

IN ADDITION

The *Texas Register* is required by statute to publish certain documents, including applications to purchase control of state banks, notices of rate ceilings issued by the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner, and consultant proposal requests and awards. State agencies also may publish other notices of general interest as space permits.

Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner

Notice of Rate Ceilings

The Consumer Credit Commissioner of Texas has ascertained the following rate ceilings by use of the formulas and methods described in §303.003, and §303.009, Texas Finance Code.

The weekly ceiling as prescribed by §303.003 and §303.009 for the period of 10/19/26-10/25/26 is 18.00% for consumer¹ credit.

The weekly ceiling as prescribed by §303.003 and §303.009 for the period of 10/19/26-10/25/26 is 18.00% for commercial² credit.

¹ Credit for personal, family, or household use.

² Credit for business, commercial, investment, or other similar purpose.

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Leslie L. Pettijohn

Commissioner

Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Agreed Orders

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ, agency, or commission) staff is providing an opportunity for written public comment on the listed Agreed Orders (AOs) in accordance with Texas Water Code (TWC), §7.075. TWC, §7.075 requires that before the commission may approve the AOs, the commission shall allow the public an opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed AOs. TWC, §7.075 requires that notice of the proposed orders and the opportunity to comment must be published in the *Texas Register* no later than the 30th day before the date on which the public comment period closes, which in this case is **November 24, 2026**. TWC, §7.075 also requires that the commission promptly consider any written comments received and that the commission may withdraw or withhold approval of an AO if a comment discloses facts or considerations that indicate that consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the statutes and rules within the commission's jurisdiction or the commission's orders and permits issued in accordance with the commission's regulatory authority. Additional notice of changes to a proposed AO is not required to be published if those changes are made in response to written comments.

A physical copy of each proposed AO is available for public inspection at both the commission's central office, located at 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building C, 1st Floor, Austin, Texas 78753, (512) 239-2545 and at the applicable regional office listed as follows. Additionally, copies of the proposed AO can be found online by using either the Chief Clerk's eFiling System at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/efilings> or the TCEQ Commissioners' Integrated Database at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid>, and searching either of those databases with the proposed AO's identifying information, such as its docket number. Written comments about an AO should be sent to the enforcement coordinator designated for

each AO at the commission's central office at Enforcement Division, MC 128, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 and must be postmarked by 5:00 p.m. on **November 24, 2026**. Written comments may also be sent to the enforcement coordinator by email to ENF-COMNT@tceq.texas.gov or by facsimile machine at (512) 239-2550. The commission enforcement coordinators are available to discuss the AOs and/or the comment procedure at the listed contact information; however, TWC, §7.075 provides that comments on the AOs shall be submitted to the commission in writing.

(1) COMPANY: BNG Services, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-1206-WR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN112385307; LOCATION: Gradford, Palo Pinto County; TYPE OF FACILITY: operator; PENALTY: \$875; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Adriana Fuentes, (956) 425-6010; REGIONAL OFFICE: 1804 West Jefferson Avenue, Harlingen, Texas 78550-5247, REGION 15 - HARLINGEN.

(2) COMPANY: Bear Creek 2007 LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0104-WR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN112282413; LOCATION: Fredericksburg, Gillespie County; TYPE OF FACILITY: short-term rental facility; PENALTY: \$450; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Alejandra Basave, (512) 239-4168; REGIONAL OFFICE: 14250 Judson Road, San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480, REGION 13 - SAN ANTONIO.

(3) COMPANY: CSWR-TEXAS UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0395-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102697794; LOCATION: Burnet, Burnet County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; PENALTY: \$57,629; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Ronica Rodriguez, (512) 239-2510; REGIONAL OFFICE: 500 North Shoreline Boulevard, Suite 500, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401, REGION 14 - CORPUS CHRISTI.

(4) COMPANY: City of Happy; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0448-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101235307; LOCATION: Happy, Swisher County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; PENALTY: \$2,000; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Anjali Talpallikar, (512) 239-2507; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(5) COMPANY: City of Lewisville; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0371-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101212090; LOCATION: Lewisville, Denton County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; PENALTY: \$9,625; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Hannah Moreno, (512) 239-2509; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(6) COMPANY: City of Plano; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0288-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101391670; LOCATION: Plano, Collin County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; PENALTY: \$12,500; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT OFFSET: \$12,500; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Hannah Moreno, (512) 239-2509; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(7) COMPANY: City of Trenton; DOCKET NUMBER: 2025-0178-MWD-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101916518; LOCATION: Trenton, Fannin County; TYPE OF FACILITY: wastewater treatment facility; PENALTY: \$8,250; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT OFFSET: \$6,600; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR:

Taylor Williamson, (512) 239-2097; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, REGION 12 - HOUSTON.

(8) COMPANY: GARZA, ORLANDO; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0777-PST-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102365657; LOCATION: San Benito, Cameron County; TYPE OF FACILITY: underground storage tank system; PENALTY: \$1,875; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Jocelyn Cruz, (512) 239-4672; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(9) COMPANY: J & B RV Park, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0762-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN112457817; LOCATION: Midland, Midland County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; PENALTY: \$3,025; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Kaisie Hubschmitt, (512) 239-1482; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(10) COMPANY: Knife River Corporation - South; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0972-MLM-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111999215; LOCATION: Caldwell, Burleson County; TYPE OF FACILITY: aggregate extraction operation; PENALTY: \$4,500; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Adriana Fuentes, (956) 425-6010; REGIONAL OFFICE: 1804 West Jefferson Avenue, Harlingen, Texas 78550-5247, REGION 15 - HARLINGEN.

