



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Joint Pollution Prevention and Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Roundtable Subcommittees of the Regional Stormwater Management Coordinating Committee

Wednesday, December 7th, 2023

9:30 a.m., Metroplex Conference Room

NCTCOG Offices

1. Welcome and Introductions.

POLLUTION PREVENTION DISCUSSION

- 2. Special Project Discussion.** NCTCOG will share drafts of the posters for the FY23 special project and request feedback from the group. The group will also discuss the special project for FY24.

NCTCOG staff provided an update on the FY23 Special Project. The group then reviewed and discussed drafts of the FY23 Posters and agreed on various minor revisions. Staff will electronically share the revised draft Posters which will then be finalized pending any further feedback.

For the FY24 Special Project, the group also reviewed and provided feedback for updating the Municipal Pollution Prevention BMP Posters. At this meeting, only half of the posters were reviewed, and the remaining half will be reviewed at the next meeting. Members requested that the posters be freshened up as they look dated with no major changes requested to content. NCTCOG staff may seek volunteers to come visit their facilities and take updated pictures over the coming year as work on the posters gets underway.

- 3. FY24 Training Opportunities.** NCTCOG staff will solicit members' input on training opportunities for the current fiscal year.

The group discussed topics for a BMP Show and Tell Roundtable Training Opportunity. Several topics were discussed, including silt fence alternatives used by the Town of Prosper. With three volunteers confirmed for presentations, staff will work with them on setting a workshop date.

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- 4. FY24 Project Discussion.** The group will review and approve final project deliverables.

For FY24, the group reviewed and finalized two project deliverables:

- Manure Management BMP Brochure
 - It was requested to translate to Spanish if at all possible in the future
- Construction General Permit 2023 Update Infographic

5. **FY24 Training Opportunities.** NCTCOG staff will solicit members' input and seek volunteers for training opportunities for the current fiscal year.

For FY24, the group discussed two training opportunities which are included as part of the work plan:

- Dry Weather Screening Workshop
 - The group determined a March/April timeframe would be ideal, and that the COG staff would follow up to solicit volunteers and begin planning the workshop.
- Industrial Inspector Workshop
 - A few venue options were considered, but it was determined the group would likely prefer to be hosted by an industry in the region, as has been done in the past. It was requested to conduct a short survey to help narrow down the preferred venue. The Cities of Irving & Mesquite volunteered to help host, and COG staff will begin planning the workshop following the survey results.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

6. **Other Stormwater Updates.** NCTCOG staff to provide an update on additional Stormwater activities. Staff will also provide an overview of upcoming conferences, events, news, or resources of relevance to the group.

News:

- [Amendment to final revised WOTUS rule information page](#)
- [Water Finance Center: Financing Stormwater Management Infrastructure new learning module](#)
- [EPA's Bioretention Design Handbook](#)
- [AgriLife Today Article -Big City Solution: Installing Green Stormwater Infrastructure Slows Down, Cleans Up Runoff](#)

Events:

- [Stormwater Pollution Prevention Practices During Construction for Plan Reviewers \(December 19, April 2\)](#) and [Field Inspectors \(December 20, April 3\)](#), NCTCOG Offices
- [Texas Water Conference Fort Worth, April 9-12, 2024](#)
- [TCEQ Environmental Trade Fair & Conference, Austin, May 14-15, 2024](#)

7. **Roundtable.** Members share what is happening in their communities.

City of Dallas - will begin conducting outfall inspections for the year, and they have also finished the first round of Bacteria Source Tracking testing, with another round coming up in the Spring. Would likely be able to present on the BST results following review from TCEQ.

City of Burleson – Has had lots of concrete dumping recently, city dog park has been shut down and recommends site visits for any newly acquired land prior to development by the city.

City of Mesquite – Has also shut down a dog park due to a wash area discharging directly into creek behind the park. Lots of dumping in the floodplains resulting in 4 citations. Has had issues with Notice of Violations due to trouble tracking down contact information of responsible parties.



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City of Grand Prairie – Finishing up stormwater inspections and working on the annual report.

City of North Richland Hills – Has been notified from TCEQ that the stormwater permit has been accepted.

City of Irving – Organization change in the city has moved Stormwater staff together under CIP.

City of Mansfield – Restructuring at Mansfield has moved Public Works staff to Utilities. Discussed potential for a pond maintenance presentation for the BMP Show & Tell Project.

City of Carrollton – Recently finished annual report. Some recent IDDE issues and currently conducting a stormdrain art contest.

City of Plano – Similar dog park issues where trying to tie into MS4 during construction. Reminder to review drainage maps for construction.

City of Fort Worth – Recent Reorganization; no longer under code compliance and exist in own Env. Services department. Have 6 specialist positions and senior positions open.

City of Denton – Had recent case where groups wanted to put things in water bodies for religious purposes. Was unsure how to proceed, but ultimately Parks department allowed the request. MS4 Permit was approved a month ago.

Dallas County – Stormwater Permit approved. Dallas County has been APWA accredited.

Town of Prosper – Hired a full-time stormwater erosion control inspector. Has had some IDDE issues with pool companies.

Tarrant County – New concrete batch plan in Rendon likely going in. Some resistance from residents and awaiting permitting.

City of Bedford – Has some new staff looking to get on track at Bedford.

City of Lewisville – Has new staff getting up to speed on inspections.

8. **Next Meeting Date.** The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 6, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. Venue and format details are pending.
9. **Adjournment.**

If you have questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, contact Crysta Guzman at (817) 695-9107 or cguzman@nctcog.org. Thank you!

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