



**NOTICE OF THE SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
A REGULAR SRBA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE HELD ON
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025, at 1:00 P.M.
AT THE MOUNT PLEASANT CIVIC CENTER, 1800 NORTH JEFFERSON STREET
MOUNT PLEASANT, TEXAS
ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND**

Notice is hereby given per the Texas Open Meeting Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that the Board of Directors of the Sulphur River Basin Authority will conduct a meeting open to the public, on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., at the Mount Pleasant Civic Center, 1800 North Jefferson Street, Mount Pleasant, Texas.

The Board of Directors may discuss, consider, and take all necessary action, including possible expenditure of funds, regarding any of the items below. The Board of Directors is authorized by The Texas Open Meeting Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, to convene in a closed executive session for certain purposes at any time to discuss items on the board meeting agenda. These purposes include receiving legal advice from its Attorney (Section 551.071); discussing real property matter (Section 551.072); discussing gifts and donations (Section 551.073); discussing personnel matter (Section 551.074); discussing security personnel or devices (Section 551.076); or discussing economic development matter (Section 551.087). If the Board of Directors makes a determination to go into closed executive session on any item on this agenda, the Presiding Officer, will announce that a closed executive session will be held and will identify the item to be discussed and provision of The Open Meeting Act that authorizes the closed executive session.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order.**
- 2. Invocation.**
- 3. Roll Call and Announcement of Quorum.**
- 4. Public Comments.**

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- 5. Consent Agenda Items.**

The Consent Agenda allows the Board of Directors to approve all routine, noncontroversial items with a single motion, without the need for discussion by the entire Board. Any item may be removed from consent agenda and considered individually upon request of a Board member or Authority staff, or at the request of a member of the public.

(A) Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on the Minutes for the November 19, 2024, Board Meeting.

(B) Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on the Monthly Financial Reports.

This item will include a presentation of the Board Meeting Minutes and Monthly Financial Reports. Staff recommends approval.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to Adopt the Consent Agenda.

6. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the Quarterly Financial Report.

This item will include discussion and possible action on the Quarterly Financial Report. Staff recommends approval.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to accept the Quarterly Financial Report.

7. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the Quarterly Investment Report.

This item will include discussion and possible action on the Quarterly Investment Report. Staff recommends approval.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to accept the Quarterly Investment Report.

8. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Additional Vendors on the ACH/Electronic Payment List.

This item will include discussion and possible action on adding LCRA Lab Services and Water Monitoring Solutions (WMS) to the list of authorized vendors to be paid by ACH/Electronic Payment. Staff recommends approval.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to ratify action on adding LCRA Lab Services and approve the addition of Water Monitoring Solutions (WMS) to the Authorized ACH/Electronic Payment List.

9. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Amending the Authority's Employee Policy on Sick Leave Benefits and Approved Holidays.

This item will include discussion and possible action on amending the Sick Leave and Holiday Benefits.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve the amended employee Sick Leave Benefits and Holiday Benefits.

10. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Resolution No. R1212025-01 of the Board of Directors of the Sulphur River Basin Authority Adopting a Policy Prohibiting the Use of Certain Social Media Applications.

This item will include discussion and possible action on adopting a policy to ban the social media service TikTok and any successor application developed by ByteDance on devices owned or leased by the Authority as required by Chapter 620 of the Texas Government Code.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve SRBA Resolution No. R1212025-01.

11. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Resolution No. R1212025-02 of the Board of Directors of the Sulphur River Basin Authority Setting the Capitalization Limit to \$5,000.

This item will include discussion and possible action on adopting a policy setting the Authority's capitalization limit to \$5,000.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve SRBA Resolution No. R1212025-02.

12. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Resolution No. R1212025-03 Updating Article 9.1 of the Authority's Bylaws, Authority Address.

This item will include discussion and possible action on updating the Authority's address in the Bylaws.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve SRBA Resolution No. R1212025-03.

13. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving a Meal Per Diem for the Executive Director While He Is Traveling on Authority Business.

This item will include discussion and possible action on approving the development of a policy setting a meal per diem for the Executive Director while traveling on Authority business.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve the development of a Travel Per Diem policy.

14. Updates on the Clean Rivers Program (Randy Rushin-Water Monitoring Solutions).

Prepared in cooperation with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

The preparation of this report was financed in part through funding from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

This item will include discussion and possible action regarding activities with the Clean Rivers Program.

15. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Adjustment to the Clean Rivers Program Budget, FY 2026-2027, Concerning Number of Sites Monitored.

This item will include discussion and possible action on the number of sites monitored and funding for them. The Board will consider the Authority's self-funding of two current sites to maintain the total number of tested sites or reduce the number of sites monitored to stay within TCEQ reimbursement limits. The estimated cost for lab and WMS sampling at both sites is \$5,700 per year (lab —\$4,300; WMS—\$1,400), for a total of \$11,400 for the contract period.

Action Item: Consider a Motion that the Authority self-fund two FY 2026-2027 sites or reduce the total number of sites monitored by two.

16. Regional Entities Reports:

(A) Funding Partners

(B) Riverbend Water Resources District

(C) Region D Water Planning Group

(D) Region 2 Flood Planning Group

This item will include a discussion and possible action regarding the activities of the above-listed entities.

17. Reports and Update from Executive Director:

- (A) Quarterly Partner Progress Report**
- (B) Governor Abbott Press Release Regarding Rio Grande Water**
- (C) Senator Perry Commentary: Now or Never: It's Time to Address Water Scarcity in Texas**
- (D) Dallas Morning News – Collin, Tarrant, and Denton cities bring North Texas to over 8.3 million inhabitants**
- (E) Austin American Statesman – Will Texas have it's biggest water session in history**
- (F) Environmental Impacts of Decommissioned Solar, Wind, and Electricity Storage Systems Final Report**
- (G) TWA Legislative Agenda for the 89th Texas Legislative Session**
- (H) Dallas Morning News – Marvin Nichols Feasibility Study Article**
- (I) Grant Workshop Update**
- (J) Partner Outreach and Development**
- (K) Rural River Authority Initiative**

This item will include discussion and possible action regarding the above-listed reports and updates.

18. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on New Business to be Placed on a Future Meeting Agenda.

This agenda item will include discussion and possible action on future agenda items.

Action Item: Possible Motion to place items discussed on the agenda of a future meeting.

19. Announcements from the Chairman/Board and/or Staff.

20. Next Regular Meeting

Sulphur River Basin Authority Regular Meeting, February 18, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. at Mount Pleasant Civic Center, 1800 North Jefferson Street, Mount Pleasant, Texas.

21. Adjournment.

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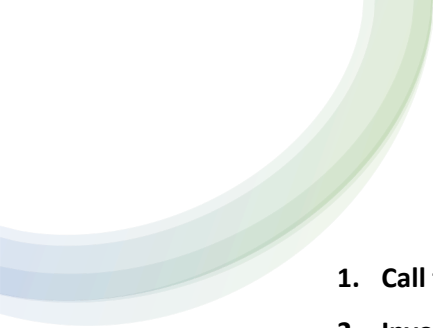


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Action Item: Consider the Motion to Adopt the Consent Agenda.



**SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MOUNT PLEASANT CIVIC CENTER
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Kelly Mitchell, Chairman
Wally Kraft, Vice President
Emily Glass, Director
Reeves Hayter, Director
Kirby Hollingsworth, Director

STAFF: David Weidman, Executive Director
Christi McIntosh, Administrative Assistant

ABSENT: Gary Cheatwood, Director

VISITORS: Sandy Cash, Kyle Dooley, Randy Rushin, Carolyn Wilder

ITEM# 1: Call to Order:

Chairman, Kelly Mitchell called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

ITEM# 2: Invocation:

The Invocation was given by Chairman Kelly Mitchell.

ITEM# 3: Roll Call and Announcement of Quorum:

Chairman Kelly Mitchell, Vice President Wally Kraft, and Directors Kirby Hollingsworth, Emily Glass, and Reeves Hayter were in attendance. A quorum was present.

ITEM# 4: Public Comments:

None.

ITEM# 5: Consent Agenda Items:

(A). Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the Minutes for the October 15, 2024 Board Meeting and the October 29, 2024 Board Workshop.

(B). Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on the Monthly Financial Reports:

A motion was made by Director Reeves Hayter and seconded by Director Emily Glass to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

The motion carried with all members present voting AYE.

October 15, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes, October 29, 2024 Board Workshop Minutes and the Monthly Financial Reports are attached.

ITEM# 6: Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report, Wilf & Henderson, P.C.

A motion was made by Vice-President Wally Kraft and seconded by Director Kirby Hollingsworth to approve the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report, Wilf & Henderson, P.C.

The motion carried with all members present voting AYE.

The FY 2023-2024 Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report are attached.

ITEM# 7: Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Additional Vendor on the ACH/Electronic Payment List.

A motion was made by Director Emily Glass and seconded by Vice-President Wally Kraft to Approve the Additional Vendor on the ACH/Electronic Payment List.

The Vendor information is attached.

ITEM# 8: Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the Canceling of the December 17, 2024 Board of Directors Meeting.

A motion was made by Vice-President Wally Kraft and seconded by Director Kirby Hollingsworth to Approve canceling the December 17, 2024 Board of Directors Meeting.

ITEM# 9: Updates on the Clean Rivers Program (Randy Rushin – Water Monitoring Solutions)

Randy Rushin reported on the Clean Rivers Program Planning for the FY 2026-2027. He stated that the biggest change is the growing cost associated with monitoring. Randy presented a slide presentation showing where the funds are being spent, and the projected rising cost for future monitor planning and laboratory cost. Either SRBA will have to reduce the number of monitoring

stations or absorb the additional cost within its budget. This item will be placed on the agenda for the January 21, 2025 meeting.

The Clean Rivers Program slide presentation is attached.

ITEM# 10: Regional Entities Reports:

- (A) Funding Partners** – Sandy Cash thanked the Board for attending a Tour of the Lake Ralph Hall Reservoir and extended an invitation on behalf of Upper Trinity Regional Water District to SRBA Board Members and Staff to tour the water and sewer facilities in Lewisville. He stated that these facilities are state of the art and will help get a complete understanding of the water development process.
- (B) Riverbend Water Resources District** – Kyle Dooley gave a report for Riverbend Water Resources District. He stated that they met with the USACE and have a final decision for the preferred alternative for their intake at their water plant. He said that they closed on the Bonds for their Industrial Wastewater Plant on the 14th and will be moving forward with the design.
- (C) Region D Water Planning Group** – Kyle Dooley gave a report on behalf of Region D Water Planning Group. He stated that Region C invited members of Region D to their board meeting in September to discuss Marvin Nichols Reservoir project. He said that 6 or 8 Board members and several community members attended the meeting in Dallas. Region D held a follow-up meeting regarding their plans on the Marvin Nichols Reservoir which was well attended by around 400 community members and 5 or 6 Board members from Region C. He said that about 42 people spoke regarding the possible impacts to the community that Marvin Nichols Reservoir presents. They had their regular board meeting on November 13th, and the next meeting should be in mid to late February.
- (D) Region 2 Flood Planning Group** – Director Reeves Hayter stated that the Flood Planning Group did not meet this month. They will meet again the first Thursday of December.

ITEM# 11: Reports and Updates from Executive Director:

- (A) Nowhere to Go – Dallas Morning News** – The article was written after the joint Region D, Region C Meeting in Dallas.

The Article is attached.

- (B) Lake Texoma Pump Station, Redraw Border With Oklahoma – Texas Tribune** –

The Article is attached.

- (C) Rural River Authority Coalition** The final version of the pitch package is included in the packet. A finished product has been provided for each Board member also.

The Rural River Authority Coalition material is attached.

- (D) Board Tour of Lake Ralph Hall** - The Board took a tour of the Lake Ralph Hall project site.

(E) Grant Workshop Update – Administrative Assistant Christi McIntosh gave a brief presentation regarding the cost and details for the Grant Workshop on January 9, 2025. She stated that the total estimated cost for the venue, and catering came in under budget at \$1,745.00.

(F) Partner Outreach and Development

The Executive Director had preliminary discussions with Titus County, and the City of Winnsboro regarding partnerships with SRBA, and is continuing to reach out to acquire additional funding partners.

The Executive Director provided additional handouts regarding the Texas Mexico Water Treaty, Marvin Nichols Project, and the Sunset Advisory Commission River Authority Uniformity Study.

ITEM# 112: Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on New Business to be Placed on a Future Meeting Agenda.

Consider adding LCRA, and WMS to the existing ACH/Electronic payment list.

Consider providing a per diem for the Executive Director for his meal expense when traveling.

ITEM# 13: Announcements from the Chairman/Board and/or Staff.

ITEM# 14: Next Regular Meeting:

Sulphur River Basin Authority Regular Meeting, January 21, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at Mount Pleasant Civic Center, 1800 North Jefferson Street, Mount Pleasant, Texas.

ITEM# 15: Adjournment.

Chairman Kelly Mitchell announced the meeting adjourned at 2:24P.M.

Kelly Mitchell, Chairman

Attested By: David Weidman, Secretary

THESE MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2024 WERE ADOPTED ON _____.

Sulphur River Basin Authority

Checking-Guaranty, Period Ending 11/30/2024

RECONCILIATION REPORT

Reconciled on: 12/05/2024

Reconciled by: Kathy Williams

Any changes made to transactions after this date aren't included in this report.

