

**NOTICE OF MEETING  
GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA), whose principal office is in the City of Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas, hereby gives notice of a meeting of its **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** to be held at the **GBRA River Annex, 905 Nolan, Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, August 19, 2015.**

Subjects to be considered for discussion at such meeting include:

**CALL TO ORDER**

- ❖ Chair's consideration of posted notices.
- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance.
- ❖ Welcome guests.
- ❖ Comments from public.
- ❖ Recognition of GBRA employee(s).
- ❖ Moment of silence in remembrance of Herbert "Herb" Wittliff.

**CHAIR ITEMS**

1. Consideration of and possible action approving a Resolution honoring Herbert "Herb" Randolph Wittliff for his thirty-five (35) years of meritorious and faithful service as Manager of Port Lavaca Operations of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority.
  
2. Consideration of and possible action appointing Trustees Seats 1 and 2 to serve on the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust for the term of September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016 in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and Article 9.10.B of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

3. Consideration of and possible action approving the minutes of the July 15, 2015, Board meeting.

4. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly financial report for July 2015.
  
5. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly operations report for July 2015.
  
6. Consideration of and possible action approving Directors' expense vouchers.

## **GENERAL MANAGER ITEMS**

7. Discussion of the executive report addressing various matters relating to water resources planning including reports on Regional L Water Planning group activities, State funding issues, water reuse policies, GBRA's Mid-Basin Project (Groundwater and Surface Water components), Integrated Water Power Project and project funding applications, Lower Basin Storage Project and related regional planning and legislative issues, Lower Basin Appropriation (new) Project, Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act issues, water resources operation including engineering issues and related meetings, regional planning, consultations with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, construction management reports relating to GBRA projects and to the FM 110 Bypass in San Marcos, FM 150 near Kyle, U.S. 183 near Lockhart, CR-266 in Caldwell County, rainfall and floodwater monitoring issues in the Guadalupe and Blanco River watersheds, safety issues, utility operations; Water Quality Division and Regional Laboratory reports, reports on the activities of GBRA's Regional Laboratory, sampling and other water quality-related activities, economic and community development reports including reports on the River Heritage Tour Project, Moonlight in the Gorge, Texas Water Safari, reports on various community meetings, community outreach activities in the Guadalupe Basin, public meetings and issues related to log jams and meetings scheduled in Victoria and Calhoun County to inform the public about GBRA projects, project development reports relating to Johnson Ranch, Bulverde, Park Village and 4-S Ranch, Dunlap Area Utilities, Point Comfort, Port Lavaca, Canyon Lake wastewater master plan development, water and wastewater agreements and services provided in various communities throughout the Guadalupe Basin, GBRA's Lower Basin Project, property management reports, water supply studies in the Basin, Western Canyon reports, water supply studies in the middle Guadalupe Basin, resource protection issues, lake management, water safety issues and ordinances, Zebra Mussels, flood management and recovery, clean-up of island lots on H-5 Lake, issues related to logjams, reports from the Canyon Lake/Sattler office and the Gorge Preservation Society, reports on Lerin Hills and other subdivisions in and around Kendall County, public affairs reports including media reports, public outreach and social media, new

website development, education reports, reports on the activities of the Environmental Learning Center, publications, Geographic Information Systems projects, special projects including outreach to various schools and presentation to students, planning for newly acquired property at Coletto Creek, reports on marketing efforts, GBRA publications, grants, Board relations and public events, administrative reports, information technology reports, Human Resource reports, personnel matters, accounting, and finance reports, water supply and wastewater treatment contract activities.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

8. Consideration of and possible action approving the Fiscal Year 2016 Work Plan and Budget including rates and compensation tables, as well as Executive employee compensation agreements as discussed in executive session for the:

- a. Guadalupe Valley Hydroelectric Division
- b. Shadow Creek Wastewater Reclamation System
- c. Canyon Park Estates Wastewater Reclamation System
- d. Dunlap Wastewater Reclamation System
- e. Northcliffe Wastewater Reclamation System
- f. Springs Hill Wastewater Reclamation System
- g. Sunfield Wastewater Treatment Plant
- h. Water Sales System
- i. Regional Laboratory System
- j. Calhoun Canal System
- k. San Marcos Water Treatment Plant System
- l. Buda Wastewater Treatment Plant System
- m. Western Canyon Treated Water System
- n. Cordillera Water Distribution System
- o. Comal Trace Water Delivery System
- p. Cordillera Wastewater Treatment Plant
- q. Johnson Ranch Water Distribution System
- r. Johnson Ranch Wastewater Treatment System
- s. Singing Hill Wastewater Treatment System
- t. Port Lavaca Water Treatment Plant Division
- u. Calhoun County Rural Water Supply Division
- v. Coletto Creek Reservoir System
- w. Coletto Creek Recreation System
- x. Luling Water Treatment Plant Division
- y. Canyon Hydroelectric Division
- z. Lockhart Wastewater Reclamation System
- aa. Lockhart Water Treatment Plant System
- bb. General Division

9. Consideration of and possible action approving a Resolution expressing official intent to reimburse costs incurred in connection with developing, acquiring, constructing, and equipping the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) Lower Basin Storage Project.

