



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Regional Stormwater Management Coordinating Council

Wednesday, August 17, 2016

9:30 AM, William J. Pitstick Executive Board Room

NCTCOG Offices, CPII

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011

Chair: Echo Rexroad, City of Grand Prairie

Vice Chair: Cody Whittenburg, City of Fort Worth

1. Welcome and Introductions.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the Regional Stormwater Management Coordinating Council (RSWMCC) meeting. Vice-Chair Cody Whittenburg was not present at the meeting.

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION/ACTION ITEMS

2. RSWMCC Meeting Summary.

The **May 11, 2016** meeting summary is available on the web for viewing.

There were no questions or comments in regards to the summary. The summary was approved.

3. Special Presentation.

Cody Whittenburg, City of Fort Worth, will present on the EPA's *Trash Free Waters* software application.

Cody was not able to attend the meeting. Instead, Derica Peters gave an overview of the project. The group was last informed about EPA Trash Free Waters at the meeting in November. Since then, a Steering Committee has developed plans for a software application to be developed by the Texas State Meadows Center for Water and the Environment. This application will track litter hot-spots around local waterways. These mapped locations will be available for volunteer and city litter crews to determine areas of high priority to focus their efforts. The City of Fort Worth will use their data for the pilot project, and there will be a call for additional data from local cities, soon. They hope to have the program available by the end of this year. Derica went on to say that Cody will be available at a later meeting to give a more detailed update.

4. Cost Shares.

NCTCOG staff will discuss FY2017 cost share information. Forms will be posted on the website and an email announcement will be sent requesting contacts to complete the FY2017 participation paperwork. (Derica Peters)

NCTCOG staff said the cost share information will be available via email in the coming weeks. She mentioned everyone's cost share was adjusted based on the population estimates from 2015. She mentioned most cost share adjustments were negligible,

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primarily under 1%. Also, if anyone needs a special way of documenting their Letter of Authorization, to make NCTCOG staff aware of these needs.

- 5. Committee Procedures.** NCTCOG staff will present revisions that codify committee structure in Committee Procedures document. Approval will be sought at this meeting. (Derica Peters)

NCTCOG staff presented a few housekeeping and clarification changes to the Committee Procedures where policies have been observed but weren't codified in the text. No existing procedures were modified or removed. The amendments were as follows:

Council Members

If a community or entity exists outside of these divisions they will be represented within the Mainstem watershed.

Executive Committee Election and Term

The Chair and Vice Chair positions shall be comprised of members from both a Phase 1 and a Phase 2 community at all times.

Task Forces

The Coordinating Council may be assisted by ~~subcommittees, working groups or~~ task forces appointed by the Chair.

The Coordinating Council may be assisted by ~~Standing Subcommittees~~ task forces.

The "Work Program Committee" is comprised of a single volunteer representative of each task force, the Executive Committee of the RSWMCC and NCTCOG staff.

There were no questions or comments in regards to the proposed changes. The amendments were approved.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 6. Voting Update.** NCTCOG staff will brief the Council on the status of the membership election. (Derica Peters)

NCTCOG staff, Derica Peters, said they are currently processing nominations for watershed representative for the Elm Fork, West Fork and Mainstem watersheds. She asked the council to check their email for the request for nominees. NCTCOG staff also noted there will be no need for Executive Committee elections, based on the clause in the Committee Procedures which states "A vacant Vice Chair is filled by election within the Coordinating Council, and a Vice Chair elected to fill a vacancy shall serve the duration of the unexpired term and the following full term." Based on the recent election of the Vice Chair in February 2016, this procedure will be followed and elections won't occur until preparation for FY2018.



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7. **Regulatory Update.** NCTCOG staff will brief the Council on recent regulatory developments. (Derica Peters)

Updates included the following:

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

A proposed updates to administrative and procedural filings. This ruling's comment period has passed. It can be referred at Federal Register Number: 2016-11265.

