

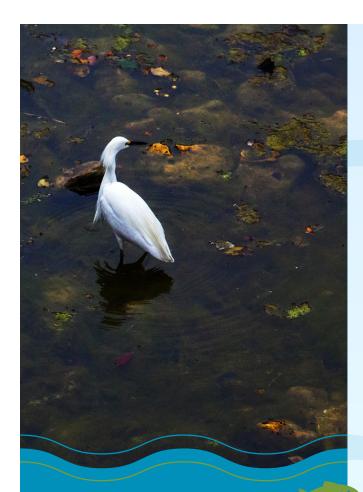
A partnership between the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, regional water authorities, and you



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Clean Rivers Program Goals

Maintain and improve the quality of water within each river basin in Texas through an ongoing partnership with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), river authorities, other state agencies, regional entities, local governments, industry, and citizens.

We identify and evaluate water quality issues, establish priorities for corrective action, and adapt to changing priorities using a watershed management approach.

Working Together for Clean Water and Science-Based Decisions

Steering Committees

Each regional partner agency that participates in the program has a steering committee with members representing the diverse interests of the community like:

- The public
- Government
- Non-profit organizations
- Industry

By involving the community, the program can share information and obtain input on the most important water quality issues.

How You Can Get Involved

- Attend your river basin's steering committee meetings.
- Express your water quality concerns and your knowledge of potential pollutant sources in your basin.
- Tell others about the program.
- Participate in local outreach opportunities, such as volunteer monitoring.

To find out more about participating, contact the partner agency in your river basin. See the map on the back of this brochure and our **Partners webpage**.¹

www.tceq.texas.gov/waterquality/clean-rivers/partners.html

How the Program Works

Identify Problems

- Use standardized techniques to conduct coordinated water quality monitoring throughout each basin.
- Evaluate water quality problems and trace them to their sources.
- Provide a forum for citizens to contribute ideas and express concerns about water quality issues.
- Analyze data to identify trends and evaluate impacts on water quality and aquatic life.

Seek Solutions

- Increase public awareness of water quality issues.
- Recommend water quality improvement and protection strategies in cooperation with local, regional, and state organizations.
- Adapt the program to emerging water quality concerns.

