

## North Central Texas Council of Governments

# SUMMARY

### Water Resources Council

Wednesday, July 12, 2023

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

In-Person at NCTCOG

William Pitstick Conference Room, First Floor

Centerpoint Two Building

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas, 76011

**Chair:** Glenn Clingenpeel, Trinity River Authority

**Vice-Chair:** Stacy Walters, City of Fort Worth

**1. Welcome and Introductions.** This will include the introduction of new NCTCOG staff. NCTCOG introduced Alyssa Knox, Environment and Development Planner, to the group. She will be participating in activities related to the Water Resources Council.

### PRESENTATION

**2. TCEQ's Wastewater Regionalization Guidance and the Role of Existing Wastewater Treatment Plants.** Jose Alfonso Martinez, Municipal Permits Team, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. Mr. Martinez will provide an overview of the guidance and then discuss the roles of both TCEQ and existing wastewater treatment plants in the context of the guidance.

Jose Alfonso Martinez, of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, presented on the role of regionalization in the future of wastewater treatment. This is especially important given the rapid population growth in North Central Texas. Jose provided information regarding criteria and steps to regionalization and participated in a thorough Q & A from the council. His full presentation can be found in the [meeting presentation slides](#), beginning on slide 5.

### ACTION ITEMS

**3. Meeting Summary.** The [April 12, 2023 meeting summary](#) will be presented for approval. Grace Darling, Arlington Conservation Council, made a motion to approve. Danielle Tucker, DEVA Services, seconded. The summary was approved unanimously.

**4. FY2024 Water Resources Council Membership.** The FY2024 roster, recommended by the FY2024 Ad Hoc Nominations Subcommittee, will be presented to the WRC for approval. The WRC will also vote on the WRC Chair and Vice-Chair. Pending WRC approval, the FY2024 WRC roster will then be presented to NCTCOG's Executive Board for approval at its meeting on September 28, 2023. FY2024 membership terms begin on October 1, 2023.

Jeff Price, City of Mansfield, made a motion to approve the list of reappointed members and the nominees put forth to fill six vacant seats. Danielle Tucker, DEVA Services, provided a second. The new appointees are:

- Paul Hackleman, City of Watauga, Fort Worth Customer-At-Large position
- Eduardo Valerio, City of Dallas, Dallas Customer-At-Large position
- Tim Abbott, City of Plano, Utility Provider, Development Community, or Industry Representative Region-At-Large position

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- Bill Gase, City of Arlington, Utility Provider, Development Community, or Industry Representative Region-At-Large position
- Michael Kivlan, Texas Water Utilities, Utility Provider, Development Community, or Industry Representative Region-At-Large position
- Valerie Miller, Olsson, Utility Provider, Development Community, or Industry Representative Region-At-Large position

The council reviewed Chair and Vice-Chair nominations for FY 2024. Glenn Clingenpeel expressed a desire to step down as Chair. Stacy Walters, City of Fort Worth, was nominated as Chair. Rachel Ickert, Tarrant Regional Water District, was nominated as Vice-Chair. There were no other additional nominations from the floor. Both members accepted nominations. Kevin Mercer, UTRWD, made a motion to approve, and Grace Darling, Arlington Conservation Council, provided the second. The motion passed unanimously with one abstention by Rachel Ickert.

**5. Approval of the Draft 2023 Update to the North Central Texas Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP).** Comments received on the [Draft 2023 WQMP](#) during the public comment period will be summarized and the WRC will vote to locally adopt the Draft 2023 WQMP, pending any revisions needed based on public comments. If approved by the WRC, the Draft 2023 WQMP will be recommended for endorsement by NCTCOG's Executive Board at its meeting on August 24, 2023. NCTCOG staff provided an overview of the Draft 2023 WQMP for approval by the council. Once approved by the Executive Board, it will be available on NCTCOG's GIS website. NCTCOG staff highlighted the growth of specific cities within the region and the on-going mapping of On-Site Sewage Facilities (OSSFs). The public comment period yielded suggestions from one entity regarding minor edits, updated information on Bois d'Arc Lake, and adding further details to the legend and scale for the Sanitary Sewer Overflows map.

Grace Darling, Arlington Conservation Council, made a motion to approve. Stacy Walters, City of Fort Worth, provided the second. The council voted unanimously to approve the 2023 WQMP.

## **OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

### **6. NCTCOG provided update on 88<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session**

The following relevant bills were passed during the 88<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session:

- [HB 1845](#)- Relating to the licensing requirements for certain operators of wastewater systems and public water systems.
- [SB 28](#)- Relating to financial assistance provided and programs administered by the Texas Water Development Board.
- [SJR 75](#)- Proposing a constitutional amendment creating the Texas water fund to assist in financing water projects in this state. This will go to voters at an election to be held on November 7, 2023. No less than 25 percent is to be used for transfer to the New Water Supply for Texas Fund, which was created under SB28.
- [SB 1047](#)- Relating to funding and activities of the Texas Produced Water Consortium.

**7. NCTCOG Updates.** NCTCOG will update the WRC on recent and upcoming items of interest.

#### **a. Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable (WATER).**

- Next meeting – July 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. In-Person at NCTCOG. [Add to Calendar](#).

