## **303(d) VISION**

#### A New Approach to Address Impaired Water Bodies

Communities Working Together
Taking Care of Our Rivers, Lakes, and Bays
Total Maximum Daily Load Program





### **303(d) VISION**

 A strategy to improve on the TMDL approach to addressing impairments.

 TMDLs are still important and required, but the new Vision also gives credit for trying alternative restoration efforts first; if standards are then met, a TMDL is not needed.





# NEW PERFORMANCE MEASURE WQ27

- Based on the 303(d) Vision
- Developed by the States and EPA in 2013 14
- Replaces the current, <u>number of TMDLs per</u> <u>year</u>, measure
- A 7 year effort (2016-2022)
- The goal is approved plans for impairments





### Why 303(d) VISION?

 The historical performance measure for states was, "number of TMDLs developed" on an annual basis.

- New performance measure is "area of plans developed" on an annual basis.
  - New performance measure includes TMDLs, TMDL
     Implementation Plans and WPPs.



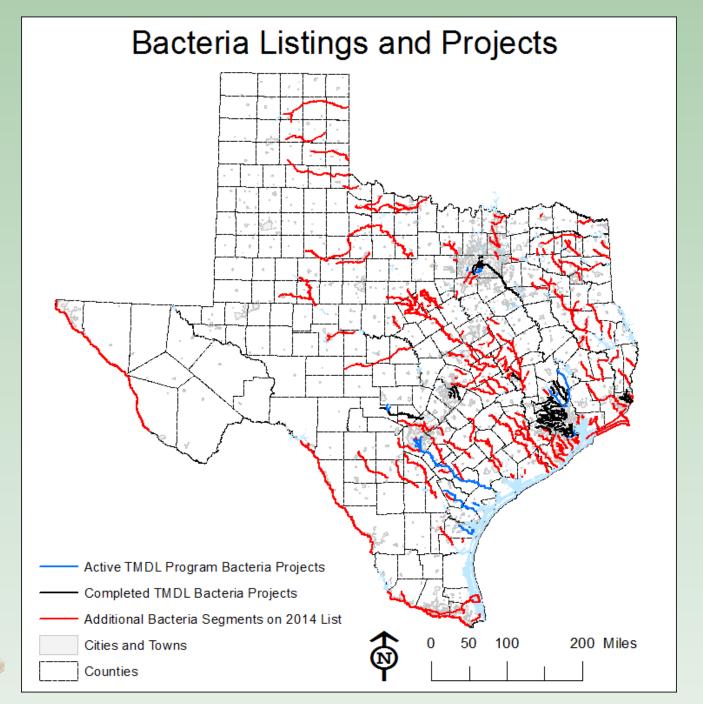


#### PERFORMANCE MEASURE

- 4 Elements
  - Priority waters Contact Recreation Use Impairments
  - Universe <u>Total area of Priority Waters</u>
  - Baseline Percentage of Universe with approved plan
  - Targets Priority Waters with scheduled/ongoing plan
- Performance Measure starts 2016
- Goals will be set for 2016 2022











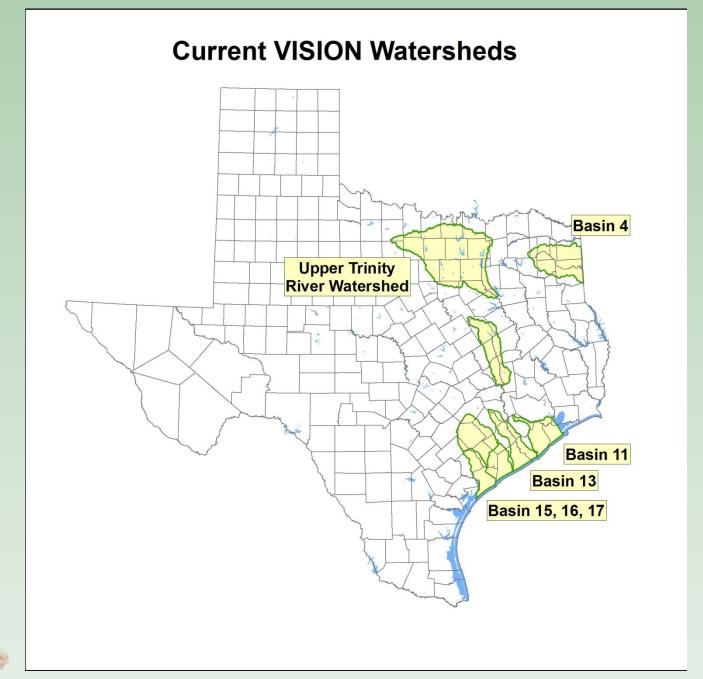
### Implementation of 303(d) VISION

303(d) <u>VISION projects initiated in select</u>
 <u>basins in Texas to coordinate existing efforts.</u>

 All projects in state addressing bacteria impairments are counted in the performance measure.

