

Flood Management Task Force

November 21, 2025

Agenda

Welcome and Introductions/Attendance

Meeting Summary

Development and Floodplain Regulations Model Code Workshop – *January 29, 2026*

FY 2026 Trinity River COMMON VISION Work Program Activities Discussion

Follow up Items

Other Program-Related Efforts

Other Business and Roundtable Discussion

Next Meeting (February 20th)

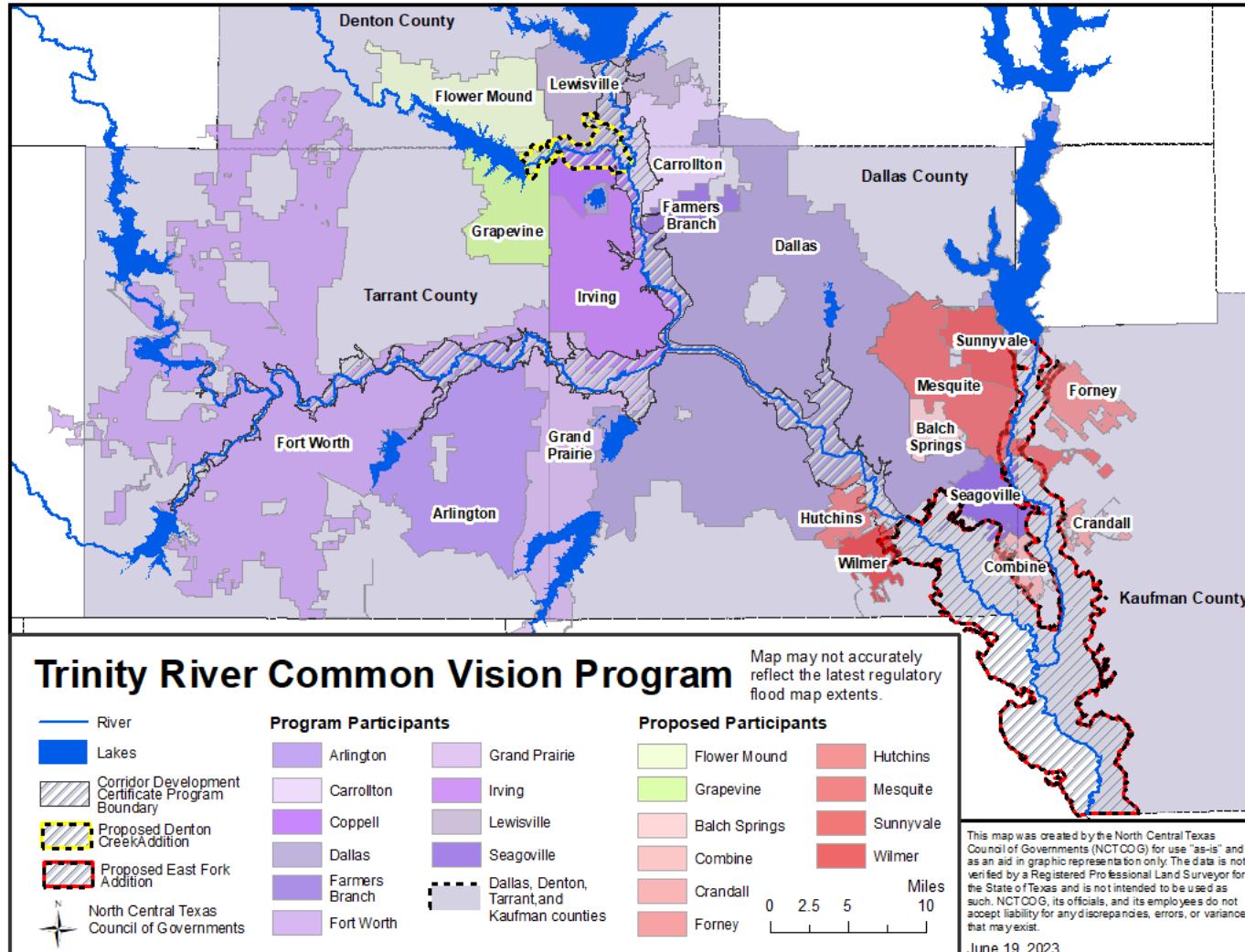
Adjournment

1. Welcome and Introductions

Thanks for attending!

Please feel free to treat yourself to a donut, coffee, or any of the other refreshments provided.

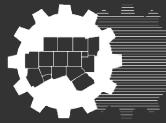
1. Attendance



2. Meeting Summary Approval

- ▶ The [August 2025 meeting summary](#) is available on the NCTCOG website.
- ▶ Motion?

