



**BRAZOS RIVER AUTHORITY
QUARTERLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTIONS
October 30, 2017**

The Brazos River Authority's Board of Directors held their quarterly meeting Monday, Oct. 30, 2017. The Board took the following actions:

SURPLUS PROPERTY

The Board authorized the BRA General Manager/CEO to dispose of surplus property in a manner which is in the best interest of the BRA. These are items no longer needed or are not considered to be cost efficient to repair.

RATIFICATION OF CONTRACTS

The Board authorized approval of contracts for chemicals, sludge hauling and enterprise resource planning.

AMENDMENTS TO PERSONNEL POLICIES

The Board approved revisions to the Human Resources Policy Manual to be effective November 1, 2017. Revisions included: compensation incentives related to certified divers; changing basis of introductory requirement for employees transitioning to full-time from business days to calendar days; and updating requirements related to sick leave pool, the Family and Medical Leave, and other leaves of absence without pay.

MEDICAL INSURANCE

The Board authorized continuing the BRA's relationship with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas to provide medical insurance to employees.

DETERMINATION OF INTERRUPTIBLE WATER FOR 2018

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to make up to 86,280 acre-feet of interruptible water available in 2018. Up to 82,374 acre-feet will supply existing agreements leaving 3,906 for new agreements.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ABILENE AND WEST CENTRAL TEXAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to execute a second amendment to the interlocal agreement with the City of Abilene and the West Central Texas Municipal Water District.

SALT CREEK, GRAHAM, TEXAS PROJECT

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to enter into any and all contracts or agreements required to provide resolution to the Salt Creek, Graham, Texas Project and authorized amending the fiscal year 2018 Graham Flood Control Capital Improvement Project budget to \$1.4 million.

PIER PLATE WALL ASSESSMENT AT MORRIS SHEPPARD DAM

The Board authorized the CEO/General Manager to execute a contract with Gannett Fleming Inc. to perform engineering and construction oversight services to meet operational and maintenance objectives at Possum Kingdom Lake's Morris Sheppard Dam in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 for a five-year period subject to annual budget approvals.

HOUSE BILL 1437 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute an interlocal agreement with the Lower Colorado River Authority and the City of Round Rock for the cost sharing of House Bill 1437 No Net Loss studies.

EAST WILLIAMSON COUNTY WATER TREATMENT PLANT PRODUCTION WELL PIPELINE

The Board approved the execution of a construction contract by the General Manager/CEO for the East Williamson County Water Treatment Plant Production Well Pipeline provided that the construction amount, together with contingency, does not exceed \$700,000.

LOWER BRAZOS RIVER FLOOD PROTECTION PLANNING STUDY

The Board authorized the contribution of up to \$70,000 to expand the scope of work of the Lower Brazos River Flood Protection Planning Study to incorporate information from Hurricane Harvey. The Board also authorized the General Manager/CEO to execute any required amendments to contracts or interlocal agreements with the Texas Water Development Board, Halff Associates or local participants.

SYSTEM OPERATION PERMIT

The Board authorized amending an existing contract with Freese and Nichols to add an additional \$30,000 for work related to the filing of the Water Management Plan, Accounting Plan, and other related documents to conform to requirements of the System Operation Permit as approved by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The Board also authorized the General Manager/CEO to amend the existing contract with Freese Nichols to add an additional \$350,000 for the creation of a modeling tool to evaluate future long-term water contracting decisions from the BRA Water Supply System with inclusion of the System Operation Permit.

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

The Board elected Director F. LeRoy Bell of Tuscola to serve as the Board's Assistant Presiding Officer and Director Salvatore A. Zaccagnino of Caldwell to serve as the Board's Secretary. Each of these officers was elected to a two-year term, or until a successor is selected.

GENERAL MANAGER/CEO TO RETIRE

BRA General Manager/CEO Phil Ford announced his plans to retire effective April 2018. Ford has served at the BRA since 2001. An executive search process has been established to secure the most qualified individual to serve as General Manager/CEO. The Executive Compensation and Evaluation Committee will select candidates to be interviewed by the Board.