Regional Stormwater Management Coordinating Council

May 21, 2025





Welcome and Housekeeping

- Please sign the Microsoft Forms link in the chat for our virtual sign-in sheet.
- Please keep your microphone on mute when not speaking.
- Today's presentation is posted on the RSWMCC committee page at: <u>www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/regional-stormwater-</u> <u>management-coordinating-counci</u>



Virtual Meeting Attendance

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Action Items





Meeting Summary

- Meeting Summary
 - February 26, 2025, <u>draft meeting summary</u>
 - Vote on summary



Discussion / Presentation Items





Trinity River National Water Trail Master Plan

SEPTEMBER 2024



Regional Stormwater Management Coordinating Council May 21, 2025 Erin Blackman, E&D Planner, NCTCOG eblackman@nctcog.org



Background

2018: Trinity Coalition (TC) met with NCTCOG, 9 cities, 1 county **2020:** TC received National Water Trail designation for 130-mile section of Upper Trinity River

2023-2024: NCTCOG developed a small-scale Master Plan

2018-2020: TC received letters of support and applied to National Park Service for National Recreation Trail status

2021-2024:

Partners formed Trinity River National Water Trail Task Force and NCTCOG hosted meetings



Master Plan Purpose

- Identify long-range actions that advance:
 - Tourism
 - Recreation
 - Economic development
- Provide resources to help maintain
 National Water Trail status and for
 enhancement opportunities



Master Plan Layout

- Vision and Mission
- Goals
 - Outcomes
 - Strategies
 - Recommendations
 - Action Items
 - Case Study



Photo Credit: Trinity Coalition

VISION

The Trinity River National Water Trail seeks to elevate the value of the Trinity River through community access to the river.

MISSION

This will be achieved by ensuring access is safe and equitable, protecting natural resources, promoting economic and cultural assets, and integrating land trail connections and trail expansion. This Trinity River National Water Trail Master Plan will identify long-range actions to advance these ideas, and to help communities develop the Water Trail and identify resources.

GOALS



Develop new entry sites and expand the footprint of the existing water ttrail.



PROMOTION

Promote the use of the Water Trail and educate all users.



Make the Water Trail more accessible to all.



MAINTENANCE

Maintain condition and safety of the Water Trail's existing and future launch sites.



Promote stewardship along the Trinity River.



Connect the Water Trail to existing land trails.



Promote the economic benefits of the Water Trail.



Highlight the cultural and historical context of the Water Trail.



Develop new entry sites and expand the footprint of the existing Water Trail.

- Identify priority gaps along the Water Trail
- Identify common projects to leverage joint investments and development opportunities



Future launch site location at Trinity View Park, Irving



Promote the use of the Water Trail and educate all users.

- Establish regularly-scheduled trail focus meetings for additional stakeholder input
- Increase sharing of information to improve communication with stakeholders



Photo Credit: Trinity Coalition



Make the Water Trail more accessible to all.

- Identify ADA accessible launch sites
- Ensure best practice design standards meet accessibility standards
- Involve advocacy group in the planning and design process
- Conduct outreach and educational programs

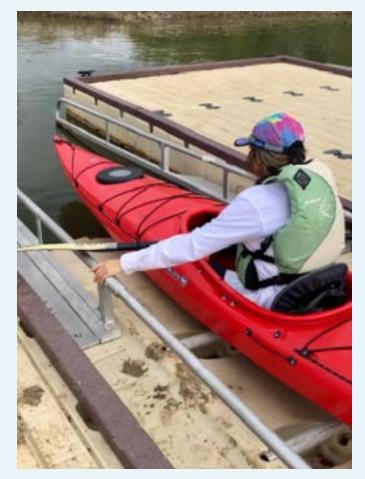


Photo Credit: Trinity Coalition



Maintain condition and safety of the Water Trail's existing and future launch sites.

- Identify and document BMPs for launch site construction and maintenance
- Enhance tools to electronically collect and report trail conditions
- Maintain cohesive signage and clearly mark hazard areas



Signage installed at the Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area launch site



Promote stewardship along the Trinity River.

