

North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Public Works Council

Thursday, November 20, 2025
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (CST)

Virtual Via Microsoft Teams

Chair: Glenn Barker, Director of Public Works, City of Corinth

Vice Chair: Bennett Howell, Director of Public Works, City of Benbrook

Welcome, Introductions, and Bylaws Overview. The Public Works Council (PWC) Chair will welcome everyone to the meeting and acknowledge new members.

Crysta Guzman (NCTCOG) welcomed attendees, reviewed housekeeping items, and stated that the NCTCOG's Executive Board approved the PWC nominations for the FY26-27 term at their September meeting. The full FY26 roster is posted on the [PWC webpage](#).

ACTION ITEMS

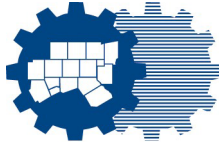
1. **Meeting Summary Approval.** The [August 21, 2025, meeting summary](#) is available for review.

Glenn Barker (Corinth) asked for a motion to approve the August 21, 2025, meeting summary. Cameron Anderson (Dallas) made a motion to approve the meeting summary. Bennett Howell (Benbrook) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Glenn asked when the next cost share evaluation is, and how the Council knows who is participating. Crysta Guzman (NCTCOG) shared that NCTCOG reviews historical records and tracks the current fiscal year to see who has paid. Rick White (Azle) asked when the cost share invoices will be distributed. Crysta answered that NCTCOG is in the process of sending invoices out soon.

2. **Approval of the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan- Comprehensive Action Plan (DFW AQIP-CAP) Transportation and Water/Wastewater Elements.** NCTCOG staff will seek the PWC's approval on the Transportation Sector and Water/Wastewater Sector elements of DFW AQIP-CAP, a plan developed by NCTCOG to reduce carbon dioxide equivalent emissions by 2050. If approved, the plan will be brought to NCTCOG's Executive Board for endorsement.

Corinne Buckley (NCTCOG) spoke about the plan's goals to improve air quality, focusing specifically on the transportation and water elements. Corinne emphasized the plan's commitment to local engagement. Goals outlined in the plan are actionable, ambitious, and achievable, taking into consideration local approaches for targets. Recommendations, funding opportunities, and metrics for tracking progress were found using local, regional, and federal sources, with priority on NCTCOG-based and Texas-specific sources. Savana Nance (NCTCOG) detailed the transportation measures and targets that NCTCOG is seeking approval for by December 1, 2025,



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and opened the floor for questions or feedback. Ali Hatefi (Halff) suggested that there may be a spike in data between June 2026 to August 2026 due to FIFA games occurring in Dallas. Susan Alvarez (NCTCOG) stated that the use of public transit options is being encouraged to support the games. Robert Woodbury (Cedar Hill) asked if any data had come out about the transportation numbers during COVID-19. Savana mentioned most of the sources are generated from outside this region. Alyssa Knox (NCTCOG) discussed the water and wastewater elements of the plan. Alyssa explained how stakeholder feedback was gathered and confirmed that the Water Resources Council (WRC) approved the plan in October to ensure that the data remained current. Alyssa also updated the group about the passing of Proposition 4, which emphasizes the need and support for water infrastructure. Bennett Howell (Benbrook) made a motion to approve the plan. Sam Davis (Texas Asphalt Pavement Association) seconded the motion. Frank New (Rockwall County) abstained. The motion passed.

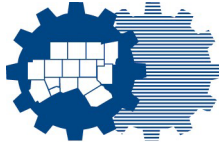
DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 3. Propose Changes to FY26 Meeting Schedule.** NCTCOG will propose to modify the regular meeting times and the August 2026 meeting date.

Crysta Guzman (NCTCOG) recommended that it could be beneficial to adjust the meeting start time for in-person meetings from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to allow those commuting more flexibility. She requested feedback from Council members before making this adjustment. There were no objections or discussions provided. Crysta shared that due to a conflict with best available date for holding the 2026 Public Works Roundup, an adjustment to the PWC August meeting is needed. She suggested moving the date of the Council meeting from August 20, 2026, to August 13, 2026, to accommodate the Roundup. There were no objections or discussions.

