## **TCEQ Interoffice Memorandum**

TO:	Office of the Chief Clerk Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
THRU:	Chris Kozlowski, Team Leader Water Rights Permitting Team
FROM:	Hal E. Bailey, Jr., Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team
DATE:	May 24, 2023
SUBJECT:	<ul> <li>Palm Lake Amenities, LLC</li> <li>ADJ 2714</li> <li>CN606097046, RN102988912</li> <li>Application No. 23-2714B to Amend Certificate of Adjudication No. 23-2714</li> <li>Texas Water Code § 11.122, Not Requiring Notice</li> <li>North Branch of Manadas Creek, Rio Grande Basin</li> </ul>

The application and fees were received on April 12, 2023. Additional information was received on May 17, 2023. The application was declared administratively complete and accepted for filing with the Office of the Chief Clerk on May 24, 2023. No notice is required pursuant to House Bill 1964 and Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 295.158(c)(2)(A).

All fees have been paid and the application is sufficient for filing.

Hal C. Bailey, Jr. Hal E. Bailey, Jr., Project Manager

Hal E. Bailey, Jr., Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section

Webb County

Jon Niermann, *Chairman* Emily Lindley, *Commissioner* Bobby Janecka, *Commissioner* Erin E. Chancellor, *Interim Executive Director* 



#### TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

May 24, 2023

Mr. Devin "Buck" Benson Barton Benson Jones PLLC 2000 Broadway St. San Antonio, Texas 78215

RE: Palm Lake Amenities, LLC ADJ 2714 CN606097046, RN102988912 Application No. 23-2714B to Amend Certificate of Adjudication No. 23-2714 Texas Water Code § 11.122, Not Requiring Notice North Branch of Manadas Creek, Rio Grande Basin Webb County

Dear Mr. Benson:

This acknowledges receipt, on May 17, 2023, of additional information.

The application was declared administratively complete and filed with the Office of the Chief Clerk on May 24, 2023. Staff will continue processing the application for consideration by the Executive Director.

If you have any questions concerning the application, please contact me via email at hal.bailey@tceq.texas.gov or at (512) 239-4615.

Sincerely,

Hal C. Bailey, C

Hal E. Bailey, Jr., Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section

VIA E-MAIL

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#### **COMPANY AGREEMENT**

OF

PALM LAKE AMENITIES LLC

A Texas Limited Liability Company

#### COMPANY AGREEMENT OF PALM LAKE AMENITIES LLC A Single Member Texas Limited Liability Company

This Company Agreement of PALM LAKE AMENITIES LLC (this "Agreement"), dated effective as of July 28, 2022, is executed and agreed to, for good and valuable consideration, by the Member (as defined below).

#### ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01 Definitions.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the following meanings:

"Affiliate" of a Person shall mean any other Person controlling, controlled by or under common control with such first Person.

"Available Cash" means all cash funds from operations of the Company on hand or on deposit from time to time after (a) payment of all operating expenses payable as of the date in question, (b) provision for payment of all outstanding and unpaid Company obligations due and payable as of the date in question or within sixty (60) days thereafter, and (c) the establishment of such reasonable reserves as the Manager deems appropriate for the operating needs of the Company.

"Capital Account" means the account maintained for the Member in accordance with Section 4.02.

"Capital Contributions" means the contribution of cash and other property by the Member to the Company. Capital Contributions shall not include loans by the Member to the Company unless the Member elects to convert any outstanding loans to Capital Contributions.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, or any corresponding federal tax statute enacted after the date of this Agreement. A reference to a specific section (§) of the Code refers not only to such specific section, but also to any corresponding provision of any federal tax statute enacted after the date of this Agreement, as such specific section or corresponding provision is in effect on the date of application of the provisions of this Agreement containing such reference.

"Certificate of Formation" has the meaning given that term in Section 2.01.

"Date of Dissolution" means the date on which the Company is dissolved pursuant to Section 10.01.

#### ARTICLE 6. MANAGER

Section 6.01 Management by Managers.