(11) COMPANY: LION ELASTOMERS ORANGE, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0580-AIR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN100224468; LOCATION: Orange, Orange County; TYPE OF FACILITY: chemical manufacturing plant; PENALTY: \$8,025; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Rajesh Acharya, (512) 239-0577; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(12) COMPANY: Madrasah Islamiah, Inc; DOCKET NUMBER: 2025-1698-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101192169; LOCATION: Richmond, Fort Bend County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; PENALTY: \$10,725; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Katherine McKinney, (512) 239-4619; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(13) COMPANY: Mahendra Global Inc; DOCKET NUMBER: 2025-0471-PST-E; IDENTIFIER: RN103733200; LOCATION: Greenville, Hunt County; TYPE OF FACILITY: convenience store with retail sales of gasoline; PENALTY: \$6,657; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Olivia Innes, (512) 239-4593; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(14) COMPANY: Moore Station Water Supply Corporation; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0491-MLM-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101231256; LOCATION: LaRue, Henderson County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; PENALTY: \$2,968; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Ronica Rodriguez, (512) 239-2510; REGIONAL OFFICE: 500 North Shoreline Boulevard, Suite 500, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401, REGION 14 - CORPUS CHRISTI.

(15) COMPANY: NAVARRO HOSPITAL, L.P.; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0817-PST-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102364874; LOCATION: Corsicana, Navarro County; TYPE OF FACILITY: underground storage tank system; PENALTY: \$1,875; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Olivia Innes, (512) 239-4593; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(16) COMPANY: Quadvest, L.P.; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0594-MWD-E; IDENTIFIER: RN104810866; LOCATION: Hockley, Harris County; TYPE OF FACILITY: wastewater treatment facility; PENALTY: \$46,751; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Samantha Smith, (512) 239-2099; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, REGION 12 - HOUSTON.

(17) COMPANY: RAVELO, ROBERTO; DOCKET NUMBER: 2025-1736-PST-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102034766; LOCATION: Mission, Hidalgo County; TYPE OF FACILITY: temporarily out-of-service underground storage tank; PENALTY: \$10,590; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Eresha DeSilva, (713) 767-3669; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, REGION 12 - HOUSTON.

(18) COMPANY: Rolling Hills Water Service, Inc.; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0442-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101229177; LOCATION: Weatherford, Hood County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; PENALTY: \$2,695; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Deshaune Blake, (210) 403-4033; REGIONAL OFFICE: 14250 Judson Road, San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480, REGION 13 - SAN ANTONIO.

(19) COMPANY: Sam Houston Area Council Boy Scouts of America; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0090-MWD-E; IDENTIFIER: RN109041632; LOCATION: Coldspring, San Jacinto County; TYPE OF FACILITY: wastewater treatment facility; PENALTY: \$12,937; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Samantha Smith, (512) 239-2099; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, REGION 12 - HOUSTON.

(20) COMPANY: Southstar Communities, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0367-MWD-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111244927; LOCATION: New Braunfels, Comal County; TYPE OF FACILITY: wastewater treatment facility; PENALTY: \$37,375; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Samantha Smith, (512) 239-2099; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, REGION 12 - HOUSTON.

(21) COMPANY: Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0797-PST-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102462702; LOCATION: Dallas, Dallas County; TYPE OF FACILITY: underground storage tank system; PENALTY: \$1,875; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Olivia Innes, (512) 239-4593; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(22) COMPANY: Thomas Lynn Murphy; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0789-WR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN112471750; LOCATION: Oakwood, Leon County; TYPE OF FACILITY: private property; PENALTY: \$1,500; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Logan Thompson, (512) 239-4576; REGIONAL OFFICE: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, CENTRAL OFFICE - AUSTIN.

(23) COMPANY: Undine Texas Environmental, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0656-MWD-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102076239; LOCATION: Houston, Brazoria County; TYPE OF FACILITY: wastewater treatment facility; PENALTY: \$80,500; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Samantha Smith, (512) 239-2099; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, REGION 12 - HOUSTON.

(24) COMPANY: Woodmere Development Co., Ltd; DOCKET NUMBER: 2026-0682-WR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN112340583; LOCATION: Rosenberg, Fort Bend County; TYPE OF FACILITY: impoundment; PENALTY: \$1,500; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Adriana Fuentes, (956) 425-6010; REGIONAL OFFICE: 1804 West Jefferson Avenue, Harlingen, Texas 78550-5247, REGION 15 - HARLINGEN.

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Gitanjali Yadav

Deputy Director, Litigation Division

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: October 13, 2026

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Notice of District Petition - D-09142026-019

Notice issued October 13, 2026

TCEQ Internal Control No. D-09142026-019: Sealy 300, L.P. (Petitioner) filed a petition for creation of Austin County Municipal Utility District No. 7 (District) with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The petition was filed pursuant to Article XVI, §59 of the Constitution of the State of Texas; Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code; 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 293; and the procedural rules of the TCEQ. The petition states that: (1) the Petitioner holds a majority in value of the land to be included in the proposed District; (2) there are no lienholders on the property to be included in the proposed District; (3) the proposed District will contain approximately 300.00 acres located within Austin County, Texas; and (4) the District is entirely outside the extraterritorial jurisdiction of any city. The petition further states that the proposed District will: (1) purchase, construct, acquire, maintain, own, operate, repair, improve and extend a water works and wastewater system for residential and commercial purposes; (2) construct, acquire, improve, extend, maintain, and operate works, improvements, facilities, plants, equipment, and appliances helpful or necessary to provide more adequate drainage for the proposed District; (3) control, abate, and amend local storm waters or other harmful excesses of waters; and (4) purchase, construct, acquire, improve, maintain, and operate such additional facilities, systems, plants, and enterprises, road facilities, and park and recreational facilities as shall be consistent with all of the purposes for which the proposed District is created. According to the petition, a preliminary investigation has been made to determine the cost of the project, and it is estimated by the Petitioner that the cost of said project will be approximately \$91,400,000 (\$50,200,000 for water, wastewater, and drainage, plus \$41,200,000 for roads).

INFORMATION SECTION

To view the complete issued notice, view the notice on our website at www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/cc/pub_notice.html or call the Office of the Chief Clerk at (512) 239-3300 to obtain a copy of the complete notice. When searching the website, type in the issued date range shown at the top of this document to obtain search results. The TCEQ may grant a contested case hearing on the petition if a written hearing request is filed within 30 days after the newspaper publication of the notice. To request a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) the name of the Petitioner and the TCEQ Internal Control Number; (3) the statement "I/we request a contested case hearing"; (4) a brief description of how you would be affected by the petition in a way not common to the general public; and (5) the location of your property relative to the proposed District's boundaries. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the petition. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address provided in the information section below. The Executive Director may approve the petition unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days after the newspaper publication of this notice. If a hearing request is filed, the Executive Director will not approve the petition and will forward the petition and hearing request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a contested case hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Written hearing requests should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For information concerning the hearing process, please contact the Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, at the same address. For additional information, individual members of the general public may contact the Dis-

tricts Review Team, at (512) 239-4691. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al (512) 239-0200. General information regarding TCEQ can be found at our website at www.tceq.texas.gov.

