



Resiliency Report

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IOBCWA is organizing its own Stream Team and hopes YOU will be a part of it!

We are very excited to announce IOBCWA Board Member **Ken Willis** will be our Stream Team Lead Trainer in our partnership with Stream Team. Stream Team is a statewide environmental education and volunteer-based water quality monitoring program. Through Stream Team, citizens are trained to collect and submit surface water and environmental quality data that can then be used to promote and protect our Coastal Bend waterways. Stream Team brings together community members, students, educators, academic researchers, environmental professionals, and both public and private sector partners to conduct scientific research and promote environmental stewardship. There is prior data history with their monitoring system that will be used to compare with current water samples taken to see how the water quality compares to years past. This information will provide us tools to fight back on industrialization and hold industry and state and local regulators accountable on the Clean Water Act.

We would appreciate **any** and **all volunteers** willing to help with water sampling. If you are interested please reach out to our Executive Director, Cyndi Valdes at 480-254-1693 or iobcwa@gmail.com. She will help get you registered for the local training here in IOB **Saturday, June 24th, from 9am to 1pm.**



"I'm looking forward to finding out about the status of our current water quality and comparing it to years past." Ken Willis

Don't miss it! [Click here](#) to Subscribe to the IOBCWA Calendar and be in the know.

**Next Members Meeting is June 28th at 6:30pm
Looking forward to seeing everyone!**

FLINT HILLS

High Priority Violator by EPA! [Click Here](#)

We **encourage** you to attend the public hearing for Flint Hills Resources, Ingleside, LLC for a Renewal of Federal Operating permit No. 03454 that was filed with TCEQ. The meeting will be held, Thursday, **May 25th at 7pm**, located at North Shore Country Club, 801 Broadway Blvd. Portland, TX. The purpose of the federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (30 TAC) 122.10.

Biggest question? Why did Flint Hills not tell the truth about the size of spill in the beginning? Reports of two dolphins, two sea turtles, and numerous other marine life deaths should be accounted for. Additional information available on our website [HERE](#).

ENBRIDGE

"ENbarrassing" Enbridge Lies to Ingleside Authorities

As reported in the Ingleside Index May 3, 2023, Code Enforcement Officers responded to the clearing of trees on the Enbridge property. One of the Code Enforcement officers informed Ingleside Index that he was told that the "area is being cleared in preparation for an upcoming project involving Ammonia Hydroxide and was being handled by a partner he couldn't recall." This Enbridge spokesperson also advised, **"we would likely receive further complaints as the project proceeds because he expects the secondary company not to be concerned about being compliant with the city and he would ask them to quote, 'stop screwing us over with the local government'."** The City of Ingleside determined that the tree area Enbridge cleared was a laydown area for more oil tank constructions. Interesting that this is the EXACT area recently presented as their Blue Ammonia and Blue Hydrogen location. City of Ingleside issued a small fine for clearing without a permit. Information from Ingleside Index May 3, 2023 publication.

CHENIERE

Cheniere filed permit application CP23-129 to FERC for its Stage IV expansion adding trains 8 & 9. IOBCWA filed a Motion to Intervene both separately and with Sierra Club. We are currently waiting for notice of public hearing. Thank you to everyone who filed comments!

All comments make a difference and are still open! Comments can address health and climate change concerns along with impacts to air and water quality. The increase in shipping traffic is part of cumulative impacts accelerating coastal erosion and damage to private property. Pictures and videos can tell a poignant story and make a significant impact on reviewers.

Click on this link: <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx> or simply send pictures or videos to this email, complaint@tceq.texas.gov and reference permit no. CP23-129.

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STAGES Stakeholder-Guided Environmental Science

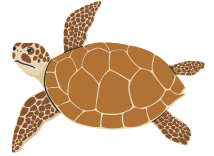
IOBCWA was chosen to participate in TAMUCC's Stakeholder-Guided Environmental Science (STAGES) for their National Science Foundation Research Traineeship (NRT). IOBCWA advised our need for data management, analysis and predictive outcomes utilizing machine learning (ML) and artificial intelligence (AI) as it pertains to industrial development along the Coastal Bend including the North Shore of Corpus Christi Bay. We advised interest in long-term relationships either part-time or full-time to develop modeling of environmental and health impacts from air and water quality degradation in Corpus Christi Bay. IOBCWA has the potential to gain access to TAMUCC's data base for:

- Water quality, salinities, pH, opacity & oxygen levels
- Seagrass imagery of Corpus Christi Bay over time
- Core sampling and analysis along Corpus Christi Ship Channel –questions of siltation increase from dredging activity and harmful effects to marine life productivity
- Air monitoring databases in Corpus Christi and other TCEQ sources for comparative emissions analysis
- Blucher database of sea level change over time.
- Any updated analysis of relative sea level rise.

Smell, See, or Hear Something Worrisome? Report It!

WILDLIFE

Texas Parks and Wildlife 361-729-5429
Texas State Aquarium 361-881-1210
 Sea Turtles and marine mammals. No Birds
Texas Sealife Center 361-589-4023
 Sea Turtles, some birds
Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network 1-800-962-6625
 Injured or dead dolphins
Wings for Rescue 361-205-0892
 Birds



ENVIRONMENTAL

NRC-National Response Center 1-800-424-8802
 Oil and Chemical Spills
TCEQ -Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
 888-777-3186 Non-spill environment complaints
 800-832-8224 Spill reporting (night answered by State Emergency Response Commission)
USACE- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 361-815-5847
 Permit violations for dredging and construction on U.S. waters
U.S. Coast Guard 361-939-0450
 Watercraft events

Educating Neighbors

IOBCWA Board Members Patrick Nye and Jennifer Hilliard presented informative meetings on what the Port of Corpus Christi has been up to regarding Carbon Capture, a Solar Farm at McCampbell-Porter Airport, and a Hydrogen Hub application to the Department of Energy. They have presented to IOB City Council, Aransas Pass City Council, and even a Facebook Live Event.



In Case You Missed It

Port of Corpus Christi CEO Sean Strawbridge Resigns (Kris 6 News) <https://www.kristv.com/news/local-news/executive-director-of-port-of-corpus-christi-authority-sean-strawbridge-submits-resignation>

Investigation Finds Oversight, Poor Weather Proofing Cause of Flint Hills December Oil Spill (Caller Times) <https://www.caller.com/story/news/local/2023/04/24/investigation-reveals-cause-of-flint-hills-oil-spill-in-corpus-christi-bay/70147589007/>

Dead baby dolphin near Ingleside on the Bay prompts concern from near by residents (KIII-TV3) <https://www.kiiitv.com/article/news/local/dead-baby-dolphin-sighting-near-ingleside-on-the-bay/503-1de94ac4-3960-492d-bef0-b1c8cafee241>

IOBCWA as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization on the front lines of both climate change and rapid industrialization, is pushing back - through litigation, scientific studies, and joining with other organizations.

We welcome your tax-deductible donations to support our efforts to protect our community and our planet.

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