(a) Except for situations in which the approval of the Member is required by this Agreement or by nonwaivable provisions of applicable law, and subject to the provisions of Section 6.01(b), (i) the powers of the Company shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the Company shall be managed under the direction of the Managers, and, (ii) if there is more than one Manager, any one of the Managers may make all decisions and take all actions for the Company not otherwise provided for in this Agreement, including, without limitation, the following:

(i) entering into, making, and performing contracts, agreements, and other undertakings binding the Company that may be necessary, appropriate, or advisable in furtherance of the purposes of the Company and making all decisions and waivers thereunder;

(ii) opening and maintaining bank and investment accounts and arrangements, drawing checks and other orders for the payment of money, and designating individuals with authority to sign or give instructions with respect to those accounts and arrangements;

(iii) maintaining the assets of the Company in good order;

(iv) collecting sums due the Company;

(v) to the extent that funds of the Company are available therefor, paying debts and obligations of the Company;

(vi) acquiring, utilizing for Company purposes, and Disposing of any asset of the Company;

(vii) borrowing money or otherwise committing the credit of the Company for Company activities and voluntary prepayments or extensions of debt;

(viii) selecting, removing, and changing the authority and responsibility of lawyers, accountants, and other advisers and consultants;

(ix) obtaining insurance for the Company; or

(x) determining distributions of Company cash and other property as provided in Section 5.01.

No Person or governmental body dealing with the Company shall be required to inquire into, or to obtain any other documentation as to, the authority of the Manager to take any such action permitted under this Section.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6.01(a), the Managers may not cause the Company to do any of the following without the written approval of the Member:

(i) sell, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of (other than by way of a pledge, mortgage, deed of trust indenture) all or substantially all the Company's property and assets (with or without good will), other than to a homeowners' or property owners' association in the regular course of the Company's business;

(ii) be a party to (i) a merger, or (ii) an exchange or acquisition;

(iii) any act in contravention of this Agreement;

(iv) any act which would make it impossible to carry on the ordinary business of the Company; or

(v) possessing property of the Company or assigning the Company's rights in specific property for other than Company purposes.

#### Section 6.02 Covenants of the Managers.

The Managers shall devote such time, effort, and attention as may be reasonably necessary, advisable, or appropriate to manage and direct the operations, business and affairs of the Company; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that nothing contained herein shall preclude any Manager from acting, consistent with the foregoing, as an officer or employee of the Member or of any other Affiliate of Member or from receiving compensation for services.

#### Section 6.03 Number; Authority.

The initial number of Managers of the Company shall be three. As stated in the Certificate of Formation, the initial Managers are Blackstone Dilworth, Paul Dirks and Pat Murphy. Upon the execution hereof, the Member hereby re-elects Blackstone Dilworth, Paul Dirks and Pat Murphy as the Managers.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any third party may rely on the signature of any of the Managers on behalf of the Company as binding on the Company.

#### Section 6.04 Compensation.

The Company shall pay as compensation to the Managers only those amounts which are expressly approved by the Member as compensation for serving as Manager of the Company. Each

of the Managers shall be entitled to be reimbursed for reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in the course of his, her or its service hereunder.

#### Section 6.05 Vacancies; Removal; Resignation.

Any vacancy occurring in the position of Manager shall be filled by the decision of the Member, and any Manager may be removed from the Company with or without cause by the decision of the Member.

#### Section 6.06 Officers.

(a) Unless otherwise approved in writing by the Member, there shall be no officers of the Company and all actions of the Company shall be taken by the Managers in accordance with Sections 6.01 and 6.03. However, with the written approval of the Member, the Managers may, from time to time, designate one or more Persons to be Officers of the Company and with the written approval of the Member in each instance may enter into employment agreements with such Persons on behalf of the Company. No Officer need be a resident of the State of Texas or a Manager. Any Officers so designated shall have such authority and perform such duties as the Managers may, from time to time, delegate to them, subject to and in compliance with any employment contracts validly existing between Company and any Officer. The Managers may assign titles to particular Officers. Unless the Managers decide otherwise, if the title is one commonly used for Officers of a business corporation formed under the TBOC, the assignment of such title shall constitute the delegation to such Officer of the authority and duties that are normally associated with that office, subject to any specific delegation of authority and duties made to such Officer by the Managers pursuant to the fourth sentence of this Section 6.06(a). Each Officer shall hold office until his or her successor shall be duly designated and shall qualify or until his or her death or until he or she shall resign or shall have been removed in the manner hereinafter provided. Any number of offices may be held by the same Person. The salaries or other compensation, if any, of the Officers and agents of the Company shall be fixed from time to time by the Managers with the written approval of the Member.

(b) Any Officer may resign as such at any time subject to the terms and conditions of any employment agreement that such Officer may have entered into with the Company. Such resignation shall be made in writing and shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if no time be specified, at the time of its receipt by any Manager. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective, unless expressly so provided in the resignation. Any Officer may be removed as such, either with or without cause, by the Managers whenever in their judgment the best interests of the Company will be served thereby; provided, however, that such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the Person so removed. Designation of an Officer shall not of itself create contract rights. Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Company may be filled by the Managers with the written approval of the Member.

