



Fact Sheet

Regional Resource Stewardship Council

TVA manages the Tennessee River system and its associated lands to provide multiple benefits for all the people of the TVA region. TVA formed the Regional Resource Stewardship Council as an avenue through which the citizens of the region can participate in the important decisions TVA makes about the management of the river and its ecosystem.

Background

The Regional Resource Stewardship Council was first convened in March 2000. It consists of 20 members from across the Tennessee Valley and operates under the guidelines of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The designated federal officer for the council is Joe Hoagland, TVA senior vice president for Policy & Oversight.

Key points

- The Regional Resource Stewardship Council's purpose is to gather advice from all sectors so that TVA can respond in a responsible way to the needs of people across the region. The council invites public input into its deliberations. In fact, the council exists to increase public participation in the decision-making process.
- The Regional Resource Stewardship Council has provided recommendations and advice to TVA on the agency's stewardship activities, including reservoir operations, public-land planning and management, water supply, recreation, infrastructure operation and maintenance, and emergency preparedness.
- The Regional Resource Stewardship Council consists of up to 20 members representing people across the Tennessee Valley who are vitally interested in TVA's management of the region's natural resources

Other information

- Council members represent public and private stakeholders who benefit from TVA's management of the river system and public lands. Members are nominated by the governors of the seven states in the TVA power service area, the distributors of TVA power, TVA's directly served customers and other stakeholders.
- Meetings of the Regional Resource Stewardship Council are open to the public, and the proceedings are published on TVA's website at <http://www.tva.gov/rpsc/>. The council is required by law to meet at least twice a year.