

## AGENCY PRESENCE IN THE NORTH BOSQUE RIVER WATERSHED

**Agency/Entity:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

**Web Address:** <http://www.epa.gov>

**Brief Introduction:** EPA's mission is to protect human health and to safeguard the natural environment — air, water, and land — upon which life depends. For 30 years, EPA has been working for a cleaner, healthier environment for the American people.

**Agency/Entity Interest in the North Bosque Watershed:** As the nation's leader in environmental science, research, education, and assessment efforts, the EPA's role in the watershed includes development of national standards for a variety of environmental programs, as well as direct financial support through grants to the State's environmental agencies, non-profits, and educational institutions. Much of EPA's funding in the watershed is in the form of Clean Water Act §319 grants administered by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB).

### **Current Involvement in North Bosque Watershed Projects:**

EPA's involvement in projects in the watershed is as a principal source of funding and as an advisory agency on issues related to regulations, water quality, etc. The EPA, either directly or through grants to TCEQ and TSSWCB, funds the following current projects:

- [Dairy Waste Management – Phosphorous Reduction Demonstration Project](#)
- [Bacterial Source Tracking – Lake Waco and Lake Belton](#)
- [Compost Manure Incentive Project](#)
- [Dairy Manure Export Support Project](#)
- [Improving Water Quality by Developing, Implementing, and Field Testing Innovative Methods](#)
- [Compost Effectiveness Monitoring in the North Bosque and Leon River Watersheds](#)
- [North Bosque Watershed Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan Program](#)
- [Water Quality Data Coordination](#)
- [Establishment of a Watershed Coordinator for the North Bosque River Watershed](#)
- [Refinement and Application of the North Bosque River TMDL Modeling System](#)
- [Bioremediation and Runoff Containment of Dairy Manure-Phosphorus Saturated Soils within the Bosque River Drainage](#)