DISCUSSION ITEMS



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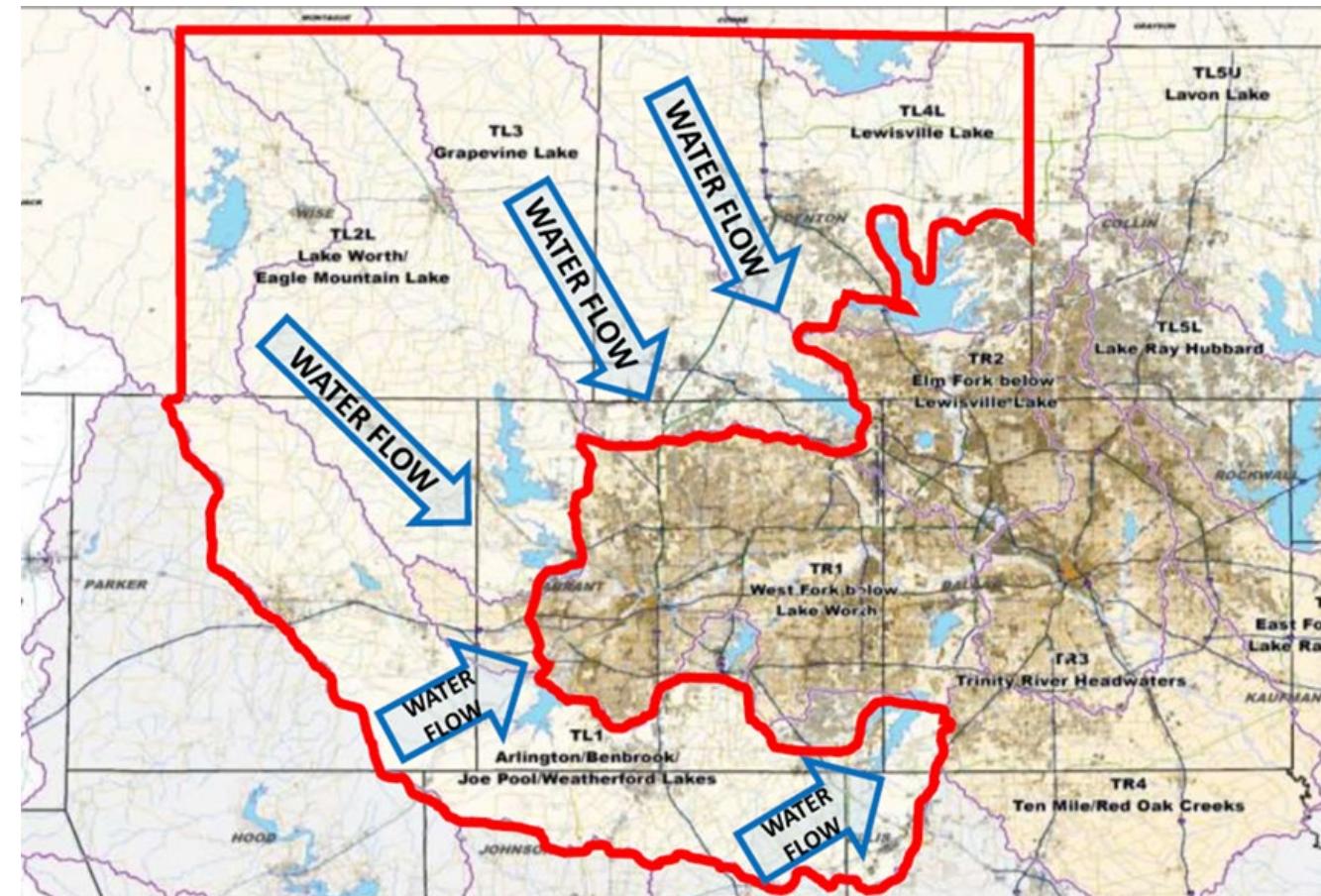
3. Development and Floodplain Regulations Model Code Development

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TSI Overview & Study Goals

1. Demonstrate ***proactive planning*** that integrates transportation, stormwater, & environmental planning
2. ***Reduce flooding within and downstream*** from rapidly growing communities, including increasing the resiliency of infrastructure
3. Develop tools & resources, including policy recommendations, to ***empower communities*** to adopt higher floodplain management standards
4. ***Implement local-scale innovation*** in hydrologic & hydraulic modeling & emergency management modeling
5. Produce ***planning-level design*** for transportation infrastructure & stormwater detention



TSI outputs will empower engineers, local governments, & developers to reduce flooding risks to people, property, & infrastructure



