

**PROPOSAL TO ADD A TRAVIS COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE
TO THE STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE**

BACKGROUND:

1. At the July 21 meeting of the Stakeholder Committee (SHC) there were several SHC members who requested that both Travis and Hays Counties be represented on the SHC. Action to address this question was deferred so that the Executive Director could consult with the two Counties' representatives to the Executive Committee and report back to you.
2. The Executive Director has spoken with both Counties and has been advised that they both would welcome the opportunity to have representatives on the SHC, if that is the desire of the SHC. At the same time, they are prepared to work within the SHC structure that was originally set up, and to have a single individual representing both Counties' interests, if the SHC desires to limit County representation to one.
3. It is the Executive Director's assessment that the SHC desires to have Travis County represented.

RECOMMENDATION: Based on the above background information, it is recommended that the SHC approve the following action by consensus at the Stakeholder Committee Meeting on August 18:

"Recognizing the importance of County Government in the future implementation of any proposed water quality protection measures, and to facilitate the creation of water quality protection measures that are likely to be implemented, the Stakeholder Committee invites Travis County to name a permanent representative to the Stakeholder Committee."

ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Review the recommendation with your constituents, and submit any comments or proposed changes to the SHC and the Executive Director as soon as possible. Help to coordinate any proposed changes so the final recommendation can be approved by consensus at the Stakeholder Committee Meeting on Aug 18th.

WHY: Advance coordination of this proposal will enable the SHC to move more quickly in addressing this issue, and will allow better use of our time at the SHC meeting.