- 4. Development and Floodplain Regulations Model Code Workshop.** Staff is seeking feedback on elements to include in a model development code and floodplain ordinance that is underway as part of the integrating Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure (TSI) Project. A feedback workshop will be held on Thursday, January 29th, 10:00-12:00 at NCTCOG.

Jeff Neal (NCTCOG) shared the Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure (TSI) study and emphasized the importance of the PWC's input and feedback. Jeff explained that the study is about how to mitigate floods in the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) region as this area continues to experience rapid growth. The TSI study aims to address gaps in planning by highlighting the critical integration of transportation and stormwater systems. It promotes proactive planning, collaborative partnerships, nature-based solutions, and wetland preservation. This project is three years in the making, with a goal of project completion in fall 2026. Jeff opened the floor to gather feedback concerning how certain codes could be used to move forward with these projects, and to understand how enabling codes help with protection. Bennett Howell (Benbrook) asked if the workshop in January will discuss if the new ASCE 24-24 standard meets TSI goals. Susan Alvarez (NCTCOG) stated that standard will be added to the discussion. Bennett stated that his understanding is that ASCE 24-24 will be incorporated into the I-Codes at a later time. Jeff stated that it could be evaluated through discussions with the NCTCOG Environment and Development department. Susan added that engineers rely on these guidelines, therefore incorporation would be a good idea. Robert Woodbury (Cedar Hill) asked if an event invitation would be distributed. Susan confirmed that an invite will be sent out.



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INFORMATION ITEMS

- 5. FY2026 Public Works Program Update.** The PWC will be updated on recent Public Works Program efforts and Subcommittee activities.

Crysta Guzman (NCTCOG) stated that due to an internal change in the invoicing process, cost share invoices will be distributed by email in late November or early December. The overall budget goal for the Regional Public Works Program is \$360,000 with \$80,000 allocated to the integrated Stormwater Management (iSWM) program.

- **PWC Marketing.** NCTCOG will debut the videos to market the PWC.

Crysta Guzman (NCTCOG) shared that the new promotional videos promoting joining the PWC and public works careers are now published on YouTube, and encouraged the Council to share them.

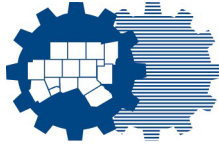
- [Join the Public Works Council Video](#)
- [Promote Public Works Careers Video](#)

- **Training.** PWC Members will be asked to provide input on training for FY26.

Madisson Dunn (NCTCOG) shared that the goal of the annual training is to promote cross learning between entities and asked members for their feedback and suggestions for the upcoming training. Glenn Barker (Corinth) stated that the inspector training would be good to host again. Glenn also mentioned it's a challenge to find training for his Streets division (which also has the largest turnover). He would like to see more hands-on training for concrete, asphalt, and paving (not theoretical or classroom training). Sam Davis (Texas Asphalt Pavement Association) stated that the Texas Asphalt Pavement Association will be opening a DFW location near the NCTCOG offices, and he would be happy to help facilitate asphalt training. Justin Stoker (Waxahachie) agreed with interest in the inspectors training and stated his interest in including stormwater inspections in the schedule. Robert Woodbury (Cedar Hill) added that there was discussion at the TPWA One Day Event for new inspectors training on November 19, 2025. Robert added that UTA has a local assistance program, which can be found [here](#). Chris Rowland (AmeriTex Pipe and Products) shared that Texas Concrete Products Association could also provide training on storm pipe, box culvert, structures, as well as sanitary sewer manholes and wet wells. Ali Hatefi (Halff) stated that Halff Construction Services has provided construction inspection training for some cities recently, and can provide any training that is needed for municipalities. Alan Brown (Duncanville) expressed that temporary traffic control inspection and implementation training would be useful. Kelly Roark (Denton County Development Services) shared that it would be useful to take advantage of training opportunities from other agencies that can be found on TxDot's website [here](#). Brian Waltenburg (Flower Mound) requested that the mentioned training opportunities be added to the meeting summary. Tina Sanders (Texas 811) shared her contact information (tinasanders@texas811.org, 469-595-1537) and a speaker request form which can be found linked below.