Collect & Analyze Data



Assess Hydrology & Hydraulics Scenarios



Identify Transportation Infrastructure Impacts



Conduct Environmental Planning



Evaluate a Real-Time Flood Warning System

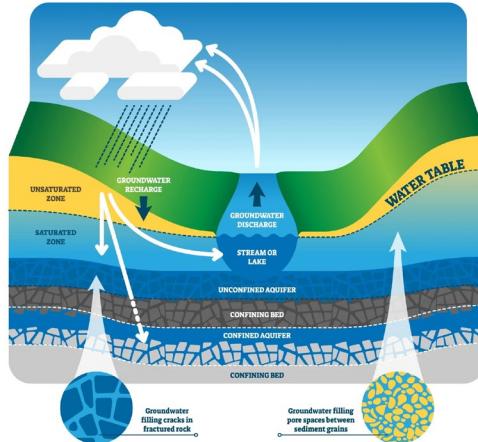


Support & Empower Communities

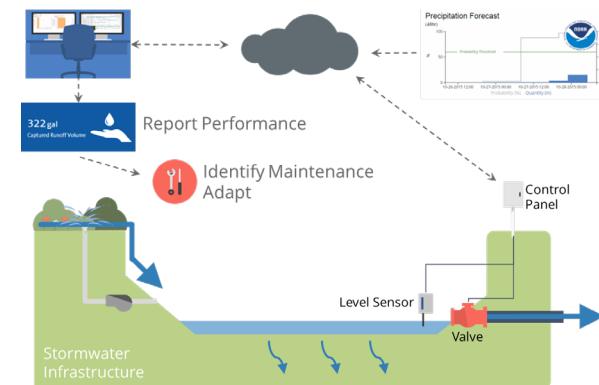
EXAMPLE: TSI Study Applications



Groundwater Recharge/Reuse



Smart Stormwater Infrastructure

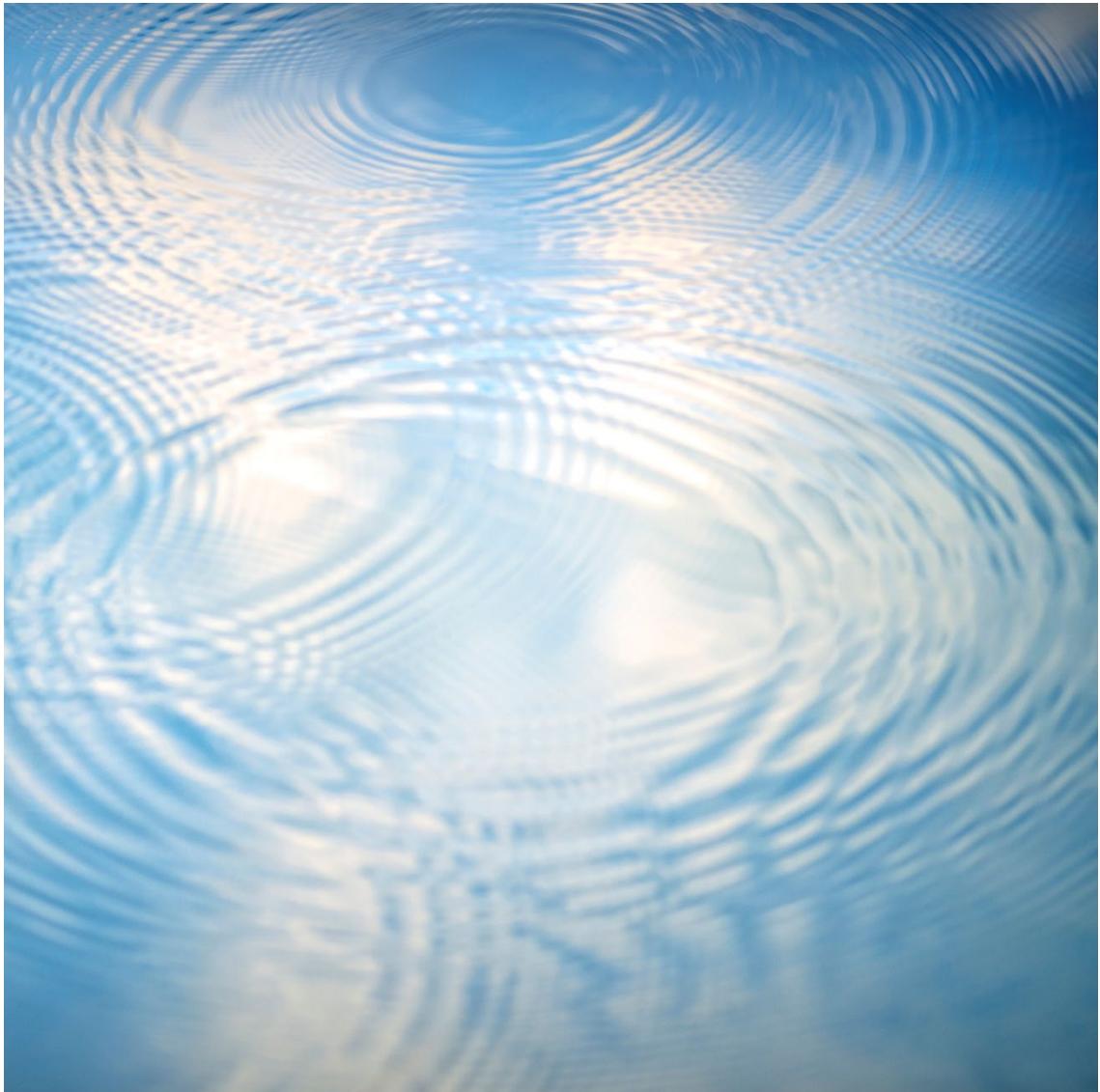


EXAMPLE: *TSI Study Applications*



Model Codes Task Overview

- Develop model development codes that support TSI Study goals for reducing flood risk & integrating transportation, stormwater, & environmental planning
- Identify enabling or supportive State code provisions
- Receive input from stakeholders on draft code elements
- Incorporate feedback to refine model codes
- Local governments may choose to use the model codes as a resource for regulatory updates to improve flood prevention & mitigation