Summary

USD

Statement beginning balance	31,909.45
Interest earned	11.62
Checks and payments cleared (32)	-28,836.22
Deposits and other credits cleared (2)	36,777.50
Statement ending balance	<u>39,862.35</u>

Uncleared transactions as of 11/30/2024	-294.54
Register balance as of 11/30/2024	39,567.81
Cleared transactions after 11/30/2024	0.00
Uncleared transactions after 11/30/2024	19,188.72
Register balance as of 12/05/2024	58,756.53

Details

Checks and payments cleared (32)

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
10/07/2024	Bill Payment	9552	Texas Water Conservation As...	-1,425.00
10/28/2024	Bill Payment	9553	Reeves Hayter	-50.50
10/28/2024	Bill Payment	9554	Gooseneck Graphics	-212.50
10/31/2024	Bill Payment	9558	David Weidman	-180.78
10/31/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Music Mountain Spring Water	-39.95
10/31/2024	Bill Payment	9560	Wally Kraft	-50.00
10/31/2024	Bill Payment	9557	Edward Jones	-904.04
10/31/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Paris Conference & Event Ce...	-485.00
11/01/2024	Bill Payment	DD	Kirby Hollingsworth	-149.56
11/01/2024	Payroll Check	DD	Christi McIntosh	-833.01
11/01/2024	Payroll Check	DD	David I. Weidman	-2,668.00
11/01/2024	Bill Payment	DD	Kelly Mitchell	-375.10
11/01/2024	Tax Payment		QuickBooks Payroll	-1,108.86
11/13/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	AT&T Mobility	-104.86
11/13/2024	Bill Payment	9562	Sledge Law Group PLLC	-2,771.00
11/14/2024	Expense	DC	Amazon	-50.87
11/14/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Nextiva, Inc.	-82.38
11/14/2024	Expense		Amazon	-29.86
11/15/2024	Payroll Check	DD	David I. Weidman	-2,668.01
11/15/2024	Payroll Check	DD	Christi McIntosh	-945.67
11/15/2024	Tax Payment		QuickBooks Payroll	-1,122.98
11/18/2024	Bill Payment	9563	Wilf & Henderson, P.C.	-5,000.00
11/20/2024	Expense		USPS	-10.00
11/21/2024	Bill Payment	DD	Emily Glass	-102.40
11/21/2024	Bill Payment	DD	Kirby Hollingsworth	-78.82
11/21/2024	Bill Payment	DD	Kelly Mitchell	-131.22
11/25/2024	Expense	DC	Harbor Freight	-64.94
11/27/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Blue Cross and Blue Shield	-2,297.37
11/27/2024	Bill Payment	DD	Kathy Williams	-186.86
11/29/2024	Payroll Check	DD	David I. Weidman	-2,667.99
11/29/2024	Payroll Check	DD	Christi McIntosh	-915.67
11/29/2024	Tax Payment		QuickBooks Payroll	-1,123.02

Total -28,836.22

Deposits and other credits cleared (2)

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
11/12/2024	Transfer			10,000.00

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
11/14/2024	Receive Payment		TCEQ	26,777.50
Total				36,777.50

Additional Information

Uncleared checks and payments as of 11/30/2024

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
10/31/2024	Bill Payment	9559	Reeves Hayter	-94.54
11/13/2024	Bill Payment	9561	Paris Coffee Co	-150.00
11/18/2024	Bill Payment	9564	Reeves Hayter	-50.00
Total				-294.54

Uncleared checks and payments after 11/30/2024

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
12/02/2024	Bill Payment	9565	Edward Jones	-539.72
12/02/2024	Bill Payment	9566	Reeves Hayter	-50.00
12/02/2024	Bill Payment	9567	Wally Kraft	-115.50
12/02/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Dearborn Life Insurance Com...	-106.06
12/05/2024	Transfer			-50,000.00
Total				-50,811.28

Uncleared deposits and other credits after 11/30/2024

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
12/02/2024	Receive Payment		Riverbend Water Resources ...	70,000.00
Total				70,000.00

Sulphur River Basin Authority

TexPool, Period Ending 11/30/2024

RECONCILIATION REPORT

Reconciled on: 12/05/2024

Reconciled by: Kathy Williams

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Summary

USD

Statement beginning balance	204,893.40
Interest earned	772.93
Checks and payments cleared (3)	-10,948.54
Deposits and other credits cleared (0)	0.00
Statement ending balance	194,717.79

Register balance as of 11/30/2024	194,717.79
Cleared transactions after 11/30/2024	0.00
Uncleared transactions after 11/30/2024	50,000.00
Register balance as of 12/05/2024	244,717.79

Details

Checks and payments cleared (3)

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
11/12/2024	Transfer			-10,000.00
11/21/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Ashley Office System	-48.54
11/25/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Titus County	-900.00
Total				-10,948.54

Additional Information

Uncleared deposits and other credits after 11/30/2024

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
12/05/2024	Transfer			50,000.00
Total				50,000.00

Sulphur River Basin Authority

Checking-Guaranty, Period Ending 12/31/2024

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USD

Statement beginning balance.....	39,862.35
Interest earned.....	28.74
Checks and payments cleared (26).....	-278,671.11
Deposits and other credits cleared (5).....	283,333.32
Statement ending balance.....	<u>44,553.30</u>

Uncleared transactions as of 12/31/2024.....	-14,067.89
Register balance as of 12/31/2024.....	30,485.41
Cleared transactions after 12/31/2024.....	0.00
Uncleared transactions after 12/31/2024.....	-4,764.88
Register balance as of 01/13/2025.....	25,720.53

Details

Checks and payments cleared (26)

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
10/31/2024	Bill Payment	9559	Reeves Hayter	-94.54
11/13/2024	Bill Payment	9561	Paris Coffee Co	-150.00
11/18/2024	Bill Payment	9564	Reeves Hayter	-50.00
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12/02/2024	Bill Payment	9566	Reeves Hayter	-50.00
12/05/2024	Transfer			-50,000.00
12/10/2024	Expense	2690939	Music Mountain Spring Water	-24.94
12/13/2024	Payroll Check	DD	David I. Weidman	-2,668.01
12/13/2024	Payroll Check	DD	Christi McIntosh	-796.89
12/13/2024	Tax Payment		QuickBooks Payroll	-1,097.52
12/16/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	AT&T Mobility	-104.86
12/16/2024	Expense		Vista Print	-102.93
12/16/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Nextiva, Inc.	-82.38
12/19/2024	Transfer			-70,000.00
12/19/2024	Bill Payment	9569	David Weidman	-85.81
12/26/2024	Expense	DC	USPS	-14.60
12/26/2024	Bill Payment	9574	Edward Jones	-521.98
12/26/2024	Transfer			-70,000.00
12/27/2024	Payroll Check	DD	Christi McIntosh	-809.96
12/27/2024	Tax Payment		QuickBooks Payroll	-1,103.18
12/27/2024	Bill Payment	DD	Kathy Williams	-186.86
12/27/2024	Payroll Check	DD	David I. Weidman	-2,668.00
12/30/2024	Transfer			-75,000.00
12/31/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Blue Cross and Blue Shield	-2,297.37

Total -278,671.11

Deposits and other credits cleared (5)

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
12/02/2024	Receive Payment		Riverbend Water Resources ...	70,000.00
12/17/2024	Receive Payment	548391	City of Irving, Texas	66,666.66
12/18/2024	Transfer			70,000.00
12/26/2024	Receive Payment	Check #3695775	NTMWD	66,666.66
12/26/2024	Receive Payment	Check #035458	Titus County Fresh Water Sup...	10,000.00

Total 283,333.32

Additional Information

Uncleared checks and payments as of 12/31/2024

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
12/19/2024	Bill Payment	9571	Belinda C McIntosh	-17.03
12/19/2024	Bill Payment	9570	Wilf & Henderson, P.C.	-5,000.00
12/19/2024	Bill Payment	9573	Sledge Law Group PLLC	-302.50
12/19/2024	Bill Payment	9572	Integrated Data Service	-2,400.00
12/19/2024	Bill Payment	9568	Nueces River	-6,348.36
Total				-14,067.89

Uncleared checks and payments after 12/31/2024

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
01/06/2025	Bill Payment	DC	Music Mountain Spring Water	-24.94
01/10/2025	Payroll Check	DD	Christi McIntosh	-946.10
01/10/2025	Tax Payment		QuickBooks Payroll	-1,117.11
01/10/2025	Payroll Check	DD	David I. Weidman	-2,676.73
Total				-4,764.88

Sulphur River Basin Authority

TexPool, Period Ending 12/31/2024

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Statement beginning balance.....	194,717.79
Interest earned.....	948.67
Checks and payments cleared (4).....	-76,718.88
Deposits and other credits cleared (4).....	265,000.00
Statement ending balance.....	<u>383,947.58</u>

Register balance as of 12/31/2024..... 383,947.58

Details

Checks and payments cleared (4)

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
12/16/2024	Bill Payment	To print	Lower Colorado River Authority	-5,787.00
12/18/2024	Transfer			-70,000.00
12/26/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Ashley Office System	-31.88
12/26/2024	Bill Payment	ACH	Titus County	-900.00

Total -76,718.88

Deposits and other credits cleared (4)

DATE	TYPE	REF NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT (USD)
12/05/2024	Transfer			50,000.00
12/19/2024	Transfer			70,000.00
12/26/2024	Transfer			70,000.00
12/30/2024	Transfer			75,000.00

Total 265,000.00

Sulphur River Basin Authority

Certificate of Deposit (6 Months), Period Ending 01/03/2025

RECONCILIATION REPORT

Reconciled on: 01/13/2025

Reconciled by: Kathy Williams

Any changes made to transactions after this date aren't included in this report.

Summary

USD

Statement beginning balance.....	106,764.08
Interest earned.....	680.07
Checks and payments cleared (0).....	0.00
Deposits and other credits cleared (0).....	0.00
Statement ending balance.....	<u>107,444.15</u>

Register balance as of 01/03/2025..... 107,444.15



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Sulphur River Basin Authority
For the period ended November 30, 2024

Prepared by
David Weidman, Executive Director

Prepared on
January 14, 2025

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As of November 30, 2024

	Total
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Certificate of Deposit (6 Months)	106,764.08
Checking-Guaranty	39,567.81
TexPool	194,717.79
Total Bank Accounts	341,049.68
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	313,999.98
Total Accounts Receivable	313,999.98
Other Current Assets	
Other Current Asset	
Firewall License	501.65
Mt Pleasant Civic Center	2,383.37
Network Technologies	166.57
Prepaid Web Services	200.00
TWCA Legislative Monitoring	1,365.62
Total Other Current Asset	4,617.21
Total Other Current Assets	4,617.21
Total Current Assets	659,666.87
TOTAL ASSETS	\$659,666.87
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	11,492.22
Total Accounts Payable	11,492.22
Total Current Liabilities	11,492.22
Total Liabilities	11,492.22
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	345,044.11
Unrestricted Net Assets	64,169.58
Net Income	238,960.96
Total Equity	648,174.65
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$659,666.87

Profit and Loss by Class

September - November, 2024

	Clean Rivers Program	Maintenance and Operating	TOTAL
INCOME			
Interest Income			0.00
Guaranty Bank and Trust		1,014.11	1,014.11
TexPool		2,701.70	2,701.70
Total Interest Income		3,715.81	3,715.81
Partner Contributions		313,999.98	313,999.98
Total Income	0.00	317,715.79	317,715.79
GROSS PROFIT	0.00	317,715.79	317,715.79
EXPENSES			
Board Meeting Venue		549.99	549.99
Clean Rivers Program			0.00
Lab	5,787.00		5,787.00
Total Clean Rivers Program	5,787.00		5,787.00
Director's Fees		1,000.50	1,000.50
Employee Benefits			0.00
Employee Health Insurance		6,892.11	6,892.11
Total Employee Benefits		6,892.11	6,892.11
Employee Bonds		114.82	114.82
Information Technology			0.00
Equipment and Supplies		143.86	143.86
Information Technology Services		330.00	330.00
Website		7,035.00	7,035.00
Total Information Technology		7,508.86	7,508.86
Mileage			0.00
Administration		779.45	779.45
Director		1,021.30	1,021.30
Total Mileage		1,800.75	1,800.75
Office Expense			0.00
Cellular Telephone		314.54	314.54
Copier		120.11	120.11
Miscellaneous Office Expense		252.45	252.45
Office Supplies		203.47	203.47
Office Telephone		247.05	247.05
Postage		24.60	24.60
Total Office Expense		1,162.22	1,162.22
Office Rental		2,700.00	2,700.00
Payroll Expenses			0.00
Company Contributions			0.00

	Clean Rivers Program	Maintenance and Operating	TOTAL
Retirement		941.74	941.74
Total Company Contributions		941.74	941.74
Taxes		2,401.36	2,401.36
Wages		31,390.28	31,390.28
Total Payroll Expenses		34,733.38	34,733.38
Professional Services			0.00
Audit		10,000.00	10,000.00
Bookkeeping		288.75	288.75
Legal		2,771.00	2,771.00
Total Professional Services		13,059.75	13,059.75
Reimbursements		100.00	100.00
Special Projects		635.00	635.00
Subscription			0.00
Firewall-Sophos		167.07	167.07
Legislative Monitoring		177.82	177.82
NextCloud Business		499.89	499.89
Quick Books		362.58	362.58
Total Subscription		1,207.36	1,207.36
Travel and Training			0.00
Training and CEU		450.00	450.00
Travel Expense		1,053.09	1,053.09
Total Travel and Training		1,503.09	1,503.09
Total Expenses	5,787.00	72,967.83	78,754.83
NET OPERATING INCOME	-5,787.00	244,747.96	238,960.96
NET INCOME	\$ -5,787.00	\$244,747.96	\$238,960.96

