

Sandy Creek and Wolf Creek Total Maximum Daily Load Summer 2020 Newsletter

Project Updates

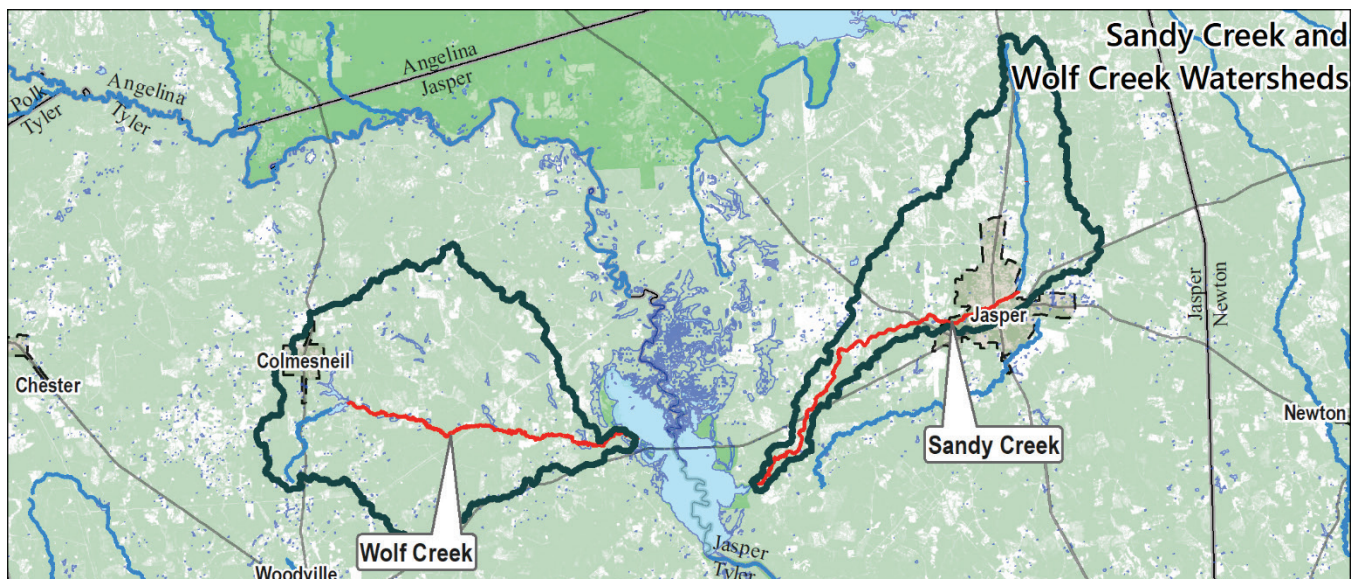
The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and Texas Water Resources Institute (TWRI) are engaging stakeholders and developing technical work for development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) and Implementation Plan (I-Plan) to address the indicator bacteria impairments in Sandy Creek and Wolf Creek in Jasper and Tyler counties.

On November 21, with the assistance of local Texas A&M AgriLife Extension offices, we hosted a pair of stakeholder meetings in Woodville and Jasper. The meetings focused on describing current water quality and discussing the planning tools available for addressing water quality.

Although the April 13 stakeholder meetings were cancelled to the COVID-19 outbreak, a big thanks go to Jacob Spivey (Tyler County Extension Agent) and Brock Fry (Jasper County Extension Agent) for helping facilitate the events. COVID-19 has forced us to limit in-person public meetings and face-to-face contact as much as possible. Going forward we are looking to be as flexible as possible when hosting meetings. This means future meeting might include web conferences, conference calls, or some combination of creative solutions.

Coordination Committee and Workgroup Members Needed

We are looking for more people to participate in the upcoming coordination committee and workgroups! If you are interested, please contact Michael Schramm (TWRI, michael.schramm@ag.tamu.edu). Committee and workgroup members have direct input on the planning and implementation process and are critical to developing a successful plan.



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Technical Support Documents

An updated version of the Sandy Creek and Wolf Creek Technical Support Document is available online:
www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/waterquality/tmdl/118sandywolfcreeks/118-sandy-wolf-tsd-2020june.pdf

The Technical Support Document outlines the available data and calculations used by the TMDL and during the planning process. A review of the document will be provided at an upcoming meeting.

Clean Rivers Program

Lower Neches Valley Authority (LNVA) and Angelina-Neches River Authority (ANRA) are the local Texas Clean Rivers Program (CRP) partners. Learn more about their programs and how to get involved at lnva.dst.tx.us/cleanriversprogram/ and www.anra.org/divisions/water_quality/crp/index.html.

Upcoming Events

[LNVA - CRP Steering Committee Meeting](#)
[August 27, 2020 \(tentative\).](#)

[ANRA – CRP Steering Committee Meeting](#)
[10:00 am July 23, 2020 \(online\)](#)

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