presentation [15 min]
 Charles Stripling, ACFS Chair
 Jim McClatchey, Finance Committee Chair
Questions and Discussion [15 min]
 Adjourn Annual Meeting
- 10:00-10:15 BREAK
 Reconvene Governing Board Meeting
- 10:15-11:00 New Business
Objective: Approve 2013 budget, authorize EC to enter into professional services contracts, ratify new officers, and look ahead to plans for 2013.
Advance materials: ACF Stakeholders Budget 2013 draft; Professional Services Team memo
Presentations on new business items
 Charles Stripling, ACFS Chair
 Jim McClatchey, Finance Committee Chair
Facilitated Discussion and Decisions:
 Proposed Budget Motion: Adopt proposed ACF Stakeholders Budget for 2013
 Proposed Professional Services Motion: Recommend the GB authorize EC to contract with professional services team based on team memorandum
 Ratify 2013 Officers
Presentation on plans for 2013
 TBD, incoming ACFS Chair
- 11:00-12:00 Issues Committee: 2013 Annual Plan and Five Year Planning Program Update and ACFS Scoping Comment to USACE on Water Control Manual
Objectives: Review, revise as needed and approve the 2013 Annual Plan and updates to the Five-Year Planning Program. Review, revised as needed and approve proposed scoping comment letter. Decision can carry over to Friday, if needed.
Advance Materials: proposed updated plans and draft scoping comment letter
Presentation
 Jim Phillips, Issues Committee chair
Facilitated Discussion and Decisions
- 12:00-1:00 LUNCH
- 1:00-3:30 SWMP/IFA Update
Objective: Presentation of project status, unimpaired flows dataset options, and upcoming project activities and timeline

Introduction

Brad Moore, *TOCWG chair*

Presentation

Stephen Simpson, *Black & Veatch: Unimpaired Flows Dataset report*

Woody Hicks, *Report on USFWS ACF Technical Workshop*

Questions and Discussion

3:30-3:45

BREAK

3:45-5:15

Discussion: Institutional Options

Objectives: Discuss functions that might be desirable for a tri-state institution to undertake and provide feedback to the TUC about what additional information would be useful about how other institutions implement these functions. If time, information about which agencies are currently providing some of these functions in the ACFS basin will be discussed.

Advance Materials: TUC report summary functions

Overview Presentation

Shannon Bonney, *University of Georgia*

Facilitated discussion in small groups

5:15-5:30

Public Comment

5:30

ADJOURN FOR THE DAY

6:00

Reception and Dinner

Friday, December 14, 2012

7:30-8:00

Continental Breakfast

8:00-8:15

Reconvene Governing Board Meeting

Objective: Reflection from Day One; Review agenda for today.

TBD, *incoming ACFS Chair*

Gail Bingham, *facilitator*

8:15-9:00

Open Discussion

Objectives: Complete any unresolved decisions carried over from Day One. Address additional topics that arose during the meeting.

9:00-9:30

Information Session: River, Climate and Weather Forecast in the ACF Basin

Objectives: Update on drought conditions and forecast

Presentations

John Feldt, *Blue Water Outlook*

Questions and Discussion

9:30-10:00

Information Session: Agricultural Water Conservation

Objective: Learn about existing measures and developments for irrigation conservation.

Presentation [20 min]
David Reckford, *The Flint River Basin Partnership*
Questions and Discussion [10 min]

- 10:00-10:15 BREAK
- 10:15-10:55 Performance Metrics for the Sustainable Water Management Plan
Objective: Discuss as a full Governing Board the work done in the caucus meetings on the performance metrics
- Presentations*
Kristin Rowles, Report on Fall Caucus Meetings
Gordon Rogers, Performance Metrics for the SWMP
- Questions and Discussion*
- 10:55 ADJOURN MEETING
- 11:00 -11:05 Call Virtual Meeting to Order; Roll Call of Members
- TBD, *incoming ACFS Chair*
Mark Masters, *ACFS Executive Manager*
- 11:05-11:15 Consideration of Possible Motion to Approve ACFS Scoping Comments to USACE
- Gail Bingham, *facilitator*
- 11:15-12:15 Committee and Work Group Status Reports
Objectives: Learn about current committee and work group activities. Includes current financial report, fundraising activities and other committee activities.
- Advance materials: Financial Statement, Fundraising Report, ACFS 2013 Membership Recruitment Plan*
- Finance Committee and Fundraising*
Jim McClatchey, *Finance Committee chair*
Brad Currey, *Fundraising Committee chair*
- Membership*
Jim Poff, *Membership Committee chair*
- Intergovernmental Affairs Committee*
Betty Webb, *Interagency Committee chair*
- Education and Outreach Committee*
Deron Davis, *Education and Outreach Committee chair*
- 12:15-12:30 Wrap up and Next Steps
Objectives: Summarize decisions and next steps, with assignments. Identify possible topics for the February meeting, and discuss dates and location.
- 12:30 ADJOURN VIRTUAL MEETING