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**TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, HOUSTON-GALVESTON  
AREA COUNCIL TO HOLD JULY 29 PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS SPRING  
CREEK WATER QUALITY CONCERNS**

**HOUSTON, TX** – The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) will hold a virtual public meeting of the Spring Creek Watershed Partnership from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, July 29. The meeting will be held on the GoToWebinar platform. A registration link is available at <http://springcreekpartnership.com>.

The purpose of this public meeting is to bring local governments, residents, businesses, producers, community groups, and other stakeholders together to form the Spring Creek Watershed Partnership. With support and facilitation provided by TCEQ and H-GAC, this partnership will develop a watershed protection plan to address water quality issues impacting Spring Creek and its tributaries.

Due to elevated pollution levels, the TCEQ identified Spring Creek and its surrounding tributaries as failing to meet state water quality standards for contact recreation. The watershed is classified as being impaired with respect to fecal bacteria and other contaminants that pose a threat to human health, local economies, and the environment.

“Spring Creek faces many challenges, including threats to its water quality,” said Rachel Windham, planner at H-GAC. “This locally-led project seeks to empower stakeholders in the watershed to identify and pursue voluntary solutions to the water quality issues in their communities.”

For more information about the project, visit <http://springcreekpartnership.com>.

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H-GAC is a voluntary association of local governments and local elected officials from the 13-county Gulf Coast planning region, which includes an area of 12,500 square miles and more than 7 million people. H-GAC works to promote efficient and accountable use of local, state, and federal tax dollars; serves as a problem-solving and information forum for local governments; and helps analyze trends and conditions affecting the region. For more information, visit [h-gac.com](http://h-gac.com).