

Watershed Coordination Steering Committee

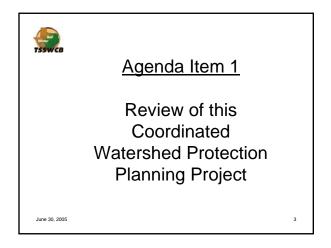
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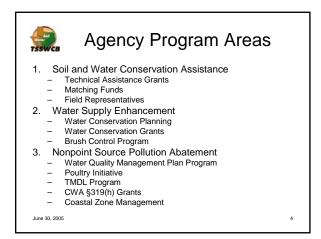
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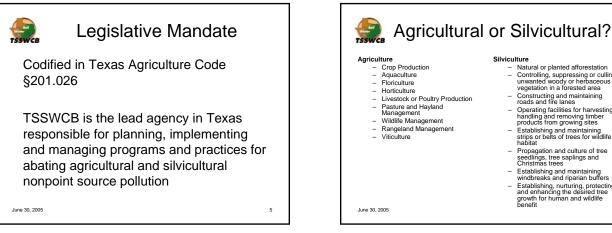


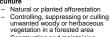
Today's Agenda

- 1. Review of this Coordinated Watershed Protection Planning Project
- 2. Update on Watershed Coordinator Activities
- 3. Round Robin of Committee Member Activities
- 4. Discussion of Watershed Inventory and Priority Criteria Assessment
- 5. Reciprocating Your Involvement on this Committee
- 6. Path Forward
- 7. Logistics

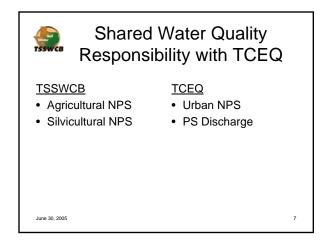


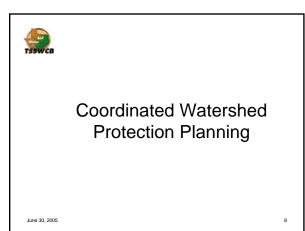






- Constructing and maintaining roads and fire lanes
- Operating facilities for harvesting, handling and removing timber products from growing sites
- Establishing and maintaining strips or belts of trees for wildlife habitat
- Propagation and culture of tree seedlings, tree saplings and Christmas trees
- Establishing and maintaining windbreaks and riparian buffers
- Establishing, nurturing, protecting and enhancing the desired tree growth for human and wildlife benefit





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Impetus

- · Many of the federal funding sources we currently utilize have recently begun to require a more vigorous planning strategy before the funding can be used
- US EPA now requires that a "watershed plan" be developed prior to using CWA §319(h) funding
- TSSWCB has taken a lead on this effort
- These watershed plans will allow TSSWCB to assist farmers and ranchers in continuing to address the most pressing NPS concerns in Texas

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Regional Watershed Coordinator • 100% federally funded CWA §319(h) FY04 grant · 3 year pilot project

- The objective of this pilot project is to facilitate and demonstrate the benefits of a Regional Watershed Coordinator.
- If TSSWCB and watershed stakeholders deem the pilot project successful subsequent projects will be started in other TSSWCB Regions.

Task 1

Employ a Regional Watershed Coordinator position in the Wharton

Regional Office. The Coordinator will attend the national watershed

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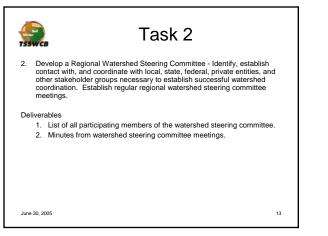
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Project Purpose

- A Regional Watershed Coordinator will be employed in the Wharton Field Office to assist local stakeholder groups in developing and implementing watershed plans.
- This watershed coordinator will organize a regional watershed steering committee consisting of various local, state and federal entities.
- The purpose for having a watershed coordinator is to promote watershed planning, provide guidance and technical expertise to local stakeholders when developing watershed plans, and assist local stakeholder groups with finding funding sources to implement the watershed plans once they are developed.

