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MEDIA ADVISORY: Power Across Texas 2015 Energy Innovation Challenge Culminates at Texas Capitol

- What:** Power Across Texas' 2015 Energy Innovation Challenge
- When:** Friday, May 1 from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm
- Where:** The Capitol Building, Extension- Room E1.026
- Purpose:** Student teams from five Texas universities will present to a panel of esteemed judges their solutions to the 2015 Energy Innovation Challenge: "to research, evaluate and develop the most creative and economic use for water produced from hydraulic fracturing of wells, whether that solution includes recycling, disposal or discharge."
- Who:** Power Across Texas
- Universities:** Texas A&M University; The University of Texas at Austin; The University of Texas at El Paso; Texas Tech University; The University of Houston
- Steering Committee (invited):** Railroad Commission Chairman Christi Craddick, Railroad Commissioner David Porter, Railroad Commissioner Ryan Sitton, Chairman Charles Perry, Chairman Troy Fraser, and Chairman Jim Keffer
- Judges:** John Tintera, Texas Water Recycling Association, Sebree & Tintera; Omar Garcia, STEER; Mark Ellison, IDE Technologies; Marilu Hastings, Mitchell Foundation; Kym Bolado, Shale Oil and Gas Business Magazine; and Brent Halldorson, Fountain Quail Water Management, President-Texas Water Recycling Association

AUSTIN- The [Texas Energy Innovation Challenge \(TEIC\)](#) is the signature program of Power Across Texas. The 2015 TEIC will be the third competition in which graduate students from inter-disciplinary academic programs at five major universities in Texas are challenged to bring research and imagination to help solve an existing energy problem in Texas. The participants in the Challenge will be presenting both a written proposal and oral presentation with their solutions on "research, evaluate and develop the most creative and economic use for water produced from hydraulic fracturing of wells, whether that solution includes recycling, disposal or discharge." To find out more about Power Across Texas, visit poweracrosstexas.org

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