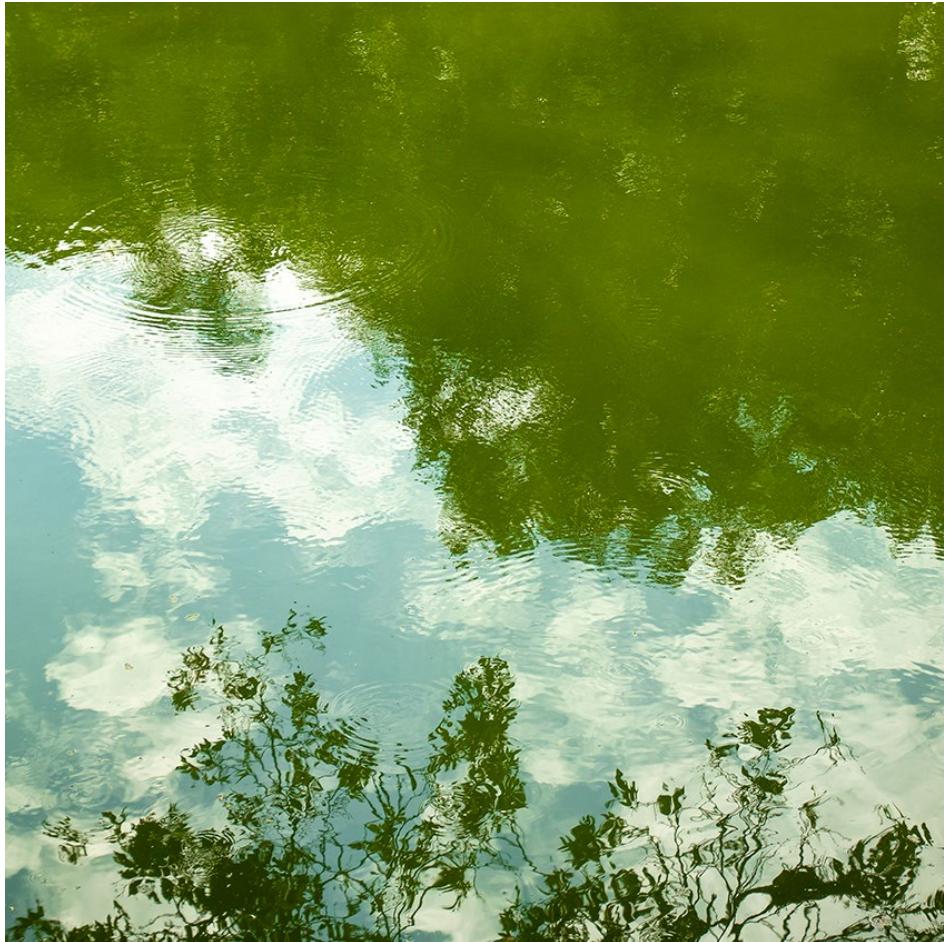
Development Regulations Model Code

- Identifying best practice strategies that can be incorporated into development (*land use/zoning/subdivision*) codes to help prevent &/or mitigate future flood events
- Model codes can address green stormwater infrastructure, nature-based solutions, low-impact development, & other strategies
- Examples:
 - Impervious cover limits
 - Clustered development
 - Creation/preservation & maintenance of open space
 - Green parking lot infrastructure
 - Incentive zoning
 - Match pre-developed site runoffs
 - Consider regional (on or off stream) detention



Floodplain Ordinance Model Code

- Identifying higher standards that can be incorporated into flood damage prevention ordinances to help reduce economic losses, prevent future flood hazards, & protect public health/safety
- Model codes can address higher construction standards for development in flood-prone areas
- Examples:
 - Require freeboard based on fully-developed watershed conditions
 - Ensure accessibility during floods
 - Maintain unfilled valley storage areas
 - Protect critical facilities and development
 - Create stream buffers/setbacks
 - Prohibit rise in flood waters



We Want to Hear from You!

- **What development code** (e.g., zoning, subdivision design, street design standards, etc.) or **floodplain ordinance elements** have you adopted to prevent or mitigate flooding?
- Please complete this 3-question survey

Preventing Flooding Through Local Development Codes: City Survey



<https://tinyurl.com/TSICodes>

Model Development & Floodplain Ordinances Workshop

Purpose: To receive feedback on elements such as green stormwater infrastructure & nature-based solutions to incorporate into a model development code & model floodplain ordinance for flood prevention & mitigation.

Intended Audience: Anyone with technical expertise, experience, or interest in the areas of flood prevention or mitigation using development or floodplain regulatory tools.



Thursday, January 29, 2026, 10:00 am-12:00 pm



NCTCOG, 616 Six Flags Drive, Centerpoint II,
Arlington, Transportation Council Room



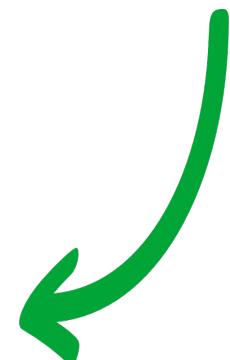
Hybrid meeting format



For more info, visit <http://www.nctcog.org/TSI>



Register Here:



[https://www.addevent.com
/event/fcqv17r29868](https://www.addevent.com/event/fcqv17r29868)

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4. FY 2026 Trinity River COMMON VISION Work Program Activities Discussion

4. Roster Updates for FMTF and Steering Committee

- ▶ ActiveCampaign roster updates –
 - ▶ Several people have unsubscribed from the following ActiveCampaign Lists. I've gone ahead and resubscribed active members of the Task Force:
 - Flood Management Task Force
 - FMTF Roster
- ▶ Steering Committee roster updates –
 - ▶ Please confirm/correct Steering Committee members on the handout being passed around.
 - ▶ Please provide all other roster updates via email at efryksater@nctcog.org.

4. Current Trinity River Common Vision Steering Committee Roster

City of Arlington	Jim Ross, Mayor
City of Carrollton	Steve Babick, Mayor
City of Coppell	Wes Mays, Mayor
City of Dallas	Cara Mendelsohn, Councilmember
City of Farmers Branch	Terry Lynne, Mayor
City of Fort Worth	Dr. Jared Williams, Councilmember
City of Grand Prairie	Jorja Clemson, Councilmember
City of Irving	Rick Stopfer, Mayor
City of Lewisville	TJ Gilmore, Mayor
City of Seagoville	Lackey Sebastian, Mayor
Dallas County	John Wiley Price, County Commissioner
Denton County	Bobbie Mitchell, County Commissioner
Kaufman County	Tommy Moore, County Commissioner
Tarrant County	Tim O'Hare, County Judge
Tarrant Regional Water District	Mary Kelleher, Board Member
Trinity River Authority	Lisa Hembry , Board Member
Texas Water Development Board	Richie Hernandez

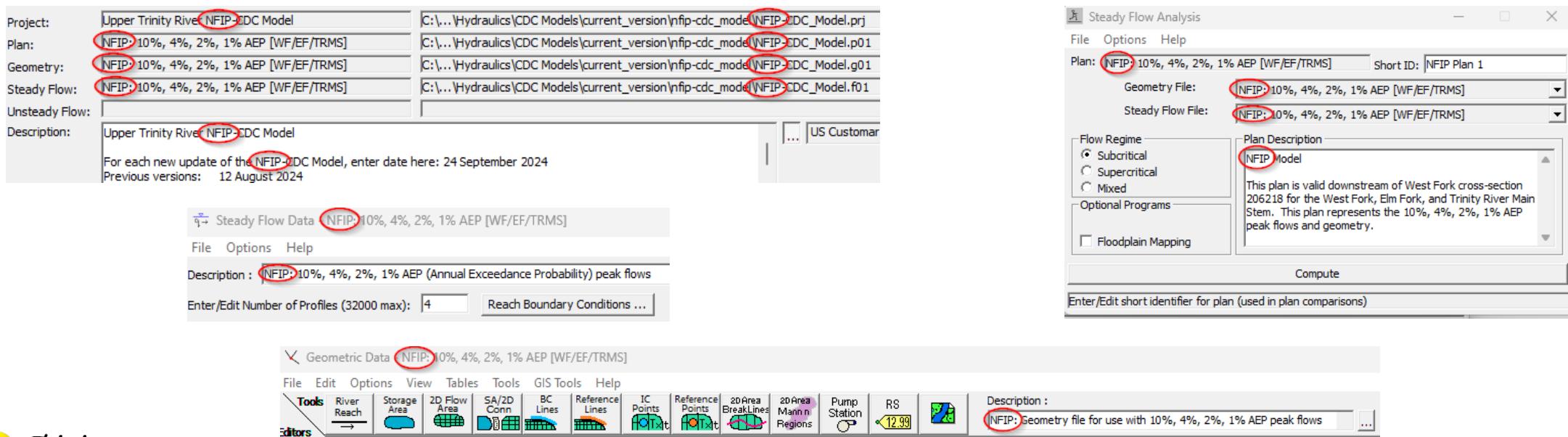
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Consolidated Model Maintenance and Extension Efforts

