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LLANO ESTACADO REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP

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Third five-year water planning cycle focuses on planning & implementation

The 2006-2011 regional water planning cycle is now underway!

It is different in that the first two years of the third round of regional water planning will be exclusively focused on local and region specific water supply related issues.

The final three years of the five year planning cycle will be used to update the regional water plan for submission to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) in 2010 and submission to the Texas Legislature in 2011.

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THIRD ROUND OF REGIONAL WATER PLANNING

In preparation for the third round of regional water planning, the TWDB conducted a series of stakeholder meetings to identify the most efficient process for complying with statutory requirements, while at the same time, addressing local and regional water supply needs.

Based upon input received during the stakeholder meetings, efforts by the planning groups for this round of planning will be divided into multiple scopes of work based upon available appropriations. The 79th Texas Legislature appropriated \$6.6 million for regional water planning during the fiscal year 2006-2007 biennium.

Issues to be addressed during the 2006-2011 regional water planning cycle include:

- Evaluation of new water management strategies in response to changed conditions.
- Studies that will further implementation of recommended water management strategies.
- Refinement of water supply information or water management strategies.
- Activities that will help overcome problems from the last round of planning.
- Further evaluation of water management strategies, especially regional solutions, to meet needs in small communities and/or rural areas.
- Interregional coordination.
- Administrative and public participation activities.

Applications for funding were evaluated on a competitive basis considering the above criteria, the amount and timing of need for water supplies in the region that will be addressed by the proposed task in the scope of work, lack of duplication of effort, and soundness of scope of work, including the budget. The priorities of the planning groups and any local matching funds were also considered during the evaluation period.

LLANO ESTACADO REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP

In accordance with Senate Bill 1, the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group consists of no more than 25 voting members, representing the following water user groups: Agriculture, County Government, Electric Generating Utilities, Environment, Industries, Municipalities, Public, River Authorities, Small Business, Water Districts, and Water Utilities.

The group's mission statement is "to develop, promote, and implement water conservation, augmentation, and management strategies to provide adequate water supplies for the Llano Estacado Water Planning Region of the High Plains of Texas and to stabilize or improve the economic and social viability and longevity of the region through these activities."

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE

Additional information about the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group is available by visiting the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group web site at www.llanoplan.org, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 web site, www.hpwd.org, or the Texas Water Development Board web site at www.twdb.state.tx.us.