Meeting Summary Clean River Program Technical Advisory Group 4/11/05

Stakeholders Present

Deb Sneck-Fahr, Michael Turco, Guy C. Jackson III, Steven Johnston, Aaron Wendt, Mary Ellen Whitworth, Glenn Buckley, Winston Denton, Greg Rogers

H-GAC Staff Present

Todd Running, Bruce Ridpath,, Jean Wright, Carl Masterson, Gayla Stock, Patrick Horton, Om Chawla

Others Present

Ralph Calvino, Charmanne Slovak, Russel Keisling

Welcome and Introductions

The chair was unable to attend the meeting due to illness. Todd Running welcomed the group and everyone introduced themselves.

Review of Agenda

Running reviewed the items that would be covered on the agenda.

Agenda Items

Presentation of TCEQ Source Water Protection Program and Data Greg Rogers from TCEQ made a presentation that gave the background and data holdings of the Sourcewater Protection Program at TCEQ. There are a number of databases available through the program that would greatly augment existing GIS coverages and databases at H-GAC.

Preliminary Budget for FY2006-2007

Running outlined the preliminary budget for the upcoming FY06-07 CRP contract. He provided a handout that detailed the budget allocations by year and a breakdown of the estimated costs of projects that would be renewed including all ambient monitoring contracts and costs for supplies that H-GAC would be purchasing for local agencies. It also included money for the continuation of flow ratings work and NELAC PT samples. All special study suggestions that had been received by H-GAC staff from stakeholders with estimated budgets for each. Equipment and supplies that are expected to be purchased were also included.

Preliminary project proposals for Special Studies in FY2006-2007

The group considered all of the special studies that were listed, which included a Dissolved Oxygen study of Highland, MArchand and Jarbo Bayou, A DO study of Cotton and the West Fork of Double Bayou, a continuous real time monitoring station on Buffalo Bayou, a continuous realtime monitoring station on Armand Bayou, a continuous realtime monitoring station on Spring and Cypress Creek, a continuous realtime monitoring station on Dickinson Bayou, a Designated uses study, and an aquatic Habitat

study. After deliberation the group agreed to recommend the following special studies to the Steering Committee:

DO study of Highland and Marchand Bayou (Jarbo Bayou dropped)

DO study of Cotton and the West Fork of Double Bayou

Buffalo Bayou Continuous Monitoring Station

Armand Bayou Continuous Monitoring Station

FY 2006 Coordinated Monitoring Schedule

Jean Wright gave an overview of the coordinated monitoring meeting that was held the previous month. She made available the schedule to the group and explained that the site selection is completed by looking at an array of factors including, length of record at a station, local agency specific or required interest in a site. 303d listing, water quality concerns and potential for problems. She informed the group that not many changes were made to the schedule this year. However, a focus of the meeting was the locational correction of existing monitoring sites using updated hydrography and DOQQs that were projected on the wall. Corrections could be made by staff that actually visit monitoring locations.

Adjourn

Todd Running adjourned the meeting