

RED RIVER AUTHORITY OF TEXAS
Summary of the Red River Basin
Advisory Committee Meeting
April 23, 2024

The Red River Basin Advisory Committee Meeting was held on April 23, 2024, in the meeting room at the Authority's administrative offices in Wichita Falls, TX at 13:00. There were approximately 23 stakeholders, including staff, in attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Dan Medenwaldt, Clean Rivers Program Supervisor with the Authority, opened the meeting with a brief welcome to the attendees.

Ms. Justlyn Ferrol, the Laboratory Supervisor with the Red River Authority, gave a brief presentation over the *Red River Authority Environmental Services Laboratory*. She talked about the general operations of the RRA Lab. Ms. Ferrol informed the public about the various types of analysis the lab performs, how the lab is incorporating technology to become more efficient, and the overall focus of the lab.

Mr. Wes Dutter, the District Supervisor under the Wichita Falls Inland Fisheries at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, gave a presentation over a *Fisheries Assessment of the Red River Basin Reservoirs Around Wichita Falls, Texas*. He spoke about what Inland Fisheries Mission, and the reservoirs that were part of the studies performed in the assessment. Mr. Dutter covered the techniques used to sample fish, what species of fish were sampled, and the data obtained for the assessment as a whole.

Mr. Joe Duke, Environmental Program Coordinator at the North Texas Municipal Water District gave a presentation called; *Bois d'Arc Lake: Our Journey*. He started out with an introduction covering the NTMWD and who they are, and what they do. Mr. Duke then went over the process of permitting, and program components for constructing Lake Bois d'Arc. He then touched on the lengthy process of how the lake was constructed. Then, he finished up by covering their partners associated with building the lake, their water protection plan, and their shoreline management strategy.

Mr. Dan Medenwaldt, Clean Rivers Program Supervisor with the Authority, presented the *Draft 2024 Red and Canadian River Basins Summary Report and Proposed FY-2024 Coordinated Monitoring Efforts*. He began with an overview of the Clean Rivers Program and its origins. Then, he presented the equipment used for monitoring activities, and briefly explanation of how the equipment works. He presented information regarding current 303(d) impairments and 305(b) concerns as they relate to water quality throughout the Red River Basin. Mr. Medenwaldt

also discussed current trends in water quality within several segments, focusing on nutrients, chlorophyll-a, bacteria, and depressed DO trends within segments appearing in the *Texas 2022 Integrated Report (2022 IR)*.

In closing, Mr. Medenwaldt strongly encouraged all stakeholders to review the information prepared by the Authority in the *Draft 2024 Red and Canadian River Basins Summary Report* for additional information on pertinent water quality issues throughout both the Canadian and Red River Basins. Mr. Medenwaldt then opened the floor for final questions and comments. Following discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 15:00.