- The USACE is continuing to incorporate approved CDC projects into the Consolidated Model and conduct ongoing model maintenance and expansion.

1. NFIP and CDC Model Consolidation Team

- USACE is continuing to prepare a CDC program training in coordination with NCTCOG
- Model name to be revised to “Consolidated Model” and remove “NFIP” designations



4. FY2026 Trinity River Common Vision Work Program

CDC Training Workshop Timeline

- ▶ The following documents were provided by USACE to solicit feedback/input concerning the development of the CDC Training Workshop:
 - ▶ SOW CDC Workshop
 - ▶ CDC Training Outline
- ▶ NCTCOG shared the documents with the FMTF roster via ActiveCampaign on August 21, 2025, directing all commentary be sent to Landon Erickson (USACE).
 - ▶ Reminders were sent on August 28th and September 9th.
- ▶ Any questions or comments regarding the CDC Training Workshop?

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CDC Manual Update to the 5th Edition

- ▶ No progress to report.

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East Fork/Denton Creek Update and Expansion of the CDC Program West

As a reminder:

- ▶ NCTCOG is currently prepping to relaunch outreach efforts at the start of the new year. With plans to expand stakeholder engagement throughout FY26.
- ▶ The CDC East Fork and Mainstem extension was approved at the February 2025 FMTF meeting. The current models have been uploaded to the NCTCOG website.
- ▶ NCTCOG and TSI study partners are promoting CDC program expansion at stakeholder meetings.

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Update Communities' Acreage in Floodplain (FIRM)

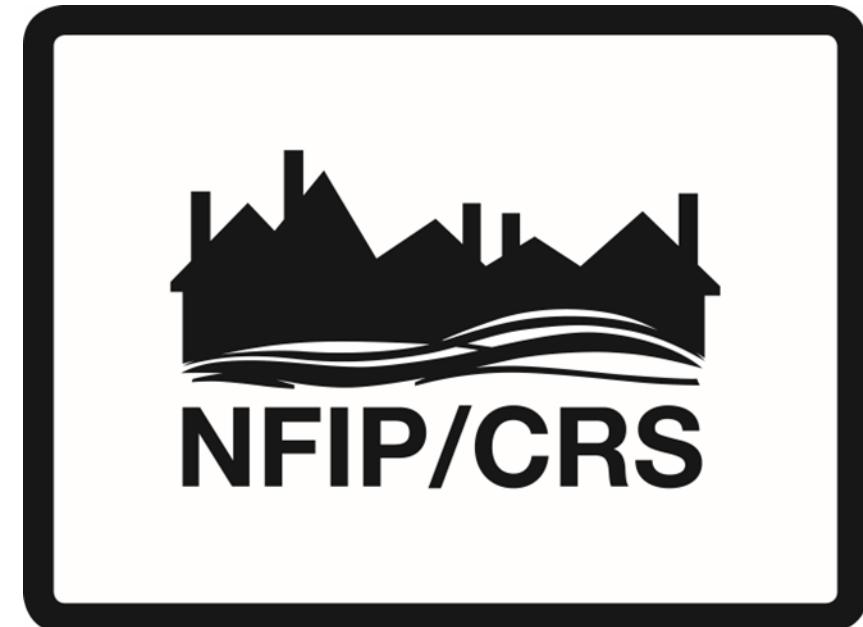
- ▶ NCTCOG will seek technical assistance to update the current acreage in the floodplain based on the FIRM Map for participating COMMON VISION communities.
 - * The change of a community's acreage in the floodplain will not affect the cost share for the next fiscal year.
- ▶ Currently, mapped acreage of communities within the Trinity River floodplain is based on the “Standard Project Flood 1995 Baseline to City Limits of Dallas” Analysis.
- ❖ Who should we coordinate with for technical assistance?

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Community Rating System: Multijurisdictional Program for Public Information (PPI)

What is a PPI?

- ▶ Ongoing public information effort to design and implement flood safety messaging
- ▶ Multi-Jurisdictional option
- ▶ Benefits
 - ▶ Consistency in messaging
 - ▶ Broad community engagement
 - ▶ Structured, repeatable, intentional outreach
 - ▶ Cost-sharing and efficiency
 - ▶ Shared expertise and resources
 - ▶ CRS credit bonuses and multipliers



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Community Rating System: Multijurisdictional Program for Public Information (PPI)

Brief CRS Overview

- ▶ National Flood Insurance Program
- ▶ Voluntary
- ▶ Flood insurance premium reduction
- ▶ Many North Texas communities participate:
 - ▶ City of Dallas – 35% Discount
 - ▶ City of Grand Prairie – 30% Discount
 - ▶ City of Arlington – 25% Discount
 - ▶ City of Denton – 25% Discount

