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# NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### AGENDA

Thursday, February 1, 2024, 1:30 PM Hybrid In-Person/Zoom Meeting



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## 1. Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions

## 2. Certify Quorum

A quorum of 12 is required to conduct committee business.



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## 3. Approve Meeting Report

Request approval of November 2, 2023 meeting report. Copies shared via email and available on the NRAC Extranet website.



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## 4. Membership

H-GAC staff will provide a brief status update on membership.



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## 5. Environmental Committee Highlights

Coordinators for H-GAC environmental committees will provide information on activities and updates from the past quarter.

- Regional Flood Management Committee (Amanda Ashcroft)
- Solid Waste Management Committee (Erin Livingston)



## 6. Environmental Program Highlights

H-GAC Staff will highlight Community & Environmental Planning projects to seek comment and feedback from Committee members.

- Trash Bash 2024 (Kendall Guidroz)
- Green Infrastructure (Steven Johnston)
- Clean Rivers Program (Rachel Windham for Todd Running)
- Watershed Protection Plan Projects Update (Rachel Windham)
- Parks and Natural Areas Roundtable Update (Rachel Windham for Andrea Tantillo)



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## 7. Subcommittees

Water Innovation Strategies of Excellence Subcommittee

Staff coordinator, Rachel Windham, will provide an update on the status of the Water Innovation Strategies of Excellence Awards and future action.



## **2024 WISE AWARDS**

### **2023 CATEGORIES**

- Policy and Planning
- Education and Public Awareness
- Completed Effort (Greater than \$200K)
- Completed Effort (Less than \$200K)
- Research and Monitoring
- Program Performance
- Individual Excellence
  - Special recognition was given to Texas Water Resources Institute for Community Outreach

#### **2023 WINNERS**

- \*none submitted\*
- The Woodlands Township Environmental Services
- Gulf Coast Authority
- City of Bay City Parks and Recreation
- City of Mont Belvieu
- Buffalo Bayou Partnership
- \*none submitted\*

### Make changes to categories?

### Ideas for judges?

### Repeat 2023 timeline?



## 8. Topic of the Day

Kendall Guidroz, Senior Planner with H-GAC, will share an update on the Coastal Communities project.



## 9. Roundtable Discussion

NRAC members can bring up issues of import and/or interest for edification and/or discussion at this time. Please take advantage of this agenda item.



## 10. Public Comment

Members of the public can sign up to public comment. Three minutes allotted for each public comment.



### 11. Next Meeting Date

Unless otherwise notified, the next scheduled meeting is: **Thursday, May 2, 2024** from **1:30** to **3:30 p.m.** This meeting will be held as a hybrid in-person/online event.



