

## Important District Contact Information

### Garbage & Recycling

Best Trash North  
(P) 346/248-5222 (E) [info@rrrtx.net](mailto:info@rrrtx.net)

### Garbage Committee

Crystal Kirby: [ckirby@trailofthelakesmud.com](mailto:ckirby@trailofthelakesmud.com)  
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### District Security

Harris County Constable Precinct No. 4  
**Emergency: 911**  
Non-Emergency/24 Hour Dispatch:  
**281/376-3472**

### District Security Committee

Kim Pendleton:  
[kpendleton@trailofthelakesmud.com](mailto:kpendleton@trailofthelakesmud.com)  
Troy King: [tking@trailofthelakesmud.com](mailto:tking@trailofthelakesmud.com)

### Water & Sewer/Paying Your Water Bill

Si Environmental LLC  
(P) 832/490-1500 (W) [sienviro.com](http://sienviro.com)

### Tax Bill Questions

Bob Leared Interests, Inc. - 713/932-9011

### District Emergency Notification System

Text the word **TOTL** to **474747** to register  
To unsubscribe text **STOP TOTL** to **474747**

## Board of Directors

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*Troy King, Asst. Secretary/ Asst. Treasurer*

## Trail of the Lakes Municipal Utility District

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RESIDENTS OF TRAIL OF THE LAKES MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT. REGULAR MEETINGS ARE  
HELD ON THE LAST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 12:00 P.M. AT THE OFFICE OF RADCLIFFE  
ADAMS BARNER PLLC LOCATED AT AMERICA TOWER, 2929 ALLEN PARKWAY, SUITE 3450,  
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77019 AND BY VIDEOCONFERENCE. VISIT  
[TRAILOFTHELAKESMUD.COM/MEETINGS](http://TRAILOFTHELAKESMUD.COM/MEETINGS) FOR VIDEO/TELEPHONE CONFERENCE INFORMATION.



## TOTL NEWS

Spring 2025

### General District Information

Trail of the Lakes Municipal Utility District (the "District") is a Texas local governmental entity that provides water and sanitary sewer service to Atascocita Forest, The Forest, The Park at Atascocita Forest, Clayton's Park and Clayton's Park East subdivisions. The District was created on April 26, 1974, by the Texas Water Rights Commission. The District is located 17 miles northeast of downtown Houston and 3.5 miles southeast of Humble, Texas. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Directors who regularly meet the last Monday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at the offices of Radcliffe Adams Barner PLLC, 2929 Allen Parkway, Suite 3450, Houston, Texas 77019. Visit the District's website at [trailofthelakesmud.com](http://trailofthelakesmud.com) for additional meeting information.

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[trailofthelakesmud.com](http://trailofthelakesmud.com)

## Xeriscaping Plants

Spring officially begins March 20th and early Spring is the ideal time to begin landscape planning. Texas heat, drought seasons, water restrictions and rising water costs can make landscape maintenance more expensive. Xeriscaping is a landscaping method designated to reduce irrigation needs by using drought-resistant plants, native plants, mulch, and efficient watering practices. Benefits of xeriscaping include water conservation, potentially lower water bills, and reduced maintenance costs.

Popular Texas native and adaptive plants commonly used in xeriscaping are Bat-Faced Cuphea, Black-eyed Susan, Desert Willow, Purple Heart, Texas Sage, Oleander, mondo (monkey) grass and many others. Consider planting native plants this Spring!

## TRASH TALK

### SEMI-ANNUAL E-WASTE AND PAPER SHREDDING EVENTS

The District is hosting its semi-annual free electronic waste recycling and paper shredding event! Electronic recyclable items include: personal computers, keyboards, mice, speakers, cords and cables, game consoles, laptops, hard drives, car batteries, fax machines, printers, cell phones, batteries, rechargeable batteries, projectors, telephones, toner cartridges, PDAs, and more.

The District is also offering free document shredding. **Please be sure your documents for shredding are completely separate from all other materials.** Please visit the District's website at [trailofthelakesmud.com/garbage](http://trailofthelakesmud.com/garbage) for a full list of acceptable items and for information about recycling materials and general garbage collection.

**Saturday, April 5, 2025  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Humble Middle School (Parking Lot)\*  
11207 Will Clayton Parkway at Woodland Hills Drive**

\*Humble ISD is merely renting the premises to the District and in no way endorses or advances the District's views, opinions, or beliefs.