(c) As of the effective date of this Agreement, there are no officers.

respective Affiliates, even if competitive with the business of the Company, is hereby consented to by such other Members and shall not be deemed wrongful or improper. No Member or any Affiliate of a Member shall be obligated to present any particular investment opportunity to the Company even if such opportunity is of a character which, if presented to the Company would be taken by the Company and each Member and each Affiliate of a Member shall have the right to take for its own account, or to recommend to others, any such particular opportunity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the initial Managers and the Member have executed and adopted this Agreement as of the date first set forth above.

MANAGERS stone Dilworth Black Pat Murphy

#### **MEMBER:**

San Isidro Southwest, Ltd., a Texas limited parmership By: San Isight Management, L.C., its general partner By: Name: Pat Murphy Title: Vice President

#### **Hal Bailey**

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: Buck Benson Wednesday, May 17, 2023 2:43 PM Hal Bailey Chris Kozlowski RE: Palm Lake Amenities, LLC Application No. 23-2714B RFI company agreement pages.pdf

Good afternoon Hal,

Please see pages from the company agreement authorizing Pat Murphy to designate me. Let me know if you need anything else.



#### **DEVIN "BUCK" BENSON**

Member | Barton Benson Jones PLLC

Office: (210) 610-5335 Direct: (210) 640-9146

From: Hal Bailey <Hal.Bailey@tceq.texas.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 7:05 PM
To: Buck Benson
Cc: Chris Kozlowski <chris.kozlowski@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: RE: Palm Lake Amenities, LLC Application No. 23-2714B RFI

Good evening Buck,

Yes. We need something from Palm Lake Amenities, LLC that gives Pat Murphy the authority to designate you to sign. It can be a company charter, resolution, corporate affidavit, or something along those lines.

Thank you,

Hal E. Bailey, Jr. Natural Resources Specialist III Water Rights Permitting Team Water Availability Division Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 512-239-4615 <u>Hal.Bailey@tceq.texas.gov</u>

From: Buck Benson Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 5:12 PM To: Hal Bailey <<u>Hal.Bailey@tceq.texas.gov</u>> Cc: Chris Kozlowski <<u>chris.kozlowski@tceq.texas.gov</u>> Subject: RE: Palm Lake Amenities, LLC Application No. 23-2714B RFI

Good afternoon Hal,

Do you need something indicating Pat Murphy can designate me on behalf of the applicant?

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#### **DEVIN "BUCK" BENSON**

Member | Barton Benson Jones PLLC

Office: (210) 610-5335 Direct: (210) 640-9146

From: Hal Bailey <<u>Hal.Bailey@tceq.texas.gov</u>>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 4:49 PM
To: Buck Benson
Cc: Chris Kozlowski <<u>chris.kozlowski@tceq.texas.gov</u>>
Subject: Palm Lake Amenities, LLC Application No. 23-2714B RFI

Good afternoon Buck,

Attached is a Request for Information (RFI) letter for application no. 23-2714B.

Please provide the requested additional information by COB on 06/14/2023

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

Hal E. Bailey, Jr. Natural Resources Specialist III Water Rights Permitting Team Water Availability Division Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 512-239-4615 Hal.Bailey@tceq.texas.gov



### TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

May 15, 2023

VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Devin "Buck" Benson Barton Benson Jones PLLC 2000 Broadway St. San Antonio, Texas 78215

RE: Palm Lake Amenities, LLC ADJ 2714 CN606097046, RN102988912 Application No. 23-2714B to Amend Certificate of Adjudication No. 23-2714 Texas Water Code § 11.122, Not Requiring Notice North Branch of Manadas Creek, Rio Grande Basin Webb County

Dear Mr. Benson:

This acknowledges receipt, on April 12, 2023, of the referenced application and fees in the amount of \$112.49 (Receipt No. M315498, copy attached).

Before the application can be declared administratively complete, provide written evidence that you are authorized to sign the application for Palm Lake Amenities, LLC, pursuant to Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 295.14(5), which states:

If the applicant is a corporation, public district, county, municipality or other corporate entity, the application shall be signed by a duly authorized official. Written evidence in the form of by-laws, charters, or resolutions which specify the authority of the official to take such action shall be submitted. A corporation may file a corporate affidavit as evidence of the official's authority to sign.

