Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Edwards Aquifer Application Cover Page

## Our Review of Your Application

**The Edwards Aquifer Program staff conducts an administrative and technical review of all applications. The turnaround time for administrative review can be up to 30 days as outlined in 30 TAC 213.4(e). Generally administrative completeness is determined during the intake meeting or within a few days of receipt. The turnaround time for technical review of an administratively complete Edwards Aquifer application is 90 days  as outlined in 30 TAC 213.4(e). Please know that the review and approval time is directly impacted by the quality and completeness of the initial application that is received. In order to conduct a timely review, it is imperative that the information provided in an Edwards Aquifer application include final plans, be accurate, complete, and in compliance with** [**30 TAC 213**](http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=30&pt=1&ch=213)**.**

## Administrative Review

1. [Edwards Aquifer applications](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/field/eapp/apps.html) must be deemed administratively complete before a technical review can begin. To be considered administratively complete, the application must contain completed forms and attachments, provide the requested information, and meet all the site plan requirements. The submitted application and plan sheets should be final plans. Please submit one full-size set of plan sheets with the original application, and half-size sets with the additional copies.

To ensure that all applicable documents are included in the application, the program has developed tools to guide you and web pages to provide all forms, checklists, and guidance. Please visit the below website for assistance: [http://www.tceq.texas.gov/field/eapp](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/eapp-plan).

1. This Edwards Aquifer Application Cover Page form (certified by the applicant or agent) must be included in the application and brought to the administrative review meeting.
2. Administrative reviews are scheduled with program staff who will conduct the review. Applicants or their authorized agent should call the appropriate regional office, according to the county in which the project is located, to schedule a review. The average meeting time is one hour.
3. In the meeting, the application is examined for administrative completeness. Deficiencies will be noted by staff and emailed or faxed to the applicant and authorized agent at the end of the meeting, or shortly after. Administrative deficiencies will cause the application to be deemed incomplete and returned.

An appointment should be made to resubmit the application. The application is re-examined to ensure all deficiencies are resolved. The application will only be deemed administratively complete when all administrative deficiencies are addressed.

1. If an application is received by mail, courier service, or otherwise submitted without a review meeting, the administrative review will be conducted within 30 days. The applicant and agent will be contacted with the results of the administrative review. If the application is found to be administratively incomplete, it can be retrieved from the regional office or returned by regular mail. If returned by mail, the regional office may require arrangements for return shipping.
2. If the geologic assessment was completed before October 1, 2004 and the site contains “possibly sensitive” features, the assessment must be updated in accordance with the *Instructions to Geologists* (TCEQ-0585 Instructions).

## Technical Review

1. When an application is deemed administratively complete, the technical review period begins. The regional office will distribute copies of the application to the identified affected city, county, and groundwater conservation district whose jurisdiction includes the subject site. These entities and the public have 30 days to provide comments on the application to the regional office. All comments received are reviewed by TCEQ.
2. A site assessment is usually conducted as part of the technical review, to evaluate the geologic assessment and observe existing site conditions. The site must be accessible to our staff. The site boundaries should be clearly marked, features identified in the geologic assessment should be flagged, roadways marked and the alignment of the Sewage Collection System and manholes should be staked at the time the application is submitted. If the site is not marked the application may be returned.
3. We evaluate the application for technical completeness and contact the applicant and agent via Notice of Deficiency (NOD) to request additional information and identify technical deficiencies. There are two deficiency response periods available to the applicant. There are 14 days to resolve deficiencies noted in the first NOD. If a second NOD is issued, there is an additional 14 days to resolve deficiencies. If the response to the second notice is not received, is incomplete or inadequate, or provides new information that is incomplete or inadequate, the application must be withdrawn or will be denied. Please note that because the technical review is underway, whether the application is withdrawn or denied **the application fee will be forfeited**.
4. The program has 90 calendar days to complete the technical review of the application. If the application is technically adequate, such that it complies with the Edwards Aquifer rules, and is protective of the Edwards Aquifer during and after construction, an approval letter will be issued. Construction or other regulated activity may not begin until an approval is issued.

## Mid-Review Modifications

It is important to have final site plans prior to beginning the permitting process with TCEQ to avoid delays.

Occasionally, circumstances arise where you may have significant design and/or site plan changes after your Edwards Aquifer application has been deemed administratively complete by TCEQ. This is considered a “Mid-Review Modification”. Mid-Review Modifications may require redistribution of an application that includes the proposed modifications for public comment.

If you are proposing a Mid-Review Modification, two options are available:

* If the technical review has begun your application can be denied/withdrawn, your fees will be forfeited, and the plan will have to be resubmitted.
* TCEQ can continue the technical review of the application as it was submitted, and a modification application can be submitted at a later time.

If the application is denied/withdrawn, the resubmitted application will be subject to the administrative and technical review processes and will be treated as a new application. The application will be redistributed to the affected jurisdictions.

