



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 30 TAC CHAPTER 311

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (commission) will conduct a public hearing to receive testimony regarding proposed revisions to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 311, Watershed Protection Rules, Subchapter H, under the requirements of Texas Water Code, §§26.551 - 26.562 and Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001, Subchapter B.

The proposed rulemaking would implement House Bill 1688, 88th Legislature, by amending 30 TAC Chapter 311, Subchapter H, §§ 311.71 - 311.75, 311.77, and 311.79 - 311.82 to expand permitting and financial assurance requirements for quarries to the new Coke Stevenson Scenic Riverway, continue the requirements in the John Graves Scenic Riverway, and extend the expiration date of the subchapter until September 1, 2027. In addition, the title of Subchapter H would be amended to "Regulation of Quarries in Certain Water Quality Protection Areas."

The commission will hold a hybrid virtual and in-person public hearing on this proposal in Austin on February 26, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in Building F, Room 2210 at the commission's central office located at 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, TX. 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 February 22, 2024. To register for the hearing, please email [Rules@tceq.texas.gov](mailto: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 February 23, 2024, to those who register for the hearing.

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

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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.

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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 2023-138-311-OW. The comment period closes February 26, 2024. Copies of the proposed rulemaking can be obtained from the commission's website at [https://www.tceq.texas.gov/rules/propose\\_adopt.html](https://www.tceq.texas.gov/rules/propose_adopt.html). For further information, please contact the Macayla Coleman, Water Quality Division, 512-239-3925.