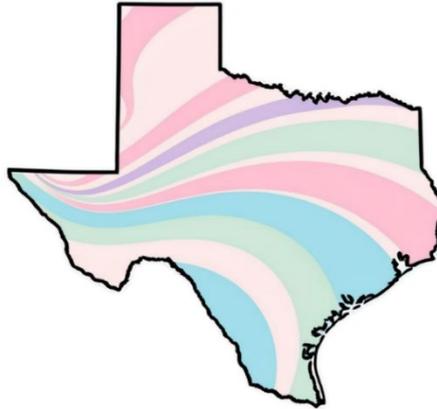


37TH ANNUAL TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL SUPERCONFERENCE

“How Sweet It Is” (Welcome to Candy Land)



Thursday – Friday August 7 – 8, 2025
Four Seasons Hotel Austin, Texas

PRESENTED BY:

Environmental & Natural Resources Law Section of the State Bar of Texas

Air & Waste Management Association, Southwest Section

Water Environment Association of Texas

American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources

SUPPORTED BY:

EarthX

THURSDAY AUGUST 7, 2025

7:30 am to 8:15 am

CHECK IN/ BREAKFAST

Home Sweet Home

8:15 am to 8:45 am

OPENING REMARKS

Sweet Tidings

[Jeff Civins](#), *Chair*, Texas Environmental Superconference

[Trammell S. Crow](#), *Founder*, EarthX

[Sally Mills Perry](#), *Chair*, Air & Waste Management Association, Southwest Section

[Julie Nahrgang](#), *Executive Director*, Water Environment Association of Texas

[Danny G. Worrell](#), *ABA Section of Environment, Energy & Resources*

[Mike Dillinger](#), *Chair*, Environmental & Natural Resources Law Section, State Bar of Texas

MODERATOR: [Anne Idsal Austin](#), *Attorney & Founder*, Austin Legal and Public Affairs, PLLC

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- 8:45 am to 9:15 am **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**
Sour Patch Kids
[Shea Pearson](#), *Director, HillCo Partners*
- 9:15 am to 9:45 am **CASE LAW UPDATE**
Nerds
[Kami McFarland](#), *Associate, Clifford Chance*
- 9:45 am – 10:15 am **NEPA**
Bazooka
Justin Schwab, *General Counsel, CEQ (Invited)*
- 10:15 am to 10:30 am **BREAK**
Sweet Nothings
- 10:30 am to 11:15 am **VCP & TRRP UPDATE**
Life Savers
[Kenneth Tramm](#), PhD, PE, PG, CHMM, *Modern Geosciences*
[Steve Morton](#), *Attorney, The Morton Law Firm, PLLC*
- 11:15 am to 12:00 pm **TCEQ/EPA**
Dubble Bubble
[Brooke Paup](#), *Chairwoman, TCEQ*
[Scott Mason IV](#), *Regional Administrator, EPA Region 6 (Invited)*
- 12:00 pm to 1:15 pm **LUNCH**
Toot Sweet
MODERATOR: Carolyn Ahrens, *Solo Practitioner and Of Counsel, Booth & Associates, P.C.*
- 1:15 pm to 2:30 pm **AIR QUALITY**
Air Heads
[Hannah Roskey](#), *Senior Associate, Baker Botts L.L.P*
[Brittany Pemberton](#), *Partner, Bracewell LLP*
[Jim Blackburn](#), *Professor in the Practice of Environmental Law, Rice University*
Amy Browning, *Staff Attorney, Environmental Law Division, TCEQ*

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- 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm **GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS**
Jolly Ranchers
[Carlos Rubinstein](#), *Principal*, RSAH2O, LLC
[Natasha Martin](#), *Shareholder*, Graves Dougherty Hearon & Moody
[Casey Cooper](#), *Associate*, Terrill and Waldrip
- 3:15 pm to 3:30 pm **BREAK**
A Sweet Tooth
- 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
Gummy Bears
[Marisa Perales](#), *Partner*, Perales, Allmon & ICE, P.C.
[Hon. Shelly Doggett](#), *Administrative Law Judge*, State Office of Administrative Hearings
[Jon Niermann](#), *Partner* — *Environmental & Natural Resources*, Vinson & Elkins LLP
- 4:15 pm to 5:15 pm **UIC**
Pop Rocks/Fruit Gushers/Blow Pops
[James McGuire](#), *Partner*, Holland & Knight LLP
[David Grounds](#), *VP Regulatory*, Pilot Water Solutions
[Barry Smitherman](#), *Chairman, President, and Co-founder*, Texas Geothermal Energy Alliance
- 5:15 pm to 5:20 pm **CLOSING REMARKS**
Sweet Dreams
- 5:20 pm to 6:00 pm **RECEPTION**
Sweet Talk

