

# Public Works Council

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NOVEMBER 3, 2016

# FY 2017 Members with new 2-yr Terms

Nominee	City/County
Buzz Pishkur Mindy Carmichael	City of Arlington
John Crawford	City of Carrollton
Tim Starr	City of Dallas
David Hunter	City of Denton
John Kasavich	City of Fort Worth
Paul Knippel	City of Frisco
Michael Polocek	City of Garland
Wayne Lee	City of Irving
Paul Sparkman	City of McKinney
Gary Enna	Collin County
John Mears	Dallas County
Fred Ehler	Denton County

Nominee	City/County	Represents
Mike Brownlee	City of Corinth	Denton/Lake Cities
Elias Sassoon	City of Cedar Hill	Southwest Dallas
Mike Curtis	City of North Richland Hills	Mid-Cities
Bobby Clay	City of Fate	East
Keith Marvin	City of Lewisville	DFW North
Manny Palacios	City of Weatherford	West
Alan Fourmentin	City of Celina	Northeast
Mike Garza	City of Coppell	Northwest Dallas
David Disheroon	Johnson County	Southwest

Nominee	Firm	Represents
Lyndon Cox	Terracon Consultants	Texas Council of Engineering Labs/Geoprofessionals Serving Texas

# Commitment Response Forms

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Cost shares for FY2017 remain the same as the FY2016 cost shares.

Sent by email, please sign and return by email to Asher Hallman at [ahallman@nctcog.org](mailto:ahallman@nctcog.org). Invoicing began on October 1<sup>st</sup> for those that we received and is ongoing.

If the contact person or signatory has changed, please let us know.

# Sustainable Public Rights of Way (SPROW)

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- The next Education Forum is tentatively planned for the end of March.
- An email was sent to SPROW members with options for potential additional activities, as well as to get feedback about any ideas members may have.
  - o Potential Activities:
    - o Field visits to sites with SPROW related projects.
    - o Promotional videos about SPROW topics for the public.
    - o SPROW Construction Method or Demonstration Project competition
    - o College design competition for engineering students in the region with plans/designs presented to and judged by SPROW followed by networking with students, which could count for PE mentorship/CEC hour requirements for SPROW members.

# Public Works Construction Standards

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- **Division 100** – Attorney review has been completed. We are trying to determine next steps for coordinating to address the attorney's comments.
- **Division 200** – We have received comments from the PWCSS
- **Division 300/400** – Complete with the exception of having PWCSS review and address PWC comments.
- **Division 500/600** – Complete
- **Division 700/800** – Currently being review by PWC – comments due on November 24<sup>th</sup>.

# *integrated* Stormwater Management (iSWM)

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- Currently reviewing application from Grand Prairie who have applied for Silver-Status Certification.
- New consultants have been introduced to the Implementation Subcommittee, Halff and Associates. Currently working on contract and task orders.
- Chair David Gattis has retired from role at City of Benbrook and our Implementation Subcommittee.



# *integrated* Stormwater Management (iSWM)



-Frisco was presented with iSWM plaque and street sign at City Council meeting on September 6<sup>th</sup>.



# Other Program Activities

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## Cooperating Technical Partnership (CTP):

### New Grants awarded:

- Flood Risk Project in Lower West Fork Trinity: Mackey Creek Watershed (North Richland Hills) and Silver Creek Tributaries (Tarrant County)
- Flood Risk Project in Middle Brazos/Lake Whitney: West Buffalo Creek (Cleburne) and McAnear Creek (Cleburne)
- Flood Risk Project in East Fork Trinity Watershed: Large Scale Automated Engineering and Discovery Project

### FY 15 Projects Ongoing:

- Cedar/Denton Discovery Meetings target date in January/February
- Irving/Lynchburg is wrapping up the engineering; work will now transition into mapping.





# Other Program Activities

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## Community Rating System (CRS) Users Group:

Next Floodplain Administrator's/CRS Users Group Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14, from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Marcia Hackett with USACE will give a presentation on how Silver Jackets can help CRS communities.

- **NEW:** Registration will now be through the Texas Floodplain Management Association website ([www.tfma.org](http://www.tfma.org)).

