

Biography: Rebecca L. Villalba
Stormwater Team
Water Quality Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Current Position

Rebecca L. Villalba has been working at the TCEQ since August 1996 in the Water Quality Division. In her current position, as the Team Leader of the Stormwater Team, she is responsible for supervising permit writers that implement the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) stormwater (construction, industrial, and municipal), and quarry programs and their associated permitting activities and overseeing the stormwater processing center.

Prior Experience and Education

Ms. Villalba was the Team Leader for the combined Stormwater & Pretreatment Team for over six years (2011-2017) responsible for supervising staff that implement the TPDES pretreatment and stormwater programs. Previously, as a Sr. Pretreatment Coordinator, she provided oversight for numerous pretreatment programs including performing audits, industrial user categorical determinations, reviewing publicly owned treatment works (POTW) permit applications for appropriate pretreatment requirements, reviewing pretreatment program modifications to include technically based local limits calculations, and drafting POTW permits.

She is a TCEQ Aspiring Leaders Program alumni (class of 2010-2012) and has participated in the TCEQ's Border Initiative and partnership efforts with the Mexican government related to the pretreatment program by providing training and technical assistance. In 2001, Ms. Villalba completed the Environmental Management Systems (EMS) Lead Auditor Training Course and for over 10 years represented the Water Quality Division in the EMS team involved in developing and implementing the TCEQ's EMS program.

Ms. Villalba has a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry with Chemical Engineering and Spanish minors from the University of Houston. Prior to joining the TCEQ; she worked at an international chemical company in the area of industrial solid and hazardous waste management and at NASA-Johnson Space Center in the water laboratory conducting experiments and research to support the Space Shuttle and Space Station water disinfection projects.

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