

TEXAS STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD

Special Purpose Review

The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (State Board) works directly with owners and operators of agricultural land to develop and implement conservation plans involving land treatment measures for erosion control, water quantity, and water quality purposes. The State Board underwent Sunset review in time for the 2011 legislative session.

The State Board's Sunset bill, House Bill 1808, directed the Sunset Advisory Commission to conduct a special-purpose review of the State Board as part of the Commission's review of agencies for the 84th Legislature. The Legislature limited this review to evaluation of the State Board's implementation of the Sunset Commission's recommendations regarding the Flood Control, Water Quality Management Plan, and Water Supply Enhancement programs.

In Fall 2012, the Sunset Commission evaluated the State Board's progress in implementing the statutory provisions contained in H.B. 1808. Two provisions of the bill were still in progress at that time. This current review builds on that earlier compliance effort to see if implementation of flood control, water quality management, and water supply enhancement recommendations had changed in any way and if new legislation had affected those requirements. Sunset staff also looked to see if the State Board had fully implemented the two remaining provisions related to the Water Supply Enhancement Program.

Sunset staff found the State Board has fully implemented the Sunset Commission's recommendations in H.B. 1808. No further action is necessary at this time.