General Permits: Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activities. The draft permit, once finalized, will replace the existing general permit covering stormwater discharges from construction activities that will expire on February 16, 2017. DART mentioned they have submitted formal comments to request an exclusion for metal storage, which can now be found in the draft. The comment period has passed. The draft is now available on the EPA website and the ruling can be found through Federal Register Number: 2016-08276

Texas commission on Environmental Quality

House Bill 1902: HB 1902: Graywater and Alternative Onsite Water Reuse

The TCEQ is developing standards similar to those that exist for graywater for additional water sources you may re-use (alternative on-site water). Sources include rainwater, air-conditioning condensate, foundation drain water, storm water, cooling tower blowdown, swimming pool backwash and drain water, reverse osmosis reject water, or other sources of water that the TCEQ deems appropriate. The proposal has been approved and the public hearing was held on 8/16/26. Some council members, including DART and City of Cleburne mentioned that they had submitted formal comments for this proposed rule. DART noted that some issues that were found early on, related to the public's use of harvested rainwater, were removed from the current draft.

8. **FY2016 Work Program.** NCTCOG staff will discuss past, ongoing, and planned task force activities and other components of the regional stormwater management program.

General program activities

NCTCOG staff, Derica Peters, noted the FY2016 cost share forms have been processed.

Public Education Task Force (PETF)

NCTCOG staff, Allison Henry, shared items including:

- Cooperative Purchase: PETF made a few minor changes to the product selection, and the form will be available in late September, with a deadline for orders on October 14.
- Texas SmartScape: The updated Plant List is now available; Texas Nursery & Landscape Association outreach will be available at the annual Expo, and the website updates are still ongoing

- The Do the Right Thing calendar contest will close this Friday, August 19. There have been 700 votes received, and calendars will be available in October

Pollution Prevention Task Force (P2)

NCTCOG staff, Samantha Lamanna, shared the following updates:

- Training Modules: There is continued work on the training module geared toward Water Utilities / Public Works on Potable Water Discharges and Sanitary Sewer Overflows; there are two modules and the content development is in progress; the potential software to be used is Cornerstone, and there is contribution needed from RSWMCC: Photos (requested photos list will be emailed to group).
- Site Tour: to be held September 28th at the Mansfield Hazardous Household Waste Facility and Service Center.

Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination Task Force (IDDE)

NCTCOT staff, Mia Brown, gave the following updates:

- The IDDE Potable Water Discharges & Fish Kills Fact Sheet will be available on the [webpage](#).
- IDDE Trainings & Manual: NCTCOG has sent out Dry Weather Field Screening (DWFS) Protocol Manual to Task Force members to provide comments. Staff is currently reviewing and providing edits as well. NCTCOG will conduct Advanced IDDE Training in FY2017.

Stormwater Monitoring Program

NCTCOG staff, Samantha Lamanna, shared the following updates:

- The Final Summary Report is completed and has been sent to communities
- Final Summary Report has been used to create a Permit Term Proposal by working with monitoring entities to determine number of watersheds and number of locations in each watershed that will be monitored in the next Permit Term. NCTCOG will be sending draft Proposal out to entities for review and comment. After edits are made, the Proposal will be sent to TCEQ.
- Monitoring will begin again in Jan 2018. NCTCOG will be working with entities to select a consultant in early 2017.

9. Other Program Updates. NCTCOG Staff will provide the Council with an update on other relatable programs.

- NCTCOG staff, Derica Peters, noted the iSWM program is processing the application for certification for three communities: Frisco, Fort Worth, and Frisco. She went on to mention there is currently a Request for Proposals for Consultant now available, which are due September 2nd
- NCTCOG staff, Cassidy Campbell, noted the Wastewater & Treatment Education Roundtable FY2017 Work Program is now available; Commitment Forms are available for submission. Holiday Grease Roundup dates announced for November 28th-January 9th.
- NCTCOG staff, Derica Peters, gave an update on the TMDL Water Quality program, including: Late 2016/early 2017 NCTCOG will distribute TMDL I-Plan implementation strategy survey, there is a request for cities in the I-Plan area to participate, the first survey will serve as a baseline for water quality, the new 303(d) Vision will have a basin-



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wide approach, and the Upper Trinity River Basin Coordinating Committee is meeting August 25th, 2016 at 9:30 A.M.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

10. Roundtable Discussion. Discussion of activities within individual jurisdictions and other topics as time allows.

Grand Prairie: Currently performing Zika and West Nile prevention.