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Laurie Gharis

Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: October 14, 2026

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Notice of Opportunity to Comment on a Default Order of Administrative Enforcement Actions

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or commission) staff is providing an opportunity for written public comment on the listed Default Order (DO). The commission staff proposes a DO when the staff has sent the Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition (EDPRP) to an entity outlining the alleged violations; the proposed penalty; the proposed technical requirements necessary to bring the entity back into compliance; and the entity fails to request a hearing on the matter within 20 days of its receipt of the EDPRP or requests a hearing and fails to participate at the hearing. Similar to the procedure followed with respect to Agreed Orders entered into by the executive director of the commission, in accordance with Texas Water Code (TWC), §7.075, this notice of the proposed order and the opportunity to comment is published in the *Texas Register* no later than the 30th day before the date on which the public comment period closes, which in this case is **November 24, 2026**. The commission will consider any written comments received, and the commission may withdraw or withhold approval of a DO if a comment discloses facts or considerations that indicate that consent to the proposed DO is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the statutes and rules within the commission's jurisdiction, or the commission's orders and permits issued in accordance with the commission's regulatory authority. Additional notice of changes to a proposed DO is not required to be published if those changes are made in response to written comments.

A copy of the proposed DO is available for public inspection at both the commission's central office, located at 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building A, 3rd Floor, Austin, Texas 78753, (512) 239-3400 and at the applicable regional office listed as follows. Additionally, copies of the DO can be found online by using either the Chief Clerk's eFiling System at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/efilings> or the TCEQ Commissioners' Integrated Database at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid>, and searching either of those databases with the proposed DO's identifying information, such as its docket number. Written comments about the DO should be sent to the attorney designated for the DO at the commission's central office at P.O. Box 13087, MC 175, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 and must be **received by 5:00 p.m. on November 24, 2026**. The commission's attorneys are available to discuss the DO and/or the comment procedure at the listed phone number; however, TWC, §7.075, provides that comments on the DO shall be submitted to the commission in **writing**.

(1) COMPANY: Denien Marie Jensen and Francis Barron; DOCKET NUMBER: 2024-1743-MLM-E; TCEQ ID NUMBER: RN111088571; LOCATION: 484 Ridgewood Drive West, Hemphill, Sabine County; TYPE OF FACILITY: an unauthorized municipal solid waste disposal site; PENALTY: \$7,646; STAFF ATTORNEY: Marilyn Norrod, Litigation, MC 175, (512) 239-5916; REGIONAL OFFICE: Beaumont Regional Office, 3870 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, Texas 77703-1830, (409) 898-3838.

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Gitanjali Yadav
Deputy Director, Litigation Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Filed: October 13, 2026

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Notice of Opportunity to Comment on Agreed Orders of
Administrative Enforcement Actions

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or commission) staff is providing an opportunity for written public comment on the listed Agreed Orders (AOs) in accordance with Texas Water Code (TWC), §7.075. TWC, §7.075, requires that before the commission may approve the AOs, the commission shall allow the public an opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed AOs. TWC, §7.075, requires that notice of the opportunity to comment must be published in the *Texas Register* no later than the 30th day before the date on which the public comment period closes, which in this case is **November 24, 2026**. TWC, §7.075, also requires that the commission promptly consider any written comments received and that the commission may withdraw or withhold approval of an AO if a comment discloses facts or considerations that indicate that consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the statutes and rules within the commission's jurisdiction or the commission's orders and permits issued in accordance with the commission's regulatory authority. Additional notice of changes to a proposed AO is not required to be published if those changes are made in response to written comments.

A physical copy of the proposed AO is available for public inspection at both the commission's central office, located at 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building A, 3rd Floor, Austin, Texas 78753, (512) 239-3400 and at the applicable regional office listed as follows. Additionally, copies of the proposed AO can be found online by using either the Chief Clerk's eFiling System at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/efilings> or the TCEQ Commissioners' Integrated Database at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid>, and searching either of those databases with the proposed AO's identifying information, such as its docket number. Written comments about an AO should be sent to the attorney designated for the AO at the commission's central office at P.O. Box 13087, MC 175, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 and must be **received by 5:00 p.m. on November 24, 2026**. The designated attorneys are available to discuss the AOs and/or the comment procedure at the listed phone numbers; however, TWC, §7.075, provides that comments on an AO shall be submitted to the commission in **writing**.

(1) COMPANY: MAKHANI ENTERPRISES INC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2024-0114-PST-E; TCEQ ID NUMBER: RN101473767; LOCATION: 2349 North Main Street, Junction, Kimble County; TYPE OF FACILITY: an underground storage tank system and a convenience store with retail sales of gasoline; PENALTY: \$4,876; STAFF ATTORNEY: A'twar Wilkins, Litigation, MC 175, (512) 239-6515; REGIONAL OFFICE: San Angelo Regional Office, 622 South Oakes, Suite K, San Angelo, Texas 76903-7035, (325) 655-9479.

(2) COMPANY: MOUNTAIN BREEZE, L.L.C.; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-1313-PWS-E; TCEQ ID NUMBER: RN101202505; LOCATION: 9250 River Road near New Braunfels, Comal County; TYPE OF FACILITY: a public water supply; PENALTY: \$9,358; STAFF ATTORNEY: Taylor Pack Ellis, Litigation, MC 175, (512) 239-6860; REGIONAL OFFICE: San Antonio Regional Office, 14250 Judson Road, San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480, (210) 490-3096.