Open Invoices Report

CUSTOMER	DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	TERMS	DUE DATE	OPEN BALANCE
City of Sulphur Springs						
City of Sulphur Springs	11/06/2024	Invoice	21	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$25,000.00
Total for City of Sulphur Springs						\$25,000.00
City of Talco, Texas						
City of Talco, Texas	11/06/2024	Invoice	23	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$1,000.00
Total for City of Talco, Texas						\$1,000.00
Franklin County Treasurer						
Franklin County Treasurer	11/06/2024	Invoice	22	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$8,000.00
Total for Franklin County Treasurer						\$8,000.00
Upper Trinity Regional Water District						
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	11/06/2024	Invoice	19	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$66,666.66
Total for Upper Trinity Regional Water District						\$66,666.66
						\$100,666.66



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Sulphur River Basin Authority
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Prepared by
David Weidman, Executive Director

Prepared on
January 14, 2025

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	Total
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Certificate of Deposit (6 Months)	106,764.08
Checking-Guaranty	30,485.41
TexPool	383,947.58
Total Bank Accounts	521,197.07
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	129,513.66
Total Accounts Receivable	129,513.66
Other Current Assets	
Other Current Asset	
Firewall License	445.96
Mt Pleasant Civic Center	2,200.00
Prepaid Web Services	2,400.00
TWCA Legislative Monitoring	1,306.24
Total Other Current Asset	6,352.20
Total Other Current Assets	6,352.20
Total Current Assets	657,062.93
TOTAL ASSETS	\$657,062.93
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	23,060.00
Total Accounts Payable	23,060.00
Total Current Liabilities	23,060.00
Total Liabilities	23,060.00
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	345,044.11
Unrestricted Net Assets	64,169.58
Net Income	224,789.24
Total Equity	634,002.93
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$657,062.93

Profit and Loss by Class

September - December, 2024

	Clean Rivers Program	Maintenance and Operating	TOTAL
INCOME			
Interest Income			0.00
Guaranty Bank and Trust		1,042.85	1,042.85
TexPool		3,650.37	3,650.37
Total Interest Income		4,693.22	4,693.22
Partner Contributions		313,999.98	313,999.98
TCEQ Reimbursement	28,847.00		28,847.00
Total Income	28,847.00	318,693.20	347,540.20
GROSS PROFIT	28,847.00	318,693.20	347,540.20
EXPENSES			
Board Meeting Venue		733.36	733.36
Clean Rivers Program			0.00
Consultant	23,060.00		23,060.00
Lab	5,787.00		5,787.00
Total Clean Rivers Program	28,847.00		28,847.00
Director's Fees		1,000.50	1,000.50
Employee Benefits			0.00
Employee Health Insurance		9,189.48	9,189.48
Employee Life Insurance		106.06	106.06
Total Employee Benefits		9,295.54	9,295.54
Employee Bonds		114.82	114.82
Information Technology			0.00
Equipment and Supplies		143.86	143.86
Information Technology Services		330.00	330.00
Website		7,235.00	7,235.00
Total Information Technology		7,708.86	7,708.86
Legislative Outreach		6,348.36	6,348.36
Mileage			0.00
Administration		882.29	882.29
Director		1,021.30	1,021.30
Total Mileage		1,903.59	1,903.59
Office Expense			0.00
Cellular Telephone		419.40	419.40
Copier		151.99	151.99
Miscellaneous Office Expense		380.32	380.32
Office Supplies		203.47	203.47
Office Telephone		329.43	329.43
Postage		39.20	39.20

	Clean Rivers Program	Maintenance and Operating	TOTAL
Total Office Expense		1,523.81	1,523.81
Office Rental		3,600.00	3,600.00
Payroll Expenses			0.00
Company Contributions			0.00
Retirement		1,202.73	1,202.73
Total Company Contributions		1,202.73	1,202.73
Taxes		3,066.83	3,066.83
Wages		40,089.36	40,089.36
Total Payroll Expenses		44,358.92	44,358.92
Professional Services			0.00
Audit		10,000.00	10,000.00
Bookkeeping		354.75	354.75
Legal		3,073.50	3,073.50
Total Professional Services		13,428.25	13,428.25
Reimbursements		140.00	140.00
Special Projects		635.00	635.00
Subscription			0.00
Firewall-Sophos		222.76	222.76
Legislative Monitoring		237.20	237.20
NextCloud Business		666.46	666.46
Quick Books		483.44	483.44
Total Subscription		1,609.86	1,609.86
Travel and Training			0.00
Training and CEU		450.00	450.00
Travel Expense		1,053.09	1,053.09
Total Travel and Training		1,503.09	1,503.09
Total Expenses	28,847.00	93,903.96	122,750.96
NET OPERATING INCOME	0.00	224,789.24	224,789.24
NET INCOME	\$0.00	\$224,789.24	\$224,789.24

Open Invoices Report

CUSTOMER	DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	TERMS	DUE DATE	OPEN BALANCE
City of Sulphur Springs						
City of Sulphur Springs	11/06/2024	Invoice	21	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$25,000.00
Total for City of Sulphur Springs						\$25,000.00
City of Talco, Texas						
City of Talco, Texas	11/06/2024	Invoice	23	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$1,000.00
Total for City of Talco, Texas						\$1,000.00
Franklin County Treasurer						
Franklin County Treasurer	11/06/2024	Invoice	22	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$8,000.00
Total for Franklin County Treasurer						\$8,000.00
TCEQ						
TCEQ	12/16/2024	Invoice	25	Net 30	01/15/2025	\$28,847.00
Total for TCEQ						\$28,847.00
Upper Trinity Regional Water District						
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	11/06/2024	Invoice	19	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$66,666.66
Total for Upper Trinity Regional Water District						\$66,666.66
						\$129,513.66



6. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the Quarterly Financial Report.

This item will include discussion and possible action on the Quarterly Financial Report. Staff recommends approval.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to accept the Quarterly Financial Report.



Quarterly Financial Report

Sulphur River Basin Authority
For the period ended November 30, 2024

Prepared by
David Weidman, Executive Director

Prepared on
December 2, 2024

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Balance Sheet

As of November 30, 2024

	Total
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Certificate of Deposit (6 Months)	106,764.08
Checking-Guaranty	39,556.19
TexPool	193,944.86
Total Bank Accounts	340,265.13
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	313,999.98
Total Accounts Receivable	313,999.98
Other Current Assets	
Other Current Asset	
Firewall License	501.65
Mt Pleasant Civic Center	2,383.37
Network Technologies	166.57
Prepaid Web Services	200.00
TWCA Legislative Monitoring	1,424.68
Total Other Current Asset	4,676.27
Total Other Current Assets	4,676.27
Total Current Assets	658,941.38
TOTAL ASSETS	\$658,941.38
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	705.22
Total Accounts Payable	705.22
Total Current Liabilities	705.22
Total Liabilities	705.22
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	345,044.11
Unrestricted Net Assets	64,169.58
Net Income	249,022.47
Total Equity	658,236.16
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$658,941.38

Balance Sheet with Previous Year Comparison

As of November 30, 2024

	As of Nov 30, 2024	As of Nov 30, 2023 (PY)	Change	% Change	Total
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
Bank Accounts					
Certificate of Deposit (1 Year)	0.00	101,693.14	-101,693.14	-100.00 %	
Certificate of Deposit (6 Months)	106,764.08	101,718.13	5,045.95	4.96 %	
Checking-Guaranty	39,556.19	119,071.31	-79,515.12	-66.78 %	
TexPool	193,944.86		193,944.86		
Total Bank Accounts	340,265.13	322,482.58	17,782.55	5.51 %	
Accounts Receivable					
Accounts Receivable	313,999.98	8,000.00	305,999.98	3,825.00 %	
Total Accounts Receivable	313,999.98	8,000.00	305,999.98	3,825.00 %	
Other Current Assets					
Other Current Asset					
Firewall License	501.65	1,169.93	-668.28	-57.12 %	
Mt Pleasant Civic Center	2,383.37		2,383.37		
Network Technologies	166.57		166.57		
Prepaid Web Services	200.00		200.00		
TWCA Legislative Monitoring	1,424.68	652.86	771.82	118.22 %	
Total Other Current Asset	4,676.27	1,822.79	2,853.48	156.54 %	
Total Other Current Assets	4,676.27	1,822.79	2,853.48	156.54 %	
Total Current Assets	658,941.38	332,305.37	326,636.01	98.29 %	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$658,941.38	\$332,305.37	\$326,636.01	98.29 %	

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable	705.22	0.00	705.22	
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Total Accounts Payable	705.22	0.00	705.22	0.00%
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Other Current Liabilities

Accrued Payroll	0.00	850.00	-850.00	-100.00 %
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Payroll Liabilities

Payroll Tax	0.00	1,670.72	-1,670.72	-100.00 %
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Retirement Plan	0.00	440.00	-440.00	-100.00 %
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Total Payroll Liabilities	0.00	2,110.72	-2,110.72	-100.00 %
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Total Other Current Liabilities	0.00	2,960.72	-2,960.72	-100.00 %
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Total Current Liabilities	705.22	2,960.72	-2,255.50	-76.18 %
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Total Liabilities	705.22	2,960.72	-2,255.50	-76.18 %
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Equity

				Total
	As of Nov 30, 2024	As of Nov 30, 2023 (PY)	Change	% Change
Opening Balance Equity	345,044.11	345,044.11	0.00	0.00 %
Unrestricted Net Assets	64,169.58	55,995.03	8,174.55	14.60 %
Net Income	249,022.47	-71,694.49	320,716.96	447.34 %
Total Equity	658,236.16	329,344.65	328,891.51	99.86 %
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$658,941.38	\$332,305.37	\$326,636.01	98.29 %

Profit and Loss by Class

September - November, 2024

	Maintenance and Operating	TOTAL
INCOME		
Interest Income		0.00
Guaranty Bank and Trust	1,002.49	1,002.49
TexPool	1,928.77	1,928.77
Total Interest Income	2,931.26	2,931.26
Partner Contributions	313,999.98	313,999.98
Total Income	316,931.24	316,931.24
GROSS PROFIT	316,931.24	316,931.24
EXPENSES		
Board Meeting Venue	549.99	549.99
Director's Fees	1,000.50	1,000.50
Employee Benefits		0.00
Employee Health Insurance	6,892.11	6,892.11
Total Employee Benefits	6,892.11	6,892.11
Employee Bonds	114.82	114.82
Information Technology		0.00
Equipment and Supplies	143.86	143.86
Information Technology Services	330.00	330.00
Website	7,035.00	7,035.00
Total Information Technology	7,508.86	7,508.86
Mileage		0.00
Administration	779.45	779.45
Director	1,021.30	1,021.30
Total Mileage	1,800.75	1,800.75
Office Expense		0.00
Cellular Telephone	314.54	314.54
Copier	120.11	120.11
Miscellaneous Office Expense	252.45	252.45
Office Supplies	203.47	203.47
Office Telephone	247.05	247.05
Postage	24.60	24.60
Total Office Expense	1,162.22	1,162.22
Office Rental	2,700.00	2,700.00
Payroll Expenses		0.00
Company Contributions		0.00
Retirement	941.74	941.74
Total Company Contributions	941.74	941.74
Taxes	2,401.36	2,401.36
Wages	31,390.28	31,390.28
Total Payroll Expenses	34,733.38	34,733.38

	Maintenance and Operating	TOTAL
Professional Services		0.00
Audit	5,000.00	5,000.00
Bookkeeping	288.75	288.75
Legal	2,771.00	2,771.00
Total Professional Services	8,059.75	8,059.75
Reimbursements	100.00	100.00
Special Projects	635.00	635.00
Subscription		0.00
Firewall-Sophos	167.07	167.07
Legislative Monitoring	118.76	118.76
NextCloud Business	499.89	499.89
Quick Books	362.58	362.58
Total Subscription	1,148.30	1,148.30
Travel and Training		0.00
Training and CEU	450.00	450.00
Travel Expense	1,053.09	1,053.09
Total Travel and Training	1,503.09	1,503.09
Total Expenses	67,908.77	67,908.77
NET OPERATING INCOME	249,022.47	249,022.47
NET INCOME	\$249,022.47	\$249,022.47

Profit and Loss by Class with Previous Year Comparison

September - November, 2024

	Clean Rivers Program		Maintenance and Operating		TOTAL	
	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)
INCOME						
Interest Income					0.00	0.00
Guaranty Bank and Trust			1,002.49	235.69	1,002.49	235.69
TexPool			1,928.77		1,928.77	0.00
Total Interest Income			2,931.26	235.69	2,931.26	235.69
Partner Contributions			313,999.98		313,999.98	0.00
Total Income	0.00	0.00	316,931.24	235.69	316,931.24	235.69
GROSS PROFIT	0.00	0.00	316,931.24	235.69	316,931.24	235.69
EXPENSES						
Board Meeting Venue			549.99		549.99	0.00
Clean Rivers Program					0.00	0.00
Lab		2,605.00			0.00	2,605.00
Total Clean Rivers Program		2,605.00			0.00	2,605.00
Director's Fees			1,000.50	900.00	1,000.50	900.00
Employee Benefits					0.00	0.00
Employee Health Insurance			6,892.11	4,717.32	6,892.11	4,717.32
Total Employee Benefits			6,892.11	4,717.32	6,892.11	4,717.32
Employee Bonds			114.82	114.82	114.82	114.82
Fees				26.12	0.00	26.12
Information Technology					0.00	0.00
Equipment and Supplies			143.86		143.86	0.00
Information Technology Services			330.00	399.52	330.00	399.52
Internet				559.21	0.00	559.21
Website			7,035.00		7,035.00	0.00
Total Information Technology			7,508.86	958.73	7,508.86	958.73