## KEEP FOG OUT OF THE SEWER SYSTEM

Fat, oil and grease (FOG) are commonly found in cooking scraps, cooking oil, grease, lard, butter, mayonnaise, dressings, and dairy products like sour cream. Disposing of these items down the sink drain create build-up over time and clog residential and business sewer lines. Such build-up can restrict the flow of wastewater causing unsanitary conditions. Manholes can overflow into streets, parking lots, and parks, and can contaminate local waters and drinking water. Repairs to unclog and restoration of wastewater lines are costly. To help prevent costly repairs, here are some Dos and Don'ts:

### DO:

- Use a catch basket or drain screen when rinsing dishware, or preparing food, to prevent small scraps from going down the drain and throw away the scraps.
- Wipe and scrape pots, pans, and dishes with dry paper towels before rinsing/washing them. Throw the paper towels and food scraps into the garbage can.

### DON'T:

- Do not pour cooking oil, pan drippings, bacon grease, sauces, or salad dressings down the sink, toilet, or into street gutters or storm drains.

Visit the TCEQ website at [tceq.texas.gov/assistance/water/wastewater/fog](http://tceq.texas.gov/assistance/water/wastewater/fog) for more information.

## MAY 3, 2025 DIRECTORS ELECTION

The District will be conducting its Directors Election on May 3, 2025. **Please visit [harrisvotes.com](http://harrisvotes.com) for Early Voting and Election Day polling locations.**

For election information translated into Spanish, Vietnamese and Chinese, please contact [tcatchings@rabfirm.com](mailto:tcatchings@rabfirm.com).



## HUMBLE ISD SPRING BREAK

Humble Independent School District's Spring Break will be March 10 - 14, 2025. Please be aware of children playing outside in the area during this time.

## SPRING SAFETY TIPS

Here are some safety tips to diminish your chances of becoming a target for criminals this holiday season:

### Parking lot safety

- Lock your doors when getting in or out of your car.
- Inspect in and alongside your car before you get in.
- Park in well-lit areas at night.
- Ask for an escort if you feel uncomfortable walking to your car.
- Place your packages in the trunk of your car; keep them out of sight.

### Self-protection tips

- Do not walk along parking lots or streets without looking around for potential danger.
- Stop frequently and observe your surroundings.
- Carry a sound making device and small flashlight.
- Give the appearance that you are alert. Keep your head up and look around. Attackers target those people they think are weak and unsuspecting.

### Home and car protection

- Keep your home and car locked at all times.
- Never leave your keys in the ignition.
- Be sure to activate car and home alarms.
- Use a timer for lights.
- Stop mail and newspaper delivery when going out of town.
- Sign up for Vacation Watch with Harris County Constable, Precinct No. 4 (the "Constable") on its website at [constablepct4.com](http://constablepct4.com).
- Do not post your out-of-town holiday plans on social media sites.

For more information regarding the Constable, you may visit its website at [constablepct4.com](http://constablepct4.com) or call 281/376-3472.

If you should have any other questions or concerns regarding District security matters, please contact **Director Pendleton** at [kpendleton@trailofthelakesmud.com](mailto:kpendleton@trailofthelakesmud.com) or **Director King** at [tking@trailofthelakesmud.com](mailto:tking@trailofthelakesmud.com).

## PROPOSED DISTRICT PARK BONDS FOR ADDITIONAL TRAILS

The District will be issuing bonds in the Fall to fund the design and construction of future recreational projects, including new walking trails to provide additional connectivity throughout the District. Construction is expected to begin by the end of 2025. Visit the District's website at [trailofthelakesmud.com/parks-and-trails](http://trailofthelakesmud.com/parks-and-trails) to learn more about the District's recreational amenities.

## EYEONWATER APP

The District's customers can monitor their water usage through the **EyeOnWater app**. Download the app, which is available in the Apple App Store and on Google Play, or visit the District's website at [trailofthelakesmud.com/latest-news/eyeonwater](http://trailofthelakesmud.com/latest-news/eyeonwater) for more information.

For more information about the District, or matters covered in this newsletter, please visit the District's website at [trailofthelakesmud.com](http://trailofthelakesmud.com). Scan the QR code below for the complete Park Rules.

