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## **AGENDA**

**1st Meeting: Committee to Review the Bases for Instream Flow Standards for Rivers in Texas**  
**Crown Plaza Hotel and Executive Meeting Center**  
**500 North IH 35**  
**Austin, TX 78701**  
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### **TUESDAY OCTOBER 14**

#### **CLOSED SESSION: Committee members and NRC staff only**

8:30—11:30 a.m. Gail E. Mallard, Chair; Lauren Alexander, Study Director;  
and Stephen Parker, WSTB Director  
Welcome and introduction  
Discussion of NRC study process  
Committee bias discussion  
Texas Instream Flows study schedule

11:30—12:30 p.m. Lunch

#### **OPEN SESSION: Members of the public welcome**

12:30 p.m.—12:50 Gail E. Mallard, Chair, and Stephen Parker, WSTB Director  
“Welcome and Introduction to the NRC study”

#### **Introduction and Comments from the Sponsors about the Plan**

12:50—1:20 Bill Mullican, Texas Water Development Board  
“Welcome, introductions, and context of the NRC study”

1:20—2:50 Presentations from the Texas Tri-Agency Sponsor Group  
Barney Austin, Texas Water Development Board  
Doyle Mosier, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Kevin Mayes, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

2:50—3:10 Break

#### **Comments from Invited Interest Groups**

3:10—3:30 Ronald Gertson, Lower Colorado Regional Planning Group, local  
Rice Farmer

3:30 – 3:45 Kevin Craig, US Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth, TX

3:45—4:00 Kenneth W. Kramer, Sierra Club, Austin, TX  
4:00—4:15 River Authority Representative, TBD  
4:15—4:30 Myron Hess, National Wildlife Federation, Austin, TX  
4:30—5:00 Public comment session  
5:00 – 5:30 Committee Comment/ Question period  
5:30 Adjourn for the day  
6:30 p.m. Committee dinner

### **WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 15**

#### **CLOSED SESSION: Committee members and NRC staff only**

8:30 a.m.—12 noon Discussion of Tuesday's presentations  
Discussion of statement of task

12:00 n – 1:00 Lunch

1:00—3:30 Preparation of draft report outline  
Future meeting goals and scheduling  
Writing assignments and deadlines

#### **OPEN SESSION: Members of the Public welcome**

3:30 – 5:00. Dialogue between Committee and Sponsors (TWDB, TCEQ, TDPW)  
re: questions, direction of report

5:00 Adjourn

### **THURSDAY OCTOBER 16**

#### **CLOSED SESSION: Committee members and NRC staff only**

8:30 am – 11:30: Comment period on Wednesday afternoon Sponsor dialogue  
Review report outline  
Closing comments from Chair

11:30 Adjourn Meeting

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