




MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Christopher Herrington, P.E., Environmental Officer 

DATE: May 3, 2019

SUBJECT: 2018 State of Our Environment Report

The purpose of this memo is to provide a link to the 2018 State of Our Environment Report. As required by [Austin City Code 25-1-45\(C\)](#), the Environmental Officer is required to deliver a report on Austin's environment to the City Manager and City Council annually. Although the format of the State of Our Environment Report has evolved over time, it traditionally has been a printed document detailing the current condition of Austin's air, land, water, and forest.

As an experiment to make the report more accessible and dynamic, the 2018 State of Our Environment Report has been transformed into a new online format:

<http://www.austintexas.gov/soe2018>

This new online version includes quantitative metrics describing the condition of key components of Austin natural resources over time, a map with project stories to make the report more "local" to our residents, and a citywide story about how Austin is responding to our changing climate. Additionally, the 2018 report is available for the first time in both English and Spanish.

If you would like additional information or have feedback on the new format for the 2018 report, please contact me at 512-974-2840 or chris.herrington@austintexas.gov, or Kaela Champlin at 512-974-3443 or kaela.champlin@austintexas.gov.

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