Please provide the requested information by June 14, 2023, or the application may be returned pursuant to Title 30 TAC § 281.18.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me via email at hal.bailey@tceq.texas.gov or by telephone at (512) 239-4615.

Sincerely,

Hal C. Bailey,

Hal E. Bailey, Jr., Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section

Attachment

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		Fee Code	Ref#1	Check Number	CC Type			
		Account#	Ref#2	Card Auth.	Tran Code	Slip Key		
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745 E Mulberry Ave, Suite 550 | San Antonio, Texas 78212

April 6, 2023

Via USPS Texas Commission on Environmental Quality PO Box 13087, MC-160 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Re: Palm Lake Amenities, LLC Application

To whom it may concern:

Please find the following documents enclosed to successfully process the requested application.

- 1. TCEQ Water Rights Permitting Application
- 2. Technical Information Report
- 3. Check #3013 in the amount of \$112.50
- 4. Attachment 1 Email from Mr. Chuck Hedges
- 5. Attachment 2 Letter to TCEQ Dated 03.22.23
- 6. Attachment 3 Worksheet 1.2 Marshall Criteria
- 7. Attachment 4 Map 1
- 8. Attachment 5 Map 2
- 9. Attachment 6 Map 3

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at

or 210-610-5335. Thank you for your assistance in this

matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Medina

Paralegal to Attorney Buck Benson



## TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### TCEQ WATER RIGHTS PERMITTING APPLICATION

### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION CHECKLIST

Complete and submit this checklist for each application. See Instructions Page 5.

#### APPLICANT(S): Palm Lake Amenities, LLC

Indicate whether the following items are included in your application by writing either Y (for yes) or N (for no) next to each item (all items are <u>not</u> required for every application).

Y/N		Y/N
Y	_Administrative Information Report	Worksheet 3.0
N	_Additional Co-Applicant Information	NAdditional W.S. 3.0 for each Point
N	_Additional Co-Applicant Signature Pages	NRecorded Deeds for Diversion Points
Y	_Written Evidence of Signature Authority	NConsent for Diversion Access
<u>N</u>	_Technical Information Report	Worksheet 4.0
Y	_USGS Map (or equivalent)	NTPDES Permit(s)
<u>Y</u>	_Map Showing Project Details	NWWTP Discharge Data
N	_Original Photographs	NGroundwater Well Permit
N	_Water Availability Analysis	N Signed Water Supply ConRECEVED
Y	_Worksheet 1.0	<u>N</u> Worksheet 4.1 APR 1 2 2023
N	Recorded Deeds for Irrigated Land	Water Availability Division
N	Consent for Irrigated Land	Addendum to Worksheet 5.0
N	_Worksheet 1.1	Worksheet 6.0
N	_Addendum to Worksheet 1.1	NWater Conservation Plan(s)
<u>Y</u>	_Worksheet 1.2	NDrought Contingency Plan(s)
N	_Worksheet 2.0	NDocumentation of Adoption
N	_Additional W.S. 2.0 for Each Reservoir	MWorksheet 7.0
N	_Dam Safety Documents	NAccounting Plan
N	_Notice(s) to Governing Bodies	NWorksheet 8.0
N	_Recorded Deeds for Inundated Land	YFees
N	_Consent for Inundated Land	NPublic Involvement Plan

## ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION REPORT

The following information is required for all new applications and amendments.

\*\*\* Applicants are REQUIRED to schedule a pre-application meeting with TCEQ Staff to discuss Applicant's needs prior to submitting an application. Call the Water Rights Permitting Team to schedule a meeting at (512) 239-4600.

### 1. TYPE OF APPLICATION (Instructions, Page. 6)

Indicate, by marking X, next to the following authorizations you are seeking.

\_\_\_\_New Appropriation of State Water

X\_\_\_\_Amendment to a Water Right \*

\_\_\_\_Bed and Banks

\*If you are seeking an amendment to an existing water rights authorization, you must be the owner of record of the authorization. If the name of the Applicant in Section 2 does not match the name of the current owner(s) of record for the permit or certificate or if any of the co-owners is not included as an applicant in this amendment request, your application could be returned. If you or a co-applicant are a new owner, but ownership is not reflected in the records of the TCEQ, submit a change of ownership request (Form TCEQ-10204) prior to submitting the application for an amendment. See Instructions page. 6. Please note that an amendment application may be returned, and the Applicant may resubmit once the change of ownership is complete.

