



**BRAZOS RIVER AUTHORITY  
BIMONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S ACTIONS  
July 29, 2024**

The Brazos River Authority's Board of Directors held its regular bimonthly meeting on Monday, July 29, 2024. The Board took the following actions:

**FISCAL YEAR 2025 ANNUAL OPERATING PLAN (BUDGET) WORKSHOP AND ADOPTION OF BUDGET**

The Board of Directors resolved that the Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Operating Plan and Multi-Year Capital Improvement Plan (Budget), as presented to the Board at the July 29, 2024 meeting, be approved and adopted, including the following provisions:

- that the General Manager/CEO is authorized to make expenditures and enter into contracts for expenditures as listed in the Budget, in accordance with the Brazos River Authority's General Operations Practices, Policy 2.01, *Authority And Responsibilities Of The Board Of Directors And General Manager/Chief Executive Officer*;
- that the General Manager/CEO is authorized to make adjustments in the individual line item amounts of the Budget provided that the total amount expended shall not exceed the total amount authorized for each operating division as follows:

Water Supply	\$ 74,524,390
Cost Reimbursable	<u>18,184,672</u>
<b>Total Operating Budget</b>	<b><u>\$ 92,709,062</u></b>

Water Supply	\$ 38,069,000
Cost Reimbursable	<u>5,042,000</u>
<b>Total Capital Budget</b>	<b><u>\$ 43,111,000</u></b>

- the Board adopted the Multi-Year Capital Improvement Plan as presented in the Budget;
- the Board approved and adopted a rate of \$99.50 per acre-foot of water annually for Fiscal Year 2025, for both the System Water Rate and the Interruptible Water Rate;
- the Board approved and adopted a rate of \$69.65 per acre-foot of water annually for Fiscal Year 2025, for the Agricultural Water Rate;
- the Board approved and adopted a methodology for quarterly payments or monthly payments to include a multiplier to be applied to the annual payment to allow the Brazos River Authority to recover interest lost on any unpaid balance plus a Service Charge for administrative costs, including, but not limited to, costs involving the billing, accounting and collecting for the quarterly or monthly payments;
- the Board resolved that the methodology used to determine the multiplier consists of applying the current savings rate the Brazos River Authority would be earning on the funds if paid in full annually to the unpaid balance on a monthly or quarterly schedule to determine lost interest, and that the Service Charge shall remain at \$20.00 per invoice to cover additional administrative costs for billing, accounting and collecting the associated payments; and
- the Board approved and adopted an annual interest rate of 5.0% and a daily interest rate charge of .0136986% ( $5\% \div 365$ ) to be applied for quarterly and monthly payments for Fiscal Year 2025.

#### **CYBER LIABILITY AND DATA BREACH RESPONSE COVERAGE (CYBER COVERAGE) INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

The Board of Directors authorized the General Manager/CEO to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool (TML) for Cyber Liability and Data Breach Response Coverage (Cyber Coverage).

#### **RISK-BASED ASSET MANAGEMENT & CAPITAL PLANNING SOFTWARE**

The Board of Directors authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with NEXGEN Asset Management for a Computer Maintenance Management System (CMMS) to further support the development of BRA's Risk-Based Asset Management and Capital Planning Program at a not-to-exceed cost of \$865,514.

#### **WATER RESOURCE MODELING CONTRACT FOR LAKE WHITNEY REALLOCATION**

The Board of Directors authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract for water resource modeling services required in conjunction with the Whitney Lake Reallocation Feasibility Study as determined necessary by the General Manager/CEO for an amount not to exceed \$280,000.

### **COPPER ION GENERATOR PROJECT BUDGET AMENDMENT**

The Board of Directors approved and authorized an amendment to increase the Fiscal Year 2024 Williamson County Regional Raw Water Line Copper Ion Generator Project budget and corresponding customer contributions by \$330,000 from \$1,846,000 to \$2,176,000 to cover timing differences in project delivery.

### **POSSUM KINGDOM WATER QUALITY MODELING CONTRACT**

The Board of Directors authorized the General Manager/CEO to execute a contract for the development of the Possum Kingdom Water Quality Model with Aqua Strategies in an amount not to exceed \$2,973,843. The Board of Directors also authorized the General Manager/CEO, if he deems it appropriate, to increase the contract value by an amount not to exceed 10% of the original contracted amount for additional services.

### **AUTHORIZATION OF 2024 INTERRUPTIBLE WATER IN THE LITTLE RIVER SYSTEM**

The Board of Directors resolved that no new Interruptible Water Availability Agreements shall be authorized for diversion from Lake Proctor unless the Stage 1 Drought Watch condition is terminated prior to December 31, 2024. The Board also approved a Safety Factor of 0.25 for use in determining the amounts of Interruptible Water to make available in calendar year 2024. Also, the Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to make an additional 13,023 acre-feet of Interruptible Water available for the Little River reservoir sub-system in addition to the 41,913 acre-feet currently approved for a total of 54,936 acre-feet of Interruptible Water available for calendar year 2024.

### **LAKE LIMESTONE TAINTER GATE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES**

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to amend the 2018 Professional Services Agreement with Stantec for engineering services associated with the Lake Limestone Tainter Gate Replacement Project by increasing the total not-to-exceed fee from \$4,237,655 to \$6,183,339.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board resolved that the sustained, exemplary performance by the General Manager/CEO warrants an annual salary increase of four percent of his existing salary and justifies a one-time merit bonus of sixteen percent of his existing salary.