CRS Class	Credit Points	Premium Reduction
1	4,500+	45%
2	4,000-4,499	40%
3	3,500-3,999	35%
4	3,000-3,499	30%
5	2,500-2,999	25%
6	2,000-2,499	20%
7	1,500-1,999	15%
8	1,000-1,499	10%
9	500-999	5%
10	0-499	0%

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Steps to Develop a PPI



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Community Rating System: Multijurisdictional Program for Public Information (PPI)

Important Items to Note

- ▶ Committee Membership
 - ▶ At least 2 representatives from member communities
 - ▶ Half committee members from outside local government
- ▶ Meetings
 - ▶ At least twice during PPI development
 - ▶ At least half committee membership must attend
 - ▶ Each member community must meet quorum



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Community Rating System: Multijurisdictional Program for Public Information (PPI)

Important Items to Note (continued)

- ▶ Each community's priority areas and audiences are included
- ▶ Success is not dependent on what other communities do or don't do (except meeting attendance)
- ▶ Total of 259 points possible
- ▶ Must be adopted by each community's governing body
- ▶ Reviewed annually
- ▶ Updated and adopted every 5 years



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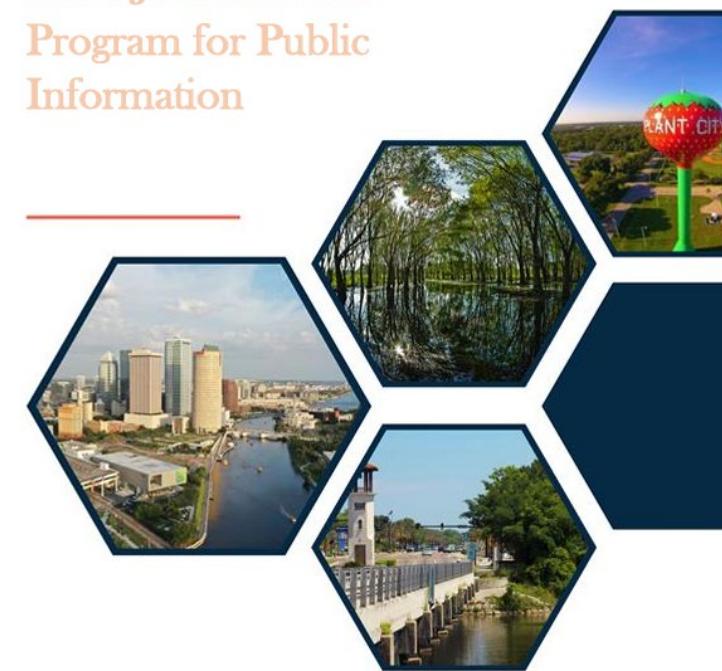
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Examples

- ▶ [Lee County, FL](#)
- ▶ [Hillsborough County, FL](#)
- ▶ [Jefferson Parish, LA](#)
- ▶ [Sarasota County, FL](#)
- ▶ [Capital Region Area Floodplain Task Force, LA](#)

Hillsborough County

Multi-Jurisdictional
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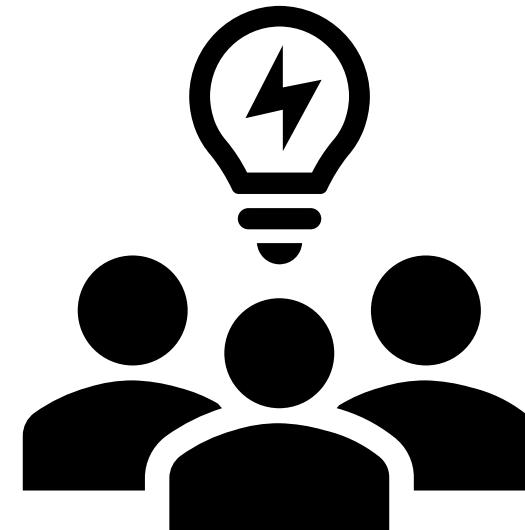


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Community Rating System: Multijurisdictional Program for Public Information (PPI)

Next Steps

- ▶ What other information or support is needed?
- ▶ Formal commitments
- ▶ Patience – this will be a learning curve!



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Legislative Updates:

- The following overview was presented by the Transportation Department at the Combined Floodplain Seminar for Elected Officials and Trinity River COMMON VISION Steering Committee Meeting held September 18th, 2025.

January 14-June 2 – Regular Session

July 21-August 15 – 1st Special Session

August 15-September 4 – 2nd Special Session

Bill Overview				
Session	HB/SB Filed	HR/SR Filed	HB/SB Passed	HR/SR Passed
89th Regular	8719	2263	1213	2207
89th (1) Special	369	171	0	95
89th (2) Special	368	265	21	252

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Legislative Updates: 89th Texas Special Sessions Overview

GOVERNOR'S 18 PRIORITIES – 1st Special Session

- Flood warning systems
- Flood emergency communications
- Relief funding for Hill County floods
- Natural disaster preparation/recovery
- Eliminate STAAR test
- Cut property taxes
- Protect children from THC
- Regulate hemp-derived products
- Protect unborn children
- Ban taxpayer-funded lobbying
- Protect human trafficking victims
- Policy personnel records
- Protect women's spaces
- Attorney General election powers
- Redistricting
- Title theft/deed fraud
- Water project initiatives
- State judicial department

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Legislative Updates: 89th Texas Special Sessions Overview

ADDITIONAL PRIORITIES – 2nd Special Session

- Ensure and enhance youth camp safety
- Penalties/punishments for absent legislators
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WATER LEGISLATION FILED – 89TH (1)

HB 155 (Bell) Would bar political subdivisions from using public money to plan, create, or operate environmental projects, while listing multiple exceptions (e.g., to comply with law, improve flood control/drainage or water supplies, implement water conservation, etc.).

HB 190 (Zwiener) Would allow Texas counties create drainage utilities, charge drainage fees, and set land-use rules for flood control, while keeping municipal regulations as the higher authority.

