

## **Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board**

### **Agenda**

#### **State Board Meeting**

October 29, 2020 Time: 9:00 a.m.

Zoom Conference Meeting due to COVID-19

#### **VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING**

Due to Governor Greg Abbott's March 13, 2020 proclamation of a state of disaster affecting all counties in Texas due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the Governor's March 16, 2020 suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, this meeting will be held by video conference call, as authorized under Texas Government Code section 551.127.

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

#### **The Board may deliberate or take action on any item in this agenda.**

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

- 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 September 17, 2020 State Board Meeting
- 8) Soil and Water Conservation District Director Appointments, including Gene Gully, Sam West, William C. Barfield, Andrew J. Miller, Victor Saenz, Caroline W. Levias, Mark Hilbers
- 9) Human Resources Audit
- 10) Intergovernmental Affairs Status Report
- 11) Conservation Initiatives Status Report
- 12) Agency Strategic Plan
- 13) Sunset Advisory Commission Review Update
- 14) Midland Soil and Water Conservation District Boundary Changes
- 15) Flood Control Programs Status Report
- 16) Water Quality Management Plan Program Status Report
- 17) 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
- 18) Water Quality Management Plan Cost-Share Requests from the Allocation for Statewide Use
- 19) Poultry Water Quality Management Plan Program Status Report
- 20) Texas Nonpoint Source Management Program Status Report
- 21) Carrizo Cane Eradication Program Status Report
- 22) National Association of Conservation Districts – Technical Assistance Status Report
- 23) Communication Strategy Status Report

- 24) Conservation Outreach: Rural and Urban Outreach
- 25) Human Resources Status Report
- 26) Employee Service Awards
- 27) Set Date for Next State Board Meeting