



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable

Thursday, February 2, 2023

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Metroplex Conference Room, NCTCOG Offices

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76011

Chair: Duy Vu, City of Cedar Hill

Vice Chair: Ignacio Beltran, City of Irving

1. **Welcome and Introductions.**

NCTCOG thanked members for their flexibility to meet virtually due to the ice storm.

2. **Meeting Summary.** The [October 20, 2022 meeting summary](#) is available online for your review.

The [October 20, 2022 meeting summary](#) was approved.

3. **Organic Waste Gap Analysis Study.** Risa Weinberger, Risa Weinberger & Associates, Inc. will present on the Resource Conservation Council's Organic Waste Gap Analysis Study. This Technical Study seeks to identify opportunities for organics management in North Central Texas by expanding on the results of [Organic Waste to Fuel Feasibility Study](#) completed by NCTCOG in October 2022. Risa will be describing the study's goals and seeking feedback from the group on the current state of wastewater organics management in the region.

Risa Weinberger, Risa Weinberger & Associates, Inc., provided details on the Organic Waste Gap Analysis Study, including goals, anticipated stakeholder input, information requests, and more. Additional information is available on the [project website](#).

4. **Preliminary Annual Holiday Grease Roundup Results.** NCTCOG will provide the preliminary results of the 2022 Holiday Grease Roundup and plans for the 2023 event.

NCTCOG provided the preliminary results of the 2022 Holiday Grease Roundup, which ended with 45 participants and 71 drop off sites/events. Over 7,561 gallons of grease were collected during the Roundup. The 2023 Holiday Grease Roundup is the 10th Annual Roundup and is scheduled for November 13, 2023 through January 12, 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.

NCTCOG provided a brief overview of advertising spending on Google, including issues with advertiser verification and anticipated next steps. NCTCOG also provided an overview of popular

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 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.

social media posts, website traffic, and the anticipated social media schedule for the upcoming calendar year. NCTCOG also provided an update on the educational explainer video translations into Spanish.

6. **Regional Training Update.** NCTCOG will provide a brief update on the Field Technician Training, tentatively scheduled for Spring 2023.

The Field Technician Training is scheduled for April 2023 at the Riving Training Center. This training will have presentations from the City of Grand Prairie and City of Irving. The training will be free, but limited by the room size, and WATER cost-sharing members for FY2023 will have priority registration.

7. **FY2023 Work Program Update.** NCTCOG will provide a brief update on the FY2023 Work Program, including preliminary budget and commitments received. NCTCOG will also discuss the upcoming Cost-Shares Survey.

NCTCOG is still accepting commitments for the FY2023 WATER Work Program via email at hallen@nctcog.org. In Spring 2023, WATER cost-sharing members will receive a survey that covers membership benefits, access to deliverables, and more.

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

Ignacio Beltran, City of Irving, is stepping down from the WATER Vice-Chair position. Nominations to fill this role will be sought over the coming months and the position will be voted on at the next WATER meeting.

The City of Abilene released a [video covering proper waste management](#), which includes the proper disposal of fats, oils, and grease, to the tune of No Diggity.

The North Central Texas Watershed Stakeholder Meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2023 at 9:30 AM at NCTCOG Offices.

The TMDL Stormwater and Wastewater Technical Subcommittees will meet jointly on March 21, 2023 at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.

CLIDE awards are now open! Apply before March 1, 2023 online at www.developmentexcellence.com.

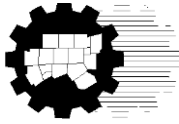
9. **Roundtable.** The group will share what is happening in their communities.

The City of Cedar Hill is hosting an Earth Event on April 15, 2023 and conducting a city-wide cleanup event on April 22, 2023.

10. **Schedule for the Next WATER Meeting.** The next WATER meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 25, 2023 at 10:00 AM. The location for this meeting is to be determined.

This meeting will be held in person, at NCTCOG Offices.

11. **Adjournment.**

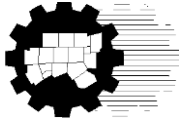


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MEMBERS:

NAME	ATTENDED	REPRESENTS
Joe Gildersleeve		City of Arlington
Traci Peterson	X	City of Arlington
Elijah Dorminy		City of Bedford
Wesley Layfield	X	City of Bedford
Duy Vu	X	City of Cedar Hill
Amber Beard		City of Colleyville
Jon Escamilla		City of Colleyville
Jordan Wilson		City of Denton
Matt Bryant		City of Duncanville
David Dunn		City of Duncanville
Cindy Mendez		City of Grand Prairie
Eric Straw	X	City of Grand Prairie
Gregory Van Nieuwenhuize		City of Haltom City
Oleksandra Bikman		City of Haltom City
Scott Kriston		City of Highland Village
Ignacio Beltran		City of Irving
Eddie King		City of Irving
Jacie Lewis	X	City of Irving
Justin Maness	X	City of Lewisville
Kimberly Morris	X	City of Lewisville
Jae-Do Tae	X	City of Lewisville
Howard Redfearn		City of Mansfield
Becca Sales	X	City of Mansfield
Mandra Caplinger		City of McKinney
Annie Mattia		City of McKinney
Tuan Ngo		City of North Richland Hills
Bobbi Bryan		North Texas Municipal Water District
Helen Dulac		North Texas Municipal Water District
Brooke Noack		North Texas Municipal Water District
Roman Mullen		City of Plano
Echo Rexroad		City of Plano
Jeff Smith		City of Plano
Teri McBride		City of Richardson
Gayle Copening		City of Richardson
Janice Tower		City of Richardson
Brice Nieto		Trinity River Authority
Mayra Cordova-Garcia		Trinity River Authority

Tommy Weir		City of Wylie
Albert Garza		City of Wylie



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GUESTS:

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Madisson Dunn	City of Southlake
Hughes Cowart	NCTCOG
Cecilia Chavez	City of Arlington
Kyle Sugg	City of Red Oak
Keith White	City of Plano
Risa Weinberger	Risa Weinberger & Associates, Inc.
Raul Martinez	City of Plano
Walter Dobson	American BioSource
Alyssa Knox	NCTCOG
Breanne Johnson	NCTCOG
Brice Tidwell	Trinity River Authority
Cassidy Campbell	NCTCOG
Kathy Fonville	City of Mesquite
Kimberly Paris	City of Arlington
Dawn White	American BioSource