(3) COMPANY: MOUNTAIN BREEZE, L.L.C.; DOCKET NUMBER: 2025-1567-PWS-E; TCEQ ID NUMBER: RN101202505;

LOCATION: 9250 River Road near New Braunfels, Comal County; TYPE OF FACILITY: a public water system; PENALTY: \$6,190; STAFF ATTORNEY: Taylor Pack Ellis, Litigation, MC 175, (512) 239-6860; REGIONAL OFFICE: San Antonio Regional Office, 14250 Judson Road, San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480, (210) 490-3096.

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Gitanjali Yadav
Deputy Director, Litigation Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Filed: October 13, 2026

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Notice of Water Quality Application - WQ0011824002 Minor
Amendment

The following notice was issued on October 14, 2026:

The following notice does not require publication in a newspaper. Written comments or requests for a public meeting may be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, Mail Code 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 WITHIN (30) DAYS OF THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IN THE *TEXAS REGISTER*.

INFORMATION SECTION

Northwest Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 5 has applied for a minor amendment to Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. WQ0011824002 to add an Interim II phase that authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at an annual average flow not to exceed 1,250,000 gallons per day. The existing permit authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at an annual average flow not to exceed 2,500,000 gallons per day. The facility is located at 15342 ½ Grant Road, in Harris County, Texas 77429.

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Laurie Gharis
Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Filed: October 14, 2026

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Notice of Water Quality Application - WQ0014254001 Minor
Amendment

The following notice was issued on October 6, 2026:

The following notice does not require publication in a newspaper. Written comments or requests for a public meeting may be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, Mail Code 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 WITHIN (10) DAYS FROM THE DATE THIS NOTICE IS MAILED.

INFORMATION SECTION

Pine Cove, Inc. has applied for a minor amendment of TCEQ Permit No. WQ0014254001 which authorizes the disposal of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow the disposal of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 0.15 million gallons per day (MGD) via non-public access surface irrigation system with a minimum area of 54 acres. This permit will not authorize a discharge of pollutants into water in the state. The wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located 0.2 miles south of the intersection of County Road 1133 and Farm-to-Market Road 2661, in Smith County, Texas 75762.

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Laurie Gharis
Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Filed: October 14, 2026



Notice of Water Quality Application - WQ0016011001 Minor Amendment

The following notice was issued on October 13, 2026:

The following notice does not require publication in a newspaper. Written comments or requests for a public meeting may be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, Mail Code 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 WITHIN (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE THIS NOTICE IS PUBLISHED IN THE *TEXAS REGISTER*.

INFORMATION SECTION

Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 222 has applied for a minor amendment to Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. WQ0016011001 to increase a daily average flow from 400,000 gallons per day (gpd) to 600,000 gpd in the Interim II phase. The existing permit authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at an annual average flow not to exceed 1,500,000 gpd. The facility will be located approximately 0.64 mile northeast of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 359 and Jordan Road in Fort Bend County, Texas 77423.

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Laurie Gharis
Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Filed: October 14, 2026



Notice of Water Quality Application - WQ0016043001 Minor Amendment

The following notice was issued on October 12, 2026:

The following notice does not require publication in a newspaper. Written comments or requests for a public meeting may be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, Mail Code 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 WITHIN (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE THIS NOTICE IS PUBLISHED IN THE *TEXAS REGISTER*.

INFORMATION SECTION

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has initiated a minor amendment of the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. WQ0016043001 issued to City of Anna, P.O. Box 776, Anna, Texas 75409, to correct the disinfection system from chlorine to ultraviolet light. The existing permit authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at an annual average flow not to exceed 16,000,000 gallons per day. The facility is located approximately 1.56 miles west of the intersection of the Collin County Outer Loop and U.S. Highway 75 in Collin County, Texas 75409.

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Laurie Gharis
Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
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Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Public Notice: Amendment to the Texas State Plan for the Children's Health Insurance Program

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) announces its intent to submit transmittal number 26-0021 to amend the Texas State Plan for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP State Plan), under Title XXI of the Social Security Act.

The purpose of this amendment is to comply with statutory changes made by section 71109 of the Working Families Tax Cut legislation (WFTC), Public Law 119-21, which restricts federal financial participation for CHIP to:

- U.S. citizens and U.S. nationals,
- Lawful permanent residents,
- Cuban/Haitian entrants, and
- Compact of Free Association (COFA) migrants.

Beginning October 1, 2026, a person must be in one of the federal financial participation-eligible groups listed above to receive full CHIP benefits. Changes to the CHIP State Plan are made in accordance with sections 1903(v)(5) and 2107(e)(1)(R) of the Social Security Act (Act), as added and amended by section 71109 of the WFTC.

Under the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIPRA) 214 option, Texas has elected to provide full CHIP (up to age 19) to eligible lawfully residing children. Full CHIP coverage provided under the CHIPRA 214 option is excepted from the federal financial participation limitations imposed under sections 1903(v)(5) and 2107(e)(1)(R) of the Act; therefore, these children continue to qualify for full CHIP in Texas provided all other eligibility criteria are met.

The proposed amendment is effective October 1, 2026.

To obtain copies of the proposed amendment, interested parties may contact Jayasree Sankaran, State Plan Coordinator, by mail at the Health and Human Services Commission, P.O. Box 13247, Mail Code H-600, Austin, Texas 78711; by telephone at (512) 438-4331; or by email at Medicaid_Chip_SPA_Inquiries@hhsc.state.tx.us. Copies of the proposal will also be made available for public view at the local offices of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

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Public Notice - Texas State Plan for Medical Assistance Amendment

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) announces its intent to submit amendments to the Texas State Plan for Medical Assistance under Title XIX of the Social Security Act. The proposed amendments will be effective September 1, 2027.

The purpose of the amendments is to update the reimbursement methodology in the current state plan by establishing an alternative payment methodology, setting the minimum Medicaid Rural Health Clinic (RHC) encounter rate equal to the Medicare RHC all-inclusive rate payment limit.

Rural Health Clinic Services

The proposed amendment is estimated to result in an aggregate expenditure of \$45,183 for federal fiscal year 2027 covering September 1, 2027, through September 30, 2027, consisting of \$26,640 in federal

funds and \$18,543 in state general revenue. For federal fiscal year 2028, the estimated aggregate expenditure is \$542,750 covering October 1, 2027, through September 30, 2028, consisting of \$320,024 in federal funds and \$222,726 in state general revenue. For federal fiscal year 2029, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure is \$549,366, consisting of \$324,126 in federal funds and \$225,240 in state general revenue. For state fiscal year 2030, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure is \$556,241, consisting of \$328,182 in federal funds and \$228,059 in state general revenue.

