

San Jacinto – Brazos Coastal Basin: Public Outreach Report

Public Meeting 3

November 14, 2017

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I. <u>OVERVIEW</u>

Per Umbrella Contract 582-14-42709-09, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) requested Public Outreach support from the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) for Basin 11, with activities for all elements of Public Outreach including, but not necessarily limited to:

- Identifying and Reserving Facilities for Meetings and / or Events;
- Providing a Facilitator for Any Meetings (As Needed);
- Providing Support for Organizing and Advertising Meetings and / or Events;
- Distribution and Posting of Meeting Agenda(s);
- Preparation of Meeting and / or Event Summaries;
- Preparation of Printed or Other Presentation Materials in Support of a Meeting and / or Event;
- Use of the H-GAC Website for Posting Meeting and / or Event Information; and
- Any Other Necessary Support Activities.

On November 14, 2017 (Public Meeting #3), H-GAC conducted a third public meeting to review the State's Basin Approach, general information on basin water quality, current watershed planning in the basin, reviewed Chocolate Bayou water quality data, initiated development of the Chocolate Bayou Coordination Committee and discussed next steps.

II. <u>PURPOSE</u>

The water bodies included in this analysis are all within Basin 11, which originates in Fort Bend and Harris Counties, transverses Harris, Brazoria and Galveston Counties before entering the Gulf of Mexico by way of Galveston Bay.

The Purpose of this public meeting was to discuss the following:

- 1. Review the purpose of the Basin Approach,
- 2. Present water quality management opportunities,
- 3. Review general conditions of water bodies in the basin,
- 4. Review Chocolate Bayou water quality, and
- 5. Initiate Chocolate Bayou Coordination Committee.



III. APPROACH and NOTIFICATION

A list of stakeholders and interested parties was generated based on a survey initiated in FY 2016. The list has been augmented following two previous public meetings. Identified stakeholders were contacted directly via e-mail and phone to notify them of the planned public meeting. Additionally, a broad net was cast via email and press release to a larger set of stakeholders and public to announce the public meeting. Announcement was placed on the H-GAC website. Additional meeting details; and meeting reminders were sent to the identified list of stakeholders.

IV. <u>MATERIALS</u>

The following materials were made available for the meeting:

- 1. Sign-In Sheet(s)
- 2. Watershed Map / Basin Map
- **3.** A copy of the Basin Report 2016

V. <u>MEETING SYNOPSIS</u>

Location Brazoria County Public Library 105 South Gordon St. Alvin TX

When Tuesday, November 14, 2017 4 PM – 6 PM



Attendees

NAME	ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED	ASSUMED COUNTY?
Bryan Eastham	GBEP	Regional
Rosalie Bastes	Citizen	Brazoria
James R. Bates	Citizen	Brazoria
Paul Anderson	EHRA	Brazoria
Linda Broach	TCEQ	Regional
Rodney Tompkins	Citizen	
Carolyn	Citizen	Galveston
Jordan	Citizen	Galveston
Kay Tobole	Citizen	Brazoria
Sarah Gossett	GBF	Regional
Stacy Adams	Brazoria County Pct. 3	Brazoria
Christian Hernandez	Texas 4H Water Ambassadors	Brazoria
Lisa Marshall	GBEP	Regional
Jessica Uramkin	TCEQ	Statewide

To view the sign-in sheet in its entirety, please see Attachment A.



Meeting Summary

Mr. Steven Johnston from H-GAC provided a presentation that included an agenda, reviewed the Basin Approach, status of water quality found in the basin, current bacteria impairments, and water quality management planning options. Mr. Johnston focused his presentation on data specific to the Chocolate Bayou and information contained in the draft Chocolate Bayou Technical Support Document. Attendees were then led by Mrs. Kathy Janhsen in a small group discussion to initiate the Chocolate Bayou coordination committee.

VI. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

To Be Determined.