



# RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

## TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD

### Program Report for the Railroad Commission of Texas September 2016

The Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC) staff continues to work with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) relating to jurisdiction, legislation, general licenses, permits and exemptions for the disposal and related handling of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM) and Technologically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (TENORM) on a case by case basis.

**House Bill 2230** (House Author: Larson et al.; Effective: 9-1-15 Senate Sponsor: Estes) amends the Injection Well Act in the Water Code to authorize the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to authorize by individual permit, by general permit, or by rule a Class V injection well for the injection of nonhazardous brine from a desalination operation or nonhazardous drinking water treatment residuals into a Class II injection well that is also permitted by the Railroad Commission of Texas. This waste stream(s) may include measurable NORM levels.