# FY 2017 Work Program Approval

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## Additional Activities:

**Develop Partnerships with Regional Associations for exploration of training opportunities:** Partner with regional chapter of the Texas Public Works Association (TPWA), the American Public Works Association (APWA), the Texas Floodplain Management Association (TFMA), UT Arlington's Public Works Training Institute, the Texas Asphalt Pavement Association, and/or local private sector entities to develop specific trainings for public works members.

**Training for Contractors or Inspectors:** Develop or bring in training to address equipment operating, safety, and other issues for contractors, inspectors, and public works members.

# Public Works Round-Up

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## Past Topics:

- 2014 Public Works Round-Up: *Sustainable Public Rights of Way, Emerging Technologies*
- 2015 Public Works Round-Up: *Lowering the Costs of Managing Roads, SSO prevention, and Green Infrastructure Economics*
- 2016 Public Works Round-Up: *Pavement Analysis, Utility Coordination, and Public Works Hazard Mitigation Planning*



# 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Public Works Round-Up

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## Possible Ideas:

- *Utilities- water and wastewater*
- *Construction management topics*
- *Traffic congestion*
- *PWERT*
- *Stormwater topics*
- *Leadership topics*
- *Innovation and related technologies*
- *Drainage issues cities are facing*

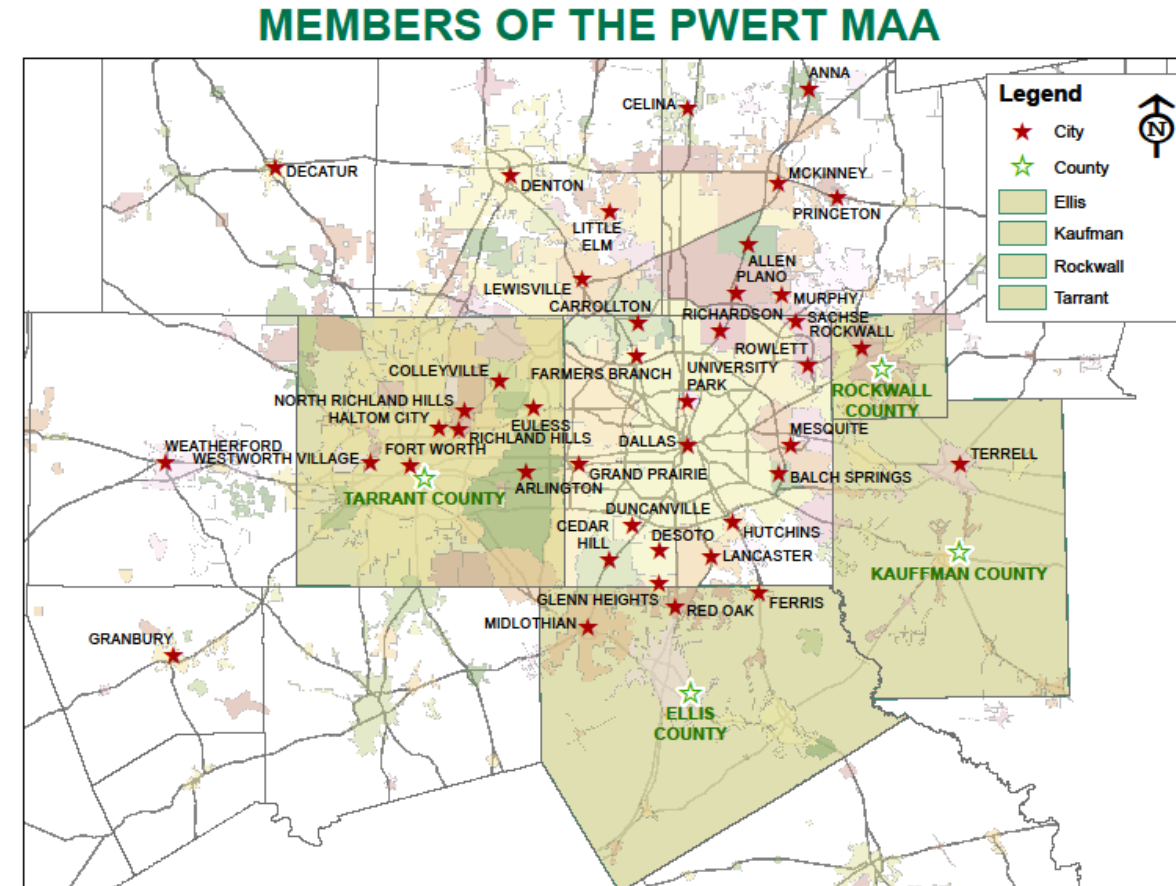
Additional ideas?



