

AN ACT

relating to reports by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality about dams that have certain hazard classifications.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 12.052, Water Code, is amended by adding Subsections (e-3), (e-4), and (e-5) to read as follows:

(e-3) For purposes of this subsection, the emergency management director for a municipality or county is the person designated that political subdivision's emergency management director by Section 418.1015, Government Code. The commission shall provide a report of a dam that has a hazard classification of high or significant to:

(1) the emergency management director, or the emergency management director's designee, for the municipality or county in which the dam is located; and

(2) the executive director or equivalent position of each council of government or local or regional development council for the area in which the dam is located.

(e-4) The commission shall make a report as described by Subsection (e-3) not later than the 30th day after the date of the designation of a dam as a high or significant hazard classification. The report must include the hazard classification and condition status for each dam that has had a change in hazard classification located in the political subdivision.

1        (e-5) The commission shall provide a biannual report  
2 including condition status and other information on each dam with a  
3 hazard classification of high or significant to the emergency  
4 management director, or the emergency management director's  
5 designee, of each municipality and county and the executive  
6 director or equivalent position of each council of government or  
7 local or regional development council in which a dam included in the  
8 report is located.

9        SECTION 2. For each dam that, as of the effective date of  
10 this Act, the executive director of the Texas Commission on  
11 Environmental Quality maintains a classification of high or  
12 significant hazard, the commission shall provide a report regarding  
13 the hazard classification and condition status of the dam to the  
14 emergency management director, or the emergency management  
15 director's designee, of each municipality and county and the  
16 executive director or equivalent position of each council of  
17 government or local or regional development council in which the  
18 dam is located as provided by Section [12.052](#)(e-3), Water Code, as  
19 added by this Act. Each report must be provided as soon as  
20 practicable and not later than March 1, 2020.

21        SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 137 was passed by the House on April 26, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 137 was passed by the Senate on May 21, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Governor