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TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Permanent Rule Change

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CHAPTER 307 - TEXAS SURFACE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

§307.4, §307.10

1. Purpose. This change transmittal provides the page(s) that reflect changes and additions to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (commission) Volume of Permanent Rules.
2. Explanation of Change. The commission adopted amendments to §307.4 and §307.10, with changes to the proposed text as published in the October 11, 1996 issue of the Texas Register (21 TexReg 9765).
3. Effect of Change. The Texas Surface Water Quality Standards are established and reviewed on a periodic basis pursuant to the Texas Water Code, §26.023, as amended, and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Clean Water Act), §303(c), as amended. The surface water quality standards were last amended on July 13, 1995. The revisions adopted at this time are both substantive and editorial. As substantive changes, the presumed standard for unclassified perennial streams in East Texas is changed from “intermediate aquatic life” to “high aquatic life” in §307.4(h)(1), and site-specific standards are designated for 35 additional streams in Appendix D of §307.10. “High aquatic life” requires an instream dissolved oxygen concentration of 5 milligrams per liter, while “intermediate aquatic life” requires an instream dissolved concentration of 4 milligrams per liter.