- Distribute information that educates
 visitors about the ecosystem, conservation
 practices, and proper trail use
- Mobilize volunteers and community groups to participate in regular river cleanups
- Partner with nonprofits and neighboring communities to regularly test water samples

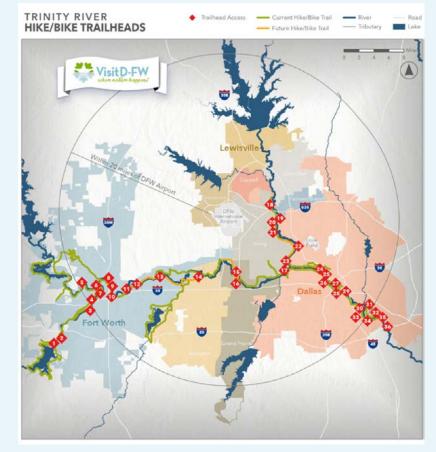


Texas Stream Team volunteers in Fort Worth testing water quality



Connect the Water Trail to existing land trails.

- Create a recreational map that also includes land trails, bike paths, and points of interest
- Create guidelines for signage that show the relation to other trails



Hike and bike trails along the Water Trail



Promote the economic benefits of the Water Trail.

- Complete studies on the economic impact and value
- Collaborate with tourism bureaus to promote ecotourism and recreational activities
- Promote local businesses and services that cater to recreational activities



Kayak rentals at Panther Island



Highlight the cultural and historical context of the Water Trail.

- Host community events, workshops, and storytelling sessions
- Work with organizations/populations to capture the cultural and historical context



Photo Credit: Teresa Patterson, Trinity Coalition

Resources

• NCTCOG:

https://www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/ trinity-river-national-water-trail-task-force

• Trinity Coalition:

https://trinitycoalition.org

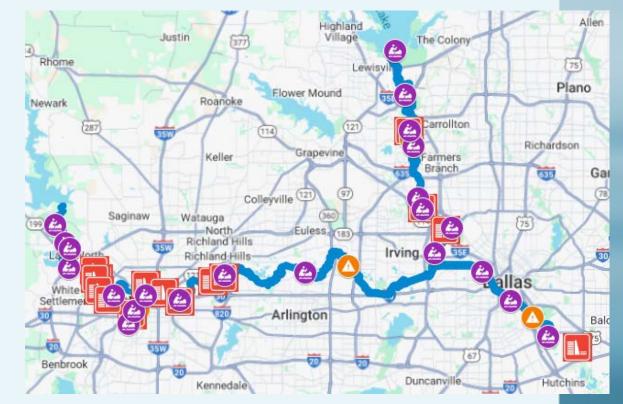
• Visit D-FW:

https://www.visitd-fw.com

River Management Society:

https://www.river-

management.org/prepare-to-launch





Planning to Reduce Future Flood Risk

RSWMCC Meeting | May 21, 2025



Funded by the Texas General Land Office, Community Development Block Grant, Disaster Recovery Program.



Also Funded by the Texas Water Development Board and Texas Department of Transportation.