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Steering Committee Membership (28)

- Councils of Governments (4)
 Brazos Valley Council of Governments
- Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission Houston-Galveston Area Council

- Commission Houston-Galveston Area Council South East Texas Regional Planning Commission River Authorities (10) Brazos River Authority Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority Lavaca-Navidad River Authority Lower Colorado River Authority Lower Colorado River Authority Nauces River Authority Sabine River Authority Sabine River Authority Tinnity River Authority National Estuary Programs Galveston Bay Estuary Program Galveston Bay Estuary Program

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State Agencies (7)

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 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Clean Rivers Program

 Texas Commission on Environmental Coality TMDL Program

 Texas Department of Agriculture

 Texas General Land Office

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 Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Coastal Fisheries Division

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 Federal Agencies (2)

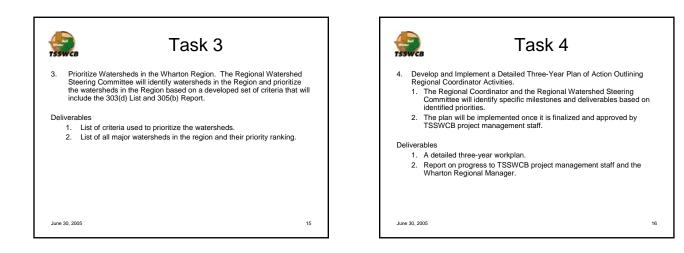
 USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Zone 4 Bryan

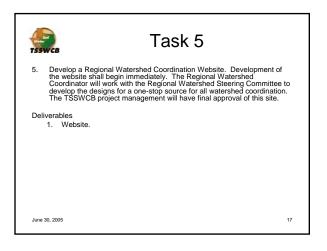
 Land Grant University Entities (3)

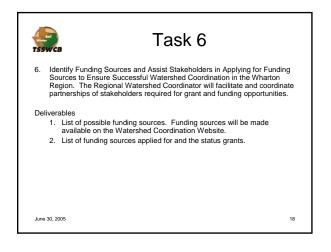
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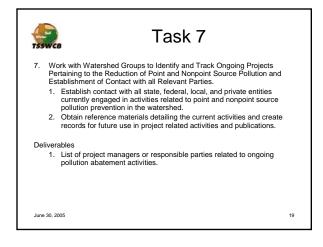
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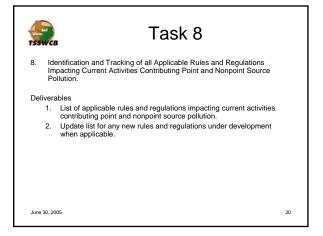
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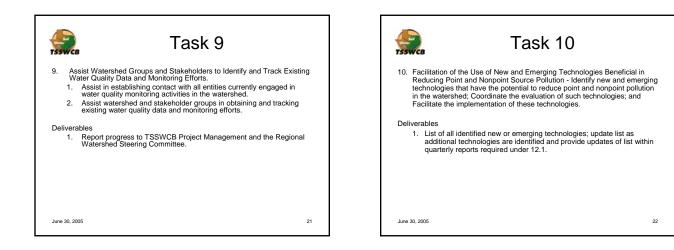


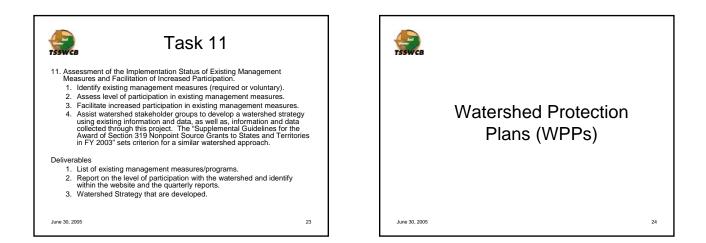


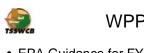










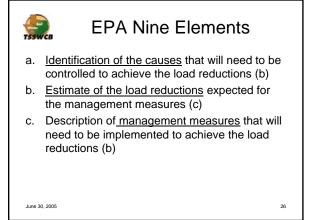


WPP FAQs

- EPA Guidance for FY 2004 and beyond
- Published in Federal Register Oct 23, 2003
- · Address the 9 elements
- Geographic area of sufficient size such that implementation will address all sources and causes of impairments and threats to waterbody
- · Driven by local stakeholders