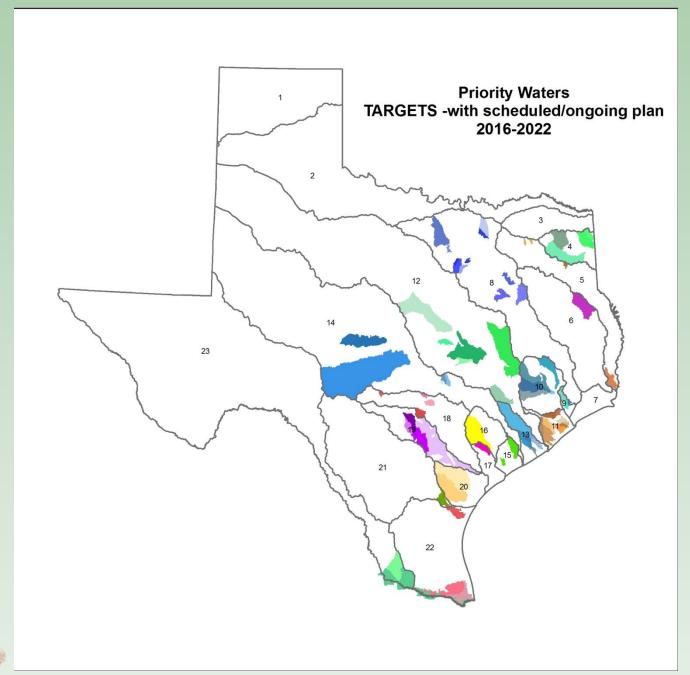
















#### **PLANS**

- TMDL and Implementation Plan
  - TCEQ-adopted and EPA-approved TMDL
  - TCEQ-approved Implementation Plan
- Alternative Plans
  - Watershed Plans
  - 319 (h) Grants
  - EPA Approved
- Both
- Other





#### **GENERAL APPROACH**

- 7 years to complete the plans
- Initial Efforts
  - Outreach to raise awareness in the watershed
  - Determine the need for Standard review and/or additional sampling
  - Complete the sampling



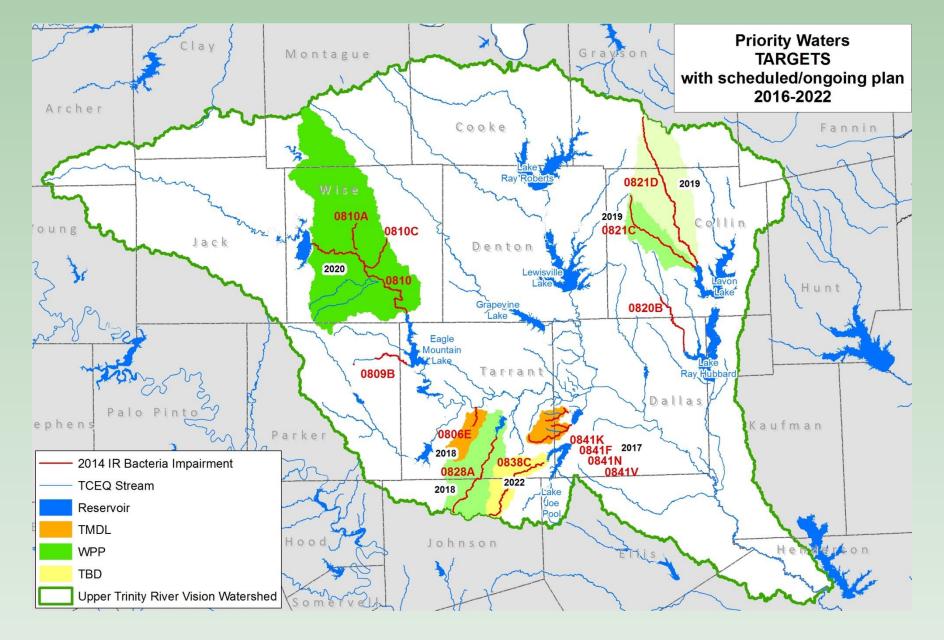


#### **GENERAL APPROACH**

- Completion
  - Organize stakeholders into a balanced representation Coordination Committee
  - Get stakeholder consensus on what approach will be used to develop plans
  - Coordination Committee directs
     stakeholder development of plans











#### The Basin-Wide Approach New 303(D) Vision

Addressing Bacterial Impairments in Upper Trinity River Watersheds



#### **Upper Trinity River Basin Score Card**

Listed Stream Segments Bacteria Impaired Subbasins		Organization	Square Miles	Approach	Projected Completion Year	Percent Area
0841F_01	Cottonwood Creek	North Central Texas Council of Governments	12	Greater Trinity TMDL/I-Plan	2016	
0841K_01	Fish Creek	North Central Texas Council of Governments	26	Greater Trinity TMDL/I-Plan		
0841N_01	Kirby Creek	North Central Texas Council of Governments	33	Greater Trinity TMDL/I-Plan		
0841V_01	Crockett Branch	North Central Texas Council of Governments	1	Greater Trinity TMDL/I-Plan		
		Subtotal	72			6%
0810_01	West Fork Trinity River Below Bridgeport Reservoir	Tarrant Regional Water District	310	WPP	2017	
0810A_01	Big Sandy Creek	Tarrant Regional Water District	228	WPP		
0810C_01	Martin Branch	Tarrant Regional Water District	21	WPP		
0809B_01	Ash Creek	Tarrant Regional Water District	27	WPP		
0806E_01	Sycamore Creek	City of Fort Worth / TCEQ	37	TMDL\I-Plan		
		Subtotal	623			48%
0828A_01	Village Creek	Trinity River Authority	121	Village Creek WPP	2018	
0838C_01	Walnut Creek	Trinity River Authority	67		2010	
		Subtotal	188			14%
0820B_01	Rowlett Creek	North Texas Municipal Water District / City of Dallas	137		2020	
		Subtotal	137			10%
	Wilson Creek	North Texas Municipal Water District	76	WPP	2021	
0821D_01	East Fork Trinity River above Lake Lavon	North Texas Municipal Water District	209	WPP		
		Subtotal	285 1305			22%
Totals						100%





# QUESTIONS?

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