Please summarize the authorizations or amendments you are seeking in the space below or attach a narrative description entitled "Summary of Request."

Applicant is seeking to add an recreation in place as another authorized purpose of use for the impoundment.

Applicant would like to add coordinates of centerline of dam of Latitude 27.593222°N and Longitude 99.500752°.



#### APPLICANT INFORMATION (Instructions, Page. 6) 2.

#### a. Applicant

Indicate the number of Applicants/Co-Applicants 1 (Include a copy of this section for each Co-Applicant, if any)

What is the Full Legal Name of the individual or entity (applicant) applying for this permit?

Palm Lake Amenities, LLC

(If the Applicant is an entity, the legal name must be spelled exactly as filed with the Texas Secretary of State, County, or in the legal documents forming the entity.)

If the applicant is currently a customer with the TCEQ, what is the Customer Number (CN)? You may search for your CN on the TCEQ website at http://www15.tceq.texas.gov/crpub/index.cfm?fuseaction=cust.CustSearch

CN: 606097046 \_( leave blank if you do not yet have a CN).

What is the name and title of the person or persons signing the application? Unless an application is signed by an individual applicant, the person or persons must submit written evidence that they meet the signatory requirements in 30 TAC § 295.14.

First/Last Name: Devin"Buck"Benson

Title: authorized representative

Have you provided written evidence meeting the signatory requirements in 30 TAC § 295.14, as an attachment to this application? Y/N Y

What is the applicant's mailing address as recognized by the US Postal Service (USPS)? You may verify the address on the USPS website at https://tools.usps.com/go/ZipLookupAction!input.action.

Name:Palm Lake Ameneties, LLC Mailing Address: 9901 McPherson Road, Suite 201 State: TX ZIP Code: 78045 City: Laredo

Indicate an X next to the type of Applicant:

Individual

Partnership

Trust

Estate

County Government

Federal Government State Government

X Corporation

\_City Government

Other Government

\_Sole Proprietorship-D.B.A.

Other

For Corporations or Limited Partnerships, provide: SOS Charter (filing) Number: State Franchise Tax ID Number:

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## 3. APPLICATION CONTACT INFORMATION (Instructions, Page. 9)

If the TCEQ needs additional information during the review of the application, who should be contacted? Applicant may submit their own contact information if Applicant wishes to be the point of contact.

First and Last Name:Buck: Benson	2	
Title:		
Organization Name:Barton Benson Jones PLLC		
Mailing Address: 2000 Broadway		
City: San Antonio		
Phone Number: (210) 640-9146		
Fax Number: (210) 600-9796		RECEIVED
E-mail Address.		APR 1 2 2023
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### 4. WATER RIGHT CONSOLIDATED CONTACT INFORMATION (Instructions, Page. 9)

This section applies only if there are multiple Owners of the same authorization. Unless otherwise requested, Co-Owners will each receive future correspondence from the Commission regarding this water right (after a permit has been issued), such as notices and water use reports. Multiple copies will be sent to the same address if Co-Owners share the same address. Complete this section if there will be multiple owners and **all** owners agree to let one owner receive correspondence from the Commission. Leave this section blank if you would like all future notices to be sent to the address of each of the applicants listed in section 2 above.

I/We authorize all future notices be received on my/our behalf at the following:

First and Last Name:	
Title:	
Organization Name:	
Mailing Address:	
City: <u>N/A</u>	State: <u>N/A</u> ZIP Code: <u>N/A</u>
Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
E-mail Address:	

#### 5. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION (Instructions, Page. 9)

- a. The application will not be processed unless all delinquent fees and/or penalties owed to the TCEQ or the Office of the Attorney General on behalf of the TCEQ are paid in accordance with the Delinquent Fee and Penalty Protocol by all applicants/co-applicants. If you need assistance determining whether you owe delinquent penalties or fees, please call the Water Rights Permitting Team at (512) 239-4600, prior to submitting your application.
  - 1. Does Applicant or Co-Applicant owe any fees to the TCEQ? Yes / No NO

If yes,	provide	the	following	information:
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Account number: <u>N/A</u> Amount past due: <u>N/A</u>

2. Does Applicant or Co-Applicant owe any penalties to the TCEQ? Yes / No NO

If **yes**, please provide the following information:

Enforcement order number: <u>N/A</u> Amount past due: <u>N/A</u>

b. If the Applicant is a taxable entity (corporation or limited partnership), the Applicant must be in good standing with the Comptroller or the right of the entity to transact business in the State may be forfeited. See Texas Tax Code, Subchapter F. Applicant's may check their status with the Comptroller at <a href="https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/coa/">https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/coa/</a>