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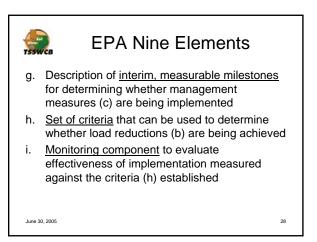
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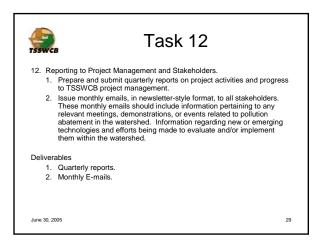
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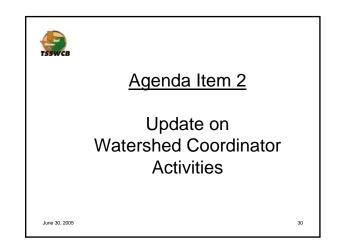
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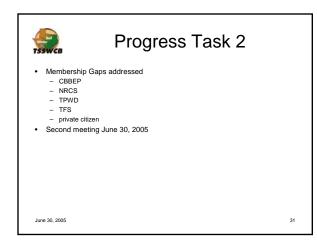
- d. Estimate of technical and <u>financial assistance</u> needed to implement this plan
- e. <u>Information/education component</u> that will be used to enhance public understanding of this plan
- f. <u>Schedule for implementing</u> management measures (c)

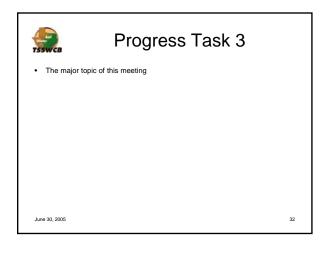
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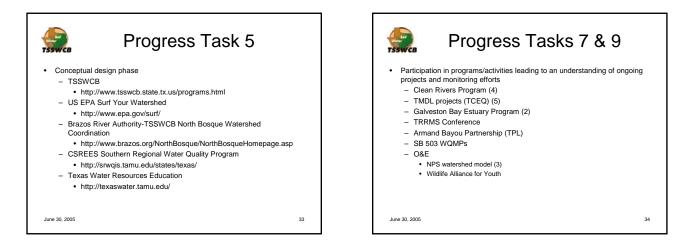