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FRIDAY AUGUST 8, 2025

- 7:30 am to 8:15 am **BREAKFAST**
Sweet Spot
- 8:15 am to 8:30 am **OPENING REMARKS**
The Sweet Smell of Success
MODERATOR: [Cindy Bishop](#), *President*, C Bishop Law PC
- 8:30 am to 9:15 am **ENFORCEMENT**
Pay Day
[Joe Bailey](#), Hinton & Bailey, LLP
[Craig J. Pritzlaff](#), *Director – Office of Compliance and Enforcement*, TCEQ
- 9:15 am to 10:15 am **NUCLEAR POWER AND URANIUM MINING**
Good and Plenty
[Kym Harshaw](#), *Chief Nuclear Officer*, STP Nuclear Operating Company
[Martin P. Stratte](#), *Partner*, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP
[Marty O’Neill](#), *Associate General Counsel*, Nuclear Energy Institute
- 10:15 am to 10:30 am **BREAK**
In Your Own Sweet Time
- 10:30 am to 11:00 am **NEW COURT**
Smarties
[Jane Webre](#), *Partner*, Scott Douglass & McConnico LLP
- 11:00 am to 11:30 am **UNIVERSAL AND SOLID WASTE**
Toxic Waste
[Diane Goss](#), *Staff Attorney*, TCEQ
- 11:30 am to Noon **EPR/PCR**
Now and Later
[Victor K. Salazar](#), *Associate*, Haynes Boone LLP

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Noon to 1:15 pm	LUNCH <i>Sweet as Honey</i>
1:15 pm to 1:30 pm	TENRLS MEETING <i>Short But Sweet</i> MODERATOR: Jason Hill , <i>Partner</i> , Holland & Knight L.L.P.
1:30 pm to 2:30 pm	PFAS <i>Everlasting Gobstoppers</i> James B. Slaughter , <i>Principal</i> , Beveridge & Diamond PC Reza Zarghamee , <i>Partner</i> , Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP Janet Anderson, Ph.D., DABT , <i>Vice President/Principal Toxicologist</i> , GSI Environmental Susan Litherland, P.E. , <i>Principal</i> , SQ Environmental LLC
2:30 pm to 3:30 pm	ETHICS <i>Mr. Goodbar</i> Gaines West , <i>Partner</i> , West, Webb, Allbritton & Gentry, P.C. Marcella Burke , <i>Managing Partner</i> , Burke Law Group, PLLC
3:30 pm to 3:35 pm	CLOSING REMARKS <i>A Sweet Goodbye</i>

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“Life Is Like A Box of Chocolates”

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 6, 2025

3:45 pm to 4:25 pm **CHECK IN**

Sweet Greetings

4:25 pm to 4:30 pm **WELCOME:** [Mary Simmons Mendoza](#), *Vice Chair*, Texas Environmental Superconference

MODERATORS:

[Anne Idsal Austin](#), *Attorney & Founder*, Austin Legal & Public Affairs, PLLC

[Mary Simmons Mendoza](#), *Partner*, Haynes Boone LLP

4:30 PM to 5:30 PM **ENERGY***

Powerhouse

[Matthew Z. Leopold](#), *Partner*, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP

[Travis Wussow](#), *Partner*, Jackson Walker LLP

5:30 PM to 6:30 PM **PERMITTING**

Crunch

[Ann D. Navaro](#), *Partner*, Bracewell LLP

[Jason Hill](#), *Partner*, Holland & Knight L.L.P.

Justin Schwab, *General Counsel*, CEQ (invited)

**Additional invitations pending.*