Is the Applicant or Co-Applicant in good standing with the Comptroller? Yes / No Yes

c. The commission will not grant an application for a water right unless the applicant has submitted all Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) surveys of groundwater and surface water use – if required. See TWC §16.012(m) and 30 TAC § 297.41(a)(5). Applicants should check survey status on the TWDB website prior to filing: https://www3.twdb.texas.gov/apps/reports/WU/SurveyStatus\_PriorThreeYears

Applicant has submitted all required TWDB surveys of groundwater and surface water? Yes / No  $\underline{NO}$ 

Applicant has not received surveys before.

### 6. SIGNATURE PAGE (Instructions, Page. 11)

Applicant:

I, Devin "Buck" Benson	authorized representative
(Typed or printed name)	(Title)

certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

I further certify that I am authorized under Title 30 Texas Administrative Code §295.14 to sign and submit this document and I have submitted written evidence of my signature authority.

Signature:	Date: <u> </u>
(Use blue ink)	RECEIVED
	APR 12 2023
Subscribed and Sworn to before me by th	e said Water Availability Division
	April , 20 23
My commission expires on the $/2m$	day of August, 20 25.
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Notary Public	ALYSSA MEDINA Notary ID #133266589 My Commission Expires August 12, 2025
Bexar	
County, Texas	

*If the Application includes Co-Applicants, each Applicant and Co-Applicant must submit an original, separate signature page* 

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION REPORT WATER RIGHTS PERMITTING

APR 1 2 2023 Water Availability Division

This Report is required for applications for new or amended water rights. Based on the Applicant's responses below, Applicants are directed to submit additional Worksheets (provided herein). A completed Administrative Information Report is also required for each application.

Applicants are REQUIRED to schedule a pre-application meeting with TCEQ Permitting Staff to discuss Applicant's needs and to confirm information necessary for an application prior to submitting such application. Please contact the Water Availability Division at (512) 239-4600 or <u>WRPT@tceq.texas.gov</u> to schedule a meeting.

Date of pre-application meeting: 3/22/23

#### 1. New or Additional Appropriations of State Water. Texas Water Code (TWC) § 11.121 (Instructions, Page. 12)

**State Water is:** The water of the ordinary flow, underflow, and tides of every flowing river, natural stream, and lake, and of every bay or arm of the Gulf of Mexico, and the storm water, floodwater, and rainwater of every river, natural stream, canyon, ravine, depression, and watershed in the state. TWC § 11.021.

- a. Applicant requests a new appropriation (diversion or impoundment) of State Water? Y / N\_N\_

If Applicant answered yes to (a) or (b) above, does Applicant also wish to be considered for a term permit pursuant to TWC § 11.1381? Y / N\_\_\_\_

c. Applicant requests to extend an existing Term authorization or to make the right permanent?  $Y / N_{N}$  (If yes, indicate the Term Certificate or Permit number: <u>n/a</u>)

If Applicant answered yes to (a), (b) or (c), the following worksheets and documents are required:

- Worksheet 1.0 Quantity, Purpose, and Place of Use Information Worksheet
- Worksheet 2.0 Impoundment/Dam Information Worksheet (submit one worksheet for each impoundment or reservoir requested in the application)
- Worksheet 3.0 Diversion Point Information Worksheet (submit one worksheet for each diversion point and/or one worksheet for the upstream limit and one worksheet for the downstream limit of each diversion reach requested in the application)
- Worksheet 5.0 Environmental Information Worksheet
- Worksheet 6.0 Water Conservation Information Worksheet
- Worksheet 7.0 Accounting Plan Information Worksheet
- Worksheet 8.0 Calculation of Fees
- Fees calculated on Worksheet 8.0 see instructions Page. 34.
- Maps See instructions Page. 15.
- Photographs See instructions Page. 30.

Additionally, if Applicant wishes to submit an alternate source of water for the project/authorization, see Section 3, Page 3 for Bed and Banks Authorizations (Alternate sources may include groundwater, imported water, contract water or other sources).

