

June 19, 2018

Judge Jeff M. Branick
Jefferson County Judge
1149 Pearl Street
Beaumont TX 77701

Subject: East Texas Regional Water Planning Area
Water Supply Availability and Water Management Strategies

Dear Judge Branick,

The Water User Group (WUG) County Other is located in Jefferson County within the water planning region known as the East Texas Regional Water Planning Area (ETRWPA, or Region I). The East Texas Regional Water Planning Group (ETRWPG) is in the process of updating the regional water plan for the ETRWPA to be adopted in 2021 Plan. For information about the ETRWPG or to see the schedule of upcoming meetings, please visit www.etexwaterplan.org.

For your consideration, please review the following tables, which summarize municipal water demand (Table 1) and sources (Table 2) for County Other.

Table 1 – 2021 County Other Water Demand Projections by Decade

Projection Type	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070
Municipal Demands (af/yr) ¹	2,076	2,733	3,541	4,503	5,586	6,802

Table 2 –2016 Regional Water Plan Water Sources for County Other

Water Source (af/yr) ¹	Source Type	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070
Gulf Coast Aquifer (Neches)	Groundwater	50	50	50	50	50	50
Gulf Coast Aquifer (Neches-Trinity)	Groundwater	0	0	0	0	0	0
Run-of-River Beaumont	Surface Water	2,034	2,678	3,359	3,628	3,421	3,211
Sam Rayburn and Steinhagen	Surface Water	208	273	354	450	559	680
Port Arthur	Surface Water	5	5	5	5	5	5
Total Supplies		2,297	3,007	3,768	4,133	4,035	3,946
Balance (Supplies – Demands) ²		221	274	227	-370	-1,551	-2,856

1 – Water Demands and Supplies are expressed in acre-feet per year (1 acre-foot per year = 893 gallons per day)

2 – A positive balance indicates that surplus supplies are available. A negative balance indicates a lack of supply availability to meet future needs. A future need is met by means of Water Management Strategies identified during the Regional Water Planning Process, if applicable.

- Do your current water sources match with the sources in Table 2? Do you agree with the supply availability from the water sources?
- Do you have any additional water supply projects you would like to add to the 2021 Plan?
- Do you have a water plan developed or updated since January 2015? Do you have a water conservation plan or a drought contingency plan updated since December 2015?

If you do not agree with the information above, or would like additional information about this request, we want to hear from you as soon as possible. Please see contact information below.

The ETRWPG will be considering these projections at its August 15, 2018 meeting. If we do not hear otherwise from you, the draft projections and water source information will be accepted for purposes of the regional water plan update to be adopted in 2021.

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The ETRWPG will provide ongoing updates of the regional water planning process in this cycle. In the meantime, please send any comments or questions to your ETRWPG consultant team representative. Thank you for taking time to review this information.

Yours very truly,



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