Referenced Trainings and Resources:

- [NCTCOG SW3P Field Inspectors Training](#)



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- [University of Arlington Public Works Institute](#)
- [University of Arlington Texas Local Technical Assistance Program](#)
- [TxDOT Training Catalog](#)
- [TEEX Training Catalog](#)
- [Underground Utility Damage Prevention Texas 811 Speaker Request Form](#)

- **Public Works Roundup.** NCTCOG will review feedback from the 2025 Roundup and provide an update for the 27th Annual Public Works Roundup, scheduled for August 20, 2026, at the Hurst Conference Center.

Madisson Dunn (NCTCOG) shared that the 2026 Public Works Roundup will be hosted again at Hurst Conference Center on August 20, 2026. She asked for feedback about last year's Public Works Roundup and any suggestions for implementation. Robert Woodbury (Cedar Hill) shared an interest in sustainable public rights of way (SPROW) topics.

- **Sustainable Public Rights of Way (SPROW) Subcommittee.** NCTCOG will provide an update on subcommittee activities.

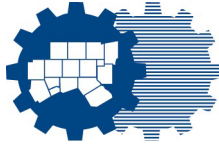
Madisson Dunn (NCTCOG) briefly introduced the SPROW Subcommittee, elaborating on the purpose and background of the subcommittee. Madisson shared that NCTCOG is speaking to previous SPROW members to better understand the objectives of the subcommittee. Please stay tuned for announcements and meeting information further into FY2026.

- **Public Works Construction Standards Subcommittee.** NCTCOG will provide an update on subcommittee activities and the new process for accepting revisions and recommendations ahead of the sixth Public Works Standards edition.

Madisson Dunn (NCTCOG) briefly introduced the Construction Standards and Standard Drawings Subcommittees, elaborating on the purpose and background on each subcommittee. Madisson shared that based on Council feedback, a digital form was created to collect Public Works Construction Standards revisions and comments and can be accessed on the [Construction Standards](#) program page or directly [here](#). These submissions will be reviewed biannually by the respective subcommittee. Jake Phillips (American Pipe) asked if there is an expected timeline for when submissions will be approved or rejected. Madisson stated it would depend on the depth of the revisions and could take one or multiple meetings to incorporate. Crysta Guzman (NCTCOG) added that it would most likely move at the pace of the discussion. The next Public Works Construction Standards Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2026, in person at NCTCOG offices.

- **Integrated Stormwater Management (iSWM) Subcommittee.** The Subcommittee Chair will provide an update of iSWM program activities.

Katie Hunter (NCTCOG) briefly introduced the integrated Stormwater Management (iSWM) Subcommittee, elaborating on the purpose and background on the subcommittee. Katie spoke about the most recent meeting on October 30, 2025, where updates on EPA's short-term goals, website improvements, Community Rating System (CRS) credits, and city council outreach were all discussed. The previously approved FY2026 deliverables were shared. The next iSWM



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meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2026, in person at NCTCOG offices to discuss iSWM goals, and the modernization of the website.

- **Subcommittee Membership and Involvement.** NCTCOG will share information on the subcommittee appointment process.

Crysta Guzman (NCTCOG) discussed subcommittee membership and involvement and encouraged PWC members to volunteer for an appointment to one of the subcommittees. She shared the terms for each subcommittee and requested nominations be submitted through a Microsoft Form by December 11, 2025. PWC members will review all submissions and electronically vote on appointments before the February 19, 2026 meeting.

6. Other Program Updates. The PWC will be updated on other items of interest.

- **Public Works Emergency Response Team (PWERT).** A representative will give an update on recent PWERT activities.