#### Additional Documents and Worksheets may be required (see within).

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### 2. Amendments to Water Rights. TWC § 11.122 (Instructions, Page. 12)

This section should be completed if Applicant owns an existing water right and Applicant requests to amend the water right. *If Applicant is not currently the Owner of Record in the TCEQ Records, Applicant must submit a Change of Ownership Application (TCEQ-10204) prior to submitting the amendment Application or provide consent from the current owner to make the requested amendment. If the application does not contain consent from the current owner to make the requested amendment, TCEQ will not begin processing the amendment application until the Change of Ownership has been completed and will consider the Received Date for the application to be the date the Change of Ownership is completed. See instructions page. 6.* 

Water Right (Certificate or Permit) number you are requesting to amend: 23-2714

Applicant requests to sever and combine existing water rights from one or more Permits or Certificates into another Permit or Certificate?  $Y / N_{\underline{N}}$  (if yes, complete chart below):

List of water rights to sever	RECENCENCE into this ONE water right	
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a. Applicant requests an amendment to an existing water right to increase the amount of the appropriation of State Water (diversion and/or impoundment)? Y / N $\_$ 

If yes, application is a new appropriation for the increased amount, complete **Section 1 of this Report (PAGE. 1) regarding New or Additional Appropriations of State Water**.

b. Applicant requests to amend existing Term authorization to extend the term or make the water right permanent (remove conditions restricting water right to a term of years)?  $Y / N_{-}$ 

*If yes, application is a new appropriation for the entire amount, complete Section 1 of this Report (PAGE. 1) regarding New or Additional Appropriations of State Water.* 

- c. Applicant requests an amendment to change the purpose or place of use or to add an additional purpose or place of use to an existing Permit or Certificate? Y / N\_Y\_\_\_\_\_ *If yes, submit:* 
  - Worksheet 1.0 Quantity, Purpose, and Place of Use Information Worksheet
  - Worksheet 1.2 Notice: "Marshall Criteria"

d. Applicant requests to change: diversion point(s); or reach(es); or diversion rate? Y / N\_N\_ If yes, submit:

- Worksheet 3.0 Diversion Point Information Worksheet (submit one worksheet for each diversion point or one worksheet for the upstream limit and one worksheet for the downstream limit of each diversion reach)
- Worksheet 5.0 Environmental Information (Required for <u>any</u> new diversion points that are not already authorized in a water right)
- e. Applicant requests amendment to add or modify an impoundment, reservoir, or dam? Y / N\_N\_

*If yes, submit:* **Worksheet 2.0 - Impoundment/Dam Information Worksheet** (submit one worksheet for each impoundment or reservoir)

f. Other - Applicant requests to change any provision of an authorization not mentioned above? Y / N\_N\_\_\_\_\_If yes, call the Water Availability Division at (512) 239-4600 to discuss.

Additionally, all amendments require:

- Worksheet 8.0 Calculation of Fees; and Fees calculated see instructions Page. 34
- Maps See instructions Page. 15.
- Additional Documents and Worksheets may be required (see within).

### 3. Bed and Banks. TWC § 11.042 (Instructions, Page 13)

a. Pursuant to contract, Applicant requests authorization to convey, stored or conserved water to the place of use or diversion point of purchaser(s) using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(a). Y/N\_N\_\_\_\_

If yes, submit a signed copy of the Water Supply Contract pursuant to 30 TAC §§ 295.101 and 297.101. Further, if the underlying Permit or Authorization upon which the Contract is based does not authorize Purchaser's requested Quantity, Purpose or Place of Use, or Purchaser's diversion point(s), then either:

- 1. Purchaser must submit the worksheets required under Section 1 above with the Contract *Water identified as an alternate source; or*
- 2. Seller must amend its underlying water right under Section 2.
- b. Applicant requests to convey water imported into the state from a source located wholly outside the state using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(a-1). Y / N\_

If yes, submit worksheets 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 7.0, 8.0, Maps and fees from the list below.

c. Applicant requests to convey Applicant's own return flows derived from privately owned groundwater using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(b). Y / N\_

If yes, submit worksheets 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 7.0, 8.0, Maps, and fees from the list below.

d. Applicant requests to convey Applicant's own return flows derived from surface water using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(c). Y / N\_N

If yes, submit worksheets 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, Maps, and fees from the list below.

\*Please note, if Applicant requests the reuse of return flows belonging to others, the Applicant will need to submit the worksheets and documents under Section 1 above, as the application will be treated as a new appropriation subject to termination upon direct or indirect reuse by the return flow discharger/owner.

e. Applicant requests to convey water from any other source, other than (a)-(d) above, using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(c). Y / N\_ $\sim$ 

If yes, submit worksheets 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 7.0, 8.0, Maps, and fees from the list below.

