

2026 Regional Water Plans

Summary of posting requirements for public hearings for Initially Prepared Plans (IPP), adoption of IPPs, and adoption of final regional water plans

See 31 Texas Administrative Code § 357.21 for detailed posting information

Posting requirements	Public hearing for IPP	Adoption of IPP	Adoption of final plan
Minimum notice posting timeframe		•	
7 days prior the meeting		✓	
14 days prior the meeting			✓
30 days prior the hearing	✓		
Notice must contain			
1) Date, time, and location of the public meeting or hearing; 2) summary of the proposed action(s) to be taken; 3) the name, telephone number, email address, and physical address of a contact person to whom questions or requests for additional information may be submitted; 4) a statement of how and when comments will be received from the members and public	√	✓	✓
Locations of IPPs available for public inspection	✓		
Minimum written comment period		l	
14 days prior the meeting			√
30 days prior to the hearing and until 60 days following the public hearing	√		
Entities notified		ļ	
All voting and non-voting RWPG members	√	✓	✓
Any person or entity who has requested notice of RWPG activities	✓	✓	✓
Each RWPG where a recommended or alternative WMS being considered would be located	✓	✓	✓
Each adjacent RWPG ¹	√		
Each mayor of a municipality, located in whole or in part in the RWPA, with a population of 1,000 or more or which is a county seat ¹	√		
Each county judge of a county located in whole or in part in the RWPA ¹	√		
Each special or general law district or river authority with responsibility to manage or supply water in the RWPA (based upon list obtained from TCEQ) ¹	✓		
Each Retail Public Utility, defined as a community water system, that serves any part of the RWPA or receives water from the RWPA (based upon list obtained from TCEQ) ¹	✓		
Each holder of record of a water right for the use of surface water the diversion of which occurs in the RWPA (based upon list obtained from TCEQ) ¹	✓		
Posting venues			
RWPG website	✓	✓	✓
Texas Secretary of State website	✓	✓	✓
Published in a newspaper of general circulation in each county located in whole or part in the RWPA (before the 30th day preceding the date of the public meeting or hearing)	√		

¹These entities require a hard copy mailed out notice of the IPP hearing in accordance with statute and/or rule.

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Document provision			
Documents to be made available on the internet or in hard copy for public inspection prior to and following the meeting include: 1) meeting agenda, and 2) copies of all materials, reports, and/or plans presented or discussed at the meeting	✓	√	√
Copies of the IPPs must be available for public inspection in: 1) at least one public library in each county, and 2) either the county courthouse's law library, the county clerk's office, or some other accessible place within the county courthouse of each county having land in the RWPA. According to the capabilities of the facility, the RWPG may provide copies electronically, on electronic media, through an internet web link, or in hard copy	✓		
Minimum document posting timeframe			
3 days prior the meeting and 7 days following the meeting		✓	
7 days prior the meeting and 14 days following the meeting			✓
Copies of IPP: 30 days prior the hearing and 60 days following the hearing; additional meeting materials: 7 days prior to and 30 days following the hearing	√		
Open Meeting Act and Public Information Act			
Each RWPG and any committee or subcommittee of an RWPG are subject to Chapters 551 [Open Meetings Act] and 552 [Public Information Act], Government Code. A copy of all materials presented or discussed at an open meeting shall be made available for public inspection prior to and following the meetings and shall meet the additional notice requirements when specifically referenced as required under subsections	√	√	√