



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Upper Trinity River Basin Coordinating Committee

9:30 AM, Tuesday, February 28, 2023

Virtual Meeting, via Microsoft Teams

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1. Welcome and Introductions

2. **Upper Trinity River Basin Coordinating Committee Overview.** NCTCOG will provide a brief background on the purpose of the UTRB-CC.

3. **Special Presentation: Accuracy of Texas Citizen Science Waster Quality Monitoring Data (Texas Stream Team).** Kelly Albus, PhD, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, will present her study on the relative accuracy of Texas Stream Team citizen science water quality monitoring data compared to professional data across multiple scales, over 30 years of continuous statewide sampling, along with some emerging research for a new volunteer sampling opportunity.

Kelly Albus provided a presentation on Texas Stream Team Citizen Science water quality monitoring data. She also presented information on the ACCESS Water Program for teachers, sampling for optical brighteners through “tamplng” and more. Her presentation is available online for review.

4. **Special Presentation: CIVIC Innovation: Community Involvement with Green Stormwater Infrastructure/Blue-Green Infrastructure Management in North Texas.** Fouad Jaber, PhD, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, will present a brief description of an emerging research project involvement AgriLife Extension, University of North Texas, and the City of Denton with multiple community partnerships through the NSF CIVIC Innovation Program. Focused on community and institutional barriers to wider adoption of GSI/BGI, this partnership is developing a tool to integrate community feedback into green asset management.

Fouad Jaber provided a presentation on the current efforts underway to enhance stormwater management through Green Asset Management and other Blue-Green Infrastructure. His presentation is available online for review.

5. **Project Updates.** Member discussion of ongoing and planned activities.

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 - [The “Don’t Feed the Birds” and “No Muss, No Fuss – Be Wise When You Flush” educational explainer videos are available online.](#)
 - [The “Doo the Right Thing” \(pet waste\) educational explainer video and On-Site Sewage Facility \(OSSF/septic system\) postcard will be presented at](#)

- the Joint TMDL Stormwater & Wastewater Technical Subcommittee meeting for review.
 - The Do the Right Thing Social Media Contest will kick off on May 1, 2023.
 - The 10th Annual Holiday Grease Roundup is scheduled for November 13, 2023 – January 12, 2024.
 - The North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge kicks off March 1, 2023. Learn more at www.communitycleanupchallenge.com.
 - Upcoming TMDL Meetings:
 - TMDL Monitoring Coordination Forum TMDL Monitoring Coordination Forum Technical Subcommittee: March 9, 2023 at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.
 - Joint TMDL Stormwater & Wastewater Technical Subcommittee: March 21, 2023 at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.
 - Other Upcoming Meetings:
 - North Central Texas Watershed Stakeholders Meeting: March 16, 2023 at 9:30 AM at NCTCOG Offices.
 - Water Resources Council: April 12, 2023 at 10:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.
 - Stormwater Public Education Task Force: April 19, 2023 at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.
 - Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable: April 25, 2023 at 10:00 AM at NCTCOG Offices.
 - Regional Stormwater Management Coordinating Council: May 10, 2023 at 9:30 AM, location TBD.
- City of Arlington
 - The City of Arlington did not have any updates.
- City of Dallas
 - The City of Dallas is working to calculate the changes to impervious surfaces in the city and how that impacts short term stormwater management.
- City of Fort Worth
 - The City of Fort Worth currently has seven active Texas Stream Team sites and is working on their litter initiative, including the implementation of the Water Wheel.
- City of Grand Prairie
 - The City of Grand Prairie did not have any updates.
- City of Irving
 - The City of Irving did not have any updates.
- City of Plano
 - The City of Plano did not have any updates.
- North Texas Municipal Water District
 - The North Texas Municipal Water District did not have any updates.
- Tarrant Regional Water District
 - The Tarrant Regional Water District submitted the Richland-Chambers Watershed Protection Plan for review and is seeking to implement the feedback received from state partners and other stakeholders in the near future.
- Texas A&M AgriLife



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- Texas A&M AgriLife is currently working through the final report of the Rowlett Creek Watershed Characterization. When this phase is complete, the Watershed Protection Plan process will begin and is expected to be completed in August 2024.
- Trinity River Authority
 - The Trinity River Authority did not have any updates.
- Upper Trinity Regional Water District
 - The Upper Trinity Regional Water District did not have any updates.

6. Roundtable. Discussion of watershed-level challenges.

Attendees suggested that the Texas Department of Transportation present their stormwater approach at the next meeting.

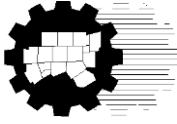
7. Schedule for the next meeting. The next UTRB-CC meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 22, 2023 at 9:30 AM. The location for this meeting is to be determined.

Attendees requested this meeting be held in person. This meeting will be held in the Metroplex Conference Room, NCTCOG Offices, CenterPoint II, 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76001.

8. Adjournment

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

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Jennifer Rovezzi	City of Dallas
Kelly Albus, PhD	Texas A&M AgriLife
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