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TOPIC RESEARCH COMMITTEE
of the TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD (TRAB)
MEETING AGENDA

Friday, December 4, 2020 at 8:30 AM

Location: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be conducted virtually using Microsoft Teams only. To join the meeting, go to

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MTgxNzUONjUtMWY0Ni00YWFiLWl3ODUtNWJiYWlxMDRmYmMw%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%229bf97732-82b9-499b-b16a-a93e8ebd536b%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22648bb4d2-95c3-4989-b1df-c32600b1d3c7%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3a%22true%7d

Attendees who would like to provide public comment should see the **Public Comment** section below.

There is not a physical location for this meeting.

TRAB's Topic Research Committee will convene as posted to hear, consider, discuss and take formal action, as applicable and necessary, on the following agenda items:

1. Call to Order
2. Introduction of guests
3. Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and/or approval of the minutes of the September 11, 2020, TRAB Topic Research Committee meeting
4. Public Comments
5. Routine and Continuing Business
 - A. Updates on rulemaking priorities, Sections 289.233 and 289.226
 - B. Prepare Purpose Statement and Strategic Plan for this TRAB Topic Research Committee
6. New Business:
 - A. Present the Purpose and Goals for this TRAB Topic Research Committee

- B. Regulatory Conference with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC), Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Authority (TLLRWDA) and, the South Texas Chapter of the Health Physics Society, for approximately September 2021
 - C. Identify any additional topics that need further research to be addressed by the TRAB
 - D. Identify topics to recommend for further discussion and/or to be addressed at future meetings of the Topic Research Committee; Medical Committee; Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee; or full Board
7. Summarize Committee meeting and recommendations for Committee Report and proposed action items for TRAB or for future agenda items for TRAB, the Medical Committee, or Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee
8. Adjourn

Public Comment: Members of the public who would like to provide public comment are asked to complete a Public Comment Form at

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Mnf5m7mCm0mxaqk-jr1Ta9K0i2TDIYIJsD_DJgCx08dUNVFORjIMQkNTS1czMFBQNE4wRUFJRkk1OS4u

Members of the public are encouraged to participate in this process by providing written public comment to DSHS by emailing liz.speights@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 pm December 3, 2020. Please include your name and either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen. Written comments are limited to three minutes and will be read during the meeting for consideration by the TRAB Topic Research Committee.

If you would like to register to provide oral comments, please mark the correct box on the Public Comment form. Instructions for providing oral comment will be emailed to you. Registration should be completed no later than 5:00 pm December 3, 2020. The request must contain your name and either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen, and your direct phone number.

Public comment is limited to three minutes. Speakers must state their name and, on whose behalf, they are speaking. Public members who are using handouts are asked to provide an electronic copy in accessible pdf format that will be distributed by HHS staff to Council members, State staff and for public distribution. Handouts are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one

side only) of documentation. Handouts must be emailed to DSHS immediately after registering and include the name of the person who will be commenting.

Note: These procedures may be revised at the discretion of DSHS.

Contact persons: Chair: Darshan Schade dsach12@gmail.com

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At the discretion of the Chair, agenda items may be taken in any order and public comment may be permitted in connection with any agenda item. An individual who wishes to speak on an issue that falls under the Board's jurisdiction shall be heard during the Public Comment agenda item.

Please note that this meeting is, in the opinion of counsel representing the Health and Human Services Commission, a meeting subject to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, and the Health and the Human Services Commission is providing notice of this meeting as required by Chapter 551.

This meeting is open to the public.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and require auxiliary aids or services are asked to contact Liz Speights, Department of State Health Services, at (512) 231-5605 or Liz.Speights@dshs.texas.gov, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements may be made.