

North Central Texas Council Of Governments

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
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RE: Support for the Sycamore Creek Total Maximum Daily Load

Dear Ms. Grundmann,

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) would like to convey support for the inclusion of the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for indicator bacteria in Sycamore Creek, impaired stream segment 0806E: 0806E_01, into the *Implementation Plan for Twenty-One Total Maximum Daily Loads for Bacteria in the Greater Trinity River Region* (I-Plan). The I-Plan describes the steps watershed stakeholders and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) will take toward reducing elevated bacteria levels identified in the TMDLs and outlines the schedule for implementation activities. NCTCOG serves as the lead agency for the I-Plan which was approved in December 2013 and subsequently administratively amended in 2017.

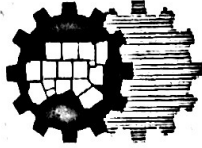
The enclosed resolution supports the inclusion of the Sycamore Creek TMDL for indicator bacteria for impaired stream segment 0806E: 0806E_01 into the existing I-Plan. The resolution was endorsed and adopted by the Greater Trinity River Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Coordination Committee on June 14, 2018. The purpose of the TMDL Coordination Committee is to facilitate local stakeholder input and to work together to implement actions to improve water quality in the twenty one TMDLs in the Greater Trinity River region. The NCTCOG provides administrative support to this regional effort by facilitating the TMDL Coordination Committee's activities and by making updates to the I-Plan. Upon approval by the TCEQ Commissioners, the Sycamore Creek TMDL watershed will be added to the I-Plan for the Greater Trinity River.

NCTCOG and the Coordination Committee look forward to supporting the efforts of the City of Fort Worth, an existing TMDL Coordination Committee member, and other cities within the watershed to improve water quality in Sycamore Creek. Should you have any questions or need clarification related to NCTCOG's comments, please contact Cassidy Campbell at (817) 608-2368 or ccampbell@nctcog.org.

Sincerely,

Edith Marvin, PE
Director, Department of Environment & Development

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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ADDITION OF THE SYCAMORE CREEK SEGMENT ASSESSMENT UNIT 0806E_01 TO THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR TWENTY-ONE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR BACTERIA IN THE GREATER TRINITY RIVER REGION

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is established to assist local governments in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the water quality management planning agency for the North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG supports a robust pollution prevention program through water quantity and quality programs such as regional stormwater, water impairment, and wastewater programs; and,

WHEREAS, the Greater Trinity River Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) Coordination Committee (Coordination Committee) prepared the *Implementation Plan for Seventeen Total Maximum Daily Loads for Bacteria in the Greater Trinity River Region (I-Plan)* which was adopted by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on December 11, 2013; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with Implementation Strategy 9.1: Expanding the geographic scope of the I-Plan as appropriate, the Coordination Committee adopted a revision to the I-Plan on June 15, 2017 to incorporate four additional segments in the Mountain Creek Lake Watershed; and,

WHEREAS, one impaired segment in the Sycamore Creek Watershed, Fort Worth, Texas, has been identified for inclusion in the I-Plan and is shown in Addendum 2; and,

WHEREAS, the Coordination Committee has authorized NCTCOG to update the I-Plan as needed; and,

WHEREAS, the I-Plan is comprised of implementation strategies intended to reduce bacteria loading in the impacted river segments and tributaries; and,

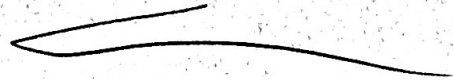
WHEREAS, the City of Fort Worth remains committed to adopting feasible implementation strategies from the I-Plan and supports the inclusion of the Sycamore Creek segment into the I-Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The Greater Trinity River Bacteria TMDL Coordination Committee, approves the adoption of the Sycamore Creek segment into the I-Plan, as shown in Addendum 2.

Section 2. The NCTCOG is authorized to administratively amend the I-Plan on behalf of the Coordination Committee to include the Sycamore Creek impaired segments and associated technical updates as outlined in Addendum 2.

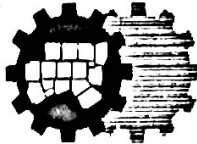
Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.



Edith Marvin
Director of Environment and Development
North Central Texas Council of Governments

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Date



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Addendum Two

SUMMARY OF ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES FOR THE ADDITION OF THE SYCAMORE CREEK SEGMENT ASSESSMENT UNIT 0806E_01 TO THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR TWENTY-ONE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR BACTERIA IN THE GREATER TRINITY RIVER REGION

1) Change to Title Page to reflect the addition of one new TMDL within the Greater Trinity River Region.

New Title Page:

Approved by the Commission: December 11, 2013

Approved by the Coordination Committee: July 11, 2012

Addendum 1 Approved by the Coordination Committee: June 03, 2015

Addendum 1 Incorporated by the Coordination Committee: June 15, 2017

Addendum 2 Approved by the Coordination Committee: June 14, 2018

Implementation Plan for Twenty-Two Total Maximum Daily Loads for Bacteria in the Greater Trinity River Region

Upper Trinity River

Segment 0805

Assessment Units 0805_03 and 0805_04

Cottonwood Branch and Grapevine Creek

Segments 0822A and 0822B

Assessment Units 0822A_02 and 0822B_01

Lower West Fork Trinity River

Segments 0841, 0841B, 0841C, 0841E, 0841G, 0841H, 0841J, 0841L, 0841M, 0841R, 0841T, and 0841U

Assessment Units 0841_01, 0841_02, 0841B_01, 0841C_01, 0841E_01, 0841G_01, 0841H_01, 0841J_01, 0841L_01, 0841M_01, 0841R_01, 0841T_01, and 0841U_01

Mountain Creek Lake Tributaries

Segments 0841F, 0841 K, 0841N, and 0841V

Assessment Units 0841F_01, 0841K_01, 0841N_01, and 0841V_01

Sycamore Creek

Segment 0806E

Assessment Unit 0806E_01