10. Consideration of and possible action approving a Resolution declaring a public necessity for the design, acquisition of property, construction, operation and maintenance of raw water storage, reservoir, diversion, and transmission system facilities for the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) Lower Basin Storage Project and the Lower Basin Pipeline Project to serve customers in Victoria, Calhoun, and Refugio Counties, Texas.

11. Consideration of and possible action ratifying the solicitation of a Request For Qualifications (RFQ) for the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) Lower Basin Storage Project and the Lower Basin Pipeline Project.

12. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager and/or his designates to negotiate and execute an Agreement with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) pursuant to Section 214 of the Water Resource Recovery and Development Act (WRRDA), for the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) Lower Basin Storage Project, terms of which would be subject to future Board action or approval.

13. Consideration and possible action authorizing the General Manager to establish a "No Wake" zone located at the public boat ramp under Interstate 10 as marked by buoys on Lake Placid, a hydroelectric lake owned and operated by the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA), in Guadalupe County, Texas, to address certain water safety issues within that area of the lake.

14. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager to increase the restricted areas to prohibit individuals and the use of watercraft and personal watercraft (PWC) upstream and downstream of the hydroelectric dams owned and operated by the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority in Comal, Guadalupe, and Gonzales Counties, Texas.

15. Consideration of and possible action declaring a 3.629 acre tract of land situated in the Isaac Baker Survey, A-3, Guadalupe County, Texas; and a 4.594 acre tract of land situated in the Isaac Baker Survey, A-3, Guadalupe County, Texas; as surplus real property located near Lake Placid in Guadalupe County, Texas, and authorizing the General Manager to approve the negotiation and execution of all documents and agreements relating to the sale of the tracts.

16. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager to negotiate and execute contract with the lowest qualified bidder(s) for biosolids disposal services for wastewater and water treatment plants in Hays and Caldwell Counties.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

17. Discussion regarding the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority River Heritage Tour.

18. Presentation on the 2015 Texas Water Safari.

19. Presentation on the Texas Lineman's Rodeo.

20. Discussion regarding the 2015 Memorial flood event (a) hydrology; (b) NRCS damage survey reports; and (c) social media activity.

21. Discussion regarding H-5 island lot(s) demolition.

22. Discussion regarding trespass issues on Lake Nolte.

23. Discussion regarding Coletto Creek thirty-five (35) year celebration.

24. Discussion regarding the Basin Highlight Report.

25. Discussion regarding publication awards.

26. Discussion regarding the activities and transactions of the Edwards Aquifer Authority, South Central Texas Water Advisory Committee, and the Guadalupe Basin Coalition.

27. Discussion regarding the activities and transactions of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust, the San Antonio Bay Foundation, the Gorge Preservation Society, and the Guadalupe River Foundation.

28. Discussion regarding Base Flow Report, Water Quality Index, and condition of the Guadalupe Basin.

29. Discussion regarding local and State water planning and water resource issues.

30. Discussion regarding national water planning and water resource issues.

## **ITEMS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

31. The Board may meet in Executive Session as authorized by the listed sections of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, to discuss the following matters:

a. seek advice from legal counsel about pending or contemplated litigation including, without limitation, the following matters: *LULAC v. Edwards Aquifer Authority* Civil Action No. 5:12-CV-00620 in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division; *Ex Parte Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority*, on appeal to the Texas Supreme Court *sub nom.*, *Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority v. Attorney General of Texas, et al*; and pending administrative proceedings that may impact GBRA's Lower Basin Storage Project and/or the bonds issued for the Project; relationship and impact of pending or contemplated legal proceedings and litigation strategies on GBRA projects and proposed projects, matters relating to the regulation of withdrawals of water from the Edwards Aquifer for protection of historic uses, endangered species, and springflow to the Comal, San Marcos, and Guadalupe Rivers, including proposals for the supply of water from alternative sources; matters related to the supply of water from Canyon Reservoir and other water sources available to the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, pending water reuse applications that may impact GBRA's existing water rights or its pending Mid-Basin surface water permit application, the acquisition of groundwater rights relating to GBRA's Mid-Basin Project; matters

relating to existing and/or proposed water rights and/or amendments of water rights (including without limitation, applications relating to GBRA's Mid-Basin Project and Lower Basin Project) and agreements relating to water rights; matters relating to charges for water and wastewater services by GBRA; matters relating to water re-use impacting the Guadalupe River Basin (including without limitation, applications by San Antonio Water System, New Braunfels Utilities and others for bed and banks authorization); matters relating to real property within GBRA's statutory district; matters relating to the solicitation, receipt, opening, and/or evaluation of bids, including without limitation the Lower Basin Project and other bids for the construction of any facilities and/or the performance of any work or service, and relating to the actions taken or supposed to be taken by GBRA on such bids; and possible settlement of all such matters; legal issues relating to the final decision in *The Aransas Project v. Shaw* (Whooping Crane litigation); Section 551.071, Texas Government Code;

b. consult with legal counsel on matters within Section 551.071(2), Texas Government Code;

c. discuss or deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property including surface and groundwater rights, including, without limitation the acquisition of groundwater rights for GBRA's Mid-Basin Project and the purchase of surface water rights in the Guadalupe River, Section 551.072, Texas Government Code;

d. discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information, Section 551.087, Texas Government Code;

e. deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, Section 551.074, Texas Government Code.

The Board may take final action on any of the before mentioned matters while convened in open session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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