	Clean Rivers Program		Maintenance and Operating		TOTAL	
	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)
Meals				44.80	0.00	44.80
Mileage					0.00	0.00
Administration			779.45	341.02	779.45	341.02
Director			1,021.30	2,248.19	1,021.30	2,248.19
Total Mileage			1,800.75	2,589.21	1,800.75	2,589.21
Office Expense					0.00	0.00
Cellular Telephone			314.54	1,233.14	314.54	1,233.14
Copier			120.11	112.17	120.11	112.17
Miscellaneous Office Expense			252.45	260.28	252.45	260.28
Office Supplies			203.47	476.78	203.47	476.78
Office Telephone			247.05	277.29	247.05	277.29
Postage			24.60	104.04	24.60	104.04
Total Office Expense			1,162.22	2,463.70	1,162.22	2,463.70
Office Rental			2,700.00	3,525.00	2,700.00	3,525.00
Payroll Expenses					0.00	0.00
Company Contributions					0.00	0.00
Retirement			941.74	1,144.80	941.74	1,144.80
Total Company Contributions			941.74	1,144.80	941.74	1,144.80
Taxes			2,401.36	2,924.04	2,401.36	2,924.04
Wages			31,390.28	38,160.00	31,390.28	38,160.00
Total Payroll Expenses			34,733.38	42,228.84	34,733.38	42,228.84
Professional Services					0.00	0.00
Audit			5,000.00	7,500.00	5,000.00	7,500.00
Bookkeeping			288.75	99.00	288.75	99.00
Legal			2,771.00	275.00	2,771.00	275.00
Total Professional Services			8,059.75	7,874.00	8,059.75	7,874.00
Reimbursements			100.00		100.00	0.00

	Clean Rivers Program		Maintenance and Operating		TOTAL	
	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)	Sep - Nov, 2024	Sep - Nov, 2023 (PY)
Special Projects			635.00		635.00	0.00
Subscription					0.00	0.00
Firewall-Sophos			167.07	347.07	167.07	347.07
Google G-Suite				191.20	0.00	191.20
Legislative Monitoring			118.76	178.14	118.76	178.14
NextCloud Business			499.89		499.89	0.00
Quick Books			362.58	44.63	362.58	44.63
Total Subscription			1,148.30	761.04	1,148.30	761.04
Travel and Training					0.00	0.00
Training and CEU			450.00	1,120.00	450.00	1,120.00
Travel Expense			1,053.09	2,001.60	1,053.09	2,001.60
Total Travel and Training			1,503.09	3,121.60	1,503.09	3,121.60
Total Expenses	0.00	2,605.00	67,908.77	69,325.18	67,908.77	71,930.18
NET OPERATING INCOME	0.00	-2,605.00	249,022.47	-69,089.49	249,022.47	-71,694.49
NET INCOME	\$0.00	\$ -2,605.00	\$249,022.47	\$ -69,089.49	\$249,022.47	\$ -71,694.49

Budget vs. Actuals Budget FY24-25

September 2024 - August 2025

	Actual	Budget	over Budget	Remaining	Total % of Budget
INCOME					
Interest Income					
Guaranty Bank and Trust	1,002.49	4,000.00	-2,997.51	2,997.51	25.06 %
TexPool	1,928.77	4,000.00	-2,071.23	2,071.23	48.22 %
Total Interest Income	2,931.26	8,000.00	-5,068.74	5,068.74	36.64 %
Partner Contributions	313,999.98	313,999.98	0.00	0.00	100.00 %
TCEQ Reimbursement		118,000.00	-118,000.00	118,000.00	
Total Income	316,931.24	439,999.98	-123,068.74	123,068.74	72.03 %
GROSS PROFIT	316,931.24	439,999.98	-123,068.74	123,068.74	72.03 %
EXPENSES					
Board Meeting Venue	549.99	1,467.00	-917.01	917.01	37.49 %
Clean Rivers Program					
Consultant		96,500.00	-96,500.00	96,500.00	
Lab		21,500.00	-21,500.00	21,500.00	
Total Clean Rivers Program		118,000.00	-118,000.00	118,000.00	
Director's Fees	1,000.50	3,850.00	-2,849.50	2,849.50	25.99 %
Dues		454.00	-454.00	454.00	
Employee Benefits					
Employee Health Insurance	6,892.11	28,258.00	-21,365.89	21,365.89	24.39 %
Employee Life Insurance		425.00	-425.00	425.00	
Total Employee Benefits	6,892.11	28,683.00	-21,790.89	21,790.89	24.03 %
Employee Bonds	114.82	250.00	-135.18	135.18	45.93 %
Fees		45.00	-45.00	45.00	
Grant Expenses		10,000.00	-10,000.00	10,000.00	
Information Technology					
Equipment and Supplies	143.86	500.00	-356.14	356.14	28.77 %
Information Technology Services	330.00	1,000.00	-670.00	670.00	33.00 %

					Total
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	Remaining	% of Budget
Website	7,035.00	10,000.00	-2,965.00	2,965.00	70.35 %
Total Information Technology	7,508.86	11,500.00	-3,991.14	3,991.14	65.29 %
Insurance		3,125.00	-3,125.00	3,125.00	
Legislative Outreach		10,000.00	-10,000.00	10,000.00	
Meals		500.00	-500.00	500.00	
Mileage					
Administration	779.45	3,000.00	-2,220.55	2,220.55	25.98 %
Director	1,021.30	5,050.00	-4,028.70	4,028.70	20.22 %
Total Mileage	1,800.75	8,050.00	-6,249.25	6,249.25	22.37 %
Office Expense					
Cellular Telephone	314.54	1,250.00	-935.46	935.46	25.16 %
Copier	120.11	850.00	-729.89	729.89	14.13 %
Miscellaneous Office Expense	252.45	1,500.00	-1,247.55	1,247.55	16.83 %
Office Supplies	203.47	1,500.00	-1,296.53	1,296.53	13.56 %
Office Telephone	247.05	1,000.00	-752.95	752.95	24.71 %
Postage	24.60	100.00	-75.40	75.40	24.60 %
Total Office Expense	1,162.22	6,200.00	-5,037.78	5,037.78	18.75 %
Office Rental	2,700.00	10,800.00	-8,100.00	8,100.00	25.00 %
Partner Outreach and Development		10,000.00	-10,000.00	10,000.00	
Payroll Expenses					
Company Contributions					
Retirement	941.74	3,546.00	-2,604.26	2,604.26	26.56 %
Total Company Contributions	941.74	3,546.00	-2,604.26	2,604.26	26.56 %
Taxes	2,401.36	7,400.00	-4,998.64	4,998.64	32.45 %
Wages	31,390.28	118,000.00	-86,609.72	86,609.72	26.60 %
Total Payroll Expenses	34,733.38	128,946.00	-94,212.62	94,212.62	26.94 %
Professional Services					
Audit	5,000.00	10,000.00	-5,000.00	5,000.00	50.00 %
Bookkeeping	288.75	1,000.00	-711.25	711.25	28.88 %
Legal	2,771.00	15,000.00	-12,229.00	12,229.00	18.47 %

					Total
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	Remaining	% of Budget
Total Professional Services	8,059.75	26,000.00	-17,940.25	17,940.25	31.00 %
Reimbursements	100.00		100.00	-100.00	
Special Projects	635.00	10,000.00	-9,365.00	9,365.00	6.35 %
Subscription					
Adobe		166.40	-166.40	166.40	
Firewall-Sophos	167.07	848.28	-681.21	681.21	19.70 %
Legislative Monitoring	118.76	2,500.00	-2,381.24	2,381.24	4.75 %
Microsoft Office		75.76	-75.76	75.76	
NextCloud Business	499.89	1,334.00	-834.11	834.11	37.47 %
Quick Books	362.58	1,500.00	-1,137.42	1,137.42	24.17 %
Website Hosting and Support		3,600.00	-3,600.00	3,600.00	
Total Subscription	1,148.30	10,024.44	-8,876.14	8,876.14	11.46 %
Travel and Training					
Training and CEU	450.00	3,000.00	-2,550.00	2,550.00	15.00 %
Travel Expense	1,053.09	4,500.00	-3,446.91	3,446.91	23.40 %
Total Travel and Training	1,503.09	7,500.00	-5,996.91	5,996.91	20.04 %
Water Quality Monitoring		10,000.00	-10,000.00	10,000.00	
Total Expenses	67,908.77	415,394.44	-347,485.67	347,485.67	16.35 %
NET OPERATING INCOME	249,022.47	24,605.54	224,416.93	-224,416.93	1,012.06 %
NET INCOME	\$249,022.47	\$24,605.54	\$224,416.93	\$ -224,416.93	1,012.06 %

Open Invoices Report

CUSTOMER	DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	TERMS	DUE DATE	OPEN BALANCE
City of Irving, Texas						
City of Irving, Texas	11/06/2024	Invoice	17	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$66,666.66
Total for City of Irving, Texas						\$66,666.66
City of Sulphur Springs						
City of Sulphur Springs	11/06/2024	Invoice	21	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$25,000.00
Total for City of Sulphur Springs						\$25,000.00
City of Talco, Texas						
City of Talco, Texas	11/06/2024	Invoice	23	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$1,000.00
Total for City of Talco, Texas						\$1,000.00
Franklin County Treasurer						
Franklin County Treasurer	11/06/2024	Invoice	22	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$8,000.00
Total for Franklin County Treasurer						\$8,000.00
NTMWD						
NTMWD	11/06/2024	Invoice	18	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$66,666.66
Total for NTMWD						\$66,666.66
Riverbend Water Resources District						
Riverbend Water Resources District	11/13/2024	Invoice	24	Net 30	12/13/2024	\$70,000.00
Total for Riverbend Water Resources District						\$70,000.00
Titus County Fresh Water Supply District						
Titus County Fresh Water Supply District	11/06/2024	Invoice	20	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$10,000.00
Total for Titus County Fresh Water Supply District						\$10,000.00
Upper Trinity Regional Water District						
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	11/06/2024	Invoice	19	Net 30	12/06/2024	\$66,666.66
Total for Upper Trinity Regional Water District						\$66,666.66
						\$313,999.98



7. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the Quarterly Investment Report.

This item will include discussion and possible action on the Quarterly Investment Report. Staff recommends approval.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to accept the Quarterly Investment Report.

Quarterly Investment Report

Report Summary			
Investment Category	Average Rate	Annual Income	Balance
Bonds, Certificate of Deposits and Government Agencies	3.750%	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 106,764.08
Money Markets & Cash Accounts	4.73%	\$ 9,210.54	\$ 234,580.14
GRAND TOTAL			\$ 341,344.22
Weighted Average Yield			4.42%

This Investment Report complies with the Authority's Investment Policy and all other applicable laws.



David I. Weidman
Investment Officer

Investment Report
12/30/24

Money Markets & Cash Accounts				
Account Name	Account Number	Rate	Annual Income	Balance
TexPool	7997400001	4.730%	\$ 9,210.54	\$ 194,717.79
M&O	12506085	0.350%	\$ 139.52	\$ 39,862.35

Average Rate	Total Annual Income	Total Balance
4.73%	\$ 9,210.54	\$ 234,580.14

Bonds, Certificate of Deposits and Government Agencies

Financial Institution	Type of Investment	Account Number	Rate	Annual Income	Reporting Period Ending Book Value	Reporting Period Ending Market Value	Purchase Date	Maturity Date	Call Date	Purchase Price	Total
				\$ -							
Guaranty B&T	CD	6317697	3.750%	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 106,764.08	\$106,764.08	1/03/2023	1/03/2025	n/a	\$100,000	\$ 106,764.08
				\$ -							

Average Rate	Total Annual Income
3.750%	\$ 3,750.00

TOTAL
\$ 106,764.08



8. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Additional Vendors on the ACH/Electronic Payment List.

This item will include discussion and possible action on adding LCRA Lab Services and Water Monitoring Solutions (WMS) to the list of authorized vendors to be paid by ACH/Electronic Payment. Staff recommends approval.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to ratify action on adding LCRA Lab Services and approve the addition of Water Monitoring Solutions (WMS) to the Authorized ACH/Electronic Payment List.



9. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Amending the Authority's Employee Policy on Sick Leave Benefits and Approved Holidays.

This item will include discussion and possible action on amending the Sick Leave and Holiday Benefits.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve the amended employee Sick Leave Benefits and Holiday Benefits.

Employees who commit acts of violence or other flagrant misconduct or serious safety violations may be suspended, with pay, at the time of the incident pending a management investigation and review of the matter.

PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL

A. Purpose

The performance appraisal program provides a method for comparing each employee's performance to the work expected for the position. It should promote a common understanding of individual needs, work objectives, and specific job standards of acceptable performance.

B. Responsibilities

The Executive Director is responsible for conducting a performance appraisal for each new employee after six (6) months of employment and annually thereafter. Performance reviews may be scheduled at more frequent intervals, especially when performance deficiencies are noted or when specific improvements are required.

LEAVE AND TIME OFF

A. Sick Leave Benefits

The Authority provides paid sick leave benefits to all eligible employees for periods of temporary absence due to illnesses or injuries.

Eligible employee classification(s).

Regular full-time employees:

Employees in the first year of employment:

- New, full-time employees in the first year of employment accrue sick leave days at a rate of one day per full calendar month of employment, beginning with the first month of employment.

- Employees with at least one year of service:

Regular, full-time employees are eligible for twelve (12) days of sick leave per calendar year beginning on the first anniversary date of continuous employment, and each subsequent anniversary date of continuous employment thereafter.

~~Eligible employees will accrue sick leave benefits at the rate of 5 days per year. Sick leave benefits are calculated on the basis of a “benefit year” the 12-month period that begins with the employee starts to earn sick leave benefits.~~ The maximum accrual is seventy-five (75) days of sick leave.

Sick leave is available to each employee to take for illness or injury of the following:

- Employee;
- Employee’s spouse;
- Employee’s children (including step-children);
- Employee’s parents (including step-parents);
- Employee’s grandchildren.

Sick leave is not available for the illness or injury of a spouse’s parents or grandparents, unless such individual is living in the employee’s household. Sick leave is only available for the above reasons.

