



North Central Texas Council of Governments

SUMMARY

Resource Conservation Council

Thursday, October 17, 2013

1:30 PM, William J. Pitstick Executive Board Room

NCTCOG Offices, CPII

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011

Chair: Steve Massey: City of Allen

1. Welcome and Introductions.

Introductions were made that included members, guests, and North Central Texas Council of Governments' (NCTCOG) staff.

DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION / ACTION ITEMS

2. **Meeting Summary.** The July 18, 2013 Resource Conservation Council (RCC) Meeting Summary is available for review online at http://www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/rcc/RCC_Draft_Sum_07182013.pdf. Approval by the RCC will be sought at the meeting.

Vance Kemler made a motion to approve the July 18, 2013 meeting summary. Brenda Haney seconded the motion. The RCC was unanimous in its approval.

3. **Review of FY2012/2013 Grant Cycle.** The North Central Texas Council of Governments' (NCTCOG) staff will provide an overview of the FY2012/2013 Grant Cycle and the final results.

NCTCOG staff reported that the FY2012/FY2013 Grant Cycle included a total of 23 projects comprised of the following categories: 1 Assessing Capacity for Trash, 4 Stop Illegal Dumping, and 18 Time To Recycle. A total of \$1.3 Million Dollars was reimbursed to grantees some of which covered various in-kind expenditures.

4. **Overview of FY2014/2015 Solid Waste Grant Cycle.** Proposed funding and the breakout.

NCTCOG staff informed the RCC that for the FY2014/2015 biennium cycle, approximately \$2.1 Million Dollars had been allocated. The breakdown will remain the same: 60 percent for implementation and 40 percent for NCTCOG administration.

5. **FY2014/2015 Funding Cycle.** The RCC will discuss the schedule and process to be undertaken over the next several months for the funding cycle's course of action.

NCTCOG staff reviewed the funding cycle schedule with the RCC. Highlights included the November RCC meeting where subcommittee recommendations will be reviewed and discussed; final approval sought from TCEQ in December 2013 for the Regional Funding Document; in January 2014, mail notifications will be sent to all eligible entities in the region; and applications will be due on March 11, 2014. A copy of the [schedule](#) is available online.

INFORMATION ITEMS

6. **Briefing from September TARC Solid Waste Planners Workshop.** NCTCOG Staff will report on the items shared.

Sam Brush and Sandra Barba, NCTCOG staff, attended the TARC Solid Waste Planners Workshop held in Austin. Activities included a photo contest for the ugliest illegal dump site, and the Solid Waste Coordinators attended a presentation on funding from Jenny Lewis with TARC.

7. **Feral Hog Information Sharing.** NCTCOG, along with the City of Dallas, the Fort Worth Nature Center, and Texas Parks and Wildlife, is hosting a regional forum on management of urban feral hogs in North Texas. The event will be held on October 24, 2013, at the Ruthe Jackson Center, in Grand Prairie, from 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

The City of Dallas requested NCTCOG host a forum to begin a dialog regarding the feral hog issue. Using waterways like a highway, feral hogs have infiltrated almost every part of the region, negatively impacting property and habitat. Different jurisdictions address their feral hog problem utilizing different techniques as there is no one fix solution. RCC members and their staff were encouraged to attend the event to lend their expertise and to learn how others are addressing this matter.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

8. **Other Business and Roundtable Discussion.**

Funding might be available from a common grant application with Sustainability Tools for Assessing and Rating Communities (STAR). It would be a Texas Data Recycling Initiative. NCTCOG staff will research and report back to the RCC.

The RCC requested members be queried regarding which subcommittee they wish to serve on for the next year.

9. **Schedule for the Next Meeting.** Thursday, November 14, 2013, William J. Pitstick Executive Board Room, NCTCOG Offices, CPII, 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011.

10. **Adjournment.**

The RCC adjourned at 2:20 p.m.