

Lower Rio Grande Valley Water District Manager's Association

April 18, 2013

Commissioner Carlos Rubinstein
TCEQ
PO Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Re: IBWC Minute 309

Dear Commissioner Rubinstein:

In a recent meeting of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Water District Manager's Association, IBWC Minute 309 was a topic of conversation due to research done by Sonny Hinojosa. As the current president of the association, I have been asked to submit a request to TCEQ to pursue with IBWC an accounting of the actions outlined in Minute 309.

In reading through Minutes 307, 308 and 309, all of which were a result of the meeting between the highest authorities of both Mexico and the United States, Presidents Vicente Fox Quezada and George W. Bush, it is obvious that there was to be a definite movement towards the sustainable management of the basin and deliveries of water to the Rio Grande.

Minute 309 actually calls for an accounting of water conserved by the \$40 million in funds provided by NADBank and an actual delivery of such waters to the Rio Grande. In light of continued reluctance of Mexico to make any attempt to make deliveries to the Rio Grande except in flood situations, it would appear that the concepts outlined in Minute 309 have been ignored.

As representatives of the water users of the State of Texas we would request of TCEQ to make every effort to pursue the issues established in Minute 309. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,



Wayne Halbert
President, LRGVWDMA

CS: U.S Senators John Cornyn and Ted Cruz; U.S. Congressmen Filemon Vela, Ruben Hinojosa, Henry Cuellar and Pete Gallego; Texas Senators Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chuy Hinojosa, Judith Zaffirini and Carlos Uresti; Texas Representatives Rene Oliveira, Eddie Lucio, III, Oscar Longoria, Mando Martinez, Terry Canales, Sergio Munoz, Jr., Bobby Guerra, Ryan Guillen, Richard Pena Raymond, Tracy King and Pancho Nevarez