Under the proposed alternative payment methodology, RHCs with Medicaid encounter rates below the Medicare RHC all-inclusive rate payment limit may receive an increase to the minimum rate if they agree to it. RHCs with encounter rates equal to or greater than the RHC all-inclusive rate payment limit will continue to receive their existing rates. The proposed amendment establishes an Alternate Payment Method (APM) reimbursement floor based on the Medicare RHC all-inclusive rate payment limit updated annually.

A Rate Hearing will be conducted online to propose specific rate changes and accept public testimony. Information about the proposed rate changes and hearings will be published in a subsequent issue of the *Texas Register*.

Copy of Proposed Amendment. Interested parties may obtain additional information and/or a free copy of the proposed amendment by contacting Jayasree Sankaran, State Plan Coordinator, by mail at the Health and Human Services Commission, P.O. Box 13247, Mail Code H-600, Austin, Texas 78711; by telephone at (512) 438-4331; or by email at Medicaid_Chip_SPA_Inquiries@hhsc.state.tx.us. Once submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for approval, copies of the proposed amendment will be available for review at the HHSC Access and Eligibility Services for local benefit offices.

Written Comments. Written comments about the proposed amendment and/or requests to review comments may be sent by U.S. mail, overnight mail, special delivery mail, hand delivery, fax, or email:

U.S. Mail

Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Attention: Provider Finance Department

Mail Code H-400

P.O. Box 149030

Austin, Texas 78714-9030

Overnight mail, special delivery mail, or hand delivery

Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Attention: Provider Finance Department

North Austin Complex

Mail Code H-400

4601 W. Guadalupe St.

Austin, Texas 78751

Phone number for package delivery: (512) 730-7401

Fax

Attention: Provider Finance at (512) 730-7475

Email

PFD_Hospitals@hhs.texas.gov

Preferred Communication.

If possible, please use email or phone to communicate with HHSC about this state plan amendment for the quickest response.

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Department of State Health Services

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Updates to Medicaid and Non-Medicaid Payment Rates

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will conduct a public hearing on November 20, 2026, at 9:00 am, to receive public comments on proposed updates to Calendar Fee Review, Medical Policy Review, Quarterly HCPCS Updates, Special Review Updates, and Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Updates.

This hearing will be conducted as an in-person and online event. To join the hearing from your computer, tablet, or smartphone, register for the hearing in advance using the following link:

Registration URL:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8054610326404374622>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. Instructions for dialing-in by phone will be provided after you register.

Members of the public may attend the rate hearing in person, which will be held in the Public Hearing Room M-100 in the Robert D. Moreton Building located at 1100 West 49th Street, Austin, Texas, or they may access a live stream of the meeting at <https://hhs.texas.gov/about-hhs/communications-events/live-archived-meetings>. For the live stream, select the "Moreton M-100 Live" tab. A recording of the hearing will be archived and accessible on demand at <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/about/live-archived-meetings> under the "Archived" tab. The hearing will be held in compliance with Texas Human Resources Code section 32.0282, which requires public notice of and hearings on proposed Medicaid reimbursements.

If attending the public hearing in person, visitor parking for the Robert D. Moreton building can be found on the 2nd and higher floors of state parking garage H. This garage is located just southeast of the Robert D. Moreton building and west of the Brown-Heatly building.

Any updates to the hearing details will be posted on the HHSC website at <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/about/meetings-events>.

Proposal. The effective date of the proposed payment rates for the topics presented during the rate hearing will be as follows:

Effective July 1, 2026

Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS)

-Non-Medical Transportation (NMT) rates for the Youth Empowerment Services (YES) and Home and Community-Based Services - Adult Mental Health Program (HCBS-AMH) Programs

Special Review

-Medical Transportation Program (MTP) / Individual Transportation Participant (ITP)

Effective October 1, 2026

Medical Policy

-Health and Behavior Assessment and Intervention (HBAI) Clean-up: 96170 & 96171

Effective January 1, 2027

Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS)

-Employment services rates for YES and HCBS-AMH waiver programs

Effective March 1, 2027

Calendar Fee Review

-Anesthesia

-Ambulatory Surgical Center - Hospital-based Ambulatory Surgical Center

-Ambulatory Surgical Center - Hospital-based Ambulatory Surgical Center Not Covered by Medicare

-Birthing Centers

-Clinical Diagnostic Labs

-Clinical Diagnostic Labs - Gapfill

-General and Integumentary System Surgery

-Nervous System Surgery

-Ophthalmological Services

-Physician Administered Drugs - NDCX

-Physician Administered Drugs - Non-Oncology

-Physician Administered Drugs - Oncology

-Physician Administered Drugs - Vaccines & Toxoids

-Respiratory Therapist

Quarterly HCPCS Updates

-Q1 HCPCS Drugs

-Q1 HCPCS TOS 1 Non-Drugs

-Q1 HCPCS TOS 2

-Q1 HCPCS TOS 5 (Clinical Lab)

-Q1 HCPCS TOS 9

-Q1 HCPCS TOS F (ASC)

-Q2 HCPCS Drugs

-Q2 HCPCS TOS 2

Special Review

-Peer Specialist - TOS 3

-Blind Children's Program

Methodology and Justification. The proposed payment rates were calculated in accordance with Title 1 of the Texas Administrative Code:

Section 355.8023 - Reimbursement Methodology for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS);

Section 355.8061 - Outpatient Hospital Reimbursement;

Section 355.8085 - Reimbursement Methodology for Physicians and Other Practitioners;

Section 355.8089 - In-home Respiratory Therapy Services for Ventilator-Dependent Persons;

Section 355.8121 - Reimbursement to Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs);

Section 355.8181 - Birthing Center Reimbursement;

Section 355.8221 - Reimbursement Methodology [for a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA)];

Section 355.8441 - Reimbursement Methodologies for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) Services (also known as Texas Health Steps);

Section 355.8610 - Reimbursement for Clinical Laboratory Services;

Section 355.9060 - Reimbursement Methodology for the Youth Empowerment Services Waiver Program; and

Section 355.9070 - Reimbursement Methodology for Home and Community-Based Services - Adult Mental Health Program.