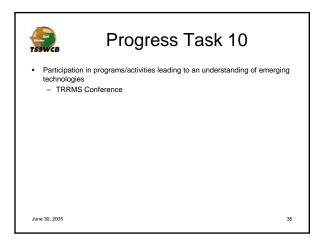


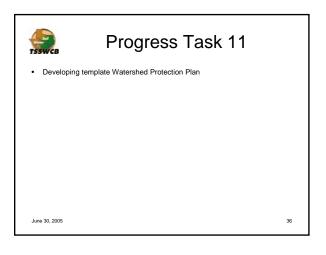


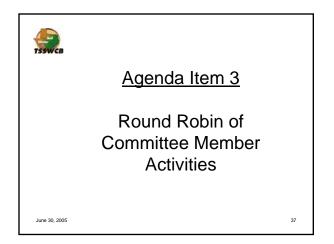


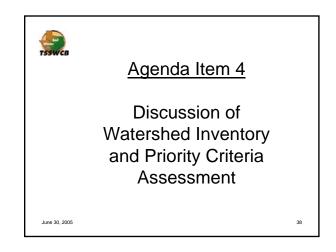


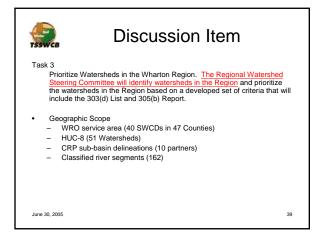


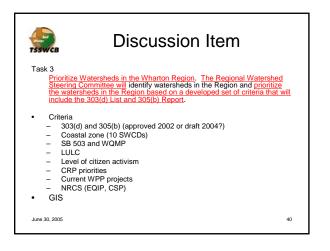




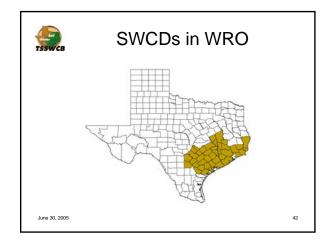


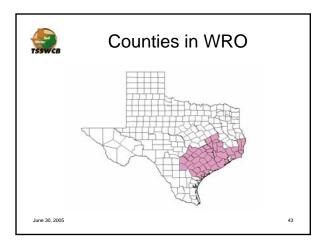


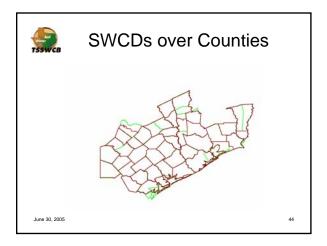


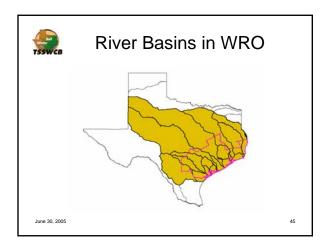


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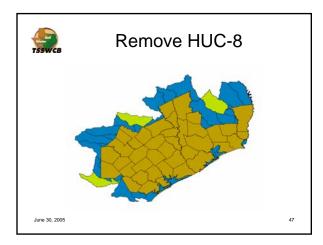