HB 284 (Martinez) Would mandate TxDOT to coordinate with local flood control authorities and include stormwater outfalls and other flood control features when building highway projects, while also considering nearby existing or planned roadways.

WATER LEGISLATION FILED – 89TH (1)

HB 186 (Lopez) Would mandate the Texas Water Development Board to conduct a study on how to streamline the state environmental review process for flood-control and drainage projects that seek funding from the Flood Infrastructure Fund, and then to implement internal guidelines based on that study.

HB 183 (Isaac) Would require subdivision plat applications that rely on groundwater to include a certification from a licensed professional showing that adequate groundwater is available, and direct local authorities to reject plats that don't meet this requirement. Additionally, would task TCEQ with setting the rules for how groundwater availability must be proven.

WATER LEGISLATION FILED – 89TH (2)

HB 244 (Martinez) Would mandate TxDOT to coordinate with local flood control authorities and include stormwater outfalls and other flood control features when building highway projects, while also considering nearby existing or planned roadways.

SB 5 (Huffman) Would allocate approximately \$278 million from the Economic Stabilization Fund to ramp up disaster preparedness and response plus contingent funding to support campground safety enhancements. **Sent to Governor on 9/9/25.**

HB 287 (Virdell) Would bar Texas cities, counties, and other political subdivisions from acquiring land outside their own county, whether by purchase, lease, eminent domain, or gift, for the purpose of obtaining or transporting water.

SB 45 (Eckhardt) Would allow Texas counties create drainage utilities, charge drainage fees, and set land-use rules for flood control, while keeping municipal regulations as the higher authority.

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Legislative Updates: Texas Proposition 4

- ▶ On November 4th, Texas voters approved Proposition 4 – the ***Allocate Portion of Sales Tax Revenue to Water Fund Amendment***
 - ▶ Prop 4 amends the state constitution to authorize the state legislature to allocate \$1 billion per fiscal year of sales tax revenue (after the first \$46.5 billion) to the state water fund.
 - ▶ The amendment prohibits the state legislature from changing the law (*HJR 7*) that required the allocation for the first 10 years.
 - ▶ Proposition 4 also prohibits the transfer of sales tax revenue allocated to the Texas Water Fund to the New Water Supply for Texas Fund for financing groundwater infrastructure projects
 - ▶ This provision will go into effect **September 1, 2027**.

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Legislative Updates: Texas Proposition 4

► What can the Texas Water Fund be used for?

➤ The TWDB may only use the Texas Water Fund to transfer money to the following funds or accounts:

- The New Water Supply for Texas Fund
- The State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT)
- The Flood Infrastructure Fund
- The Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Funds
- The Statewide Water Public Awareness Account
- The Texas Water Development Fund II
 - Water Financial Assistance Account
 - Economically Distressed Areas Program
 - State Participation Account
- The Agricultural Water Conservation Fund
- The Rural Water Assistance Fund



4. FY2026 Trinity River Common Vision Work Program

Cost Shares

- ▶ Cost Shares for FY 2026 went out November 14th. Again, no change in cost from FY 2025.
- ▶ NCTCOG will issue advance email notice of cost shares in March 2026 to assist with budgeting.

INFORMATION ITEMS

5. FOLLOW-UP:

Combined Floodplain Seminar for Elected Officials and TR COMMON VISION Steering Committee Meeting

- ▶ The presentation and draft meeting summary are available on the TR COMMON VISION Steering Committee page at–
<https://www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/trinity-river-common-vision-steering-committee>
 - ▶ In-person Sept. 18th
 - ▶ Approx. 35 Attendees
 - ▶ Presentations from the Texas Water Development Board, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the University of Texas at Arlington, etc.
 - ▶ CDC Model Name Change & FY 2026 TR COMMON VISION Work Program and Budget Approved!
 - ▶ Not Approved: Use of COMMON VISION Cost Share Funds to Support TSI.

6. FOLLOW-UP:

L0273: Managing Floodplain Development Through the NFIP Course

- ▶ Held October 6th – October 9th
- ▶ 31 people attended
- ▶ CFM exam on Friday, October 10th
- ▶ 24 people took the exam



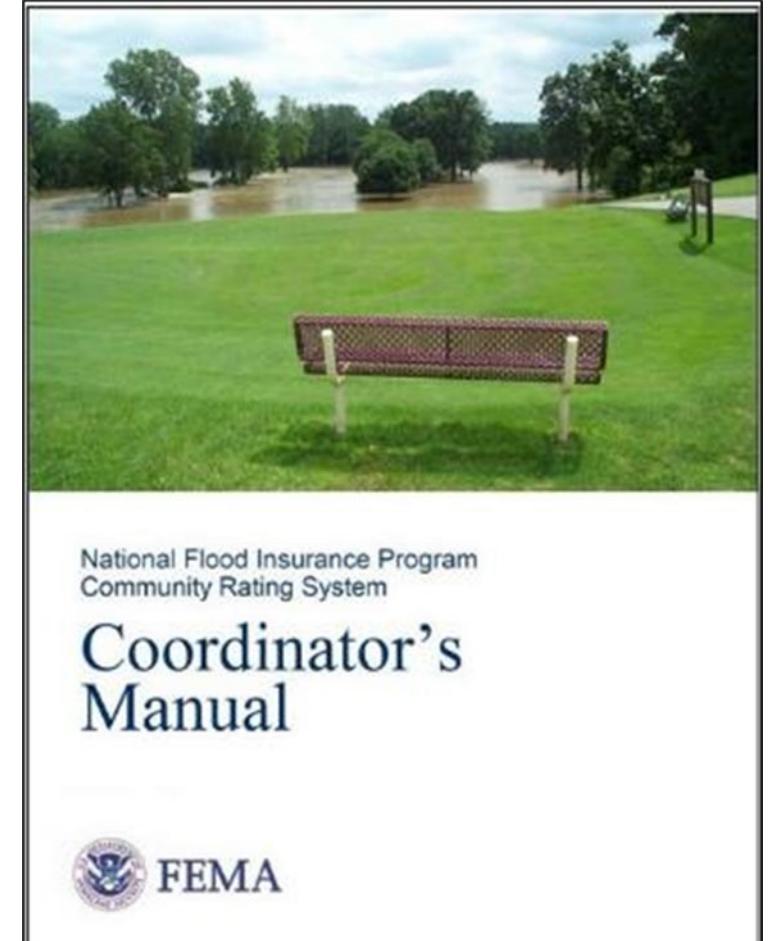
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North Texas Floodplain Administrators/CRS Users Group