Justin Stoker (Waxahachie) updated the Council on PWERT's participation in MetroX (supported by Texas Department of Emergency Management) on October 28, 2025. This emergency management exercise involved many local jurisdictions over three days, in preparation for major regional events (such as the 2026 FIFA World Cup). Justin shared that many PWERT organizations received memorandums as a result of the exercise and a request to update contact information. PWERT also presented on FY26 Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Grant Proposals on November 5, 2025. They requested funds for three Vehicle Interdiction Trailers (VITs), a need identified during MetroX. PWERT is awaiting notification of the FY25 SHSP Grant awards.

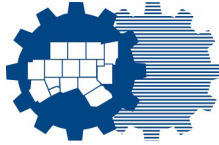
The next PWERT meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2025, virtually, to review MetroX lessons learned and improvement opportunities. Tina Sanders (Texas 811) asked what time the meeting is. Amanda Everly (NCTCOG) answered the meeting is at 9:30 a.m. and provided her email if anyone wants to receive PWERT updates (aeveryly@nctcog.org). Justin (Waxahachie) mentioned the meetings are well attended by emergency management personnel, and he encouraged public works personnel to become involved.

- **Integrating Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure (TSI).** NCTCOG will give an update on progress made on the TSI project.

Katie Hunter (NCTCOG) stated that subarea stakeholder meetings wrapped up in September and October. She also shared information on upcoming events:

- Model Development and Floodplain Ordinance Workshop (Hybrid): January 29, 2026, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Flood Warning System Workshop (Hybrid): February 17, 2026, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

- **Community Rating System Users Group.** NCTCOG will provide an update on the floodplain administrators/Community Rating System (CRS) Users Group.



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Katie Hunter (NCTCOG) shared that the CRS User Group hosted a Floodplain Seminar for Elected Officials on September 18, 2025. Katie mentioned that the Trinity River Common Vision Steering Committee approved the FY2026 work program.

- **Texas Chapter of American Public Works Association (TX-APWA).** A representative will give an update on upcoming APWA local events and meetings.

No representatives were present to provide an update.

- **Annual Holiday Grease Roundup.** NCTCOG will provide an update on the Annual Holiday Grease Roundup, supported by the Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable (WATER), which is scheduled for November 1, 2025, through January 31, 2026. (Madisson Dunn)

Madisson Dunn (NCTCOG) briefly introduced the Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable, elaborating on the purpose and background on the roundtable. Madisson shared that the Annual Holiday Grease Roundup, which has 48 confirmed partners this year, began on November 1, 2025, and will run through January 31, 2026. A full list of participating entities is available on the [Defend Your Drains website](#).

OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

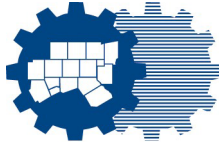
7. **Future Agenda Items.** PWC members and NCTCOG may suggest future agenda items.

Glenn Barker (Corinth) asked the Council for any future agenda items. No topics were provided.

8. **Roundtable Topics/Other Business.** PWC members and NCTCOG may share additional items as time allows. (Glenn Barker)

Clay Riggs (Westwood) provided a presentation on a satellite leak detection project for the Town of Flower Mound. In 2023, Flower Mound hired the firm ASTERRA to perform leak detection after receiving positive feedback from neighboring communities who had worked with the company. During the first project iteration (2023), 200 points of interest were identified, which initiated a “boots-on-the-ground” approach to narrow down the leak location. This approach resulted in 27 verified leaks across the Town system, private property, and irrigation systems. A second iteration began in October 2025, with 78 leaks detected with 38 leak cards. Lane Cheek (Grand Prairie) asked if this service was a subscription or one-time contract. Clay answered that each iteration was a one-time contract.

James Tuttle (Southlake) presented on validation of opinion of probable construction costs (OPCC) with the Monte Carlo Simulation method. OPCCs can vary due to inflation, scope uncertainty, and market volatility, leading to the need for uncertainty quantification provided by the Monte Carlo method. This method also quantifies risk into dollars to demonstrate assumed project risk. James called other local governments seeking bid data to add to Southlake’s data table for testing purposes. These findings were shared with the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Technical Committee and demonstrate a transparent, statistically sound approach for project evaluation.



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James shared his email (jtuttle@ci.southlake.tx.us) if any municipality wants to share their bidding information or collaborate on this method for CIP evaluation.