~~Paid sick leave can be used in minimum increments of four hours. An eligible employee may use sick leave benefits for an absence due to his or her own illness or injury.~~

Unused sick leave benefits will not be paid to employees upon termination or resignation of employment.

B. Vacation and Personal Leave

Employees will be eligible for two (2) weeks’ vacation (10 days) beginning on the anniversary date of their employment, subject to other terms in this policy. The employee is eligible for vacation days only after twelve (12) months continuous service.

Employees will be eligible for three (3) weeks’ vacation (15 days) when the employee completes five (5) years of continuous service.

Employees will be eligible for four (4) weeks’ vacation (20 days) when the employee completes fifteen (15) years of continuous service.

Unused vacation days from one (1) year may not be carried over to the following year. If the days are not used in the year they are awarded, they will be lost. Between August 1 and August 20 each employee has the option to notify the Payroll department that they choose to exchange one (1) week of unused vacation time for compensation. The extra pay will be included on their last paycheck in August. No other compensation will be paid for unused vacation days.

Vacation leave may be granted as follows:

- one (1) day at a time;
- one (1) week at a time;
- two (2) weeks at a time, maximum.

C. Holidays

The Authority observes certain holidays as paid holidays for all regular full-time employees. The Authority adopts the Titus County approved annual holiday calendar.

~~The holiday schedule is as follows:~~

- ~~• New Year's Day~~
- ~~• Martin Luther King~~
- ~~• Memorial Day~~
- ~~• Independence Day~~
- ~~• Labor Day~~
- ~~• Veterans Day~~
- ~~• Thanksgiving Day~~
- ~~• The day after Thanksgiving Day~~
- ~~• Christmas Eve~~
- ~~• Christmas Day~~

~~Holidays are denoted on a Board approved Holiday Calendar on the days commonly observed.~~

D. Bereavement Leave

In the event of the death of a close family member, an employee will be allowed up to three (3) consecutive workdays' absence with pay for bereavement and to attend the funeral, with the approval of the Executive Director. Exceptional circumstances, such as an out of state funeral, will be handled on a case-by-case basis, with the approval of the Executive Director.

For the purpose of this policy, close family members will include parents, grandparents, spouse, children, grandchildren, siblings, mothers-in-law, fathers-in-law, sisters-in-law, and brothers-in-law only.

RESIGNATION

A two-week written notice is requested of all employees who voluntarily terminate. The Executive Director has the authority to waive the notice period. All expense account balances must be repaid, and all keys and other Authority property must be returned before the last working day.



10. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Resolution No. R1212025-01 of the Board of Directors of the Sulphur River Basin Authority Adopting a Policy Prohibiting the Use of Certain Social Media Applications.

This item will include discussion and possible action on adopting a policy to ban the social media service TikTok and any successor application developed by ByteDance on devices owned or leased by the Authority as required by Chapter 620 of the Texas Government Code.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve SRBA Resolution No. R1212025-01.



**RESOLUTION NO. R1212025-01 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY ADOPTING A POLICY
PROHIBITING THE USE OF CERTAIN SOCIAL MEDIA APPLICATIONS**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY

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WHEREAS, the the Sulphur River Basin Authority (the “Authority”) is a conservation and reclamation district created by the 69th Texas Legislature under the authority of Section 59, Article XVI, of the Texas Constitution, and in accordance with Chapter 49 of the Texas Water Code by the Act of May 28, 1985, 69th Leg., 1st C.S., ch. 3, 1985 Tex. Gen. Laws 3798, codified at TEX. SPEC. DIST. LOC. LAWS CODE ANN. ch. 8508, as amended (the “Act”);

WHEREAS, the Authority is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and a body politic and corporate. The Authority was created to serve a public use and benefit, and is essential to accomplish the objectives set forth in § 59, Article XVI, of the Texas Constitution. The Authority’s territory is as described in Sec. 8508.0006 of the Act;

WHEREAS, in 2023, the 88th Texas Legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 1893 prohibiting the use of certain social media applications and services on governmental entity devices and directing the Texas Department of Safety (DPS) and the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) to develop a model policy for the prohibition of Covered Applications;

WHEREAS, Government Code Chapter 620 requires all governmental entities, including state and local governments, to ban the social media service TikTok and any successor application developed by ByteDance, and any social media application or service specified by proclamation of the governor (“Covered Applications”) on devices owned or leased by the governmental entity;

WHEREAS, exceptions to restricted Covered Applications may only be granted to the extent necessary for providing law enforcement investigations support or for developing or implementing information security measures;

WHEREAS, after the required notice and hearing, the Authority adopted a policy to prohibit the installation or use of Covered Applications on District-owned or leased devices as specified by SB 1893; and

WHEREAS, the Authority will actively pursue full compliance by all Authority full- and part-time employees, contractors, interns, and other users of the Authority’s networks to prohibit the use of Covered Applications on Authority-owned devices unless authorized through approved

exemptions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY THAT:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. The Authority hereby adopts the Policy Prohibiting the Use of Certain Social Media Applications, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and authorizes the Executive Director to review and update such policy as necessary on an annual basis to reflect changes in state law, additions to applications identified by proclamation of the governor under Government Code Section 620.005, or to suit the needs of the Authority.
3. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and remain in effect until appealed or superseded by another resolution.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of January, 2025.

SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY

By: _____
Chairman

Secretary

SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY

POLICY PROHIBITING THE USE OF CERTAIN SOCIAL MEDIA APPLICATIONS

Adopted and Effective January 21, 2025

In accordance with Chapter 620 of Subtitle A, Title 6, Texas Government Code, the Sulphur River Basin Authority (the “Authority”) has adopted this policy relating to the use or installation of covered applications on Authority-owned or -leased devices.

I. Applicability and Definitions

This policy applies to all Authority full- and part-time employees, contractors, paid or unpaid interns, and other users of Authority networks. For the sake of simplicity, all persons to whom this policy applies are hereinafter referred to as “employees.” All Authority employees are responsible for complying with this policy.

A “covered application” is:

- The social media service TikTok or any successor application or service developed or provided by ByteDance Limited, or an entity owned by ByteDance Limited.
- A social media application or service specified by proclamation of the governor under Government Code, Section 620.005.

II. Covered Applications on Authority-Owned or Leased Devices

Except where approved exceptions apply, the use or installation of covered applications is prohibited on all Authority-owned or -leased devices, including cell phones, tablets, desktop and laptop computers, and other internet-capable devices.

The Authority will identify, track, and manage all Authority-owned or -leased devices including mobile phones, tablets, laptops, desktop computers, or any other internet-capable devices to:

- a. Prohibit the installation of a covered application.
- b. Prohibit the use of a covered application.
- c. Remove a covered application from an Authority-owned or -leased device that was on the device prior to the passage of S.B. 1893 (88th Leg, R.S.).
- d. Remove an application from an Authority-owned or -leased device if the governor issues a proclamation identifying it as a covered application under Chapter 620, Texas Government Code.

The Authority may also prohibit social media applications or services in addition to those specified by proclamation of the governor.

The Authority will manage all government-owned or leased mobile devices by implementing the security measures listed below:

- a. Restrict access to “app stores” or unauthorized software repositories to prevent the installation of unauthorized applications.
- b. Maintain the ability to remotely wipe non-compliant or compromised mobile devices.
- c. Maintain the ability to remotely uninstall unauthorized software from mobile devices.

This policy does not apply to employee-owned devices, even if used to conduct Authority business.

III. Covered Application Exceptions

The Authority may permit an employee to install and use a covered application on an applicable device to the extent necessary for:

- (1) Providing law enforcement; or
- (2) Developing or implementing information security measures.

If the Authority authorizes an exception allowing for the installation and use of a covered application, the Authority shall use measures to mitigate the risks posed to the state during the application’s use including:

- (1) Heightened oversight for any device on which a covered application is installed, including checks performed by IT professionals.
- (2) Other measures that the Authority deems appropriate, including any recommendations from IT professionals.

The Authority must document the measures taken to mitigate the risks posed to the state during the use of the covered application.

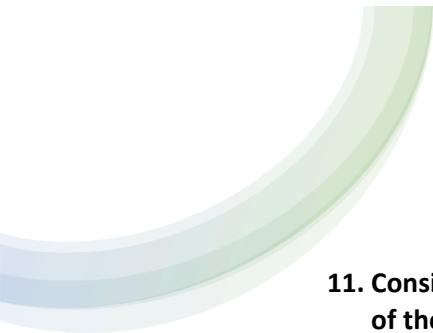
IV. Policy Compliance

The Authority will verify compliance with this policy through various methods, including but not limited to, IT/security system reports and feedback to Authority leadership.

An employee found to have violated this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, including termination of employment.

V. Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually and updated as necessary to reflect changes in state law, proclamations of the governor identifying a new covered application, or to suit the needs of the Authority.



11. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Resolution No. R1212025-02 of the Board of Directors of the Sulphur River Basin Authority Setting the Capitalization Limit to \$5.000.

This item will include discussion and possible action on adopting a policy setting the Authority's capitalization limit to \$5,000.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve SRBA Resolution No. R1212025-02.



**RESOLUTION NO. R1212025-02 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY
ADOPTING A CAPITALIZATION POLICY**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Sulphur River Basin Authority (the “Authority”) is a conservation and reclamation district created by the 69th Texas Legislature under the authority of Section 59, Article XVI, of the Texas Constitution, and in accordance with Chapter 49 of the Texas Water Code by the Act of May 28, 1985, 69th Leg., 1st C.S., ch. 3, 1985 Tex. Gen. Laws 3798, codified at TEX. SPEC. DIST. LOC. LAWS CODE ANN. ch. 8508, as amended (the “Act”);

WHEREAS, the Authority is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and a body politic and corporate. The Authority was created to serve a public use and benefit, and is essential to accomplish the objectives set forth in § 59, Article XVI, of the Texas Constitution. The Authority’s territory is as described in Sec. 8508.0006 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Authority’s Board of Directors (the “Board”) has determined that establishing a Capitalization Policy is fiscally responsible and will contribute to the sound management of the Authority’s finances.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. This accounting policy establishes the minimum cost (capitalization amount) that shall be used to determine the capital assets that are to be recorded in the Authority’s annual financial statements;
3. "Capital Asset" is defined as a unit of property that: (1) has an economic useful life that extends beyond 12 months; and (2) was acquired or produced for a cost of \$5000 or more. Capital Assets must be capitalized and depreciated for financial statement purposes.
4. The Board hereby establishes \$5000 as the threshold amount for minimum capitalization for the Authority. Any items costing below this amount should be expensed in the Authority’s financial statements; and
5. The Authority’s capitalization method and procedure shall be as follows:

- 1) All Capital Assets shall be recorded at historical cost as of the date acquired;

2) Tangible assets costing below the aforementioned threshold amount are recorded as an expense for the Authority's annual financial statements. Alternatively, assets with an economic useful life of 12 months or less are required to be expensed for financial statement purposes, regardless of the acquisition or production cost; and

3) Invoices substantiating an acquisition cost of each unit of property shall be retained for a minimum of four years.

- 6. The Board of Directors of the Sulphur River Basin Authority hereby adopts Paragraphs 2-5 as the Capitalization Policy for the Authority.
- 7. The Board of Directors and its officers and the Executive Director are further authorized to take any and all actions necessary to implement this resolution.
- 8. The Capitalization Policy so adopted shall become effective on the date of this resolution and shall continue in effect from that date until modified by the Board of Directors.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 21st day of January, 2025.

SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY

By: _____
Chairman

Secretary



**12. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Resolution No. R1212025-03
Updating Article 9.1 of the Authority's Bylaws, Authority Address.**

This item will include discussion and possible action on updating the Authority's address in the Bylaws.

Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve SRBA Resolution No. R1212025-03.



**RESOLUTION NO. R1212025-03 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY
ADOPTING AMENDED BYLAWS TO REFLECT ADDRESS CHANGE**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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WHEREAS, the Sulphur River Basin Authority (the “Authority”) is a conservation and reclamation district created by the 69th Texas Legislature under the authority of Section 59, Article XVI, of the Texas Constitution, and in accordance with Chapter 49 of the Texas Water Code by the Act of May 28, 1985, 69th Leg., 1st C.S., ch. 3, 1985 Tex. Gen. Laws 3798, codified at TEX. SPEC. DIST. LOC. LAWS CODE ANN. ch. 8508, as amended (the “Act”);

WHEREAS, the Authority is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and a body politic and corporate. The Authority was created to serve a public use and benefit, and is essential to accomplish the objectives set forth in § 59, Article XVI, of the Texas Constitution. The Authority’s territory is as described in Sec. 8508.0006 of the Act;

WHEREAS, the Authority’s physical and mailing address has changed from 911 N. Bishop, Suite C104, Wake Village, Texas 75501 to 115 W. 1st, Suite #102, Mount Pleasant, Texas 75455; and

WHEREAS, the change of the Authority’s physical and mailing address is confirmed by this resolution in accordance with the Authority’s Bylaws, which are hereby amended to reflect the change in address.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. The Board of Directors of the Sulphur River Basin Authority by this resolution confirms the change of the physical and mailing address of the Authority to 115 W. 1st, Suite #102, Mount Pleasant, Texas 75455.
3. The Board hereby approves and adopts the proposed amendment to the Bylaws of the Authority, included herein as Attachment A, effective as of the date of this resolution.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 21st day of January, 2025.

SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY

By: _____
Chairman

Secretary

Administrative Code, § 292.13(5){B).

The Authority adopts the rules of the state comptroller relating to historically underutilized businesses under Title 34, Chapter 20, Subchapter D, Division 1 of the Texas Administrative Code, as required by § 2161.003, Texas Government Code. Those rules apply to the Authority's construction projects and purchases of goods and services with an expected value of \$100,000 or more paid for with appropriated money.