# Public Works Emergency Response Team (PWERT)

**Member Cities:** Current membership is at 46 cities.

**Activations:** Our last activation was for the December 26th Tornadoes where 17 member cities responded to 5 impacted jurisdictions mostly dedicating resources to debris clearance and removal. This type of coordinated public works response was unprecedented up to this point according to the State of Texas and it has prompted increased coordination between the regional and state PWERT group.



Accurate as of 9/23/16  
City of Carrollton GIS

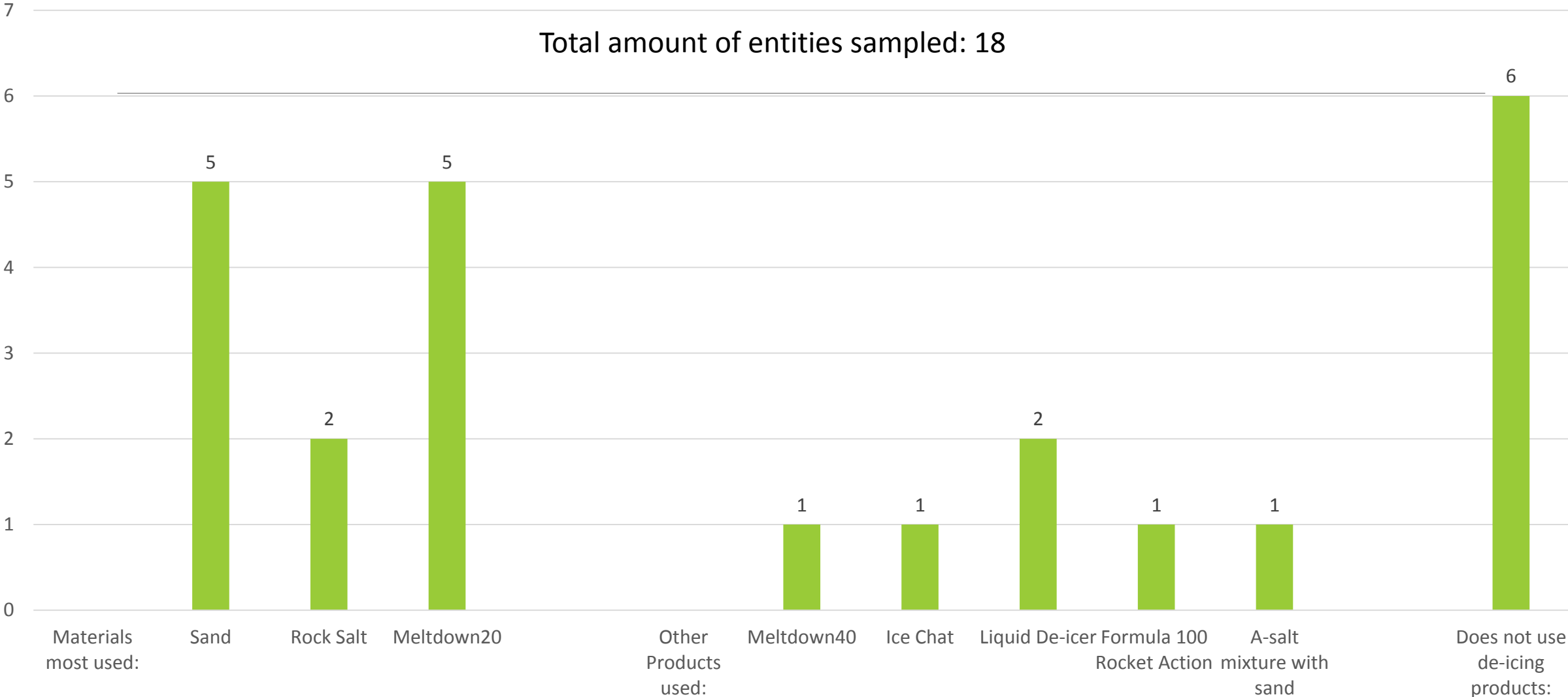
# Public Works Emergency Response Team (PWERT)

