



Houston-Galveston Area Council

Natural Resources Advisory Committee

AGENDA

Thursday, November 2, 2023, 1:30 PM
Hybrid Meeting on Zoom and In-Person at
3555 Timmons Ln. Houston, TX 77027

1. **Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions**

2. **Certify Quorum**

A quorum of 12 is required to conduct committee business.

3. **Approve Meeting Report**

Request approval of August 3, 2023 meeting report. Copy linked in email and available on the NRAC Extranet website.

4. **Membership**

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

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)
- Coastal Communities Update (Kendall Guidroz)
- On-Site Sewage Facility Projects Update (Todd Running)
- Watershed Protection Planning and Implementation Update (Rachel Windham)
- Parks and Natural Areas Update (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.

8. **Topic of the Day**

Sayena Marandi, Senior GIS Analyst at H-GAC, will provide an overview of H-GAC's Regional Equity Application. Requirements for prioritizing environmental justice and detailing vulnerable population information are becoming more prevalent in grant applications for environmental projects. The tools demonstrated in this presentation can offer resources for agencies, organizations, and other regional entities to use in future applications for funding to support natural resource related projects.

9. **Roundtable Discussion**

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

10. **Public Comment**

11. **Next Meeting Date**

Unless otherwise notified, the next scheduled meeting is:

Thursday, February 1, 2024 from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

12. **Adjourn**

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