ARTICLE NINE AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATION

9.1 Authority Address

The Authority's mailing and physical address is ~~115 W. 1st #102, Mount Pleasant, Texas, 75455~~ ~~911 N. Bishop, Suite C104, Wake Village, Texas, 75501~~. Such addresses may be changed by resolution of the Board.

9.2 Minutes and Records of the Authority

All documents, reports, records, taped recordings, and minutes of the Authority shall be available for public inspection in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code. The preservation, storage, destruction, or other disposition of the Authority's records is subject to Chapter 201, Texas Government Code.

9.3 Office Hours

The regular office hours of the Authority shall be determined by the Board. From time to time, circumstances may require the Executive Director to modify these hours on a temporary basis. Operating hours, both regular and temporary, shall either be posted at the entrance to the property where the Authority's office is located or on or near the front door to the Authority's office. Permanent changes in the Authority's regular office hours may be approved by the Board from time to time as needed or as may be appropriate.

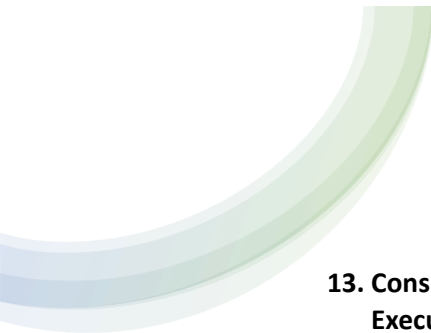
9.4 Official Seal

The Board, by resolution, may adopt an official seal for the Authority to be used on official documents of the Authority.

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13. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving a Meal Per Diem for the Executive Director While He Is Traveling on Authority Business.

This item will include discussion and possible action on approving the development of a policy setting a meal per diem for the Executive Director while traveling on Authority business.

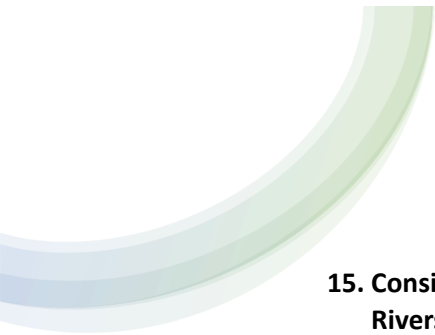
Action Item: Consider a Motion to approve the development of a Travel Per Diem policy.



14. Updates on the Clean Rivers Program (Randy Rushin-Water Monitoring Solutions).

*Prepared in cooperation with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.
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This item will include discussion and possible action regarding activities with the Clean Rivers Program.



15. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Adjustment to the Clean Rivers Program Budget, FY 2026-2027, Concerning Number of Sites Monitored.

This item will include discussion and possible action on the number of sites monitored and funding for them. The Board will consider the Authority's self-funding of two current sites to maintain the total number of tested sites or reduce the number of sites monitored to stay within TCEQ reimbursement limits. The estimated cost for lab and WMS sampling at both sites is \$5,700 per year (lab —\$4,300; WMS—\$1,400), for a total of \$11,400 for the contract period.

Action Item: Consider a Motion that the Authority self-fund two FY 2026-2027 sites or reduce the total number of sites monitored by two.



FY 2026-2027 Clean Rivers Program Budget Adjustments

FY 2026 -2027 Laboratory Allocation - \$52,000 (\$26,000 per year)

- Current LCRA Lab rate is \$511 per site + \$100 shipping per quarter
- Projected LCRA Lab rate is \$575 per site + \$100 shipping per quarter

FY 26 – 27 Lab Allocation will fund 11 sites at the projected LCRA Lab rate.

FY 2025 - Sampling at 14 sites

FY 2026 - Anticipate dropping the North Sulphur River site

Request that SRBA self-fund two sites for FY 26 and 27. The estimated cost for lab and labor at both sites is \$5,700 per year (Lab - \$4,300; Labor - \$1,400) for a total of \$11,400 for the contract period.

- The SRBA-funded sites will be included in the Quality Assurance Project Plan, and the data will be submitted to TCEQ.
- The SRBA-funded sites will be identified in the QAPP, Monitoring Schedule, and Reports.
- The WMS labor rate is based on collecting the SRBA-funded sites during a CRP sampling run.
- SRBA will be billed separately by LCRA Lab and WMS for these sites.

Planning Agency (Basin Number)	FY2026	FY2027	Total Allocation
Brazos River Authority (12)	\$474,088	\$474,088	\$948,176
Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (17 and 18)	\$161,195	\$161,195	\$322,390
Houston-Galveston Area Council (9, 10, 11, 13)	\$1,149,758	\$1,149,758	\$2,299,516
International Boundary & Water Commission (23)	\$318,217	\$318,217	\$636,434
Lavaca-Navidad River Authority (16)	\$118,234	\$118,234	\$236,468
Lower Colorado River Authority (14 and 15)	\$454,606	\$454,606	\$909,212
Angelina & Neches River Authority and Lower Neches Valley Authority (6 and 7)	\$392,652	\$392,652	\$785,304
Northeast Texas Municipal Water District (4)	\$118,234	\$118,234	\$236,468
Nueces River Authority (20, 21, and 22)	\$308,279	\$308,279	\$616,558
Red River Authority of Texas (1 and 2)	\$370,448	\$370,448	\$740,896
San Antonio River Authority (19)	\$235,485	\$235,485	\$470,970
Sabine River Authority (5)	\$372,777	\$372,777	\$745,554
Sulphur River Basin Authority (3)	\$118,233	\$118,233	\$236,466
Trinity River Authority (8)	\$468,269	\$468,269	\$936,538
TOTALS	\$5,060,475	\$5,060,475	\$10,120,950



16. Regional Entities Report:

- (A) Funding Partners**
- (B) Riverbend Water Resources District**
- (C) Region D Water Planning Group**
- (D) Region 2 Flood Planning Group**

This item will include discussion and possible action regarding the above-listed reports and updates.

17. Reports and Update from Executive Director:

- (A) Quarterly Partner Progress Report**
- (B) Governor Abbott Press Release Regarding Rio Grande Water**
- (C) Senator Perry Commentary: Now or Never: It's Time to Address Water Scarcity in Texas**
- (D) Dallas Morning News – Collin, Tarrant, and Denton cities bring North Texas to over 8.3 million inhabitants**
- (E) Austin American Statesman – Will Texas have it's biggest water session in history**
- (F) Environmental Impacts of Decommissioned Solar, Wind, and Electricity Storage Systems Final Report**
- (G) TWA Legislative Agenda for the 89th Texas Legislative Session**
- (H) Dallas Morning News – Marvin Nichols Feasibility Study Article**
- (I) Grant Workshop Update**
- (J) Partner Outreach and Development**
- (K) Rural River Authority Initiative**

This item will include discussion and possible action regarding the above-listed reports and updates.





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PROGRESS REPORT

December 4, 2024

Funding Partners,

The Board amended the FY 2024-2025 Authority Budget to reflect the addition of Riverbend Water Resources District as a new funding partner and adjusted the compensation for the Executive Director and Administrative Assistant.

The Board adopted the new logo for the Authority.

The Board approved the sponsorship and funding in cooperation with ATCOG and Region 2 Flood Planning Group to host a grant workshop in Paris in January.

The Board held a work session at the Lake Ralph Hall construction site and was given a tour of the facility, which the Upper Trinity Regional Water District hosted.

The Board approved the FY 2023-2024 Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report by Wilf & Henderson, P.C. You have received a copy of this report.

The Executive Director met with local stakeholders on-site at the HWY 37 river crossing at the Franklin and Red River County line regarding the log jam at that location.

SRBA has yet to receive an update on the Flood Infrastructure Grant from the TWDB at the time of this report.

The Board has been advised on the Sunset Commission's River Authority Sunset Uniformity Issue.

On behalf of the SRBA Board and Staff, we wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season and a very Merry Christmas.

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Governor Abbott Directs TCEQ To Accept Water Offer For Rio Grande Valley

AUSTIN — Governor Greg Abbott today directed the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to accept an offer of San Juan River water from Mexico under the 1944 Water Treaty and provide much-needed water to communities in the Rio Grande Valley.

"Water is essential for Texans along the Rio Grande Valley to grow crops and support local communities and businesses," said Governor Abbott. "Mexico's blatant abuse and disregard of water obligations under the 1944 Water Treaty must not be allowed to continue. Today, I directed the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to accept a San Juan River water offer from Mexico that will supply our farmers and businesses in the Rio Grande Valley with much-needed water."

Mexico's offer of 120,000 acre-feet from the San Juan River is a mere drop in the bucket relative to the 1.75 million acre-feet Mexico is required to deliver to Texas each five-year Treaty cycle. Because our farmers and cities can wait no longer, Texas accepts the offer, pending TCEQ's ultimate approval of the operational procedures.

While the International Boundary and Water Commission apparently takes the position that water from the San Juan River may be credited against Mexico's five-year Treaty commitments, Texas stands firm in its position—consistent with the text of the Treaty—that those commitments may be satisfied only with water from the six named tributaries.

The 1944 Water Treaty between the United States and Mexico obligates both countries to share water resources from the Colorado and Rio Grande rivers. Mexico's deficit under the 1944 Water Treaty has never been greater. Barring action by Mexico, in October 2025, Texans will be facing a projected deficit of 1.3-million acre-feet of water.

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Commentary:

Now or Never: It's Time to Address Water Scarcity in Texas

Charles Perry*¹

Editor-in-Chief's Note: In every odd-numbered year, the Texas Legislature convenes in regular session for 140 days. With this in mind, the Texas Water Journal invited Senator Charles Perry, Chairman of the Senate Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs Committee to discuss his priorities and visions for Texas water and the regular session of the 89th Texas Legislature. The opinion expressed in this commentary is the opinion of the individual author and not the opinion of the Texas Water Journal or the Texas Water Resources Institute, or the Bureau of Economic Geology.

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Terms used in paper

Acronym/Initialism	Descriptive Name
SWIFT	State Water Implementation Fund for Texas
SWP	State Water Plan
TAM	Texas Association of Manufacturers
TIRF	Texas Infrastructure Resiliency Fund
TWDB	Texas Water Development Board

There is an old expression in Texas: “You don’t miss the water ‘til the well runs dry.” Without action today, Texas could run dry tomorrow.

In May 2024, the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) presented population, water usage, and economic growth data from the 2022 State Water Plan (SWP) to the Texas Senate Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs (WARA Committee). The data show that by 2050, Texas will suffer a water shortfall of up to 5.74 million acre-feet per year if faced with drought conditions similar to those the state has experienced over the last few years ([Hearing on Interim Charge, 2024d](#)). The 2022 SWP projects water shortages of up to 6.86 million acre-feet per year by 2070 ([Hearing on Interim Charge, 2024d](#)). Some areas of the state, like South Texas, are already experiencing shortages ([Hearing on Interim Charges, 2024a](#)).

Testimony offered to the WARA Committee by think tanks such as Texas 2036 suggested that the water shortfall has accelerated beyond what the 2022 SWP accounted for since the plan’s publication ([Hearing on Interim Charge, 2024c](#)). Texas 2036 stated that in tandem with the increasing frequency and severity of drought across much of Texas, the water shortages projected in the 2022 SWP are underestimated ([Hearing on Interim Charge, 2024c](#)). I agree, and I personally believe the 2050 and 2070 shortfalls will be over 7 million acre-feet and 10 million acre-feet per year, respectively, if something isn’t done.

Now is the time to develop the water supply needed for both today and tomorrow. A map presented to the WARA Committee by TWDB projected that dozens of Texas communities across the state will face water shortages of more than a quarter of their total needs, if conditions similar to the 1950–1957 drought of record strike again in 2050 ([Hearing on Interim Charge, 2024d](#)). Cities and towns across the state are limiting, if not altogether withholding, development permits over water concerns. In August 2024, the City of Conroe, near Houston, adopted a temporary development moratorium due to water scarcity ([Shaheen, 2024](#)). Local governments in the Rio Grande Valley are discussing the same option ([Muniz, 2024](#)). In Central Texas, permits for water wells and groundwater withdrawals are becoming increasingly contentious as springs and existing wells have run dry in recent years ([Henrickson, 2024](#)).

These shortages touch every sector of Texas’s economy. When TWDB’s data is broken down by water use, the Texas water users most at risk are farmers and ranchers, who need water to irrigate their crops and water livestock; producers of oil, gas, and minerals, who use water in their various extraction processes; power companies, due to their significant dependence on various forms of steam-electric generation; and manufacturers, especially the high tech and petrochemical industries ([Hearing on Interim Charge, 2024d](#)). The impact of continued water scarcity to the Texas economy would be immeasurable.

Already, the proverbial canaries in the coal mine are singing. In the same May 2024 WARA Committee hearing, one farmer testifying on behalf of the Texas Farm Bureau revealed that for the first time in his life, his South Texas farm had no water available for irrigation ([Hearing on Interim Charges, 2024a](#)). In February, Texas’s only sugar mill, located in Santa Rosa, closed for good because of insufficient water supply to sustain sugar cane yields in South Texas ([Hearing on Interim Charges, 2024a](#); [Massey, 2024](#)). Over 600 jobs went with it ([Hearing on Interim Charges, 2024a](#); [Massey, 2024](#)).

The business community is expressing valid concern over water scarcity’s effects on Texas’s future. During the May 2024 WARA Committee hearing, the Texas Association of Manufacturers (TAM) testified that insufficient water supplies may cost Texas up to \$55 billion worth of economic development opportunities and 400,000 manufacturing jobs over the next several decades ([Hearing on Interim Charges, 2024e](#)). TAM pointed out that site selectors—consulting firms from around the country that help major corporations identify potential locations for new industrial facilities—are watching closely to see whether Texas will take action to secure ample and affordable water sufficient to meet future needs ([Hearing on Interim Charges, 2024e](#)). Later in the hearing, the Texas Chemistry Council refined everything down to the point by rightly stating that “the success of [Texas] being able to attract new [petrochemical industry] investment is going to be very dependent on water” ([Hearing on Interim Charges, 2024b](#)).

