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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 30 TAC CHAPTER 290 and 291

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (commission) will conduct a public hearing to receive testimony regarding proposed revisions to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) 290, Public Drinking Water, Sections 290.38, 290.39, 290.41, 290.42, 290.43, 290.44, 290.45, 290.46, and 290.47, as well as Chapter 291, Utility Regulations, Sections 291.160, 291.161, 291.162, and new Section 291.163, under the requirements of Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001, Subchapter B.

The proposed rulemaking would amend 30 TAC Chapter 290, Subchapter D, and Chapter 291, Subchapter L, for consistency with the Texas Water Code, Sections 13.1394, and 13.1395; to add weather resiliency requirements consistent with the Winter Storm Uri after-action review findings; and to clarify and streamline existing state rules.

The commission will hold a hybrid virtual and in-person public hearing on this proposal in Austin on Friday, August 11, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. in Building E, Room 201S, at the commission's central office located at 12100 Park 35 Circle. The hearing is structured for the receipt of oral or written comments by interested persons. Individuals may present oral statements when called upon, in order of registration. Open discussion will not be permitted during the hearing; however, commission staff members will be available to discuss the proposal 30 minutes prior to the hearing.

Individuals who plan to attend the hearing virtually and want to provide oral comments and/or want their attendance on record must register by Wednesday, August 9, 2023. To register for the hearing, please email Rules@tceq.texas.gov and provide the following information: your name, your affiliation, your email address, your phone number, and whether or not you plan to provide oral comments during the hearing. Instructions for participating in the hearing will be sent on Thursday, August 10, 2023, to those who register for the hearing.

Any public participant who does not wish to provide oral comments but would like to view the hearing may do so at no cost at:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NzJlNGM0NGUtOTNlYy00ZWm2LTIlnjQtOTZmMjExNTcyOTg0%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22871a83a4-a1ce-4b7a-8156-3bcd93a08fba%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22e74a40ea-69d4-469d-a8ef-06f2c9ac2a80%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d

Persons who have special communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to attend the hearing should contact Sandy Wong, Office of Legal Services at (512) 239-1802 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD). Requests should be made as far in advance as possible.

If you need translation services, please contact TCEQ at 800-687-4040. Si desea información general en español, puede llamar al 800-687-4040.

Written comments may be submitted to Gwen Ricco, MC 205, Office of Legal Services, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or faxed to *fax4808@tceq.texas.gov*. Electronic comments may be submitted at: <https://tceq.commentinput.com/>. File size restrictions may apply to comments being submitted via the TCEQ Public Comment system. All comments should reference Rule Project Number 2023-125-290-OW. The comment period closes August 13, 2023. Copies of the proposed rulemaking can be obtained from the commission's website at https://www.tceq.texas.gov/rules/propose_adopt.html. For further information, please contact Christina Dupont, Water Supply Division, (512) 239-0537.