Please contact the regional office if you have questions. If your project is located in Williamson, Travis, or Hays County, contact TCEQ’s Austin Regional Office at 512-339-2929. If your project is in Comal, Bexar, Medina, Uvalde, or Kinney County, contact TCEQ’s San Antonio Regional Office at 210-490-3096

Please fill out all required fields below and submit with your application.

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| **1. Regulated Entity Name:** | | | | | | **2. Regulated Entity No.:** | | | | |
| **3. Customer Name:** | | | | | | **4. Customer No.:** | | | | |
| **5. Project Type:**  **(Please circle/check one)** | New | | Modification | | | Extension | | Exception |  |
| **6. Plan Type:**  **(Please circle/check one)** | WPAP | CZP | SCS | UST | AST | EXP | EXT | Technical Clarification | Optional Enhanced Measures |
| **7. Land Use:**  **(Please circle/check one)** | Residential | | Non-residential | | | | **8. Site (acres):** | |  | |
| **9. Application Fee:** |  | | **10. Permanent BMP(s):** | | | | |  | | |
| **11. SCS (Linear Ft.):** |  | | **12. AST/UST (No. Tanks):** | | | | |  | | |
| **13. County:** |  | | **14. Watershed:** | | | | |  | | |

# Application Distribution

Instructions: Use the table below to determine the number of applications required. One original and one copy of the application, plus additional copies (as needed) for each affected incorporated city, county, and groundwater conservation district are required. Linear projects or large projects, which cross into multiple jurisdictions, can require additional copies. Refer to the “Texas Groundwater Conservation Districts within the EAPP Boundaries” map found at:

<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/compliance/field_ops/eapp/EAPP%20GWCD%20map.pdf>

For more detailed boundaries, please contact the conservation district directly.

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| **Austin Region** | | | |
| **County:** | **Hays** | **Travis** | **Williamson** |
| Original (1 req.) | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ |
| Region (1 req.) | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ |
| County(ies) | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ |
| Groundwater Conservation District(s) | \_\_Edwards Aquifer Authority  \_\_Barton Springs/ Edwards Aquifer  \_\_Hays Trinity  \_\_Plum Creek | \_\_Barton Springs/ Edwards Aquifer | NA |
| City(ies) Jurisdiction | \_\_Austin  \_\_Buda  \_\_Dripping Springs  \_\_Kyle  \_\_Mountain City  \_\_San Marcos  \_\_Wimberley  \_\_Woodcreek | \_\_Austin \_\_Bee Cave  \_\_Pflugerville  \_\_Rollingwood  \_\_Round Rock  \_\_Sunset Valley  \_\_West Lake Hills | \_\_Austin  \_\_Cedar Park  \_\_Florence  \_\_Georgetown  \_\_Jerrell  \_\_Leander  \_\_Liberty Hill  \_\_Pflugerville  \_\_Round Rock |

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| **San Antonio Region** | | | | | |
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| Region (1 req.) | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ |
| County(ies) | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ | \_\_ |
| Groundwater Conservation District(s) | \_\_ Edwards Aquifer Authority  \_\_Trinity-Glen Rose | \_\_Edwards Aquifer Authority | \_\_Kinney | \_\_EAA  \_\_Medina | \_\_EAA  \_\_Uvalde |
| City(ies) Jurisdiction | \_\_Castle Hills  \_\_Fair Oaks Ranch  \_\_Helotes  \_\_Hill Country Village  \_\_Hollywood Park  \_\_San Antonio (SAWS)  \_\_Shavano Park | \_\_Bulverde  \_\_Fair Oaks Ranch  \_\_Garden Ridge  \_\_New Braunfels  \_\_Schertz | NA | \_\_San Antonio ETJ (SAWS) | NA |

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| I certify that to the best of my knowledge, that the application is complete and accurate. This application is hereby submitted to TCEQ for administrative review and technical review. | | | | | | |
| Print Name of Customer/Authorized Agent | | | | | | |
| Signature of Customer/Authorized Agent Date | | | | | | |
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| \*\*FOR TCEQ INTERNAL USE ONLY\*\*  Date Administratively Complete: | | | | | | | | |
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| EAPP File Number: | |  | Complex: | |  | | | |
| Admin. Review(s) (No.): | |  | No. AR Rounds: | |  | | | |
| Delinquent Fees (Y/N): | |  | Review Time Spent: | |  | | | |
| Lat./Long. Verified: | |  | SOS Customer Verification: | |  | | | |
| Agent Authorization Complete/Notarized (Y/N): | |  | Fee Check: | Payable to TCEQ (Y/N): | | | | |
| Core Data Form Complete (Y/N): | |  | Signed (Y/N): | | | | |
| Core Data Form Incomplete Nos.: | |  | Less than 90 days old (Y/N): | | | | |