



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable

Thursday, October 19, 2023

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 [July 20, 2023 meeting summary](#) is available online for your review.

The July 20, 2023 meeting summary was approved.

3. **Annual Holiday Grease Roundup Update.** NCTCOG will provide an update on the upcoming Holiday Grease Roundup, including information on the recent Grease and Cooking Oil BMP Webinar, participant information, and next steps for marketing materials.

NCTCOG shared a brief update on the 2023 Holiday Grease Roundup. At this time, 33 participants have been confirmed for the Roundup, which kicks off on November 13, 2023. Marketing materials are available on the [WATER committee webpage](#), and individual participant flyers and updates to the [Defend Your Drains North Texas website](#) are underway.

4. **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.

NCTCOG provided a brief overview on the Defend Your Drains North Texas promotional activities, including popular posts and website traffic. Due to staff changes, there has been a delay in the translation of educational explainer videos into Spanish.

5. **FY2024 Work Program Update.** NCTCOG will provide a brief update on the status of the FY2024 Work Program, including preliminary budget and commitments received. NCTCOG will also present the draft FY2023 WATER Work Program Summary for review and request volunteers to participate on the Cost-Shares Task Force for FY2025.

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NCTCOG shared highlights from the FY2023 WATER Work Program Summary, including social media presence, Google Advertising results, and explainer video views. Thank you to all FY2023 participants!!

NCTCOG shared an update on the FY2024 Work Program and requested volunteers to discuss changes to the WATER cost-shares and Work Program for FY2025. The results of this task force will be shared at a future WATER meeting for review and approval.

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

The Field Technician Training has been postponed and will likely be held in Spring 2024.

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.

No roundtable items were discussed.

8. **Schedule for the Next WATER Meeting.** The next WATER meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 18, 2023 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.



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GUESTS:

| NAME | REPRESENTS |
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| Quang Nguyen | City of Lancaster |
| Keith White | City of Plano |
| Paul Martinez | City of Plano |
| Peter Watkins | City of Waxahachie |
| Cheryl Griffin | City of Haltom City |
| Jacie Lewis | City of Irving |
| Jillian Conter | City of Waxahachie |
| Andrea Chick | City of Plano - virtual |
| Kimberly Paris | City of Arlington - virtual |
| Grace Darling | Arlington Conservation Council - virtual |
| Danea Newman | City of Richardson |
| Cecilia Chavez | City of Arlington - virtual |
| Natalie Taylor | Trinity River Authority - virtual |
| Vanessa Joseph | Trinity River Authority - virtual |
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