Project Background

www.nctcog.org/tsi



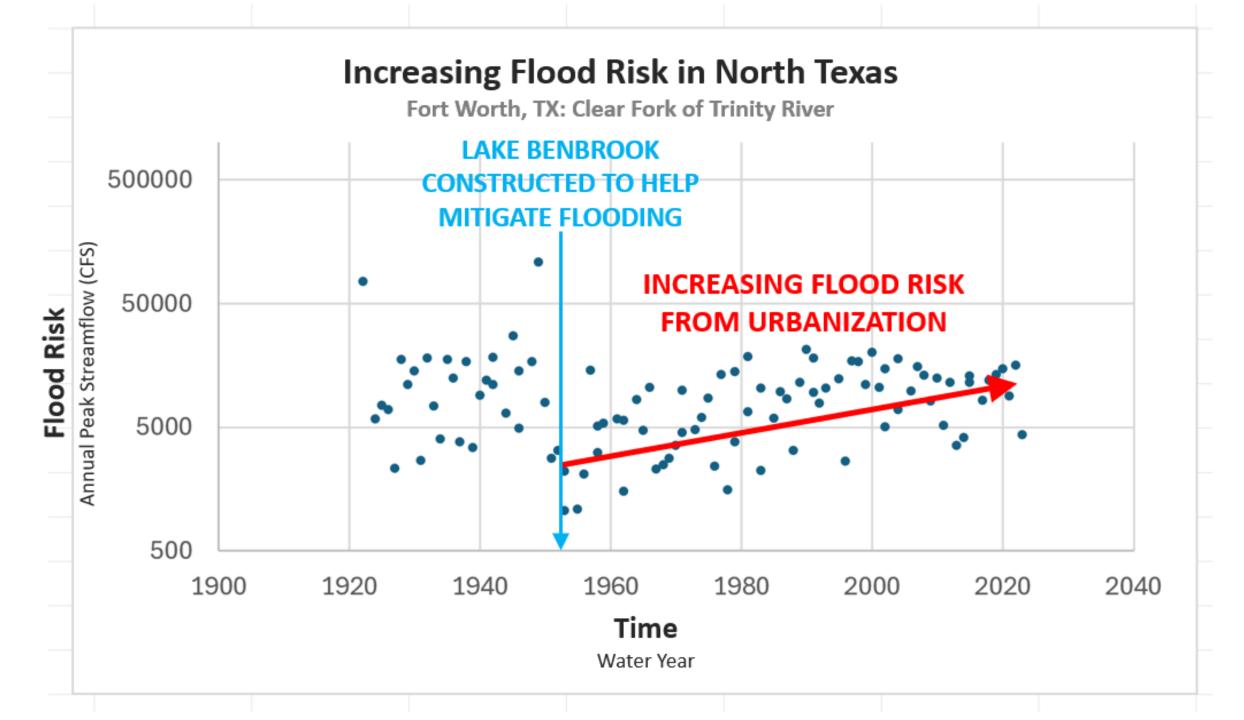
Historic flooding led to improvements in flood control infrastructure. But a need remains.

