



## North Central Texas Council of Governments

# SUMMARY

### Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable

Thursday, October 7, 2021

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Virtual Meeting, via Microsoft Teams.

[Link to Join Meeting.](#)

Call-in Number: +1 903-508-4574

Conference ID: 113 851 57#

Chair: Duy Vu, City of Cedar Hill

Vice Chair: Elijah Dorminy, City of Irving

1. **Welcome and Introductions.**
2. **Meeting Summary.** The [July 13, 2021 meeting summary](#) is available online for your review.

The July 13, 2021 meeting summary was approved.

3. **Regional Training Discussion.** NCTCOG will provide a recap of the Grease Interceptor Training and Roundtable and will seek feedback from members on potential training topics for FY2022.

NCTCOG presented results from the Grease Interceptor Training and Roundtable held on August 5, 2021. A recording of this training is available online for review. Attendees discussed future potential trainings, including an Industrial Inspections course. NCTCOG will present additional details on potential regional trainings at the January 2022 meeting.

4. **Holiday Grease Roundup Discussion.** NCTCOG will provide an update on the upcoming Holiday Grease Roundup, scheduled for November 22, 2021 through January 10, 2022.

NCTCOG presented updates on the 2021 Holiday Grease Roundup, including details on participation, marketing materials, and other items of interest. Please contact Hannah Allen at [hallen@nctcog.org](mailto:hallen@nctcog.org) if you wish to participate in this year's Holiday Grease Roundup.

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 educational explainer videos and other promotional activities from members during the meeting.

NCTCOG shared analysis from the Defend Your Drains North Texas website and social media channels. The "[Proper Disposal of Home Cleaning Products](#)", educational explainer video has been posted to the NCTCOG E&D YouTube page. The next educational explainer video will be specific to the Holiday Grease Roundup. Attendees discussed the video created after the Holiday Grease Roundup will address the differences between cooking oil and grease, including proper usage and disposal.

6. **FY2022 Work Program Priority Task Discussion.** NCTCOG will provide an update on the FY2022 WATER Work Program, including the preliminary budget and commitments received, and will request feedback on tasks, priorities, and other items of interest from members during the meeting. NCTCOG will also present the FY2021 WATER Work Program Summary.

NCTCOG presented the [FY2021 WATER Work Program Summary](#), which is available online for review. NCTCOG also provided an update on the preliminary FY2022 budget and tasks. NCTCOG is accepting commitments online for FY2022 at [www.nctcog.org/envir/public-works/water-cost-share](http://www.nctcog.org/envir/public-works/water-cost-share).

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

NCTCOG's Water Quality Management Plan program developed a new educational explainer video: "[Importance of Properly Maintained Water and Wastewater Infrastructure](#)."

NCTCOG is requesting feedback on the [draft door hanger](#) developed on behalf of the Total Maximum Daily Load Wastewater Technical Subcommittee. This door hanger is meant to be displayed after a sanitary sewer overflow or other blockage, reminding residents what should not go down the drain. Please provide feedback to Hannah Allen at [hallen@nctcog.org](mailto:hallen@nctcog.org).

The North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge closes on October 31, 2021, and reports must be submitted online by November 30, 2021. More information available online at [www.communitycleanupchallenge.com](http://www.communitycleanupchallenge.com).

The Water Environment Association of Texas is hosting an upcoming webinar on October 28, 2021 at 9:00 AM: Stop the Block: Texas FOG and Wipes Campaigns. More information available online at [www.weat.org/events/stop-the-block](http://www.weat.org/events/stop-the-block).

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

The City of Mesquite recently held a trash bash and will be providing grease bags to their residents.

North Texas Municipal Water District shared that the "Beef Loving Texans" booth at the State Fair of Texas is providing brochures to attendees that say you can reduce fat content in ground beef by rinsing your beef in the sink and washing the fat down the drain. Attendees discussed the potential of providing comments to the organization informing them of the issues with this message. [View the brochure online here](#).

9. **Schedule for the Next WATER Meeting.** The next WATER meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 13, 2022 at 10:00 AM. The location for this meeting is to be determined.

10. **Adjournment.**

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

If you plan to attend this public meeting and you have a disability that requires special arrangements at the meeting, please contact Barbara Bradford at (817) 695-9231 or [bbradford@nctcog.org](mailto:bbradford@nctcog.org) at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to assist your needs.

