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1. TWDB Agency Rulemaking Efforts

Regional Water Planning:

- Revisions to Chapter 357 adopted 6/4 by TWDB Board and are effective 6/28
- Implement changes from HB 807 and clarify other rules
- TWDB will update electronic rules pamphlet this summer
- Revised rules available on the Secretary of State site:
[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=31&pt=10&ch=357&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=31&pt=10&ch=357&rl=Y)

Flood Update:

- TWDB designated 15 flood planning regions on 4/9
- Final rules adopted to implement the regional and state flood planning process on 5/21
- Open solicitations for planning group membership and interest from potential political subdivision sponsors, deadline 7/2

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2. Final Plan Process

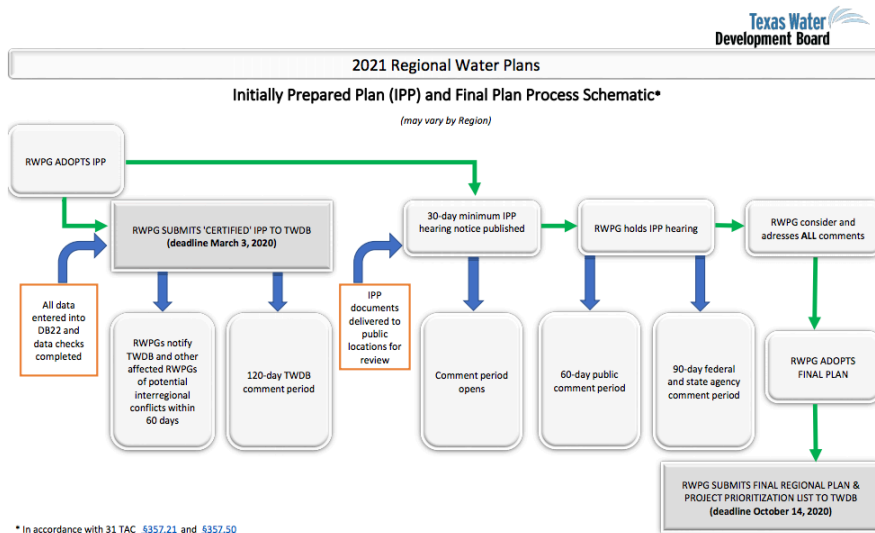
IPP Comments:

- TWDB reviewed IPPs and provided comments to all planning regions
- Comments sent to all voting and non-voting members
- RWPG needs to consider all comments received

Final Plan:

- Refer to the Process Schematic and Summary of Posting Requirements for details
- Final Plan and Prioritization List due 10/14/2020
- Implementation Survey and Infrastructure Financing Report need to be completed

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2021 Regional Water Plans
Summary of Posting Requirements for Public Hearings for Initially Prepared Plans (IPP),
Adoption of IPPs, and Adoption of Final Plans
See the document below for detailed posting information:
http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/rwp/planningdocs/2021/doc/current_docs/admin_docs/public_notice_quick_ref.pdf

Posting Requirements	Public Hearing for IPP	Adoption of IPP and Adoption of Final Plan
Minimum Notice:		
72 hours prior to the meeting		✓
30+ days prior to the hearing	✓	
Notice Must Contain:		
Date, time, and location of the public meeting or hearing; summary of the proposed action to be taken; the name, telephone number, and address of a RWPG contact to whom questions or requests for additional information may be submitted	✓	✓
Information that the RWPG will accept written and oral comments at the meeting or hearing; how the public may submit written comments separately; and a specific deadline for submission of written public comments	✓	
Locations of IPPs available for public inspection	✓	
Comment Period:		
30 days prior to the hearing; until 60 days after hearing (public); until 90 days after hearing (federal and state agencies); TWDB issues comments within 120 days after IPP receipt	✓	
Entities Notified:		
All voting and non-voting RWPG members	✓	✓
Any person or entity who has requested notice of RWPG activities	✓	✓
Each RWPG where a recommended or alternative WMS being considered would be located	✓	
Each mayor of a municipality, located in whole or in part in the RWPA, with a population of 1,000 or more or which is a county seat	✓	

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3. Sixth Cycle of Regional Water Planning:

- 1st RFA to be issued next spring
- Planning group will need to take action to designate Political Subdivision and authorize submitting an application
- We will be providing additional information including a timeline for the RFA

4. Interregional Planning Council status

- Virtual meetings held 4/29, 5/28, 6/10, 6/22, 6/29 with TWDB and facilitator
- Report to the TWDB due 10/16
- Webpage, upcoming meetings, minutes, video recordings:
<http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/rwp/ipc/index.asp>