- ▶ L0278 NFIP – CRS Course

- ▶ Held August 11th – August 14th
- ▶ 24 people attended
- ▶ TFMA has approved CECs without a certificate – check your account to confirm



7. Other Program-Related Efforts

Floodplain Administrators Working Group

► Would it be beneficial to form a Floodplain Administrator's Working Group?

- Suggested at the last FMTF meeting during discussion on best practices for flood-related building codes and enforcement.
- Proposed purpose: collaborating and coordinating the adoption of higher flood standards across the region.



7. Other Program-Related Efforts

Integrated Stormwater Management Program

Last Meeting: October 30, 2025

- Guest speaker: Mitch Heineman (CDM Smith) – presented updates on EPA SWMM development.
Reviewed results from July's sticky dot exercise to confirm short-term iSWM goals.
- Discussed website improvements (navigation, correcting information, organizing BMP content).
- Agreed to send survey for additional feedback and develop actionable items at next meeting.
- Roundtable: Discussed linking CRS credits with iSWM BMPs and improving outreach to City Councils.

Next Meeting: **January 13, 2025 @ 1:30 PM** (In-person, Centerpoint III – Tejas Room)

- Next Meeting Topics: Define scope for iSWM goals, continue website modernization discussion, review survey results, and City Council outreach.

OTHER BUSINESS & ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

8. CDC Applications

Updates Since FMTF Meeting on 8/15/2025

New CDC Applications

- ▶ GP-081825-1 (CDC-103) – **exemption**
- ▶ FW 090425-1 (CDC-104) – **comment period open (ext.)**
- ▶ FW 090825-1 (CDC-105) – **exemption**
- ▶ LEW 090825 (CDC-106) – **exemption**
- ▶ FW 101525-1 (CDC-107) – **exemption**
- ▶ FW 102125-1 (CDC-108) – **comment period open**
- ▶ DC 10292025 (CDC-109) – **comment period open**
- ▶ *IRV 050525-1 (CDC-110) – **comment period open**
- ▶ CDC Dallas 102125-02 (CDC-111) – **comment period open**
- ▶ IRV 032624-1 (CDC-112) – **comment period open**

Technical Review Under Progress

- ▶ IRV 101724-1 (CDC-97)
- ▶ ARL 05172024-01 (CDC-91)

Permits Issued/Meets Criteria

- ▶ NA

Application Denied/Withdrawn

- ▶ DC 01032024 (CDC-87) → Project located outside of the existing CDC map area; Application withdrawn.

Any projects in QNTRL whose status needs updating?

During the Roundtable, please share any new CDC applications you anticipate being submitted.

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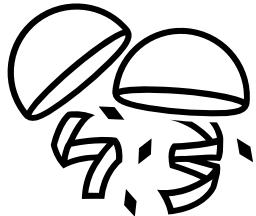
CDC Documents Updated on NCTCOG Website

- ▶ Please make sure you download the most recent attachments (labeled below) from the [NCTCOG Corridor Development Certificate Program page](#).

- The NCTCOG Template Review Letter
- The CDC Flyer

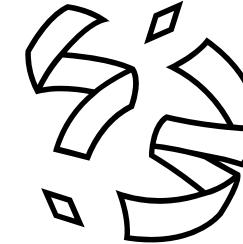
- [Trinity River Common Vision Program CDC Flyer](#) - Outline
- [CDC Manual Fourth Edition - Amended 2020](#)
- [CDC Application Checklist](#)
- [CDC Application, Parts 1 & 2](#)
- [Final CDC Action/Findings Form](#)
- [CDC Extension Request](#)
- [USACE Review Letter Template](#)
- [NCTCOG Review Letter Template](#)
- [CDC Process Flow Chart](#) - Revised 2019



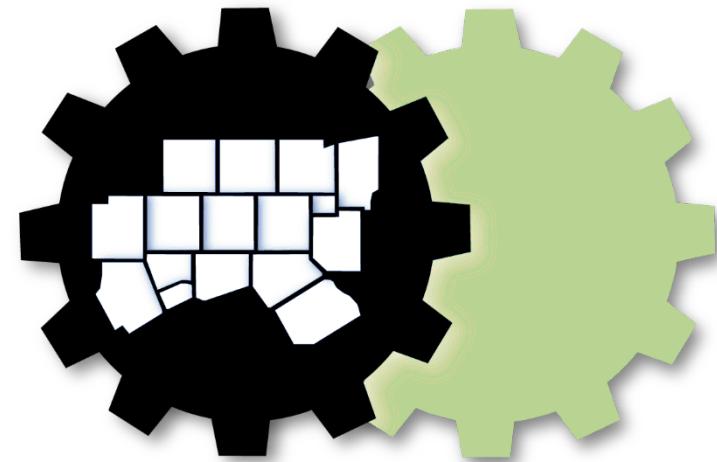


8. CDC Applications

Roster Updates Finalized



- ▶ Please reach out to Emilie at efryksater@nctcog.org if you need anyone added to or removed from QNTRL.



9. Roundtable

10. Upcoming Meeting

Friday – February 20th, 2026

9:30 AM

Via Microsoft Teams

[Link Here](#)

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