

Notice of Public Hearing to Receive Public Comment on Proposed Amendments to the 2012 State Water Plan

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) will conduct a public hearing in accordance with Texas Water Code §§16.053(h)(6) and 16.053(r) and 31 Texas Administrative Code §§357.50(k), 357.51(f), and 358.4(a) on Monday, April 27, 2015 to receive public comment on proposed amendments to the 2012 State Water Plan, *Water for Texas 2012*. The public hearing will begin at 10:00 a.m. in Room 170, Stephen F. Austin Building, 1700 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701.

The Board seeks to receive public comment related to the incorporation of changes adopted by the Region H regional water planning group to its adopted regional water plan on February 4, 2015. Specifically, Region H proposed to add a new, recommended water management strategy to its adopted 2011 plan for treated effluent from the City of Houston and to revise a previously recommended water management strategy for expansion of Harris Off-Channel Reservoir. On February 19, 2015, TWDB received the 2011 Region H regional water plan amendment materials and request for approval. These materials were reviewed by Board staff and the amendment to the regional water plan was approved by the Board on March 26, 2015.

Additionally, the Board seeks to receive public comment related to the incorporation of adopted 2011 plan revisions by Regions C and D as ordered by the Board to resolve an interregional conflict. By March 20, 2015, TWDB received the 2011 Region C and 2011 Region D regional water plan revision materials and requests for approval. These materials were reviewed by Board staff and the adoption of the regional water plan revisions was approved by the Board on March 26, 2015.

Interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing to present comments concerning the proposed amendment. Those who cannot attend the hearing may provide written comments on or before April 27, 2015 to Mr. Les Trobman, General Counsel, Texas Water Development Board, P.O. Box 13231, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 or by email to rulescomments@twdb.texas.gov. The TWDB will receive public comment on the proposed amendments until close of business at 5 p.m. on April 27, 2015. Copies of the proposed amendment are available for inspection during regular business hours at the Stephen F. Austin Building from the Water Use, Projections, and Planning Division, Texas Water Development Board, 1700 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701. If you want to view these documents, please call (512) 475-2057 for arrangements to view them. A copy of the proposed amendments will also be available on the Board's web site at <http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/swp/2012/index.asp>.