

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ) UPDATE

January 27, 2022, RAQPAC Meeting

Senate Bill (SB) 604 Rulemaking

- The Texas Inspection and Maintenance (I/M) program proposed a rulemaking that would implement revisions to Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 504, required by SB 604, 86th Texas Legislature.
- The proposal was considered at Commission Agenda on November 17, 2021, and a virtual public hearing was held on January 4, 2022. No comments were received by the deadline of January 5, 2022.
- The adoption will be considered at Commission Agenda on March 30, 2022.
- Contact I/M staff by phone at (512) 239-4905 or by email at nicholas.landuyt@tceq.texas.gov.

Proposed HGB Monitoring Stations Update

- The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) 2021 Annual Monitoring Network Plan (AMNP) included additional monitoring proposals under consideration to solicit further public comment. Positive feedback from the public and local officials was received during the AMNP comment period. The TCEQ is currently reviewing information on viable locations for the new air monitoring sites.
 - Deployment of a particulate matter (PM2.5) continuous monitor to the existing Houston Bayland Park site.
 - Establishment of a new air monitoring site in the Houston Fifth Ward to measure volatile organic compounds, PM2.5 continuous, and meteorological parameters.
 - Establishment of a new air monitoring site in the Houston Pleasantville neighborhood area to measure PM2.5 continuous and meteorological parameters.

PM Advance Committee Meeting

- The TCEQ will host a meeting with the PM Advance Committee on February 7 at 2pm to discuss recent findings from the Wayside Monitoring Station.
- The meeting will be conducted through teams. If anyone would like to attend, please reach out to me Graham Bates at graham.bates@tceq.texas.gov for the link.