Rate Hearing Packet. A briefing packet describing the proposed payment rates will be made available at <https://pfd.hhs.texas.gov/rate-packets> on or before November 9, 2026. Interested parties may obtain a copy of the briefing packet on or after that date by contacting Provider Finance by telephone at (512) 730-7401; by fax at (512) 730-7475; or by e-mail at PFDAcuteCare@hhs.texas.gov.

Written Comments. Written comments regarding the proposed payment rates may be submitted in lieu of, or in addition to, oral testimony until 5:00 p.m. the day of the hearing. Written comments may be sent by U.S. mail to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Attention: Provider Finance, Mail Code H-400, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030; by fax to Provider Finance at (512) 730-7475; or by e-mail to PFDAcuteCare@hhs.texas.gov. In addition, written comments may be sent by overnight mail to Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Attention: Provider Finance, Mail Code H-400, North Austin Complex, 4601 Guadalupe St, Austin, Texas 78751.

Preferred Communication. For quickest response please use e-mail or phone if possible for communication with HHSC related to this rate hearing.

Persons with disabilities who wish to participate in the hearing and require auxiliary aids or services should contact Provider Finance at (512) 730-7401 at least 72 hours before the hearing so appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Texas Department of Insurance

Correction of Error

The Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) adopted amendments to 28 TAC §5.9970 and §5.9971 in the October 2, 2026, issue of the *Texas Register* (51 TexReg 6949). Because of an error by TDI, the table of contents in Figure 1: 28 TAC §5.9971(b) inadvertently included the incorrect title for #23 (Protections from discrimination), so it does not match the proper title for #23 included in the body of the figure. The table of contents should read as follows:

"23. Use of credit information to determine what you pay for your policy.....7"

The corrected figure is as follows:

CONSUMER BILL OF RIGHTS

Homeowners, Dwelling, and Renters Insurance

What is the Bill of Rights?

It is a basic outline of important rights you have under Texas law. Insurance companies must give you this Bill of Rights with your policy. It is important to read and understand your policy.

The Bill of Rights is not:

- A complete list of all your rights,
- Part of your policy, or
- A list of everything that you are responsible for.

Questions about these rights?

- If you are not sure about anything in your policy, ask your agent or insurance company.
- If you have questions or a complaint, contact the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) at:

Call with a question: 1-800-252-3439

Email with a question: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

File a complaint through the website:

www.tdi.texas.gov/consumer/get-help-with-an-insurance-complaint.html

- To learn more about insurance, visit www.opic.texas.gov or call the Office of Public Insurance Counsel (OPIC) at 1-877-611-6742.

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Where to Get Information

1. **Your insurance company.** When you get a copy of your policy you will also get an “Important Notice” from the company. The notice explains how to contact your company and how to file a complaint. You may request a complete copy of your policy from your company at any time.
2. **Your declarations page.** The declarations page, also called the “dec page,” shows: (a) the name and address of your insurance company, (b) the location of the insured property, (c) the dates your policy is in effect, and (d) the amounts and types of coverage.

Your company must list the exact dollar amount of each deductible in your policy. The declarations page, or a separate page, must also list any part of your policy that changes any deductible amount.

3. **The Texas Department of Insurance (TDI).** You have the right to call TDI for free at 1-800-252-3439 for information and help with a complaint against an insurer. You can also find information on the TDI website at www.tdi.texas.gov.
4. **Resources for shopping for insurance.** The Office of Public Insurance Counsel (OPIC) and TDI developed www.HelpInsure.com to help you compare rates and coverages for different insurance companies. OPIC also has an online tool to help you compare policies. You can find this policy comparison tool at www.opic.texas.gov.

What You Should Know When You File a Claim

5. **Deadlines for processing claims and payments for your damages.** You should file your claim with your insurance company as soon as possible. When you file a claim for your damages on your own policy, the insurance company must meet these deadlines:
 - **Within 15 days after you file a claim:** The company must let you know they received your claim. The company must also start their investigation and ask you for any other information they need.
 - **Within 15 business days after they get all the information they need:** The company must approve or deny your claim in writing. They can extend this deadline up to **45 days** from the date they: (a) let you know they need more time, and (b) tell you why.
 - **Within 5 business days after they let you know your claim is approved:** The company must pay the claim.

Note: TDI can extend these deadlines by 15 more days if there is a weather-related catastrophe.

If your company fails to meet these deadlines, you may be able to collect the claim amount, interest, and attorney’s fees.

6. **Written explanation of claim denial.** Your insurance company must tell you in writing why your claim or part of your claim was denied.
7. **Reasonable investigation.** Your insurance company cannot refuse to pay your claim without a reasonable investigation of the claim. You should keep records of all claim communications (including notes from phone calls) and other claim documentation (including damage estimates and receipts).
8. **Information not required for processing your claim.** Your insurance company can only ask for information reasonably needed for their claim investigation. However, they cannot ask for your federal income tax returns unless: (a) they get a court order, or (b) your claim involves a fire loss, loss of profits, or lost income.
9. **Right to contract with a public insurance adjuster.** Your insurer cannot include a provision in your policy that prohibits you from contracting with a licensed public insurance adjuster to act on your behalf in negotiating for or effecting the settlement of a claim.
10. **Appraisal.** You or your insurance company have the right to demand appraisal to resolve a dispute about the amount to repair or replace your damaged property.
11. **Release of claim payments from lenders.** Often an insurance company will make a claim payment to you and your lender. If your lender gets the payment:
 - **No later than 10 days after receiving it they must:** (a) notify you, and (b) tell you what you must do so the money can be released.
 - **No later than 10 days after you ask for the money, they must:** (a) send the money to you, or (b) tell you how to get the money released.

If your lender does not: (a) provide the notices mentioned above, or (b) pay the money after all the requirements have been met, the lender must pay you interest on the money.