#### **b. Total Maximum Daily Load Meetings and Updates.**

- Now available! [2022 TMDL Annual Program Summary](#).

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- Joint TMDL Stormwater & Wastewater Subcommittees, August 1, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. Online. [Add to Calendar](#)
- TMDL Monitoring Coordination Forum Subcommittee, September 21, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. Online. [Add to Calendar](#)
- TMDL Program Contact: Hannah Allen, Environment and Development Planner III, [hallen@nctcog.org](mailto:hallen@nctcog.org).

**c. Upper Trinity River Basin Coordinating Committee Meeting.**

August 22, 2023, 9:30 a.m. In-person at NCTCOG. [Add to Calendar](#)

**d. Trinity River National Water Trail Task Force Meeting.** August 25, 2023, 1:00 p.m., In-person at NCTCOG. [Add to Calendar](#).

**e. Public Works Roundup.** Friday, September 29, 2023. Grapevine Convention Center. Registration opens in July.

**8. Future Agenda Items.** The committee can request future agenda items.

Council members requested that NCTCOG share the list of future agenda items so they can be aware of what was listed in past meetings. The following items will be discussed at upcoming meetings:

- PFAS – impact on biosolids, monitoring, identifying point sources
- Water/wastewater workforce and supply chain issues
- Green stormwater infrastructure successes/case studies
- How to prepare for impacts of climate change, i.e. floods, water, drought
- Update on drought situation in DFW
- Past topics NCTCOG attempted to cover: Wastewater regionalization, Update on state water planning, Legislative session

**9. Roundtable.** WRC members are invited to share what is happening in their communities.

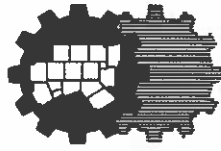
- [Cynthia Baughman, City of Garland](#): Garland has a new Managing Director, Mike Brinkmann. The city is trying to fill the Treatment Plant Director position. The recent job fair hosted by the city was successful.
- [Glenn Clingenpeel, TRA](#): Regional flood planning group has submitted the amended Region 3 plan to TWDB.
- [Haley Salazar, City of Denton](#): Denton has augmented its staff. The added staff are focusing on finding alternative water sources, such as DPR. Staff is also in the process of updating plans.
- [Rachel Ickert, TRWD](#): Encouraged the council to visit [waterisawesome.com](http://waterisawesome.com) and continue the work of conserving water in these hot summer months.
- [Stacy Walters, City of Fort Worth](#): The city has been conducting PFAS testing in its collection systems. Stacy has also recently come across a presentation showing car washes as a source of PFAS. So, Fort Worth is planning to examine the contribution of car washes to PFAS as well.
- [Sally Wright, City of Dallas](#): The city reports having job fairs with great success.
- [Nicole Stephens, Stantec](#): Stantec is looking at the social and environmental costs of PFAS and looking to build further understanding of the issue.
- [Karen Stafford-Brown, STV](#)- Swaroop Puchalapalli was introduced to the group. He is familiar with established PFAS regulations. He is open to providing presentations in the future.
- The Council expressed gratitude to Glenn Clingenpeel for his service as Chair.

**10. Next Meeting.** The next WRC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 11, 2023, and will be held online. [Add to Calendar](#)

**11. Adjournment.**

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Elena Berg by phone at (817) 608-2363 or by email at [eberg@nctcog.org](mailto:eberg@nctcog.org).




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**SIGN-IN SHEET**

NAME		ORGANIZATION
Mike Adams		City of Midlothian
Cynthia Baughman	<i>Cynthia Baughman</i>	City of Garland
Tiffany Bruce		Town of Flower Mound
Dan Buhman		TRWD
Glenn Clingenpeel		TRA
Grace Darling	<i>Grace Darling</i>	Arlington Conservation Council
Greg Dickens		City of Hurst
Stephen Gay		City of Denton
Billy George	<i>Billy George</i>	NTMWD
Joshua Howard	<i>Joshua Howard</i>	Johnson County Special Utility District
Rachel Ickert	<i>Rachel Ickert</i>	TRWD
Sabaa Ismail, P.E.		Walter P Moore
Matthew Jalbert, P.E.		Trinity River Authority
Tim James, P.E.		Half Associates
Gabe Johnson		City of Grand Prairie
Wilson Kakembo	<i>Wilson Kakembo</i>	Town of Addison
Terry Lowery		City of Dallas
Kevin Mercer	<i>Kevin Mercer</i>	Denton County FWSD 6 & 7
Michael Nieswiadomy		University of North Texas
Larry Patterson		UTRWD
Zachary Peoples		City of Dallas
Steve Pettit	<i>Steve Pettit</i>	City of Irving
Jerry Pressley		City of Fort Worth
Jeff Price	<i>Jeff Price</i>	City of Mansfield
Eric Robison		City of Richardson
Kelly Rouse	<i>Kelly Rouse</i>	City of Lewisville

NAME		ORGANIZATION
Craig Schkade		Hillwood Properties
Meghna Tare		UT - Arlington
Danielle Tucker		DEVA Service's
Caroline Waggoner		City of North Richland Hills
Stacy Walters		City of Fort Worth
Sally Wright		City of Dallas