Dallas: The MS4 Permit renewal is near the end, the current one expires on October 6th; they are working on a Stormwater Fee update but are faced with some adversity while other rate increase are occurring simultaneously.

Arlington: Tentatively approved a reach-based erosion program; they are restarting the process for a stormwater ordinance.

DFW Airport: They have some new staff, including Esther Chitsinde, and they are looking at grants

Tarrant County: Currently in the training phase for precinct staff; working with the City of Arlington to build a parking lot for the Texas Rangers; they will be attending the TCEQ workshop to get an update for the permit; they still have concerns about the digital NOI Signature process on the new permits.

DART: Mentioned the NCTCOG DFWMAPS.com site is not accessible due to the Flash player, NCTCOG staff mentioned that the NCTCOG Research and Information Services (RIS) department should be in touch with them.

Cleburne: There is a major construction project which holds three MSGP permits that are very prescriptive; they have been required to follow specific protocol for MOL testing, including sampling at lower limits and a 2 person testing protocol – they suspect this could appear in the MS4 permit process; Cleburne received a Solid Waste Grant from NCTCOG which they will use for public outreach; they have achieved Keep Texas Beautiful Silver status; they are working with AgriLife and the school district on educational outreach for healthy eating and urban agriculture initiatives; there is an increase in housing development in Johnson County which could lead to issues over septic system siting.

Plano: An automotive-related-business ordinance is in the works and under legal review ; Arlington mentioned they are also working on one and have looked to Grand Prairie for an existing ordinance as an example.

Frisco: Considering raising fees for Stormwater Rates again; adopted an ordinance in July that regulates construction in the public right-of-way including inlet protection and requires pollution and debris to stay behind the curb.

Red Oak: Adopted Stormwater Fees in April and they will be using the collected funds for maintenance improvements and drainage projects.

Lewisville: Updated the Stormwater Ordinance currently; a draft Stormwater Utility Fee under review; received a focused investigation from TCEQ which thoroughly reviewed the Stormwater Management Plan.

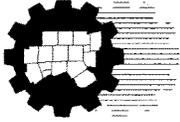
11. Schedule for the Next Meeting. William J. Pitstick Executive Board Room,
November 16, 2016.

12. Adjournment.

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Member Sign-in Sheet

NAME	SIGNATURE	REPRESENTS
Robert Berndt	<i>Robert Berndt</i>	Tarrant County
Ed Bodiford		TxDOT Fort Worth
Keith Clark	<i>Keith Clark</i>	City of Plano
Mandy Clark	<i>Mandy Clark</i>	City of Arlington
Robert Deibert, Jr.	<i>Robert Deibert Jr.</i>	TxDOT Dallas
Garry Fennell		City of Irving
Perry Harts	<i>Perry Harts</i>	City of Frisco
Tad Heimburger	<i>Tad Heimburger</i>	DART
Matt Holzapfel		City of Mesquite
Tracy Homfeld	<i>Tracy Homfeld</i>	Collin County
David Hunter		City of Denton
Kevin Hurley	<i>Kevin Hurley</i>	City of Dallas
Tommy Mapp	<i>Tommy Mapp</i>	City of Princeton
Amitis Meshkani		NTTA
Bob Metzger	<i>Bob Metzger</i>	DFW Airport
Krista Pender	<i>Krista Pender</i>	City of Carrollton
Tim Porter	<i>Tim Porter</i>	City of Allen
Echo Rexroad	<i>Echo Rexroad</i>	City of Grand Prairie
Mike Wilson		City of Garland
Julie Winchell	<i>Julie Winchell</i>	City of Cleburne
Cody Whittenburg		City of Fort Worth
Robert Woodbury		City of Cedar Hill

