## SUMMARY

**Wastewater and Treatment Education Roundtable** 

Wednesday, March 10, 2021 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Virtual Meeting, via Microsoft Teams. Link to Join Meeting.

Call-in Number: +1 903-508-4574 Conference ID: 664 588 04#

Chair: Duy Vu, City of Cedar Hill

Vice Chair: Elijah Dorminy, City of Irving

- 1. Welcome and Introductions.
- 2. **Meeting Summary.** The <u>December 8, 2020 meeting summary</u> is available online for your review.
- 3. **Member Highlight Presentation.** Elijah Dorminy, City of Irving, will present an overview of additions to the Irving grease abatement ordinance and adoption of new technology to prevent damage to wastewater infrastructure caused by fats, oils, and greases (FOG).
  - Elijah Dorminy, City of Irving, presented an overview of Irving's updated ordinance that included changes to the Liquid Waste Hauler program, new requirements for restaurants, stormwater requirements, and more. His presentation is available online for review.
- 4. **Holiday Grease Roundup Results and Feedback.** NCTCOG will provide an overview of the results of the Holiday Grease Roundup and survey feedback received from participants.
  - NCTCOG shared the results from the Holiday Grease Roundup. 33 participants collected 6,693 gallons of grease! NCTCOG also provided an overview of feedback received in the Holiday Grease Roundup survey and changes that will be made to the program. The 2021 Holiday Grease Roundup is scheduled for November 22, 2021 through January 10, 2022.
- 5. **Promotional Activities Update.** NCTCOG will provide an update on promotional activities and provide analytics from the Defend Your Drains website and social media activities. Additionally, NCTCOG will provide an update on the educational explainer videos.
  - NCTCOG shared analysis from the Defend Your Drains North Texas social media posts and website analytics. The "Why Your Sink Disposal Isn't a Garbage Can" educational explainer video has been posted to the NCTCOG E&D YouTube page. The "Always Trash Your Personal Care Items" educational explainer video is currently under review and once finalized, it will be posted to the NCTCOG E&D YouTube page. Attendees elected to use proper usage of cleaning chemicals, such as bleach, Drain-o, Windex, etc. as the next educational explainer video topic.

6. **FY2021 Training Discussion.** NCTCOG will seek feedback from attendees on potential virtual training topics for FY2021.

NCTCOG will coordinate a "Grease Interceptor/Trap Plan Review, Inspections, and More" educational webinar to take place in summer 2021. Elijah Dorminy, City of Irving, offered to provide Irving's expertise for grease interception review and inspections and NCTCOG will coordinate with other volunteers for information regarding construction/installation, sizing, and repair or replacement timing.

7. **FY2022 Work Program Discussion and Cost-Shares Allocation.** NCTCOG will seek feedback from attendees on priorities, tasks, and budgeting for FY2022.

NCTCOG shared the anticipated cost-share breakdown and budget for FY2022, which are not anticipated to change. NCTCOG will be accepting online commitments for FY2022 in September 2021.

8. **General Updates.** NCTCOG will provide general updates on relevant programs and events.

The North Texas Watershed Stakeholder Meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2021 at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.

The Organic Waste to Renewable Natural Gas Regional Stakeholder Meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2021 at 1:00 PM via Microsoft Teams.

The Public Education Task Force Meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2021 at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.

The TMDL Wastewater Technical Subcommittee Meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2021 at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.

9. Roundtable. The group will share what is happening in their communities.

The City of Irving has elected to continue grease collection year-round and anticipates adding another drop off site before the next Holiday Grease Roundup.

- 10. **Schedule for the Next WATER Meeting.** The next WATER meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 8, 2021 at 10:00 AM. This meeting will be held virtually.
- 11. Adjournment.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Hannah Allen at (817) 695-9215 or hallen@nctcog.org. Thank you!

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