



## North Central Texas Council of Governments

# SUMMARY

### Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable

Thursday, October 17, 2024

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Plano Environmental Education Center

4116 W. Plano Parkway, Plano, TX 75093

#### RSVP TO MEETING

Chair: Andrea Chick, City of Plano

Vice Chair: Kimberly Morris, City of Lewisville

- 1. Welcome and Introductions.**
- 2. Meeting Summary.** The [July 18, 2024 meeting summary](#) is available online for your review.  
  
[The July 18, 2024 meeting summary was approved](#)
- 3. Member Highlight Presentation.** Keith White, City of Plano, will present information on Plano's innovative and award-winning Grease Trap Risk Assessment Program.  
  
[Keith White, City of Plano, shared a presentation on Plano's Grease Trap Risk Assessment Program. The program includes a Grease Trap Risk Calculator and Tier Selection chart and received recognition from the National Association of City and County Health Officials \(NACCHO\).](#)
- 4. FY2025 Work Program Update.** NCTCOG will present a brief update on the FY2025 Work Program, invoicing process, and anticipated tasks.  
  
[NCTCOG gave an update and background on the FY2025 WATER Work Program. NCTCOG will start to distribute invoices via mail in addition to traditional avenues. For a digital invoice or additional information on the Work Program, please contact Hannah Ordonez at \[hordonez@nctcog.org\]\(mailto:hordonez@nctcog.org\).](#)
- 5. Holiday Grease Roundup Update.** NCTCOG will provide an update on the 2024 Holiday Grease Roundup.  
  
[NCTCOG gave an update regarding the 2024 Holiday Grease Roundup, which is scheduled for November 18, 2024 through January 10, 2025. 43 participants have committed to participate so far and the marketing materials are available on the \[WATER Committee webpage\]\(#\). The preliminary deadline for participation is October 25, 2024.](#)
- 6. Next Meeting Discussion.** NCTCOG will request feedback on the next meeting, including location for the lunch and learn meeting, topic to be covered, and more.

[NCTCOG and attendees discussed preliminary feedback on the inaugural lunch and learn set up, including feedback for future locations and presentation format.](#)

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

NCTCOG shared an article from the City of Boise, Idaho related to one of their staff wearing a “Fatberg” for a Halloween costume.

NCTCOG and attendees discussed the potential need to update the Grease Interceptor Brochure that was originally created in 2015. At this time, there is not a need for this to be updated.

NCTCOG requested preliminary feedback from attendees on how social media and web traffic analytics are presented during meetings and overall expectations on the Defend Your Drains North Texas social media outreach.

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

The City of Plano is hosting an “Imagine a Day without Water” event, as well as a Turkey Fry demo that is slated to occur in mid-November at their Fire Training Center). Plano will also be hosting a FOG disposal demonstration with Plano Fire Department.

The City of Denton is working to update their FOG related ordinances and is also putting together a Water and Wastewater Manual that will help determine appropriate grease trap sizing.

The City of Lewisville is in the preliminary phases of developing a FOG Program. They are expecting to hire their first FOG inspector and officially begin the program in October 2025.

The City of Arlington is working to update their FOG ordinances.

The City of Cleburne has been experiencing issues with home builders and erosion control, impacting their ability to focus on FOG and other wastewater issues.

9. **Schedule for the Next WATER Meeting.** The next WATER meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 23, 2025 at NCTCOG Offices.

10. **Adjournment.**

Following the meeting, attendees are invited to participate in a “brown bag” networking lunch and learn, in which NCTCOG will pose questions to the group on successes and challenges they experience related to FOG collection, education efforts, and more, as we prepare for the upcoming Holiday Grease Roundup. A refrigerator and microwave will be available at the meeting location.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Hannah Ordonez at (817) 695-9215 or [hordonez@nctcog.org](mailto:hordonez@nctcog.org).

If you plan to attend this public meeting and you have a disability or language need that requires special arrangements, please contact Ashley Barnett at (817) 608-2363 or [ABarnett@nctcog.org](mailto:ABarnett@nctcog.org) at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to assist your needs.

