



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Task Force

Thursday, March 30, 2023

9:30 a.m., In-Person Meeting

NCTCOG Offices, Tejas Conference Room, Centerpoint III, Third Floor

600 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011

1. **Welcome and introductions.**

ACTION ITEM

2. **Meeting Summary.** The December 8, 2022 [Meeting Summary](#) is available online for review and will be presented for approval.

[The summary was approved as presented.](#)

PRESENTATION

3. **Horse Stable & Manure Management.** Christopher Wilson, City of Grand Prairie.

[Christopher Wilson presented on the City of Grand Prairie's Horse Management Program related to stormwater management.](#)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. **FY 2023 Projects.** NCTCOG will lead a discussion on the following projects:

- a. **Horse Stable BMP Resources**

[NCTCOG staff discussed with the group on the development of an educational pamphlet related to Horse Stable/Manure Management BMPs similar to the presentation that was presented by Christopher Wilson. After receiving feedback, NCTCOG will develop a draft document to send out to the group and plan on finalizing at the July 13th meeting.](#)

- b. **Construction Site Trash BMP Resources**

[NCTCOG staff asked for feedback on what kind of resources would be desired relating to construction site trash BMP resources. The group decided that the best deliverable for this project would be an infographic that highlights changes in the Construction General Permit renewal from March 2023 that can be easily shared.](#)

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5. **FY 2023 Training.** NCTCOG staff will provide updates on FY 2023 training events:

a. **Dry Weather Field Screening**

NCTCOG solicited clarification and volunteers for the FY23 Dry Weather Screening Training. The group determined that the best dates to schedule would be Fridays in late May – Early June. The City of Irving has volunteered their facility again. NCTCOG staff will coordinate with Irving and the rest of the group to set up the training.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION AND OTHER BUSINESS

6. **Legislative Update.** NCTCOG staff will provide a legislative update on relevant topics to the group.

NCTCOG provided a brief legislative update from the RSWMCC legislative tracking. NCTCOG staff asked the group on their interest in tracking bills related to IDDE.

7. **Roundtable Topics.** The IDDE Task Force members and NCTCOG will share additional items as time allows.

Denton – Considering installing trash net and trash catchers at outfalls and asked for any information from the group. The feedback was that a net would likely perform better than a boom.

North Richland Hills – No updates

Grand Prairie – Doing various submissions through NetDMR.

Mansfield – Receiving a comprehensive compliance inspection next week from TCEQ. Most residents still receive paper bills. They are trying to create a new position for stormwater.

Southlake – Redefining illicit discharge system to better the IDDE tracking procedures.

Irving – Still conducting optical brightener monitoring and will discuss in a case study. Will also start testing for caffeine (anthropogenic sources) in June.

Carrollton – Notified to get their public notice ready to publish.

Fort Worth – In year 6 of permit; looking at priority outfalls and training new staff. Gearing up to do rapid bioassessments.

Trinity River Authority – Grant starts 9/1 for cities within the VCLA and JPL watersheds – anyone that has temperamental subject facilities make sure to let them include. More information likely in November.

Dallas – Have finished about 1,000 inspections out of 1,500 for the year. Finished bug sites for bioassessments. Hiring environmental specialist positions.



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Cedar Hill – Has a paid internship posted. Hosting a community cleanup event and Earthfest on April 15.

Mesquite – Submitted permit for renewal with TCEQ and it got lost in the mail. They were fined and had to confirm submission of payment. They suspect a site inspection coming this year. Interested in a poll to cities of similar size on how many staff members on staff.

Northlake – No updates.

Hurst – No updates.

Dallas County – No updates.

8. **Schedule for the Next Meeting.** Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 9:30 am.

The group has requested to continue meeting in person.

9. **Adjournment.**

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