The facts make it clear. For Texas to sustain the rates of population and economic growth our state has enjoyed the last few decades, we must take action to secure additional water supplies. Fortunately, there is a solution: developing heretofore undeveloped water supplies, adding to the overall volume of water available to Texans.

During the upcoming regular session set to convene in January, the 89th Texas Legislature will have an opportunity to vote for a plan that will supply water to every community, county, and region of the state. The plan will develop new water supply sources, namely via marine desalination along the coast, brackish water desalination across the state, produced water treatment in the West Texas oil and gas fields, and surface water acquisitions where available both in Texas and elsewhere. Make no mistake: All Texans and all industries will benefit from this new water supply plan.

Developing these new water supplies will not be cheap. The new water supply plan will require a large down payment in the form of an appropriation from the surplus the Legislature is expected to enjoy this session. Additionally, there is no dedicated funding stream to support water infrastructure projects in Texas. That is unusual for infrastructure; the State Highway Fund, which supports transportation projects, receives funding from multiple sources dedicated by the Texas Constitution

([Texas Const. art. VIII, §§ 7-a](#); [Texas Const. art. VIII, §§ 7-c](#)). Like transportation infrastructure, new water supply projects will take decades and billions of dollars to fully develop. To bring them to fruition, the Legislature will need to constitutionally dedicate long-term revenue streams to support the implementation of the plan.

Therefore, this session, I will urge my legislative colleagues to: (1) appropriate a large sum toward new water infrastructure projects via the Texas Water Fund; and (2) constitutionally dedicate a recurring revenue stream in support of the Texas Water Fund, similar to those dedicated to the State Highway Fund.

Water is critical to the future of Texas—after all, mankind can neither survive nor thrive without it. No future Texan should go thirsty, no Texas farmer should lose his crop, no Texas employer should lose his business, and no Texas employee should lose his job on account of a lack of water. Water infrastructure is costly and takes years of planning and construction to develop—but it will be more costly and more consequential the longer we wait to get started. To ensure sufficient water supply for our children and grandchildren, and to do so at the lowest possible cost and inconvenience, we must start the work now. There is no more important investment for Texas than to secure the water crucial to its future growth and prosperity.

Texas Senator Charles Perry is a practicing certified public accountant from Lubbock. He was first elected to the Texas Senate in 2014 after serving two terms in the Texas House of Representatives. Senator Perry chairs the Senate Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs and co-chairs the legislative advisory committees for the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT) and the Texas Infrastructure Resiliency Fund (TIRF). Governor Abbott appointed him to the Southwestern States Water Commission and the Western States Water Council. Senator Perry has a Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting and management information systems from Texas Tech University.

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Collin, Tarrant and Denton cities bring North Texas to over 8.3 million inhabitants

North Texas counties leveraged population growth in the last year, according to Texas Demographic Center data; Fort Worth is inching too close to reach 1 million people.



Traffic flows along Interstate 30 as a supermoon sets behind downtown Fort Worth, Thursday, Oct. 17, 2024.

By Jose Adriano

06:00 PM on Dec 16, 2024

North Texas remains the most populated region in the state with more than 8.3 million residents, due in part to staggering growth in Collin County, which added more than 145,000 residents in the last four years, as well as continued growth in Fort Worth, which appears to have surpassed Austin as the fourth most populous city in the state.

From 2020 to January 2024, North Texas has gained over 560,000 residents, according to new population estimates by the Texas Demographic Center (TDC). The population explosion is most notable in Collin, Tarrant, Denton, Rockwall, and Kaufman counties. According to the data, [these counties lead the state](#) in either numeric gains or percentage increases over the last four years.

Collin County added almost 145,000 residents in the last four years, the most significant increment in the state. The county now has 1.2 million residents, most of them in the cities of McKinney (about 220,000 people), Frisco (220,000 people) and Allen (110,000 people), as of January 2024. Denton County also saw considerable growth and gained more than 100,000 residents over the last four years, surpassing a million inhabitants.



Celina went to 17,000 to more than 43,000 inhabitants in the last four years.

Celina, a city in the counties of Denton and Collin, had over 43,000 residents, according to the January 2024 estimates. This city more than doubled its population from nearly 17,000 people in the 2020 Census.

“Well, I think a lot of that has to do with where we’re located,” elaborated Joe Monaco, Director of Marketing & Communications of Celina City.

“We have Preston on one side; we’ve got the Tollway expanding on the other side. We are 40 miles away from Dallas, and we’re really benefiting a lot from all the businesses that are coming into Dallas and especially the North Texas area.”

Originally from Ohio, Monaco said he lived in Mansfield and Frisco before settling in Prosper with his family during the pandemic.

“What attracted us is that we wanted to be in an area where our kids had great schools like all parents do,’ he said, “and we wanted to be in the area we felt very safe.”

Collin’s growth in the last years has been so rapid that it has already met one of the two scenarios of what this county’s population would be in 2030. The demographic center, in 2012, [projected](#) Collin to have 1.2 million people at the end of the decade in a scenario with half of the 2010-2020 migration rates. The second projection (assuming the 2010-2020 migration rates) estimates Collin to reach 1.3 million by the end of 2030, 1.6 million people by 2040, and 2.4 million by 2060.

Other examples of North Texas' expansion are Kaufman and Rockwall, two neighboring Dallas counties, which experienced the highest percentage growth in population in the state. Kaufman's population grew by 26.7%, or about 39,000 residents, from 2020 to 2024. Rockwall increased its population by 25% in the same period, growing the county by about 28,000 residents.

Tarrant, in turn, has gained more than 93,000 residents from 2020 to 2024, a 4.4% increase. Its total estimated population is 2.2 million, from 2.1 million last year. Fort Worth alone took in more than 70,000 new residents from 2020 to 2024, and its current population stands at almost 990,000 inhabitants. The newest figures by TDC suggest Fort Worth might have just surpassed Austin in population. The capital of Texas has about 987,000 inhabitants, according to the January 2024 estimates.

"Growth has been explosive," said Jaime Resendiz, real estate agent and host of The DFW Homeowner, a YouTube channel exploring the housing market in the area. "There's growth on the south side of the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex, but the North just blows it out of the water."

"Anything that is North is just going to have high demand, and typically there, with the real estate prices, you're seeing the appreciation in these areas just go through the roof," Resendiz explained.

The [Texas Demographic Center](#) releases yearly population estimates that differ from those of the U.S. Census Bureau and use a different methodology. It projects population with a mix of national and local data, as well as state surveys on building permits and school enrollment.

"County-level birth and death data were obtained from the Texas Department of State Health Services," the methodology report reads.

In the last four years, 90 Texas counties have decreased their population, but none of them are in the North Texas area. Dallas County is among the counties with some of the lowest increments from 2020 to 2024, since it gained only 0.6% in this period. This translates to over 16,000 new residents, and the population remains at 2.6 million, with minimal change over the last four years. The metro area of Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington now has over 8.1 million residents after [crossing the 8 million](#) mark last year.



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More than 8 million Texans live in areas affected by drought, [according to the National Drought Mitigation Center](#). And without significant legislative appropriations, water shortages are expected to worsen as the population grows.

But the critical infrastructure that supports the state's water supply — underground pipes, groundwater reservoirs and water treatment facilities — lacks a dedicated funding source from state coffers, unlike the state's highways and roads, which benefit from a steady stream of revenue from gas taxes, sales taxes and other automatic funding mechanisms.



A state senator from Lubbock, however, is seeking to shore up Texas' funding for water, and he's confident the Legislature will back him.

"We will leave this session with a significant sum to jump-start water supply development and have a constitutional vote in November for perpetual funding going forward," Republican Sen. Charles Perry told the American-Statesman in a phone interview Tuesday.

Perry said he has secured commitments from Gov. Greg Abbott, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick and numerous members of the House and Senate to support a new funding plan, though he said the details are still fluid.

The sixth-term senator is among several lawmakers and advocates who have sounded the alarm in recent years about gaps in Texas' water system as the state continues to attract new businesses and residents.

Insufficient water supply has forced South Texas citrus growers to shrink their orchards and shut down the last remaining sugar mill in the Valley, costing hundreds of workers their jobs. And concerns over water supply and infrastructure have led at least three Texas cities — Dripping Springs, Conroe and Magnolia — to put the brakes on new development, cutting off potential economic growth in the process.

Furthermore, [Mexico has made inconsistent deliveries](#) of water promised in a 1944 federal treaty, contributing to shortages in South Texas in particular.

The Austin area and the Hill Country are also struggling, with most of Travis and Hays counties in "extreme drought," according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

These effects are just the tip of the iceberg, Perry said, because shortages now portend far greater scarcity in the future without state intervention. He chairs the Senate Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee, which in a September report concluded that the state's water system is chronically underfunded.

"People, because the tap comes on, they don't see the need for a sense of urgency," Perry said. But "anything in water is typically a 20-year challenge. If you need water 20 years from now, you got to be developing today."

Texas is "about 25 years behind" on developing water supply, Perry added.

Sarah Kinkle, legislative director for the Texas Water Association, said some businesses are hesitant to put down roots in Texas because of water supply concerns.

"Any economic development is critical to the growth of the state, and jobs with it," Kinkle said. "And we don't want water to be what holds the state back."

She said she is also hopeful that this could be a marquee year for water legislation. The Texas Water Association is among several organizations that are lobbying for a dedicated funding source to replace the one-off capitalizations that have been the norm in recent years.

"Unless we have some kind of consistent funding, it really makes it hard for us to plan appropriately," said Perry Fowler, director of the Texas Water Infrastructure Network, which advocates for general contractors specializing in water infrastructure construction.

Surveys show Texans, too, support changes to state policy on water. More than 85% of likely voters support the state making “strategic long-term investments in reliable water infrastructure,” and the same amount are concerned about future water shortages, [according to a poll of 1,001 respondents by nonpartisan policy think tank Texas 2036](#).



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How Texas water funding could be used

Although [voters authorized](#) the state to create the Texas Water Fund in 2023 with a \$1 billion jumpstart, advocates say billions in additional money is needed to fix the state’s aging infrastructure and improve drought resilience — with [Texas 2036 estimating](#) that the state needs to invest at least \$154 billion in the water system by 2050.

That estimate includes \$59 billion for water supply projects, \$74 billion for leaky pipes and infrastructure maintenance, and \$21 billion to fix broken wastewater systems, which are important for mitigating flood damage.

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Money that goes into state programs like the Texas Water Fund and the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas finance low-interest loans to communities for approved water projects. As those projects are completed — which can take as long as 40 years — local utilities pay the state back by charging ratepayers for the additional water they're supplying.

The Texas Water Development Board is responsible for approving applications for these projects.

Perry's primary focus is on supporting the creation of new water sources. A promising method is desalination of marine water and brackish groundwater, he said, with the latter being the easiest to clean up.

"In every corner of the state, there's water supply from undeveloped brackish aquifers," Perry said, adding that the state is in talks to potentially acquire water from neighboring states.

The Senate Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee also recommended in its interim report that the state increase cybersecurity requirements for water systems. This would help local communities protect against foreign attacks like those that targeted the cities of [Muleshoe](#) and Abernathy in 2024.

The committee also suggested that the Public Utility Commission transition to digital case management and that the state help grow the "water workforce" by "encourag(ing) additional partnerships between Texas water systems, state agencies responsible for licensing occupations in the Texas water workforce, and Texas technical and community colleges that train students for those occupations." Another recommendation is that small communities consolidate their water systems.

Other state and federal money dedicated to water could go to emergency flood management and the maintenance of the state's pipe system, which [leak tens of billions of gallons of water each year](#) according to the [Texas Living Waters Project](#), a collaboration of conservation nonprofits.

Right now, Texans are benefiting from water supply planning that began nearly a century ago. Work to create Lake Livingston, for example, began more than a decade before [it was completed in 1971](#).

"If it was not for Lake Livingston, there would probably not be a Houston, Texas," Perry remembers a colleague telling him.

With the work of his forebears in mind, Perry thinks that the upcoming Legislature could be "the biggest water session we've had in the history of this state."

Of course, lawmakers, industry groups and advocates have pushed for years to dedicate continuous funding to the water system, without success. And the details of the legislation could vary widely.

But Perry says lawmakers recognize the state is at a critical point, as he has faced little to none of the pushback he expected he would get over his plan. He's also confident the state will find ways to fill gaps even if the funding doesn't meet his hopes.

"The sky's not falling, we will get there, and we have some triage to do until we get this thing rolling," Perry said. "In 30 or 40 years, people are going to say, 'Man, I'm glad they did this.'"

Correction: This article has been updated to reflect that Perry is in his sixth term, to correct the name of the Senate Committee on Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs.



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Population growth, extreme weather, and economic development needs are placing significant pressure on Texas' already aging water, wastewater, and flood infrastructure, and the cost of addressing these infrastructure needs is in the hundreds of billions of dollars.

To respond to this urgent need, investment in Texas water infrastructure is the Texas Water Association's priority issue during the 89th Legislative Session.

