Jon Niermann, *Chairman*Emily Lindley, *Commissioner*Bobby Janecka, *Commissioner*Toby Baker, *Executive Director*





TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

NOTICE

September 24, 2020

Subject: Annual *Joint Groundwater Monitoring and Contamination Report*; and Notification of Groundwater Contamination

The Texas Groundwater Protection Committee (TGPC) recently completed the "Joint Groundwater Monitoring and Contamination Report – 2019" (Joint Report), and it is available on the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality web page: https://www.tceq.texas.gov/publications/sfr/056/. This Joint Report catalogs groundwater contamination cases under enforcement in 2019.

State law requires TCEQ to notify appropriate local officials if groundwater contamination under TCEQ jurisdiction may affect drinking water supplies in the local official's area. This notice, along with the *Joint Report*, serves as a notification of documented groundwater contamination to county judges, local public health authorities, and groundwater conservation districts.

The TGPC, in conjunction with the TCEQ, produces and publishes the Joint Report as required by state law. The 2019 *Joint Report* includes the following information:

- the status of groundwater monitoring activities either conducted or required by each agency at regulated facilities or associated with regulated activities;
- a description of each groundwater contamination case documented during the year;
- a description of each case of previously documented contamination for which enforcement action was not complete when the previous report was issued;
- the status of enforcement action for each listed case of contamination; and
- a list of inactive cases that are closed but in which groundwater contamination may still exist.

A printed copy of the *Joint Report*, identified as TCEQ Publication Number SFR-056/19, may be obtained online from the TCEQ at the following web site: https://www.tceq.texas.gov/publications/order.html>.

Additional information about the *Joint Report* is available from the Groundwater Planning & Assessment Team of TCEQ's Water Availability Division by E-mail at cindy.hooper@tceq.texas.gov or by calling (210) 403-4080. Case-specific information may be obtained by contacting the TGPC representative for the agency or division having jurisdiction for the case, and these contacts are included in **Appendix 6** of the *Joint Report*.