

Dear GEAA member group leaders,

GEAA is partnering with the Alliance for Clean Texas in hosting a **town hall meeting about the Sunset Review for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)**. We are inviting local and county elected officials and their constituents from San Antonio and surrounding communities to recount their experiences with TCEQ, and to share their suggestions for improving this agency, in light of TCEQ's upcoming Sunset Review.

The **TCEQ Sunset Review Town Hall Meeting** will take place on **Thursday, September 23th from 6:30 – 8:30pm** at the [Cliff Morton Development & Business Services Center](#), 1901 South Alamo Street, San Antonio, Texas. We will follow a *citizens to be heard* format, allowing ten minutes each for presentation from government agencies and citizens groups. Individuals will be accorded three minutes each. State Representatives and Senators in attendance will have the opportunity to ask questions and converse with each presenter as they see fit. We are aware of the breadth of topics that will be covered in this meeting, and are prepared to keep things moving so that all concerns can be heard.

Since this topic is so vital to the quality of life for those of us who live in Central Texas, we hope that you will be available to join in this important conversation, and that you'll spread the word to your member groups as soon as possible. Please let us know at your earliest convenience whether we may list your group as a co-host, and whether you would like to make a group (10 minute) presentation. **Please RSVP to Elena Serna as soon as possible at 210-320-1457 / elena@aquiferalliance.org.**

We have estimated that a donation of \$25 to \$50 (depending on how many groups/individuals sponsor the event) should cover expenses. **Deadline to RSVP for sponsorship is Friday, September 17th.** If this is something you are interested in, please contact Elena at your convenience and let her know in what capacity you will be able to sponsor the event.

At a minimum, we hope that you can **help us get the word out** to your group members by publishing a notice of this event in your upcoming newsletters and/or sending email messages to your members. We will be sending a press release with all pertinent information by the end of this week. **We hope to see as many of your members as possible; this is an opportunity to**

contribute your unique perspective to inform this discussion, and perhaps make some badly needed reforms happen at the State level.

GEAA staff and others are working to assemble a list of recommendations for TCEQ reforms concerning water issues. **If you would like to contribute your ideas**, please contact me at 210-320-6294 / Annalisa@AquiferAlliance.org.

Sincerely,

Annalisa Peace
Executive Director

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