12. **Notice of liability claim settlement.** Liability means you are responsible for other people's injuries or damage to their property. Your insurance company must let you know in writing:
 - About the first offer to settle a claim against you within **10 days** after the offer is made.
 - About any claim settled against you within **30 days** after the date of the settlement.

Who to Contact for Claim Disagreements

13. **Claim disagreements.** You can dispute the amount of your claim payment or what is covered under your policy. You can:
 - Contact your insurance company.
 - Contact an attorney to advise you of your rights under the law. The State Bar of Texas can help you find an attorney.

- Pay a licensed public adjuster to review the damage and handle the claim.
- File a complaint with TDI.

What You Should Know about Renewal, Cancellation, and Nonrenewal

Renewal means that your insurance company is extending your policy for another term.

Cancellation means that, **before the end of the policy period**, the insurance company:

- Terminates the policy;
- Gives you less coverage or limits your coverage; or
- Refuses to give additional coverage that you are entitled to under the policy.

“Refusal to renew” and **“nonrenewal”** are terms that mean your coverage ends **at the end of the policy period**. The policy period is shown on the declarations page of your policy.

14. Notice of premium increase. If your insurance company plans to increase your premium by 10% or more on renewal, your company must send you notice of the rate increase at least **30 days** before your renewal date.

15. Insurance company cancellation of homeowners policies. If your homeowners policy has been in effect for **60 days or more**, your company can only cancel your policy if:

- You don’t pay your premium when it is due;
- You file a fraudulent claim;
- There is an increase in the risk covered by the policy that is: (a) within your control, and (b) would make your premium go up; or
- TDI decides that keeping the policy violates the law.

If your policy has been in effect for **less than 60 days**, your company can only cancel your policy if:

- One of the reasons listed above applies;
- They reject a required inspection report within **10 days** after getting the report. The report must be done by a licensed or authorized inspector and cannot be more than 90 days old; or
- They find something that creates an increase in risk that you did not include in your application and is not related to a prior claim.

16. Insurance company cancellation of other residential property policies. After your policy has been in effect for **90 days**, your company can only cancel your policy if:

- You don’t pay your premium when it is due;
- You file a fraudulent claim;
- There is an increase in the risk covered by the policy that is: (a) within your control, and (b) would make your premium go up; or

- TDI decides that keeping the policy violates the law.

17. Notice of cancellation. If your insurance company cancels your policy, they must let you know by mail at least **10 days** before the effective date of the cancellation. Check your policy because your company may give you more than 10 days' notice.

18. Your right to cancel. You can cancel your policy at any time and get a refund of the unearned premium.

19. Refund of premium. If you or your insurance company cancel your policy, the company must refund any unearned premium within 15 business days from:

- the date the company receives notice of the cancellation; or
- the date of cancellation, whichever is later.

20. Limits on using claims history for nonrenewal. Your insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy based on claims for damage from natural causes, including weather-related damage, or claims that are filed but not paid or payable under the policy.

Appliance-related water damage claims. Your insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy based on an appliance-related water damage claim if:

- The damage has been properly repaired or remediated; and
- The repair or remediation was inspected and certified.

However, your insurance company may refuse to renew your policy based on appliance-related water damage claims if:

- Three or more claims were filed and paid (including a claim filed by a prior owner on your property); or
- You (a) file 2 claims within a three-year period; and (b) after the second claim, your company gives you written notice that filing a third appliance-related claim could result in your policy not being renewed; and
- You file a third claim.

Claims other than appliance-related water damage claims. Your insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy based on other claims unless:

- You (a) file 2 claims within a three-year period; and (b) after the second claim, your company gives you written notice that filing a third claim could result in your policy not being renewed; and
- You file a third claim.

21. Limits on using claims history to increase premium. Your insurance company cannot increase your premium based on claims for damage from natural causes, including weather-related damage, or claims that are filed but not paid or payable under your policy.

Appliance-related water damage claims. Your company cannot increase your premium based on a prior appliance-related water damage claim if:

- The damage has been properly repaired or remediated; and
- The repair or remediation was inspected and certified.

However, your insurance company may increase your premium based on prior appliance-related water damage claims if:

- Three or more claims were filed and paid (including a claim filed by a prior owner on your property).

Claims other than appliance-related water damage claims. Your insurance company cannot increase your premium based on other claims unless:

- You file 2 or more claims within a three-year period.

22. Right to ask questions. You can ask your insurance company a question about your policy. They cannot use your questions to deny, nonrenew, or cancel your coverage. Your questions also cannot be used to determine your premium.

For example, you may ask:

- General questions about your policy;
- Questions about the company's claims filing process; and
- Questions about whether the policy will cover a loss, unless the question is about damage: (a) that occurred, and (b) that results in an investigation or claim.

23. Use of credit information to determine what you pay for your policy. If your insurance company uses credit information to rate your policy:

- The company must:
 - review and update the credit information considered in the rating of your policy not less than every 36-months; and
 - reassess policy rating and adjust premiums based on the updated credit information.
- When credit information is used to take an action that results in an adverse effect to you, the company must:
 - use a credit report issued not more than 90 days before the policy is renewed; and
 - send you written or electronic notice of your right to request your policy be re-rated as indicated in the last bullet below.
- You or your agent may request re-underwriting and re-rating of your insurance policy once in a 12-month period. If requested, your company must reassess your policy rating and adjust premiums at renewal based upon the current credit report or insurance score.

- 24. Protections from discrimination.** An insurance company cannot refuse to insure you; limit the coverage you buy; refuse to renew your policy; or charge you a different rate based on your race, color, creed, country of origin, or religion.
- 25. Widow classification for rating.** An insurance company may not charge an individual who is widowed or whose marital status otherwise reflects the death of a spouse a rate that is different from the rate that would be charged if the individual's marital status was married.
- 26. Protection for low-value property.** An insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy because the property value is low.
- 27. Protection for older houses.** An insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy based on the age of your property. However, they can refuse to renew your policy based on the condition of your property, including your plumbing, heating, air conditioning, wiring, or roof.
- 28. Notice of nonrenewal.** Your insurance company must send you a notice that they are not renewing your policy. They must let you know at least **60 days** before your policy expires, or you can require them to renew your policy.
- 29. Notice of a “material change” to your policy.** If your insurance company does not want to cancel or nonrenew your policy, but wants to make certain material changes, then they must explain the changes in writing at least **30 days** before the renewal date. Material changes include:
- Giving you less coverage;
 - Changing a condition of coverage; or
 - Changing what you are required to do.