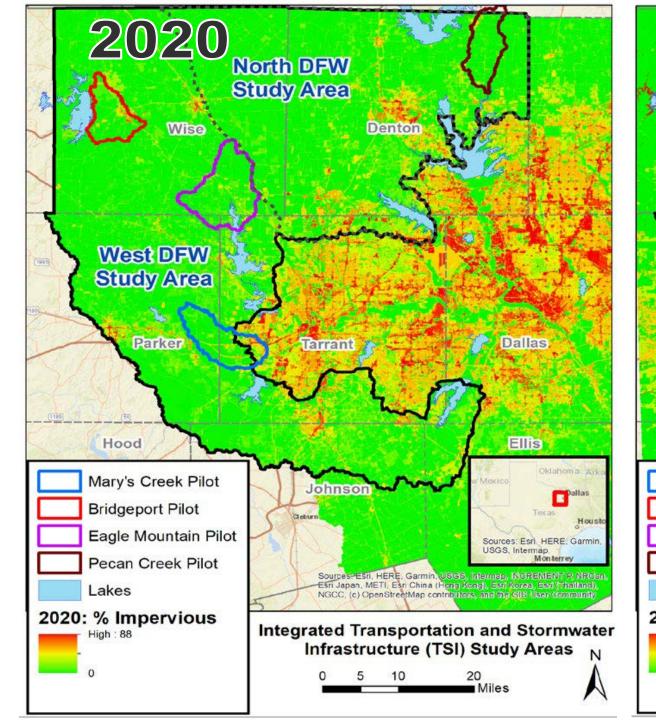
Fort Worth, May 1949

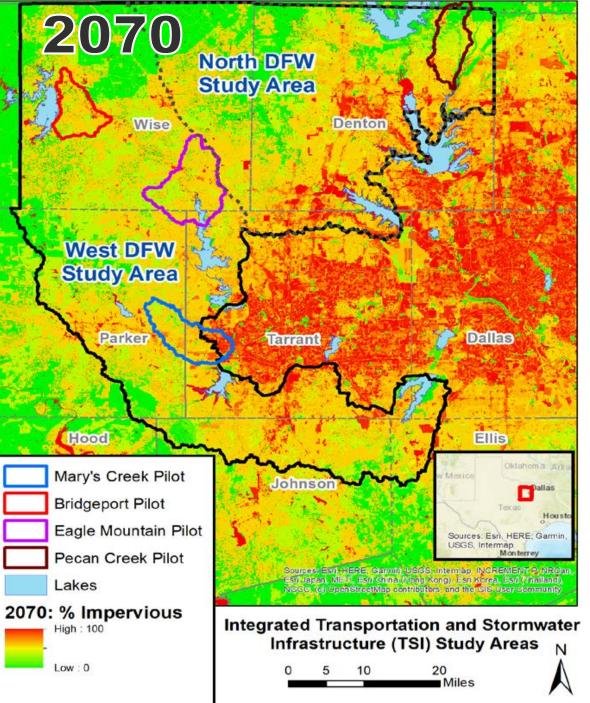


Rhome, May 2015 Courtesy Tarrant Regional Water District The integrated Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure study proactively addresses the increased flood risk resulting from extraordinary population growth in the Upper Trinity River basin.









TSI outputs will empower engineers, local governments, and developers to reduce the threat to people, property, and infrastructure.



Collect and Analyze Data



Conduct Environmental Planning



Assess Hydrology and Hydraulics Scenarios



Evaluate a Real-Time Flood Warning System



Identify Transportation Infrastructure Impacts



Support and Empower Communities



Project Partners

West Study Area

North Central Texas Council of Governments

US Army Corps of Engineers University of Texas at Arlington Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Tarrant Regional Water District Freese and Nichols, Inc. Halff Associates, Inc.

North Study Area

North Central Texas Council of Governments

Upper Trinity Regional Water District

Halff Associates, Inc.

Highland Economics, LLC

University of Texas at Arlington

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service



Estimated Study Timeline

Through Fall 2025

Continue training workshops and site visits to individual communities

March 2026

Conduct project update meeting to present findings and seek stakeholder feedback

July 2026 Submit deliverables to funding agencies

Winter 2025/2026

Complete H&H modeling and identify transportation, environmental and other policy recommendations

June 2026

Conduct project update meeting to present final products incorporating stakeholder feedback



The effectiveness of TSI outputs depends on engagement from local governments and other stakeholders. Help us help you.

Technical Advisory Group Annual Project Updates www.nctcog.org/tsi Community Site Visits Training Workshops



North Central Texas Council of Governments



integrating **Transportation** & **Stormwater Infrastructure**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FAQ

RSWCC Opportunity to Guide TSI Outputs

SYNERGY BETWEEN TSI AND SWMP



TSI GSI Recommendations + RSWMCC Input =

Regional policy recommendations that support MS4-compatible BMPs:

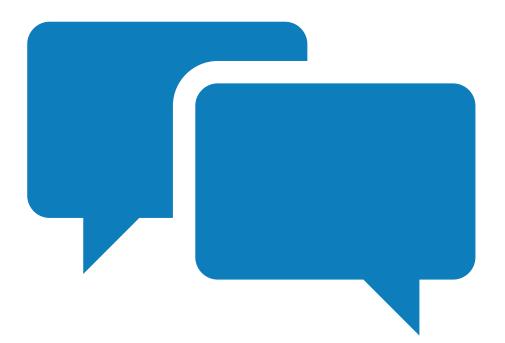
- GSI for post-construction runoff
- Long-term operation
- Maintenance controls





TSI Model Ordinances and Recommendations to Incorporate in Planning Products + RSWMCC Input =