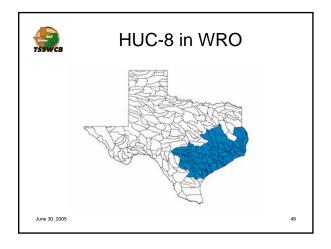


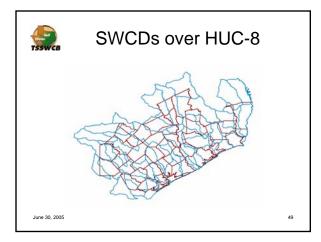


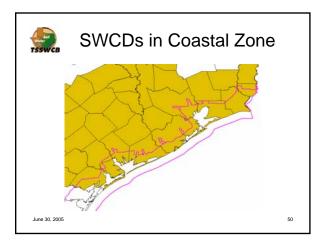


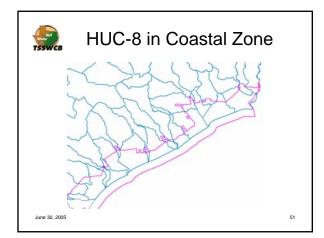


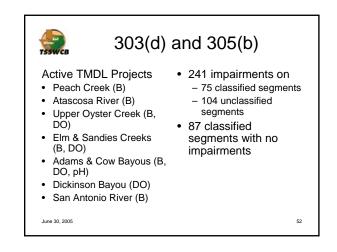


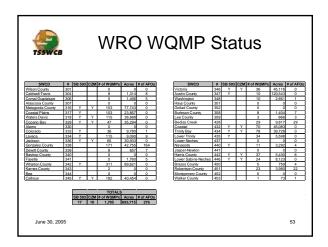


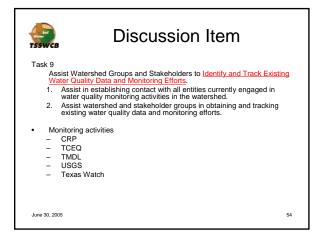


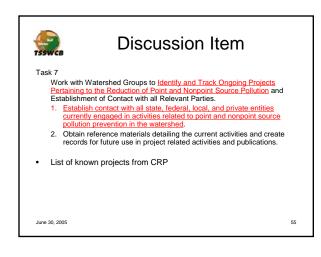


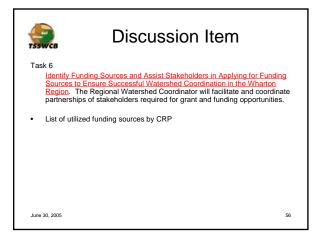




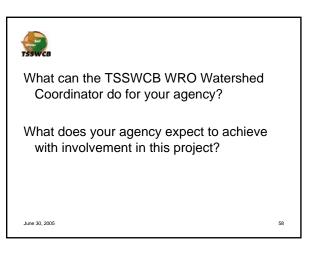


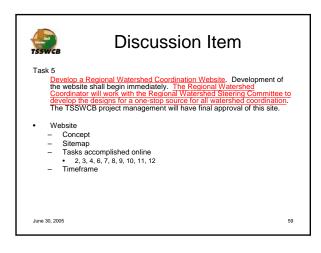


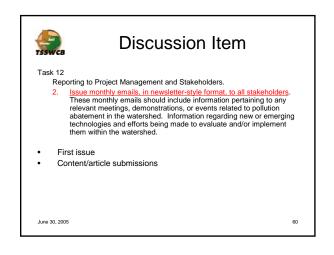


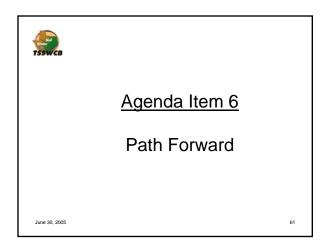






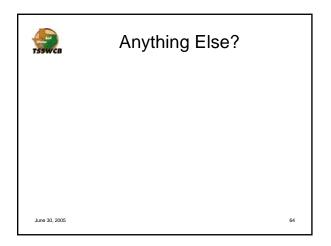














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D	HUC-8	which 8 digit hydrologic unit does this subwatershed lie in	USGS
		which classified river segments flow in this subwatershed (also include	
Е	Classified River Segments	those unclassified river segments which have a letter designation)	TCEQ
F	Acres	acres in this subwatershed	your agency
G	GIS (Y or N)	is this subwatershed GIS-delineated (ArcView)	your agency
		list any known WPP projects on-going or complete related to this	
н	Current WPP Projects	subwatershed (project and sponsor)	your agency
		your agency's priority ranking (only rank the top 5) of this subwatershed	
I	Entity Priority (1-5)	for this TSSWCB 319 project (1=High, 5=Low)	your agency
		your rating of the threat of future impairment from urban flight (1=High,	
J	potential threat (1-5)	5=Low)	your agency
		your rating of the level of citizen activism for protecting water quality	
K	citizen activism (1-5)	within this subwatershed (1=High, 5=Low)	your agency
		your rating of the level of local government buy in to protecting water	
L	local gov't buy in (1-5)	quality within this subwatershed (1=High, 5=Low)	your agency
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WRO WQMP Status

SMCD

SWCD	#	SB 503	CZM	# of WQMPs	Acres	# of AFOs
Wilson County	301			0	0	0
Caldwell-Travis	304			8	1,314	8
Comal-Guadalupe	306			5	1,496	5
Atascosa County	307			0	0	0
Matagorda County	316	Y	Y	153	77,743	0
Coastal Plains	317	Y		103	23,857	0
Waters Davis	318	Y	Y	115	36,688	0
Copano Bay	329	Y	Y	47	35,294	0
Alamo	330			0	0	0
Colorado	333	Y		36	9,780	1
Lavaca	334	Y		115	9,090	9
Jackson	336	Y	Y	65	30,933	0
Gonzales County	338			171	42,755	164
Dewitt County	339			8	657	7
Bastrop County	340			0	0	0
Fayette	341			5	1,760	5
Wharton County	342	Y		311	89,621	0
Karnes County	343			2	0	0
Bee	344			0	0	0
Calhoun	345	Y	Y	182	40,454	0

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Victoria	346	Y	Y	36	45,116	0
Austin County	347	Y		10	120,543	0
Washington	348			10	2,661	1
Hays County	351			0	0	0
Goliad County	352			0	0	0
Burleson County	358			8	1,404	7
Lee County	359			3	666	3
Bedias Creek	428			29	9,817	29
Coastal	432	Y	Y	70	45,083	0
Trinity Bay	434	Y	Y	78	39,728	0
Lower Trinity	435	Y		34	5,598	0
Lower Neches	437			0	0	0
Navasota	440	Y		11	3,292	4
Jasper-Newton	441			0	0	0
Harris County	442	Y	Y	37	5,430	6
Lower Sabine-Neches	446	Y	Y	24	8,123	0
Brazos County	450			5	759	4
Robertson County	451			23	3,980	22
Montgomery County	452			0	0	0
Walker County	453			1	73	1

SR 503 CZM # of WOMPs Acros # of AEOs

TOTALS								
SB 503	CZM	# of WQMPs	Acres	# of AFOs				
17	10	1,705	693,715	276				



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