Instead of a notice of “material change” a company may choose to not renew your existing policy. If so, the company has to send a nonrenewal letter, but may still offer you a different policy.

Note: A company cannot reduce coverage during the policy period unless you ask for the change. If you ask for the change, the company does not have to send you a notice.

- 30. Written statement of reasons for decision not to insure.** An insurance company must fully explain in writing the reasons for their decision not to insure you. This includes cancellation or nonrenewal.

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**Texas Department of Insurance, Division of
Workers' Compensation**

Adopted Fiscal Year 2027 Research Agenda

Workers' Compensation Research and Evaluation Group

Introduction

The commissioner of workers' compensation considers the Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Research Agenda for the Workers' Compensation Research and Evaluation Group (REG) at the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC).

Texas Labor Code §405.0026 requires the REG to prepare a research agenda each year for the commissioner to review, approve, and publish in the *Texas Register*.

Labor Code §405.0025 requires the REG to conduct professional studies and research related to how effectively the workers' compensation system operates.

DWC published the proposed research agenda in the August 28, 2026, issue of the *Texas Register* (51 TexReg 5944) and sought public review and comment. DWC received no comments and no requests for a public hearing.

Order

It is ordered that the FY 2027 Research Agenda for the Workers' Compensation Research and Evaluation Group is adopted as follows:

1. An update of the study to estimate employer participation in the Texas workers' compensation system.
2. An update of injured employee access to medical care provided under the workers' compensation system, including an analysis of access to medical care through TDI-certified workers' compensation health care networks.

The REG will consider expanding the scope of the research projects or conducting more projects to accommodate stakeholder suggestions, subject to the resources and data available.

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Public Utility Commission of Texas

Deadline and Filing Instructions for Comments on the Petition of Josiah Plumley in Project No. 60376

On October 6, 2026, petitioner Josiah Plumley filed a petition for rulemaking in Project Number 59727. On October 7, 2026, Commission Staff filed a memo reassigning the petition to Project Number 60376.

The rulemaking petition requests the amendment of 16 TAC (Texas Administrative Code) §26.37 to allow Texas residents to register telephone numbers with non-Texas area codes on the Texas No-Call List. The petitioner argues that the current practice of limiting registration to

Texas area codes is not required by statute, excludes many Texas residents from consumer protections against telemarketing calls, and fails to reflect modern number portability practices. The proposed amendment would permit any Texas resident to register a non-business phone number regardless of area code, provided they verify Texas residency with a residential address. The petition asks the Commission to initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt this change.

The deadline to file comments in this project is Friday, November 6, 2026. Comments may be filed through the interchange on the Commission's website at Filer Home. Interested persons may contact the commission via email at Katelyn.Lewis@puc.texas.gov with questions, however, Commission Staff notes that they are unable to publicly file comments sent via email on behalf of the public. All comments should reference Project Number 60376.

Please be aware that any personally identifiable or sensitive information, such as names or home addresses, included in your filing will be publicly available on the interchange, and that once a control number has been closed (at the conclusion of the project), information can no longer be redacted or removed.

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**Notice of Application for Partial Relinquishment of Eligible
Telecommunications Carrier and Eligible Telecommunications
Provider Designations**

Notice is given to the public of an application filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas on October 8, 2026 by Frontier Southwest Incorporated to partially relinquish its designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) and eligible telecommunications provider (ETP) in the State of Texas under 47 U.S.C. § 214(e) and 16 Texas Administrative Code §26.417 and §26.418.

Docket Title and Number: Petition of Frontier Southwest Incorporated for Partial Relinquish its Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier and Eligible Telecommunications Provider Designations, Docket No. 60379.

The petition: Frontier Southwest Incorporated requests to partially relinquish its designations as an ETC and ETP, effective February 1, 2027.

Persons who wish to comment on this application should notify the Public Utility Commission by October 29, 2026. Requests for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or you may call the PUCT Office of Consumer Assistance at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals may contact the commission through Relay Texas at (800) 735-2989. All comments should reference Docket Number 60379.

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Andrea Gonzalez
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**Notice of Application for True-Up of 2022 Federal Universal
Service Fund Impacts to the Texas Universal Service Fund**

Notice is given to the public of an application filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (commission) on August 31, 2026, for true-up of 2022 Federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF) Impacts to the Texas Universal Service Fund (TUSF).

Docket Title and Number: Application of Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc. for True-Up of 2022 Federal Universal Service Fund Impacts to Texas Universal Service Fund, Docket Number 60191.

The Application: Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc. filed a true-up in accordance with findings of fact 16 and 17 and ordering paragraphs 2, 4, and 5 of the Notice of Approval issued in Docket No. 58274, Application of Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc. to Recover Funds from the TUSF Under PURA §56.025 and 16 TAC §26.406 for Calendar Year 2022. In that docket, the Commission determined that the Federal Communications Commission's actions were reasonably projected to reduce the amount that Valley Telephone received in FUSF revenue by \$5,494,887 for calendar year 2022. It was also estimated that Valley Telephone would recover \$499,044 of the projected FUSF revenue impact from rate increases implemented for the same time period. Valley Telephone's request to recover the remaining \$4,995,843.57 from the TUSF for 2022 was approved. Ordering paragraphs 2, 4 and 5 of the Notice of Approval in Docket No. 58274 require Valley Tele-

phone to file its final and actual FUSF impacts for 2022 by September 1, 2026, with detailed supporting documentation, and contain the requirements for potential over- or under-recovery from the TUSF. Valley Telephone states that the realized FUSF losses for 2022 were \$4,995,843.57. Therefore, Valley Telephone states that no reconciliation need be made as a result of this true-up.

Persons wishing to intervene or comment on the action sought should contact the Commission by mail at P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or you may call the PUCT Consumer Protection Division at (512) 936-7120 or toll-free at (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals may contact the commission through Relay Texas at (800) 735-2989. All comments should reference Docket Number 60191.

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