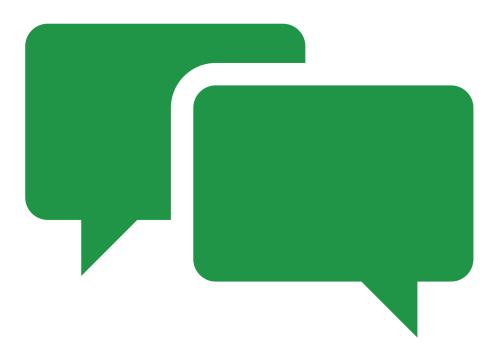
Planning procedures that support growth without compromising water quality





TSI Recommendations of Incentives to Preserve Open Space and Riparian Zones + RSWMCC Input =

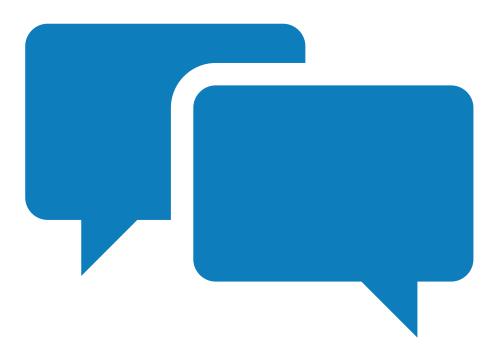
Regional policy recommendations that support site-planning based BMPs





TSI Recommendations for Temporary Detention and Porous Pavement + RSWMCC Input =

Regional policy recommendations that reduce stormwater runoff and reduce mobilization of pollutants





TSI Recommendations Including Vegetation such as Bioswales and Artificial Wetlands + RSWMCC Input =

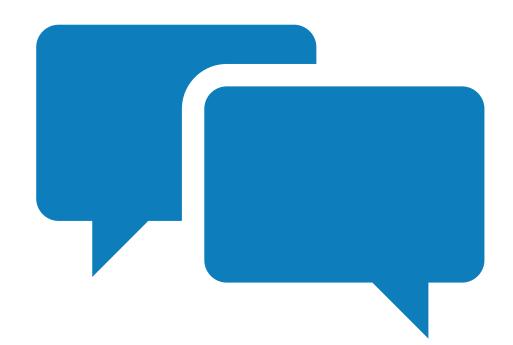
Regional policy recommendations that promote vegetative BMPs





TSI Recommendations to Integrate Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure + RSWMCC Input =

Regional policy recommendations to divert road and bridge runoff to vegetated areas or GSI





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www.nctcog.org/tsi TSI StoryMap



89th Texas Legislative Updates

BILL	AUTHOR	STATUS	TOPIC
<u>HB 517</u>	Rep. Davila	Signed in Senate 05/14/25	Watering restrictions, landscaping/vegetation, HOAs. Relating to the authority of a property owners' association to assess a fine for discolored vegetation or turf during a period of residential watering restriction. Identical Bills: HB 359, SB 542
<u>HB 1370</u>	Rep. Raymond	Left pending in House committee 05/05/25	Landscaping and lawn care, xeriscape. This bill relates to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the amount of the appraised value of real property that arises from the use of xeriscape on the property.
<u>HB 1904</u>	Rep. Canales	Senate received from House 05/09/25	Relating to the release of balloons and associated littering; creating a criminal offense. Bill amends the Health and Safety Code by adding a subdivision to address littering from intentional releases of balloons outside of a roofed structure. Would create Class A, B, or C misdemeanors based on the weight or volume of the deflated balloons.



Full Bill Tracking List On <u>Committee Page</u>. *Last updated on 4/14/25* 41

FY26 Appointments & Reappointments

Upcoming Watershed Elections:

- NCTCOG staff will contact members with expiring terms.
- Staff will send out (re)appointment emails and calls for nominations for each watershed, as listed on next slide.
- Individuals nominated for (re)appointment will be brought forward to the corresponding RSWMCC watershed members for a vote.
- The new/reappointed members will be announced at the August meeting.



