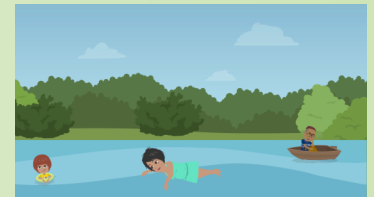
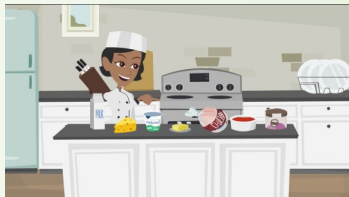


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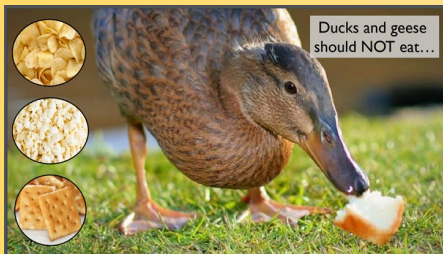
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## Strategy 1.3: Regional Participation in Fats, Oils, and Grease Program

- During the 2020 Annual Holiday Grease Roundup, 33 participating entities collected almost 6,700 gallons of FOG!
- In 2020, WATER created educational explainer videos for the following topics:
  - Proper Disposal of Fats, Oils, and Grease,
  - Drug Take Back,
  - Proper Disposal of Household Hazardous Waste,
  - The Simple Life Cycle of Drinking Water, and
  - Why Your Sink Disposal is Not a Garbage Can.
- These videos have a combined total of almost 5,000 views on the [NCTCOG E&D YouTube page!](#)



## Strategy 4.3: Avian Management Plan

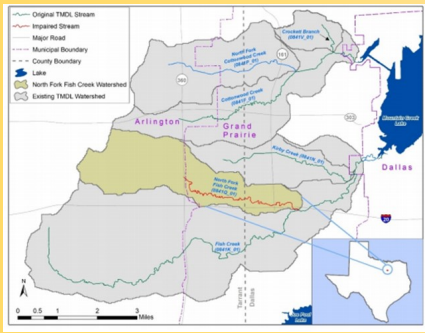


- On August 31, 2021, NCTCOG hosted the Discouraging Avian Feeding webinar that had 33 attendees. The webinar included presentations from Rachel Richter, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, and Mark Enders, City of New Braunfels. Rachel Richter's presentation included information on why avian feeding negatively impacts waterways and the steps the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is taking to discourage feeding. Mark Enders presented the City of New Braunfels no feeding ordinance, associated successes and challenges, and lessons learned. The presentations and recorded webinar are available online for review at [www.nctcog.org/TMDL](http://www.nctcog.org/TMDL).
- During 2020, NCTCOG shared social media posts educating the public on how detrimental avian feeding can be. These 11 posts had over 2,600 impressions across NCTCOG E&D's social media platforms. The Avian Feeding Social Media toolkit is available for review and downloading at [www.nctcog.org/TMDL](http://www.nctcog.org/TMDL).

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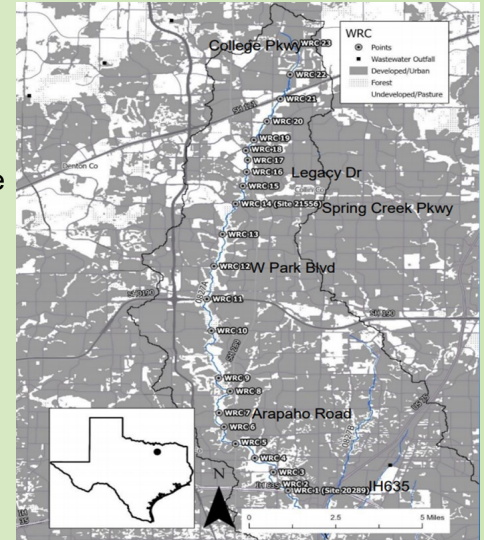


## Strategy 9.1: Expanding the geographic scope of the I-Plan

- In 2020, NCTCOG incorporated North Fork Fish Creek, located in the Mountain Creek Lake Watershed, into the TMDL I-Plan.
- Additionally, when incorporating North Fork Fish Creek, NCTCOG completed administrative updates to the I-Plan and it is now in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The updated plan is available online to review at [www.nctcog.org/TMDL](http://www.nctcog.org/TMDL).

## Local Highlights

- North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) received a grant for Low Impact Development features as part of the Lavon Lake Watershed Protection Plan.
- The Trinity River Authority (TRA) is making progress on the Joe Pool Lake Watershed Protection Plan, with important stakeholders participating, including the City of Cedar Hill and City of Mansfield.
- TRA also completed an *E. coli* monitoring study on White Rock Creek spanning from College Parkway in Frisco to Interstate Highway 635 in Dallas. TRA presented the results of this study at an Upper Trinity River Basin Coordinating Committee (UTRBCC) meeting.
- Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD) presented information on their Rainscapes located at their offices in Fort Worth, and Trash Buckets that were installed on the Trinity River at a UTRBCC meeting.
- Since the inception of Dallas Area Rapid Transit's (DART) Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Program, DART has cooperated with adjacent cities to eliminate discharges of grease traps from restaurants. No discharges have been found since 2015!
- The City of Plano is launching the Rowlett Creek Watershed Characterization Project, as the first step towards developing a watershed protection plan for this creek!



TRA White Rock Creek Study



TRWD Rainscapes Story Map



TRWD Trash Baskets

## Other Highlights

- NCTCOG hosted two UTRBCC meetings, one TMDL Coordination Committee meeting, and multiple TMDL Stormwater, Wastewater, and Monitoring Forum Technical Subcommittee meetings to plan and coordinate efforts for bacteria reducing projects.
- In January 2021, TMDL Technical Subcommittees accepted new descriptions and purposes of each subcommittee in order to increase engagement and continue making progress to reduce bacteria in North Central Texas Waterways. The updated descriptions are available online on each of the subcommittee webpages at [www.nctcog.org/TMDL](http://www.nctcog.org/TMDL).

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