

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
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"> ○ TWDB completed its monitoring for FY2024 for the Cooperative Monitoring task, but TCEQ’s spectrophotometer is not working and has been sent in for repair, so the Immunoassay (IA) sample analysis results will hopefully be reported at a future meeting; if not, a shortened report will be provided.
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"> ○ The FY2025 Plan is primarily dependent upon TCEQ’s spectrophotometer being repaired or replaced, based upon available funds; if this does not happen, the Plan will be that only pesticide groundwater monitoring data from USGS and other TCEQ monitoring programs will be provided to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as available.
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"> ○ The IPD will be updated after TCEQ’s spectrophotometer is repaired or replaced and IA analyses are completed.

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Public Outreach and Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A table-top display and staff providing information on the TGPC, including pesticide information and data, was set up at the annual TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference in Austin on August 6 – 7, 2024, and at the annual TAGD Groundwater Summit in San Antonio on August 20 – 22, 2024. • Alan Cherepon (TCEQ) attended and presented a summary presentation on TCEQ’s atrazine monitoring for the U.S. EPA Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide (FIFRA) grant at the Atrazine Stewardship meeting at TDA’s office in Austin on August 28, 2024. • The annual Texas Plant Protection Conference in Bryan is scheduled for December 10 – 11, 2024.
<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 • N/A • The annual U.S. EPA/States/Tribes FIFRA Fall grant meeting for FY2025 will be held in Dallas in late October or early November 2024. Alan Cherepon (TCEQ) is scheduled to attend the meeting virtually and report on his work for TCEQ’s FIFRA grant.