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Brazos Study Design Workgroup

- Collaborative process involving stakeholders and state agencies

- Identify key elements of “How” to conduct a study of the Brazos:
  - Who?
  - What?
  - When?
  - Where?
  - Why?
Workgroup will collaborate on:

Vision for a healthy environment for the Middle and Lower Brazos River
- Reflecting public values

Objectives to accomplish the vision

Study design details
- Locations to be studied
- Types of data to collect
- Seasons to study
- Etc.
Study Design Table of Contents

1. Study cooperators & stakeholders (who)
2. Study boundaries (where)
3. State of the river (why)
4. Conceptual model
5. Study goals
6. Study objectives
7. Indicators
8. Studies that need to be done (what)
9. Studies that will be done (what)
10. Study reaches (where)
11. Sampling schedule (when)
Study Design Workgroup
What’s the Plan?

Workgroup meetings in Brazos

Meeting 1: Goals & Vision
Meeting 2: Objectives
Meeting 3: Indicators
Meeting 4: Review of study design

First Brazos meeting:
- August 21 in Bryan
Brazos Workgroup: Two-way Communication

Agencies
Educate
Participants

- Scientific issues

Participants
Educate
Agencies

- Local knowledge
- Scientific input
How To Make a Difference

- Today’s meeting
- Stay informed at website
- Study design workgroup meetings
  - Sign up today, by mail or by e-mail
- Send comments
  - E-mail
  - Mail
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Small Group Breakout Session

- Break into groups by color of name-tag dots
- Agencies will quickly record your ideas
- Report ideas to larger group

What do you value about the Brazos River?