FY26 Appointments & Reappointments

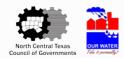
- Seats open for appointment/reappointment:
 - East Fork William Nahas, City of Allen
 - Elm Fork Jason Longbine, City of Lewisville
 - Main Stem Leland Peffley, City of Cleburne
 - West Fork Chad Marbut, City of Weatherford
- Appointment Term: FY2026-FY2028



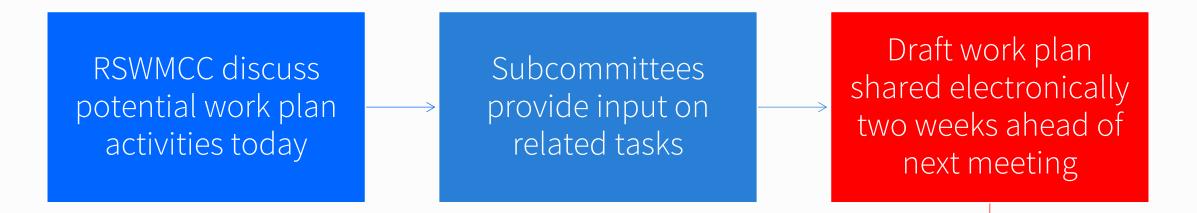
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Upcoming Officer Election:

- The Chair and Vice Chair alternate between Phase I and Phase II cities.
- Current Vice Chair (Phase I city) moves automatically to Chair.
- Nominees for Vice Chair must be from a Phase II city.
- Voting will be held electronically by all Phase I and Phase II Watershed Reps.



FY26 Work Program Process





Vote on draft work plan at next meeting



FY26 Work Program

- NCTCOG staff seeking input on and discussion of the draft FY26 Regional Stormwater Management work plan. Suggest the following highlights:
- RSWMCC Seek guest speakers for meetings, coordinate on TSI program
- PETF Examine current outreach programs and retool where needed
- P2 Continuation of meetings, trainings and other identified needs
- IDDE Continuation of meetings, trainings and other identified needs
- Monitoring Hosting participation meetings and start new Program Term
- Current FY25 Work Plan linked <u>here</u> for reference



Information Items





FY25 Cost Shares Received as of May 13

Addison	Ennis	Mansfield	Watauga
Allen	Euless	McKinney	Waxahachie
Arlington	Farmers Branch	Mesquite	White Settlement
Azle	Flower Mound	North Richland Hills	Wylie
Bedford	Forest Hill	Plano	Collin County
Benbrook	Fort Worth	Princeton	Denton County
Burleson	Frisco	Prosper	Johnson County
Carrollton	Garland	Richardson	Tarrant County
Cedar Hill	Grand Prairie	Rockwall	DART
Colleyville	Grapevine	Royse City	DFW Airport
Coppell	Haltom City	Shady Shores	NTTA
Denison	Highland Park	Sherman	
Denton	Hurst	Southlake	
Duncanville	Irving	Sunnyvale	
Edgecliff Village	Lewisville	University Park	
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Council of Government

FY25 Work Program

FY25 Cost Shares:

- Cost share information is on the <u>Program Participation</u> webpage.
- In FY26, will transition to fully electronic delivery of invoices. Notices with cost share estimates were sent out in March.
- To update invoice contact information, please contact the program staff, staff.stormwater@nctcog.org.



FY25 Work Program

FY25 Work Program:

FY25 Work Plan updated after a special meeting on December 12, 2024, with RSWMCC members to incorporate Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure program opportunities into the work plan.