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**Grant Opportunities:** The past 2 years PWERT has been able to apply for and secure project funding from the State Homeland Security Grant Program. With the 2015 funding, a cache of equipment including 6 emergency scene light trailers and 5 dynamic message boards were purchased and distributed to 6 cache agencies. PWERT will be utilizing the 2016 funding to build upon the original cache adding deployable radios, an equipment response trailer (traffic control devices, pull saws, chain saws, generators, air compressor, misc. tools/equipment, etc.), 5 more dynamic message boards, and 2 portable traffic signals units with 2 signals per unit. The 2016 cache agencies have not yet been identified but will be in upcoming meetings.

# De-icing Material Feedback

Total amount of entities sampled: 18





# Pavement Analysis Services

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Master contracts have been executed between NCTCOG and four vendors!



Participating entities can choose from a menu of options including digital image collection, ADA ramp location and configuration, Pavement Condition Index (PCI) scores, budget estimates, and training.

Entities wishing to participate need to sign an Interlocal Agreement with NCTCOG's SHARE Program before using this service.

For more information: [http://www.northtexasshare.org/SHARE\\_partners/pavement-management-services/](http://www.northtexasshare.org/SHARE_partners/pavement-management-services/)

# Texas Public Works Association (TPWA)

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1. *Annual One-Day Seminar* – November 10, 2016 at the Richardson Civic Center, registration available on <http://www.nctx-tpwa.org/ods.html>
2. *Contractor of the Year Award* – Deadline is November 18, to nominate a contractor for TPWA North Central Texas Branch 2016 Contractor of the Year Award please visit <http://www.nctx-tpwa.org/contractoroftheyear.html>
3. *No Roundtables scheduled at this time.* As roundtables are scheduled, they will be posted on <http://www.nctx-tpwa.org/roundtables.html>
4. *Public Works Institute of Texas (PWITX)* – Provides members of the Texas Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) with educational and professional development opportunities through four sessions. Next session will take place April 14-16, 2017 in Austin, TX.

# Texas Municipal League (TML)

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- ✓ Discussion about Wireless Towers in the Rights-of-Way.
- ✓ Speaker: Snapper Carr

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# FOCUSED ADVOCACY

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***Snapper Carr*** has a long history of providing legal, legislative, and regulatory representation for Texas municipalities and local governments. As partner in the Law Offices of Snapper L. Carr, Mr. Carr provides a wide-range of legal counsel on utility matters and general government issues. Mr. Carr has continuously maintained a legal practice representing Texas municipalities on utility matters since 2003.

In 2010 Mr. Carr established Focused Advocacy, LLC's lobby practice and Local Government Advocacy group. His primary focus is representing the needs of local governments before the Texas Legislature and regulatory agencies including the Public Utility Commission and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

From 2006 to 2010, Carr founded and managed a Local Government Practice for HillCo Partners, representing dozens of cities before the Legislature. Prior to that, Carr served as the Legislative and General Counsel for the Texas Municipal League (TML) from 1998 to 2006, representing municipal interests before state and federal legislative, administrative and judicial bodies. While at TML, Carr earned a reputation as an expert in the fields of land usage, utilities, and water issues.

From 1994 to 1998, Carr served as the committee clerk for two Texas House committees -- the Committee on State Affairs and the Committee on Land and Resource Management. Carr is a graduate of The University of Texas at Austin, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Communications and Government and a Doctor of Jurisprudence from the UT School of Law. Mr. Carr has several published law review articles, is a frequent presenter at legal seminars, and has received numerous legal services awards. Mr. Carr currently serves as a founding Board member of the State Bar of Texas Legislative and Campaign Law Section.

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# Roundtable Discussion

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# Next Public Works Council Meeting

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The next PWC meeting is scheduled for *Thursday, February 16, 2017, at 9:30 a.m.*, in NCTCOG's William J. Pitstick Executive Board Room.

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