

# Recreational Use Changes

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Draft recreational use changes for the water bodies listed below are open for public comment. The draft recommendations and Recreational Use-Attainability Analysis (RUAA) reports for the water bodies listed below can be found on the TCEQ RUAA webpage:

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/waterquality/standards/ruaas/index>.

Comments can be submitted via email to [standards@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:standards@tceq.texas.gov) or by mail to: Katherine Lavelle, TCEQ MC-234, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711. The public comment period ends **April 28, 2020**. The TCEQ will not issue a formal response to the comments at this stage. There will be another comment period after the recommendation on recreational use has been formally proposed by TCEQ.

## Recommended to retain PCR 1

1222C	Sabana River
1241	Double Mountain Fork Brazos River
1412	Colorado River Below Lake J.B. Thomas
2453C	Arenosa Creek

## Recommended for SCR 1

0207	Lower Prairie Dog Town Fork Red River
0303B	White Oak Creek
0409B	South Lilly Creek
0501B	Little Cypress Bayou
1412B	Beals Creek
2108	San Miguel Creek

## Recreation categories as defined in §307.3(a) of the 2014 Texas Surface Water Quality Standards:

**Primary contact recreation 1 (PCR 1)\*** - Activities that are presumed to involve a significant risk of ingestion of water (e.g., wading by children, swimming, water skiing, diving, tubing, surfing, handfishing as defined by Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, §66.115, and the following whitewater activities: kayaking, canoeing, and rafting).

**Primary contact recreation 2 (PCR 2)\*** - Water recreation activities, such as wading by children, swimming, water skiing, diving, tubing, surfing, handfishing as defined by Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, §66.115, and whitewater kayaking, canoeing, and rafting, that involve a significant risk of ingestion of water but that occur less frequently than for primary contact recreation 1 due to: (A) physical characteristics of the water body; or (B) limited public access.

**Secondary contact recreation 1 (SCR 1)\*** - Activities that commonly occur but have limited body contact incidental to shoreline activity (e.g. fishing, canoeing, kayaking, rafting, and motor boating). These activities are presumed to pose a less significant risk of water ingestion than primary contact recreation 1 or 2 but more than secondary contact recreation 2.

**Secondary contact recreation 2 (SCR 2)** - Activities with limited body contact incidental to shoreline activity (e.g. fishing, canoeing, kayaking, rafting, and motor boating) that are presumed to pose a less significant risk of water ingestion than secondary contact recreation 1. These activities occur less frequently than secondary contact recreation 1 due to physical characteristics of the water body or limited public access.

**Noncontact recreation (NCR)** - Activities that do not involve a significant risk of water ingestion, such as those with limited body contact incidental to shoreline activity, including, birding, hiking, and biking. Noncontact recreation may also be assigned where primary and secondary contact recreation activities should not occur because of unsafe conditions, such as ship and barge traffic.

\*Pending EPA approval