

Texas Groundwater Protection Committee (TGPC)
Agricultural Chemicals (AgChem) Task Force (TF) Status Report
 Groundwater Issues (GWI) Subcommittee

- AgChem TF members: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
 Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)
 Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA)
 Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB)
 Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD)
 Texas A&M AgriLife Research (AgriLife Research)
 Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service (AgriLife Extension)
 United State Geological Survey (USGS)

- Number of AgChem TF Meetings (via email, phone, virtual, or in person) since the last GWI Subcommittee meeting: One

| Activity | Status |
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| Previous Fiscal Year (FY) Pesticide Monitoring Results (Samples, Analyses, Detections) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Typically presented at First Quarter Fiscal Year (1QFY) meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ N/A |
| Proposed FY Pesticide Monitoring Plan (Cooperative, Other, Analyses) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Typically presented at 2QFY meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TWDB will be sampling the Gulf Coast and Yegua-Jackson aquifers this year. |
| Current FY Pesticide Monitoring Results (Cooperative, Other, Analyses) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Typically presented at 3QFY and 4QFY meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TWDB typically conducts its monitoring from April through August of each calendar year. |
| TCEQ Interagency Pesticide Database (IPD) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Typically presented at 1QFY meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TCEQ’s spectrophotometer was repaired, and on November 11, 2024, immunoassay (IA) analyses were completed for 81 Cooperative Monitoring samples, but they exceeded holding times by 2 – 3 weeks and have been qualified as such in the IPD. On December 20, 2024, these results were provided to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in an updated FY 2024 report. |

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| Public Outreach and Education | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On December 4, 2024, Alan Cherepon (TCEQ) met with Eric Nystrom (the new Region 6 U.S. EPA Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) Grant Liaison) and others to familiarize them on what is being done at TCEQ under that Performance Partnership Grant (PPG). • On December 10 – 11, 2024, Alan Cherepon (TCEQ) attended the annual Texas Plant Protection Conference in Bryan and provided a tabletop exhibit from which FIFRA grant-related information and other materials of the TGPC were distributed. |
| <p>Other, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pesticide Management Plan (PMP) for the Implementation of the <i>Texas State Management Plan for Prevention of Pesticide Contamination of Groundwater</i> Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) • Pesticides of Interest Tracking System (POINTS) Pesticide Assessment Database • Meetings/Conferences for U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) related to pesticides | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A • On December 17, 2024, the annual POINTS update was completed. • On May 13 – 14, 2025, the annual U.S. EPA/States/Tribes FIFRA Spring grant meeting for FY 2025 is scheduled to be held in Austin with TDA as the host. |