

#### REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP

Senate Bill 1 - Texas Water Development Board c/o San Jacinto River Authority P. O. Box 329, Conroe, Texas 77305 Telephone 936-588-7111 Facsimile 936-588-3043

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TO:

- Each mayor of a municipality with a population of 1,000 or more or which is a county seat that is located in whole or in part in the Region H water planning area;
- Each county judge of a county located in whole or in part in the Region H water planning area;
- Each special or general law district or river authority with responsibility to manage or supply water in the Region H water planning area based upon lists of such water districts and river authorities obtained from Texas Commission on Environmental Quality;
- Each retail public utility, defined as a community water system, that serves any part of the Region H water planning area or receives water from the Region H water planning area based upon lists of such entities obtained from Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; and
- Each holder of record of a water right for the use of surface water the diversion of which occurs in the Region H water planning area based upon lists of such water rights holders obtained from Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

RE: Public Notice of an Initially Prepared 2006 Region H Water Plan and Proposed Amendment 1

to the 2001 Region H Water Plan

DATE: June 8, 2005

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### To All Interested Parties:

The Region H Water Planning Group area includes all or part of the following counties: Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, Walker, and Waller.

- (1) Notice is hereby given that the Region H Water Planning Group (RHWPG) is requesting public review and comment on an Initially Prepared 2006 Region H Water Plan (the IPP).
- (2) Notice is hereby given that the RHWPG is considering an amendment to the 2001 Region H Water Plan.

*A summary of the content of the Draft Initially Prepared Plan:* The *Initially Prepared Plan (IPP)* updates the 2001 Region H Water Plan that was included in the 2002 State Water Plan prepared by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). The IPP addresses the following topics:

- Water needs based on projected population and water demand
- Water supplies available to meet projected water demand
- Water management strategies for meeting any identified water shortages
- Socioeconomic impact of not addressing shortages
- Impacts of Management Strategies on Water Quality and Agricultural Areas
- Water Conservation and Drought Management
- Protection of Water Resources and Natural Resources

- Proposed Unique Stream Segments
- Proposed Unique Reservoir Sites
- Regulatory, Administrative and Legislative Recommendations

A summary of the proposed amendment to the 2001 Plan includes: The proposed action is to amend the 2001 Region H Water Plan to meet currently changed conditions. The proposed amendment being considered includes:

- Add water supply from the City of Houston as a water management strategy option for Utility Districts in eastern Fort Bend County.
- Add wastewater reuse, the permitting of additional yield in Lake Houston, and the permitting of unappropriated flows in the San Jacinto River as a water management strategy for the City of Houston and the San Jacinto River Authority.
- Add the permitting of interruptible supplies from Buffalo, Brays, Sims and White Oak Bayous as a water management strategy for the City of Houston.
- Add the redesignation of Chambers-Liberty Counties Navigation District supplies from irrigation use to mixed irrigation, municipal or manufacturing use as a water management strategy option for Chambers County.
- Add the permitting of additional supplies from the Brazos River System as a water management strategy for the Brazos River Authority.
- Add wastewater reuse as a water management strategy for the North Harris County Regional Water Authority.

**Public Comment:** Public hearings to receive public comment on the IPP and on proposed Amendment 1 to the 2001 Region H Water Plan will be held at the following dates and locations:

July 12, 10 a.m. July 14, 6:30 p.m.

San Jacinto River Authority Office Houston-Galveston Area Council 105 Damsite Road 3555 Timmons, 2nd Floor, Room A

Conroe Texas 77305 Houston, Texas 77027

The RHWPG will accept written comments until 5:00 p.m. September 16, 2005. Written comments should be provided to:

Jim Adams, PE J. Kevin Ward

General Manager Executive Administrator

San Jacinto River Authority Texas Water Development Board

P.O. Box 329 P.O. Box 13231

Conroe, Texas 77305-0329 Austin, Texas 78711-3231

The RHWPG shall consider and vote upon the proposed Amendments 1 to the Region H Water Plan at its public meeting at 10:00 a.m. on October 5, 2005, to be held at the SJRA office, Conroe, Texas.

*Questions or requests for additional information may be submitted to:* Jim Adams, telephone number 936-588-7111, San Jacinto River Authority, P.O. Box 329, Conroe, TX 77305-0329. The San Jacinto River Authority is the Administrator for the RHWPG.

A copy of the Initially Prepared Plan for 2006 and the proposed Amendment 1 to the 2001 Regional Water Plan is available at the County Clerk's Office and at a depository library in each county in Region H. A list of depository libraries in attached. A copy also is available on the regional planning section of the TWDB website at www.twdb.state.tx.us.

# **DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES IN REGION H**

#### **AUSTIN COUNTY**

Gordon Library 917 Circle Drive Sealy, TX 77474

#### **BRAZORIA COUNTY**

Angleton Public Library 401 East Cedar Angleton, TX 77515

#### **CHAMBERS COUNTY**

Chambers County Library
– Main Branch
202 Cummings
Anahuac, TX 77514

#### FORT BEND COUNTY

George Memorial Library 1001 Golfview Richmond, TX 77469

## **GALVESTON COUNTY**

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### **HARRIS COUNTY**

Houston Public Library 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Bibliographic Information Center 500 McKinney Houston, TX 77002

#### LEON COUNTY

Ward Memorial Library 129 East Main Centerville, TX 75833

## LIBERTY COUNTY

Sam Houston Regional Library and Research Center 650 FM1011 Liberty, TX 77575

#### MADISON COUNTY

Madison County Library 605 South May Madisonville, TX 77864

#### **MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

Montgomery County Central Library 104 Interstate 45 North Conroe, TX 77301

#### **POLK COUNTY**

Murphy Memorial Library 601 West Church Livingston, TX 77351

#### SAN JACINTO COUNTY

Coldspring Library 220 South Bonham Coldspring, TX 77331

#### **TRINITY COUNTY**

Blanche K. Werner Library Highway 19 North Trinity, TX 75862

### WALKER COUNTY

Huntsville Public Library 1216 – 14th Street Huntsville, TX 77340

## WALLER COUNTY

Waller County Library -Brookshire/Pattison 3815 Sixth Street Brookshire, TX 77423