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August 2024 Monthly Update



2024 TLMA Statewide Members Meeting Update

[REGISTRATION IS OPEN!](#)

We are just over one month from the 2024 TLMA Statewide Members Meeting.

We are happy to announce the meeting is approved for continuing education credits by the State Bar of Texas, AAPL, and NARO CMM.

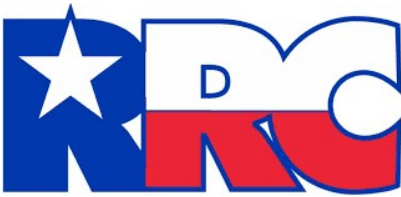
The hotel room block closes **THIS Saturday, September 7**. You must call to book a room under our block.

Wyndham Garden Inn Riverwalk (Marriott Tribute Property coming Fall 2024) - 210-515-4555

Block Name: Texas Land & Mineral Owners Association

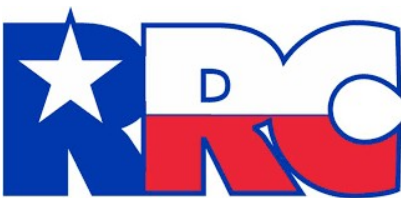
Register TODAY and save! Early registration is open through Friday, September 27. The price increase takes effect on Saturday, September 28.

Exhibitor spaces are closed, but we are still accepting sponsors!



RRC Releases Waste Rule for Formal Comment

During the August 15 Open Meeting, the Commissioners approved publishing the new waste rule for formal comment. Comments are due September 30, 2024, by 5 p.m. You can view and comment on the rule [online](#).



RRC Approves Legislative Appropriations Request

During the open meeting, the Commissioners also approved the Legislative Appropriations Request. Prior to each legislative session, each state agency must compile a Legislative Appropriations Request to submit to the Legislative Budget Board which is the financial ask of the legislature for the upcoming biennium. The Legislature uses these documents as a starting point for developing the next budget.



House Committees Hold Interim Hearings

The House Committee on State Affairs held hearings on the implementation of broadband across Texas, as well as electric resiliency. Comptroller Hegar gave an update on the federal funds received and challenges facing their office to implement the program and spend the funds.

Additionally, the House Committee on Agriculture and Livestock held a hearing on the implementation of the Right to Farm Act and the foreign ownership of ag land. The discussion on Right to Farm centered around the penalties for cities associated with the act. There were not any new issues discussed regarding foreign ownership of ag land.

There are many committee hearings of interest in September. You can see a list below or view a full list of committee hearings on the Texas Legislature Online [website](#).

Do you have a topic or issues you want to be included in the monthly newsletter? Please email it to info@tlma.org for review and potential inclusion.

Upcoming Dates of Interest

Wednesday, September 4 – Senate Finance Committee Hearing, Austin

Thursday, September 5 – Senate Finance Committee Hearing, Austin

Tuesday, September 17 – House State Affairs Committee Hearing (Panhandle Wildfires), Austin

Tuesday, September 17 – House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence Committee Hearing, Austin

Tuesday, September 17 – Senate Natural Resources & Economic Development Committee Hearing,

Austin

Tuesday, September 24 – RRC Open Meeting

Tuesday, September 24 – Senate Ag, Water, & Rural Affairs Committee Hearing, Austin

Friday, September 27 – Last day for discounted early registration for Statewide Members Meeting

Tuesday, October 8 -- Statewide Members Meeting, San Antonio, Texas

Additional Articles and Links

[Unregulated oilfield power lines are suspected of sparking Texas wildfires](#)

[RRC Commissioner Wright Highlights Issues with Federal Orphan Well Plugging Program in Testimony to Congress](#)

[Ranchers reported abandoned oil wells spewing wastewater. A new study blames fracking.](#)

[Texas Water Development Board adopts first state flood plan](#)

Do you need to update your contact information? Please email info@tlma.org for assistance.

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