

TEXAS GROUNDWATER PROTECTION COMMITTEE
Legislative Report Subcommittee
Subcommittee Charge

Date Approved

January 16, 2008

Sponsor

Texas Groundwater Protection Committee (TGPC)

Chair

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)

Members

Participating and interested agencies and individuals to be determined when the Legislative Report Subcommittee is re-activated. The Legislative Report Subcommittee will be re-activated, as needed, in order to develop the report that is published once every two years for the TGPC.

Subcommittee Purpose

Pursuant to §26.405 of the Texas Water Code, the Legislative Report Subcommittee is charged to facilitate the TGPC's efforts in publishing the biennial legislative report. Statute requires that the report cover the TGPC's activities for the preceding two years and include any recommendations for groundwater protection legislation. The Legislative Report Subcommittee is charged to:

- Review the previous report's content and revise the scope of the draft report as needed; and,
- Develop, prior to the TGPC's FY08 Fourth Quarter Meeting, groundwater protection legislation recommendations to the 81st Texas Legislature.

Expected Results

The final report, published and distributed prior to December 31, 2008.

Final report distribution required by statute:

- Governor;
- Lt. Governor; and,
- Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The final report is also provided to House and Senate Natural Resources Committee members, the Legislative Library, and made available on the TGPC website (<http://www.tgpc.state.tx.us/>).

Scope and Boundaries

When activated, Legislative Report Subcommittee meetings will be held as needed, must meet all requirements of open meetings, and must maintain written records of all meetings.

Reporting to the Texas Groundwater Protection Committee

When activated, the Legislative Report Subcommittee shall report on its activities at the regularly scheduled TGPC quarterly meetings until publication and distribution of the final report and recommendations.

Projected Completion Date

December 15, 2008.

Timeline:

January 16, 2008	TGPC FY08 Second Quarter Meeting, Legislative Report Subcommittee re-activated
February through June 2008	Legislative Report Subcommittee meetings to revise report and develop draft recommendations
April 2008	TGPC FY08 Third Quarter Meeting
July 2008	Report and recommendations in draft form provided to TGPC members for agency management review at TGPC FY08 Fourth Quarter Meeting
October 2008	Presentation of final report and recommendations for approval at TGPC FY09 First Quarter Meeting
Late October 2008	TGPC-approved report and recommendations entered into TCEQ publication process
December 15, 2008	Final report and recommendations targeted delivery date
December 31, 2008	Final report and recommendations delivery deadline
January 13, 2009	81st Legislature convenes
January 2009	TGPC FY09 Second Quarter Meeting, Legislative Report Subcommittee de-activated