



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable

Thursday, January 18, 2024

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Regional Forum Room, NCTCOG Offices

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76011

Or Virtually via [Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

Chair: Duy Vu, City of Cedar Hill

Vice Chair: Jacie Lewis, City of Irving

1. **Welcome and Introductions.**
2. **Meeting Summary.** The [October 19, 2023 meeting summary](#) is available online for your review.

The October 19, 2023 meeting summary was approved.

3. **FY2025 Cost-Shares and Work Program Discussion.** NCTCOG will present the recommendations from the WATER Cost-Share Task Force for changes to the cost-shares and Work Program. NCTCOG will seek feedback and approval on these recommendations for the FY2025 Work Program. NCTCOG will also briefly provide an update on the status of the FY2024 Work Program.

NCTCOG shared the recommendation of the WATER Cost-Share Task Force for changes to the WATER Work Program and associated cost-shares. NCTCOG will be seeking further feedback from FY2024 WATER Work Program members via email and incorporate any changes into the FY2025 Work Program.

4. **Annual Holiday Grease Roundup Update.** NCTCOG will provide an update on the recently ended Holiday Grease Roundup, including information on preliminary amounts collected, feedback for next year, and more.

NCTCOG provided a brief overview of the Holiday Grease Roundup, including that there were 40 participating entities and over 60 drop off locations! NCTCOG is also requesting responses to the [Post-Event Participant Survey](#) by February 10, 2024.

5. **Promotional Activities Update.** NCTCOG will provide an update on promotional activities and provide analytics from the Defend Your Drains website and social media activities. Additionally, NCTCOG will request feedback on future promotional activities from members during the meeting.

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NCTCOG shared highlights from the social media activities and website traffic for the Defend Your Drains North Texas campaign, including over 8000 impressions and a growth of 15 followers in the last quarter.

6. **General Updates.** NCTCOG will provide general updates on relevant programs and events.

NCTCOG shared information on the Transportation Department's efforts related to the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) through the EPA. This effort will include collaboration with NCTCOG's local governments and the public to develop a Priority Climate Action Plan and Comprehensive Climate Action Plan. These plans will include projects that will be available for funding through the CPRG Implementation Grants Program and NCTCOG's Transportation Department.

7. **Roundtable.** The group will share what is happening in their communities.

The City of Lewisville collected 150 gallons of grease and used the signage created by NCTCOG in their Holiday Grease Roundup activities.

The City of Cedar Hill shared that they are hiring an environmental intern and that they are having an Earth Day event in conjunction with their new library opening on April 13th.

The City of Plano shared that they are participating in "Fix a Leak Week" including hosting a plumbing workshop in March and seeking volunteers for their sprinkler maintenance workshop.

The City of North Richland Hills collected over 220 gallons of grease this year during the Holiday Grease Roundup and shared how they serve multi-family units as part of this initiative.

The City of Mansfield collected 314 gallons of grease during the Holiday Grease Roundup.

8. **Schedule for the Next WATER Meeting.** The next WATER meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 18, 2024 at 10:00 AM. The location for this meeting is to be determined.

This meeting will be held in a hybrid format.

9. **Adjournment.**

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Hannah Allen at (817) 695-9215 or hallen@nctcog.org.

If you plan to attend this public meeting and you have a disability or language need that requires special arrangements, please contact Lili Sheppard at (817) 695-9210 or lsheppard@nctcog.org at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to assist your needs.