- 9. The Next PWC Meeting** is scheduled for February 19, 2026, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (in-person).

10. Adjournment.

Glenn Barker (Corinth) asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cecelia Rutherford (Dallas County) made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Michael Rozelle (Garland). The motion was passed unanimously.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Madisson Dunn by phone at (817) 704-5611, or by email at mdunn@nctcog.org.

If you plan to attend this public meeting and you have a disability that requires special arrangements at the meeting, please contact Ashley Barnett at (817) 695-9231 or abarnett@nctcog.org at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to assist your needs.

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☒ Scarlett Dinh
☒ Sidney Kelly

Carrollton
☐ Jody Byerly

Collin County
☒ Wayne Anderson

Dallas
☒ Cameron Anderson
☐ Raheel Khan

Dallas County
☒ Cecelia Rutherford

Denton
☒ Michael Linder

Denton County
☒ Stephen Belknap

Fort Worth
☐ Teanna Thompson
☐ Michael Owen

Frisco
☐ Dane Stovall

Garland
☒ Mike Rozelle

Grand Prairie
☒ Lane Cheek

Irving
☒ Walter Thomas

Lewisville
☐ Aaron Russell

McKinney
☐ Ryan Gillingham

Mesquite
☐ Victor Hou

Plano
☐ Erik Ferner

Richardson
☒ Eric Robison

Tarrant County
☐ Joseph Jackson

Public Sector Subregional Representative

Denton/Lake Cities Subregion
☒ Glenn Barker, City of Corinth

DFW North Subregion
☒ Brian Waltenburg, Town of Flower Mound

East Subregion
☒ Chris Harris, City of Greenville

Mid-Cities Subregion
☒ Boe Blankenship, City of North Richland Hills

Northeast Subregion
☐ Andrew Figueroa, City of Celina

Northeast Dallas Subregion
☒ Frank New, Rockwall County

Northeast Tarrant Subregion
☐ Keith Miertschin, City of Grapevine

Northwest Subregion
☒ Dillon Luna, Town of Northlake, *represented by Brandon Doughty*

Northwest Dallas Subregion
☐ Eric Mueller, City of Farmers Branch

Northwest Tarrant Subregion
☒ Rick White, City of Azle

Southeast Subregion
☒ James Gaertner, City of Waxahachie, *represented by Justin Stoker*

Southeast Dallas Subregion
☐ Brooks Williams, City of Ferris

South Tarrant Subregion
☒ Bennett Howell, City of Benbrook

Southwest Subregion
☒ Colt Friedrich, Johnson County

Southwest Dallas Subregion
☒ Robert Woodbury, City of Cedar Hill

West Subregion
☐ Matt Leppla, City of Weatherford

Private Sector Representative

Associated General Contractors
☒ Sam Davis, Texas Asphalt Pavement Association
☒ Chris Rowland, AmeriTex Pipe and Products

Council of Engineering Companies
☒ Ali Hatefi, Halff
☒ Daphne King, AtkinsRealis

Texas Council of Engineering Labs / Geoprosessionals Serving Texas
☐ Reece Taylor, Braun Intertec

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NCTCOG Staff

Crysta Guzman
Madisson Dunn
Katie Hunter
Susan Alvarez
Jeffrey Neal
Corinne Buckley
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Savana Nance
Amanda Everly

Guests

Alan Brown, City of Duncanville
Yi Hou, RESPEC
Karen Brown, RESPEC
Tina Sanders, Texas811 & Damage Prevention Council of Texas
Caleb Robbins, Atoms Energy
Justin Stoker, PWERT
Brian Avirett, Shield Engineering Group
Caroline Seward, City of Corinth
Kelly Roark, Denton County Development Services
Gilbert Ramirez, City of Everman
Jake Phillips, American Pipe
Mandy Clark, TNP
Mathew Busby, LJA Engineering
Jillian Giles, Quiddity Engineering
Rodger Doddy, Town of Providence Village
Maribel Martinez
Clay Riggs, Westwood
James Tuttle, City of Southlake