<u>Review Special Meeting Presentation</u>

- <u>Revised FY25 Work Plan</u>
- <u>Draft Meeting Summary</u>



DOO THE RIGHT THING

Public Education Task Force

Doo the Right Thing

Doo the Right Thing social media photo contest and campaign:

- Contest Entry: May 1st through June 30th
 - Digital <u>pledge form</u> for photo contest entry
 - NEW! QR code linking to pledge form
- Projected Public Voting Timeline: August 5th August 30th

DTRT program engagement and social media strategy:

- Share the program page for pet waste education and contest pledge form.
- Follow the Doo the Right Thing social media profiles and share posts!
 - Instagram @DooNorthTexas
 - Facebook @DooNorthTexas



Public Education Task Force

North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge

2025 North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge

- Challenge timeframe: March 1st May 31st
- Reporting deadline: June 30, 2025
- Submit trash reports through <u>Texas Litter Database</u> using External ID "CCC25"

2025 Mayors' Challenge

• Challenge timeframe: March 1st - May 31st





Public Education Task Force



North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge

Allen*	Forest Hill*	Grapevine	Plano				
Carrollton	Fort Worth	Joshua*	Richardson				
Cedar Hill	Frisco	Mansfield*	Sachse				
Edgecliff Village	Garland	McKinney	Weatherford				
*Denotes Mayor's Challenge participant							

2025 Particinants

Leaderboard to be updated soon.



Public Education Task Force

Special Projects

- Coordination between IDDE/PETF on **updates to Yard Waste outreach materials** for both Homeowners and Landscape Companies.
- Working on language for outreach material.
- Investigating ability to create modular templates to allow for some customization by members.

- Coordination between IDDE/PETF on development of checkbox style doorhangers for residential enforcement and education.
- Working on language for the enforcement/education options.
- Investigating ability to create modular templates to allow for some customization by members.



Public Education Task Force

Special Projects

"Show and Tell" events for members to exchange ideas

Favorite outreach and giveaway items:

• PETF Meeting - July 23, 2025

Outreach or Education Presentations Roundtable:

• Date/Time TBD





Pollution Prevention (P2) Roundtable

- Special Projects:
- Continuation of <u>Municipal Pollution Prevention BMP Posters</u> refresh with **updated photos**
- FY25 Training:
 - Survey to select training showed highest interest in a BMP "Show and Tell" roundtable
 - Staff are coordinating volunteers to share presentations



Pollution Prevention (P2) Roundtable

- Upcoming Meeting:
 - July 10, 2025, at 10:00 AM NCTCOG Offices
 - Discuss FY25 training, solicit help with photos on BMP posters, continue discussion on FY26 work plan and tasks.

• Program Information:

- P2 Roundtable <u>subcommittee page</u>
- P2 Roundtable program page



Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination Roundtable

Upcoming Meeting:

• July 10, 2025, at 10:00 AM – NCTCOG Offices

Topics for the meeting include:

- Finalize tasks for FY26 Work Plan
- Fish Kill Workshop June 18, 2025
 - Hosted by City of Carrollton
 - Registration available <u>here</u>.
- Dry Weather Screening Workshop for September 2025
- Special Project for FY25
 - Yard Waste Door Hangar Updates



Stormwater Monitoring Program

- Regional Wet Weather Characterization Program (RWWCP)
 - NCTCOG has completed procurement process. Approval of contractor is pending TCEQ approval of program proposal.
 - Last update from TCEQ was March 2025. It was reported to NCTCOG that EPA Region 6 has completed their review, but no further update on review status.

Staff Contact:

Casey Cannon, ccannon@nctcog.org, 817-608-2313.







NCTCOG PROGRAMS

Other Environment / Development Programs

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Integrated Stormwater Management (iSWM)

- Next subcommittee meeting: July 15, 2025, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. inperson at NCTCOG offices. More information available <u>online</u>.
- At the meeting will cover:
 - Choosing short-/long-term goals of iSWM manuals and website updates
 - Discussing and voting on FY26 work program
- For any questions, please contact Katie Hunter at <u>Khunter@nctcog.org</u> or (817) 695-9102.



