

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING  
ON DRAFT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR ONE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR  
INDICATOR BACTERIA IN THE COTTON BAYOU WATERSHED**

**AVISO DE SOLICITUD DE COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS Y AVISO DE REUNIÓN PÚBLICA  
SOBRE EL BORRADOR DEL PLAN DE IMPLEMENTACIÓN DE UNA CARGA DIARIA  
MÁXIMA TOTAL PARA BACTERIAS INDICADORAS EN LA CUENCA DE COTTON  
BAYOU**

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has made available for public comment the draft Implementation Plan (I-Plan) for one Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for indicator bacteria in the Cotton Bayou watershed, of the Trinity River Basin, within Chambers County.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the draft I-Plan for one assessment unit: Cotton Bayou Tidal 0801C\_01.

The I-Plan, developed by regional stakeholders, is a flexible tool that the governmental and non-governmental participants involved in TMDL implementation will use to guide their actions and practices. The commission requests comment on each of the major components of the I-Plan: management measures, implementation strategy and tracking, review strategy, and communication strategy.

After the public comment period, TCEQ may revise the draft I-Plan if appropriate. The final I-Plan will then be considered by the Commission for approval. Upon approval of the I-Plan by the Commission, the final I-Plan and a response to all comments received will be made available on TCEQ's website.

**Public Meeting and Testimony.** The public meeting for the draft I-Plan will be held at the Sam & Carmena Goss Memorial Branch Library, 1 John Hall Dr, Mont Belvieu, TX 77580, on December 10, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**Please periodically check the project website before the meeting date for related updates** <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/waterquality/tmdl/nav/124-cottonbayou-bacteria>.

During this meeting, individuals will have the opportunity to present oral statements. An agency staff member will give a brief presentation at the start of the meeting and will be available to answer questions before and after all oral statements have been received.

**Written Comments.** Please choose one of the methods provided to submit your written comments. Written comments on the draft I-Plan may be submitted to Lauren Dawson, Water Quality Planning Division, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, MC 203, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas, 78711-3087 or eFaxed to [512-239-1414](tel:512-239-1414). 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 written comments must be received at TCEQ by midnight on December 30, 2024, and should reference *Implementation Plan for One Total Maximum Daily Load for Indicator*

*Bacteria in the Cotton Bayou Watershed.*

For further information regarding the draft I-Plan, please contact Lauren Dawson at [Lauren.Dawson@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:Lauren.Dawson@tceq.texas.gov). The draft I-Plan can be obtained via TCEQ's website at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/waterquality/tmdl/nav/124-cottonbayou-bacteria>.

Persons with disabilities who have special communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to participate in the meeting should contact Lauren Dawson at [Lauren.Dawson@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:Lauren.Dawson@tceq.texas.gov). Requests should be made as far in advance as possible. **Para la versión en español de este documento, visite** <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/waterquality/tmdl/nav/124-cottonbayou-bacteria>.