PRIORITY ISSUE: Investment in Texas Water Infrastructure

- Leverage dedicated funding and/or a one-time infusion of dollars
- Support water and wastewater needs through the Texas Water Fund*
- Address flood needs through the Flood Infrastructure Fund

**The Texas Water Fund provides the most flexibility for the Texas Water Development Board to address the state's significant water and wastewater needs*

Texas Water Association also supports:

1. Extending loan repayment terms for certain water infrastructure projects to help communities finance larger, more expensive projects, especially in high-growth areas
2. Funding to update water availability model data in certain river basins to inform decision making on new water right applications
3. Establishing and funding a Groundwater Science & Research Fund at the Texas Water Development Board to enhance groundwater data and planning capabilities
4. Funding to replenish the Ag. Water Conservation Grant/Loan Program, as requested in the Texas Water Development Board's Legislative Appropriations Request

Our Consensus-Building Process

Texas Water Association's legislative agenda is drafted by the Association's Legislative Committee and voted on by the Board of Directors. During the process, stakeholder-driven subcommittees vet and recommend proposed changes to state water policy issues. Legislative proposals require a 90 percent consensus with voting committee members to move to the Board for approval. In 2024, over 180 participants across all areas of water policy met through five subcommittees to discuss and determine priority issues for the 89th Legislative Session.

About Texas Water Association

From drought to flood, the [Texas Water Association](#)—formerly the Texas Water Conservation Association—is focused on water supply and management and works to promote sound water policy in Texas. Our members provide water and wastewater services to a vast majority of the state and include river authorities, cities, regional and local water districts, drainage and flood districts, irrigation districts, groundwater conservation districts, water users and other stakeholders, and those who support the Texas water industry.

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Texas water board deems Marvin Nichols Reservoir feasible in report submitted to governor

The 66,000-acre manmade lake has been proposed as a solution to Dallas-Fort Worth's water needs.



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Gary Cheatwood, 85, (top left) and his son Gary Cheatwood Jr., 48, (bottom) go over a map the elder Cheatwood made to assess properties impacted by the proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir with John Brooks (top) and Jim Vignali (right) on Monday, Oct. 14, 2024, in Cuthand, Texas. Residents in the Sulphur River Basin will be impacted if the proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir in northeast Texas is built. (Smiley N. Pool / Staff Photographer)



The Texas Water Development Board recently submitted a report to Gov. Greg Abbott and the state legislative budget board concluding that the Marvin Nichols Reservoir could feasibly be completed and operating within the next 25 years.

The feasibility review, of which a draft was published in the fall, looked at the implementation timeline, costs, land acquisition considerations and economic impacts.

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The more than 66,000-acre manmade lake has been proposed to be built by 2050 in the Sulphur River Basin including portions of Franklin, Red River and Titus counties in northeast Texas. It would pump water to 213 water user groups in the state, the majority of which are more than 100 miles away in the thirsty Dallas-Fort Worth area.

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Casey Conway (from left) holds grandson Braxton Altal alongside wife Susan Conway, their daughter Shawnee Conway and her daughter Novalee Martinez with a collection of signs in opposition to the proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir during a meeting of the North East Texas Regional Water Planning Group D on Oct. 30, 2024, in Pittsburg, Texas. (Smiley N. Pool / Staff Photographer)

This location was among the top-ranked in 2008 of about 150 potential reservoir sites due in part to the abundance of surface water available and relatively low estimated unit cost of water from an associated reservoir, according to the feasibility study.

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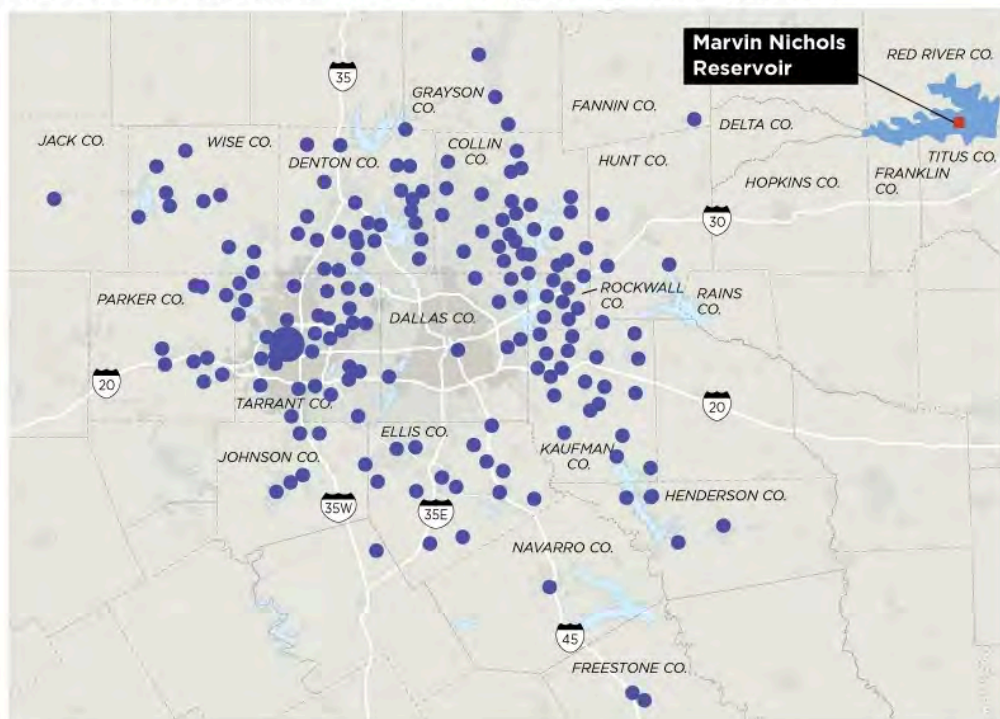
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Despite decades of opposition, the Region C water group, which includes North Texas counties, has repeatedly called for the reservoir to be constructed on Region D's land. The potential reservoir has loomed over residents for decades as it has been included in multiple state water plans since 1968.

Supporters of the plan have said it's one of the best solutions to North Texas' continuing population boom and growing water needs as the area is projected to have roughly 14.7 million people by 2070.

Marvin Nichols Reservoir's anticipated users by 2070



SOURCE: Texas Water Development Board

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Limited scope

Though the project has been deemed feasible, the official recommendation of a reservoir project in the state water plan does not guarantee it will be permitted and implemented as it will have to undergo extensive processes at the state and federal levels.

The final copy of the report included an added “scope of review” section that said the scope and intent of the report were “strictly limited to undertaking a ‘feasibility review’” of the timeline, costs, land acquisition considerations and economic impact.

“This feasibility review was not for the purpose of expressing support for or opposition against the project or for determining whether the reservoir should be constructed,” officials wrote in the report.

The review also does not include “peripheral topics,” such as the discussion of condemnation authority — a term referring to a government or private entity that has the power to take private property by eminent domain — or the consideration of potential alternatives to the Marvin Nichols Reservoir.

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“This review is neither an engineering feasibility nor an alternatives analysis,” the report says. “This review did not attempt to summarize all the estimates of every potential impact of the reservoir, develop new estimates of the magnitudes of potential impacts, judge the merits or thoroughness of one report of estimate versus another, or compare relative estimates of the magnitudes of potential reservoir impacts between various reports or from different time periods.”

The review is based off plans for the project as configured in the 2022 State Water Plan, which has been referenced as outdated in some aspects including the cost rising from \$4.4 billion (in 2018 dollars) to more than \$7.04 billion (in 2023 dollars). The report has a footnote that mentions the newer estimate and notes the cost estimate will likely be higher than what’s cited in the 2022 plan, due to “significant increases in construction costs” and also partly to inflation.



The faint streak of Comet A3 Tsuchinshan-ATLAS is seen over the Sulphur River, which is illuminated by moonlight. Residents in the Sulphur River Basin will be impacted if the proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir in northeast Texas is built. (Smiley N. Pool / Staff Photographer)

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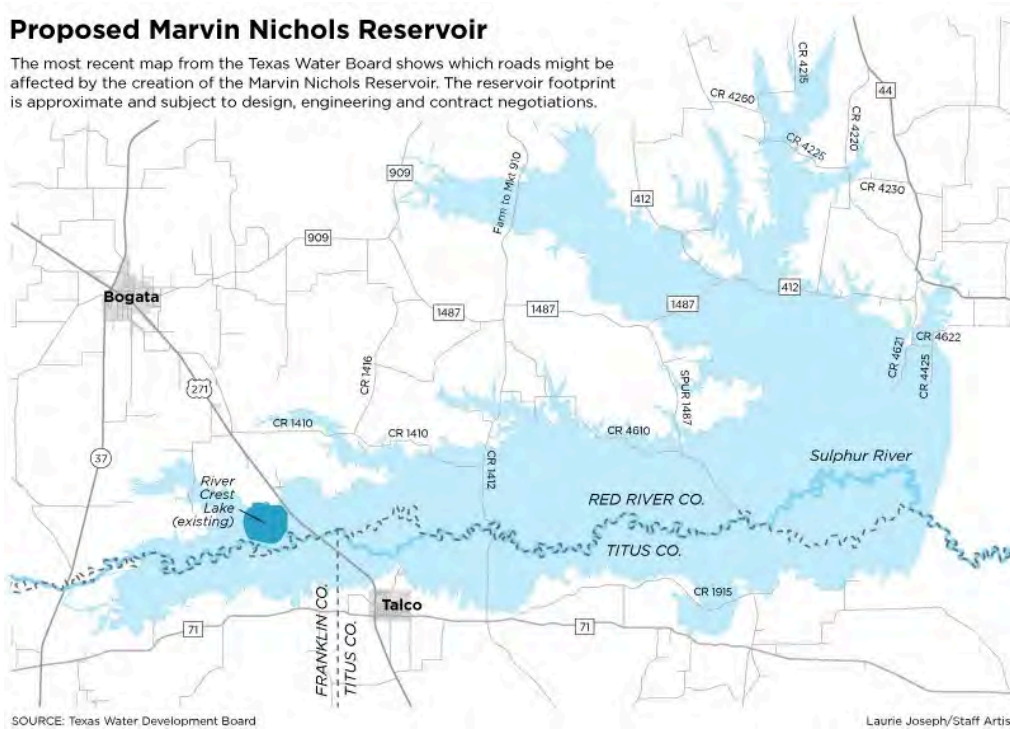
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The narrow scope excludes many concerns voiced by the local community — and others across the state and country — including the drowning of their generational land and homes, the probable use of eminent domain and environmental impacts.

Map

Proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir

The most recent map from the Texas Water Board shows which roads might be affected by the creation of the Marvin Nichols Reservoir. The reservoir footprint is approximate and subject to design, engineering and contract negotiations.



There are nods to some of these points throughout the report but they appeared to be presented as supplemental information rather than considered as factors of feasibility.

The review, which included a status on the existing and future major reservoir projects, emphasized that reservoirs “continue to be an important water supply strategy in Texas” because they are an efficient means of capturing and storing significant volumes of surface water.

Public comments

The Region D Water Planning Group has openly expressed resistance to the Marvin Nichols Reservoir for more than two decades, including most recently penning a letter calling the initial draft of the feasibility study misleading.

In addition to concerns of land and historical sites that some families have owned since before Texas was a part of the United States, those against the project are majorly concerned with the anticipated negative impacts to the agricultural, timber and natural resources.



Jim Thompson, the chair of the Region D planning group, listens to Region C chair Kevin Ward address a meeting of the North East Texas Regional Water Planning Group D regarding the proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir on Oct. 30, 2024, in Pittsburg, Texas. (Smiley N. Pool / Staff Photographer)

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During the process of conducting the feasibility review, the Texas Water Development Board received 1,878 public comments between Oct. 1, 2023, and Nov. 1, 2024. More than 500 of those were submitted between Sept. 16, 2024, and Oct. 25, 2024, as the agency specifically sought public comment on the draft of the feasibility report.

“Some changes were made to the draft report as appropriate, based upon comments received,” the report states. “... The vast majority expressed general opposition to the reservoir project but did not provide substantive comments or additional relevant information either to inform the report or in response to the draft document.”

According to a review of a portion of the public comment by *The Dallas Morning News*, submissions were made by at least 20 potentially impacted businesses, elected officials like state Rep. Gary VanDeaver and Cass County Judge Travis Ransom, more than a dozen environmental groups, stakeholders like the Region C Water Planning Group, Upper Trinity Regional Water District and North Texas Municipal Water District, individuals and families who live or lived on properties that would be inundated or deemed mitigation land and a few interested persons from across the country who had read about the project.

Video: Northeast Texans residents voice opposition to proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir

Residents and officials speak out against a proposed \$7 billion reservoir along the Sulphur River that would pump water more than 100 miles to Dallas-Fort Worth

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What’s next?

All 16 of Texas’ regional water planning groups — including regions C and D — will submit their adopted “initially prepared plans” to the Texas Water Development Board by March 3.

There will be a public comment period on the plans and each regional group will hold at least one public hearing ahead of the March deadline.

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After considering the public comments and the Texas Water Development Board’s formal feedback, the regional planning groups will finalize their plans and submit them to the state water board by Oct. 20.



Dickie Dalby, 83, walks toward his home near a log cabin built by his family at the site in 1841 in Red River County. He said his land wouldn't be inundated by the proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir but will likely be used for mitigation. (Smiley N. Pool / Staff Photographer)

During this time, regional water planners can choose whether or not to include the Marvin Nichols Reservoir in its plans.

Construction won't be starting any time soon on Marvin Nichols Reservoir either way though as permits tied to water quality and water rights will influence the timing. Officials have estimated the permits could require 15 to 20 years to obtain without opposition and as of the report no agency had submitted permit applications.

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18. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on New Business to be Placed on a Future Meeting Agenda.

This agenda item will include discussion and possible action on future agenda items.

Action Item: Possible Motion to place items discussed on the agenda of a future meeting.



19. Announcements from the Chairman/Board and/or Staff.





20. Next Regular Meeting

Sulphur River Basin Authority Regular Meeting, February 18, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. at Mount Pleasant Civic Center, 1800 North Jefferson Street, Mount Pleasant, Texas.

