

Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board

Final Agenda

State Board Meeting

April 15, 2021 Time: 9:00

Zoom Conference and Teleconference Meeting due to COVID-19

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The Board will meet at the above-stated time to consider and take appropriate action on the items listed below.

Agenda:

- 1) Call to Order and Roll Call
- 2) Excuse Any Absent Board Members
- 3) Public Comment
- 4) Comments from Federal, State, and Local Governmental Entities Regarding Their Programs and Activities
- 5) Overview and Update on the Programs and Activities of the United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resource Conservation Service
- 6) Overview and Update on the Programs and Activities of the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts
- 7) Minutes from January 21, 2021 State Board Meeting
- 8) Rio Blanco Soil and Water Conservation District Boundary Changes

- 9) Soil and Water Conservation District Director Appointments, including Josh Schoepf, Rex Hegi, Gary Don Davis, Connie Fox, Jerry F. Kurtz, Shane Elmore, Walter Bradburn, Garland Hampton, Chris Littlefield:
- 10) Internal Audit Report of Information Systems and Controls
- 11) Follow-up Report of Prior Year Audit Recommendations
- 12) Proposed Internal Audit Plan for Fiscal Year 2021 and Fiscal Year 2022
- 13) Fiscal Report for 2nd Quarter Fiscal Year 2021
- 14) Review, Amend, or Readopt State Board Fraud Policy
- 15) Review, Amend, or Readopt State Board Ethics Policy
- 16) National Association of State Conservation Agencies Dues
- 17) Sunset Advisory Commission Review
- 18) Intergovernmental Affairs Status Report
- 19) Conservation Initiatives Status Report
- 20) 31 Texas Administrative Code, Part 17, Chapter A, Employee Training Rules Rule Review
- 21) 31 Texas Administrative Code, Part 17, Chapter 527, Removal of a District Director Rule Review
- 22) Flood Control Programs Status Report
- 23) Cost-Sharing Environmental Mitigation Costs for Flood Control Dam Structural Repair Construction
- 24) Water Quality Management Plan Program Status Report
- 25) Requests for Additional Cost-Share Incentive Funding for Water Quality Mgmt. Plans in Accordance with Title 31 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 523, Agriculture and Silviculture Water Quality Mgmt., Section 523.6(f)(4), Concerning Criteria for Waivers
- 26) Water Quality Management Plan Cost-Share Requests from the Allocation for Statewide Use
- 27) Poultry Water Quality Management Plan Program Status Report
- 28) Texas Nonpoint Source Management Program Status Report
- 29) Carrizo Cane Eradication Program Status Report
- 30) National Association of Conservation Districts – Technical Assistance Status Report
- 31) Planning of 2021 Annual State Meeting of District Directors
- 32) Communication Strategy Status Report

- 33) Conservation Outreach: Rural and Urban Outreach
- 34) Human Resources Status Report
- 35) Set Date for Next State Board Meeting