

## Supporting Information for Interregional Planning Council Recommendation on TCEQ

### Non-Voting Membership

The 2022 State Water Plan Interregional Planning Council recommended that Regional Water Planning Groups (RWPG) consider adding a representative from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) as a non-voting member of the planning group since RWPGs often have questions regarding public drinking water systems, surface water rights and availability, and permitting requirements that could best be answered or followed up on by representatives from the TCEQ.

TCEQ is not required by statute to have representation on RWPGs. However, RWPGs have the discretion to add membership interest categories as appropriate to their region in accordance with their bylaws. As of March 2023, TCEQ has a representative assigned as a non-voting member to 6 out of 16 RWPGs (Regions B, E, I, L, M, and O).

Regions interested in having a TCEQ representative serve as a non-voting RWPG member, should coordinate directly with the TCEQ. A map of TCEQ regions with contact information can be found on the TCEQ's website: <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/downloads/publications/m/areas-regions-watermasters-m-70.pdf>.

Contact information for the TCEQ central office and regional offices is also available online at: <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/directory/region>.