NCTCOG Programs Other Environment / Development Programs

TMDL - Water Quality



- Annual TMDL Coordination Committee Meeting: June 17, 2025, 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams
- Implementation Strategy Redevelopment Task Force Meetings have concluded. More updates and next steps will be announced soon. We are currently implementing the feedback we received from stakeholders and taskforce members into a draft revisions document.
- TMDL Point of Contact: Casey Cannon at <u>CCannon@nctcog.org</u> or Joy Douglas at <u>JDouglas@nctcog.org</u>
- More information at <u>www.nctcog.org/TMDL</u>



NCTCOG Programs Other Environment / Development Programs

Wastewater & Treatment Education Roundtable

- Upcoming Meeting: July 24, 2025, NCTCOG Offices
 - Best Practices for Successful Participation in the Holiday Grease Roundup: Collection and Marketing Panel & Discussion
- 2025 Annual Holiday Grease Roundup New Dates:
 - November 1, 2025 January 31, 2026
 - Marketing materials to be distributed in August 2025
 - Accepting partners through October 2025



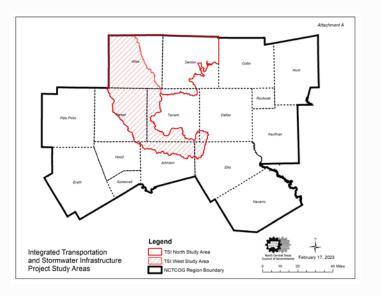
Wastewater And Treatment Education Roundtable

NCTCOG Programs Other Environment / Development Programs



Integrating Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure (TSI) Initiative

- Recent stakeholder engagement efforts include a Technical Advisory Group meeting, a presentation to North Central Texas Economic Development District Board, and site visits to individual communities.
 - To participate in the Technical Advisory Group or schedule a site visit to discuss your community's flooding challenges and development and how the two intersect, email <u>tsi@nctcog.org</u>.
- Work continues to optimize ideal location and sizing for ponds and other drainage/ flood control structures.
- TSI Point of Contact: Kate Zielke, <u>kzielke@nctcog.org</u>





NCTCOG Programs

Other Environment / Development Programs

Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP)

- NCTCOG invites local governments, citizens, and other organizations to comment on the Draft 2025 Update to the North Central Texas WQMP.
- Dates for public comment is May 19th June 20th
- It is available as an interactive mapping tool at <u>https://www.nctcog.org/envir/natural-resources/water-resources</u> under the green banner titled "Current Water Quality Management Plan."
- Written comments referencing the 2025 WQMP Update may be submitted by June 20, 2025, to NCTCOG, Environment & Development, P.O. Box 5888, Arlington, TX 76005-5888, or by email to <u>EandD@nctcog.org</u>. If you have questions about the Draft 2025 WQMP Update, please call 817-695-9221.

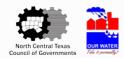






News & Resources

- New! <u>TCEQ Online Permit Search Portal</u>
 - Watch the <u>demo video</u>
- EPA and USACE to <u>review</u> "waters of the United States" (WOTUS) definition
- Interview "<u>How to Navigate Stormwater Funding Challenges</u>" by Stormwater Solutions



Upcoming Events

- Stormwater Pollution Prevention Practices During Construction for Plan Reviewers (<u>June 3</u>) and Field Inspectors (<u>June 4</u>), NCTCOG Offices
- <u>TCEQ Environmental Trade Fair & Conference</u>, June 3-4, 2025, San Antonio
- <u>National Marine Educators Association Conference</u>, June 29-July 3, 2025, Lafayette, LA
- <u>NAFSMA 2025 Annual Meeting</u>, July 21-24, 2025, Chicago



Upcoming Events

- <u>StormCon</u>, August 26-28, 2025, Orlando
- 26th Annual <u>Public Works Roundup</u>, Hurst Conference Center, September 4, 2025
 - <u>Call for Presentations</u> Open Through June 2nd
- <u>Green Communities Conference</u>, September 17-18, Waco
- International Erosion Control Association's Annual Conference
 - <u>Call for abstracts</u> currently open
 - Save-the-Date: March 1-4, 2026, Fort Worth



Future Agenda Items





Roundtable Discussion

Now It's Your Turn!





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Upcoming Meetings



August 20, 2025 NCTCOG Offices

Pollution Prevention & IDDE July 10, 2025 NCTCOG Offices PETF

July 23, 2025 NCTCOG Offices



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