



Plum Creek Watershed Partnership Steering Committee Meeting

July 15, 2026
10:00 – 11:30 AM
Virtual Teams Meeting

Meeting Summary

- The Watershed Coordinator (WC) began the meeting by welcoming everyone and doing quick introductions.
- The WC reviewed the approved ground rule changes. Such changes include adding “A new organization or individual must be approved by a majority of existing members. In either event, the Steering Committee will, when practical, accept additional members. Organizations may update or change their delegated Steering Committee Members or Alternates as appropriate with notification to the Watershed Coordinator,” to the member replacements and additions section, adding “Electronic votes will require a simple or two-thirds majority of all Steering Committee members dependent on the type of recommendation being made. Comments to TCEQ regarding WWTF permits or renewals do not need a vote but will be sent for a final review before submission. Votes are limited to one vote per Steering Committee entity or individual.” to the decision-making process section, and adding “To conduct business, the Steering Committee must have a quorum. Quorum is defined as at least 51% of the total Steering Committee, represented in person or by proxy. If a quorum is not met, no actions on major recommendations may take place until a quorum is present.” to the quorum section.
- The WC gave an update on the Texas A&M Forestry Service Watershed Protection Plan Implementation Grant. The WC received the two-year \$50,000 grant that will cover May 2026 to March 2028. The WC is working with the City of Kyle to complete a riparian restoration project.
- The WC provided updates on the 2026 PCWP Watershed Open House held on Wednesday, April 8, 2026. Exhibitors included the City of Kyle Stormwater and Water Utility departments, Caldwell-Travis Soil & Water Conservation District, Bartlett’s Tree Experts, Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board, Lockhart State Park, and Plum Creek Watershed Partnership. 30 people attended. Discussion about the proposed 2027 PCWP Watershed Open House included potential dates, locations, and features.

- The WC shared information regarding social media initiatives. The WC is posting at least twice a month to Facebook and Instagram channels. Followers are increasing.
- The WC updated the Steering Committee on recent workshops and community outreach events. The WC facilitated or attended the following programs: Texas Watershed Stewards, On-Site Sewage Facilities, City of Kyle Earth Day Celebration, Trash Free Gulf Cleanup, Plum Creek Stewards Volunteer Orientation & Resource Training, and Urban Riparian & Stream Restoration.
- The WC reminded the Steering Committee that the Coordinating Implementation of the Plum Creek Watershed Protection Plan federal grant (22-09) closed on May 11th, meaning that the final report will be due to the Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board soon. Suggested edits and comments on the final report are due by July 29th. As a reminder, a new grant, state grant 26-51, took the place of 22-09 on May 12th.
- In anticipation of applying for the federal grant cycle this summer, the WC reviewed current grant deliverables and opened the floor for discussion on non-point source concerns. The Steering Committee was welcome to provide concerns to be ranked by water quality impact and impact of PCWP efforts. The scores were calculated to provide priority ranking. The identified topics, in order of priority, are feral hogs, pet waste, riparian, stormwater, agricultural best management practices, illegal dumping, invasive and native species, wastewater treatment facilities, and on-site sewage facilities. Ideas on how to reach stakeholders on these topics included native species giveaways and waste collection events.
- The WC discussed upcoming events in the watershed. Events included:
 - Story Stream on July 22, 2026.
 - Texas Well Owner Network Workshop on August 4 and 5, 2026.
 - Virtual OSSF Workshop on October 14, 2026.
 - Plum Creek Riparian Restoration Planting Day on November 7, 2026.
- The WC also shared the upcoming Meeting Schedule. Meetings are tentatively scheduled for October 14, 2026, January 13, April 14, and July 14, 2027.

Next Steering Committee and Public Stakeholder Meeting: October 14, 2026

Location: TBD

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