

## Interim Hearings – Week of October 31, 2011

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Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Senate Committees on Agriculture & Rural Affairs and Natural Resources (Joint Hearing)

Topic: Impact of extreme Texas drought conditions and continuous wildfires

- ["Texas Agricultural Drought Losses Reach Record \\$5.2 Billion"](#) including losses by commodity, *AgriLife Today*, Texas AgriLife Extension, August 17, 2011
- [TSCRA Drought Impact Survey: Executive Summary](#), Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, August 2011

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

Topic: Affordable housing after disasters, best practices for emergency short-term and long-term housing

- [Safer Homes, Stronger Communities: A Handbook for Reconstruction After Natural Disasters](#), The World Bank and Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery, January 2010
- [A Critical Role: Top Ten Policies That States Need to Recover From Disasters](#), U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Business Civil Leadership Center

House Committee on Natural Resources

Topic: Drought, impact on the state water plan, and effectiveness of current drought planning and drought management policies

- [Interim Report, 2010: A Report to the House of Representatives, 82nd Texas Legislature \(Charges 2 & 3\)](#), House Committee on Natural Resources
- [Water for Texas 2012 State Water Plan \(draft\)](#), Texas Water Development Board
- [Carolyn Brittin: The TT Interview](#) (Texas Water Development Board official discusses draft of the "Water for Texas 2012 State Water Plan"), *Texas Tribune*, October 11, 2011
- [More Holes to be Filled in the 2012 Draft Texas State Water Plan](#) (Texas Water Solutions blog), Environmental Defense Fund, October 19, 2011
- [Water for Texas: Summary of the 2011 Regional Water Plans](#), Texas Water Development Board, January 2011

Thursday, November 3, 2011

Joint Committee on Oversight of Windstorm Insurance

Topic: Windstorm insurance in this state, including the Texas Department of Insurance and the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association

- ["Storm Insurer Remade, but Vocal Critics Remain"](#), *Texas Tribune*, August 14, 2011
- [Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Overview](#), Texas Department of Insurance, August 15, 2011 (Microsoft PowerPoint presentation)
- [Texas Windstorm Insurance: 2011-2012 Legislators' Guide to the Issues](#), Texas Public Policy Foundation, September 13, 2010
- [Residential Insurance on the U.S. Gulf Coast in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina](#), RAND Gulf States Policy Institute, October 20, 2010