Worksheets and information:

- Worksheet 1.0 Quantity, Purpose, and Place of Use Information Worksheet
- Worksheet 2.0 Impoundment/Dam Information Worksheet (submit one worksheet for each impoundment or reservoir owned by the applicant through which water will be conveyed or diverted)
- Worksheet 3.0 Diversion Point Information Worksheet (submit one worksheet for the downstream limit of each diversion reach for the proposed conveyances)

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- Worksheet 4.0 Discharge Information Worksheet (for each discharge point)
- Worksheet 5.0 Environmental Information Worksheet
- Worksheet 6.0 Water Conservation Information Worksheet
- Worksheet 7.0 Accounting Plan Information Worksheet
- Worksheet 8.0 Calculation of Fees; and Fees calculated see instructions Page. 34
- Maps See instructions Page. 15.
- Additional Documents and Worksheets may be required (see within).
- 4. General Information, Response Required for all Water Right Applications (Instructions, Page 15)
- a. Provide information describing how this application addresses a water supply need in a manner that is consistent with the state water plan or the applicable approved regional water plan for any area in which the proposed appropriation is located or, in the alternative, describe conditions that warrant a waiver of this requirement (*not required for applications to use groundwater-based return flows*). Include citations or page numbers for the State and Regional Water Plans, if applicable. Provide the information in the space below or submit a supplemental sheet entitled "Addendum Regarding the State and Regional Water Plans":

Applicant Palm Lake Amenities, LLC is located within Region M Planning Group. The state regional plans generally do not address every possible change in individual rights. The application is consistent with the 2021 Region M Water Plan and 2022 Water Plan because there isn't anything in the plans that conflict with this application.



b. Did the Applicant perform its own Water Availability Analysis? Y / N  $\_$  N

If the Applicant performed its own Water Availability Analysis, provide electronic copies of any modeling files and reports.

c. Does the application include required Maps? (Instructions Page. 15) Y / N\_\_\_\_

## WORKSHEET 1.0 Quantity, Purpose and Place of Use

#### 1. New Authorizations (Instructions, Page. 16)

Submit the following information regarding quantity, purpose and place of use for requests for new or additional appropriations of State Water or Bed and Banks authorizations:

Quantity (acre- feet) (Include losses for Bed and Banks)	State Water Source (River Basin) or Alternate Source *each alternate source (and new appropriation based on return flows of others) also requires completion of Worksheet 4.0	Purpose(s) of Use	Place(s) of Use *requests to move state water out of basin also require completion of Worksheet 1.1 Interbasin Transfer
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

<u>N/A</u> Total amount of water (in acre-feet) to be used annually (*include losses for Bed and Banks applications*)

If the Purpose of Use is Agricultural/Irrigation for any amount of water, provide:

a. Location Information Regarding the Lands to be Irrigated

i) Applicant proposes to irrigate a total of N/A \_\_\_\_\_acres in any one year. This acreage is all of or part of a larger tract(s) which is described in a supplement attached to this application and contains a total of N/A \_\_\_\_\_acres in N/A \_\_\_\_\_County, TX.

ii) Location of land to be irrigated: In the N/A Original Survey No. \_\_\_\_\_\_Original Survey No. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Original Survey No. \_\_\_\_\_\_Original Surv

A copy of the deed(s) or other acceptable instrument describing the overall tract(s) with the recording information from the county records must be submitted. Applicant's name must match deeds.

If the Applicant is not currently the sole owner of the lands to be irrigated, Applicant must submit documentation evidencing consent or other documentation supporting Applicant's right to use the land described.

*Water Rights for Irrigation may be appurtenant to the land irrigated and convey with the land unless reserved in the conveyance. 30 TAC § 297.81.* 

### 2. Amendments - Purpose or Place of Use (Instructions, Page. 12)

a. Complete this section for each requested amendment changing, adding, or removing Purpose(s) or Place(s) of Use, complete the following:

Quantity (acre- feet)	Existing Purpose(s) of Use	Proposed Purpose(s) of Use*	Existing Place(s) of Use	Proposed Place(s) of Use**
600	Irrigation	Irrigation Recreation in place	Impoundment identified in 23-2714	Impoundment identified in 23-2714
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\*If the request is to add additional purpose(s) of use, include the existing and new purposes of use under "Proposed Purpose(s) of Use."

\*\*If the request is to add additional place(s) of use, include the existing and new places of use under "Proposed Place(s) of Use."

Changes to the purpose of use in the Rio Grande Basin may require conversion. 30 TAC § 303.43.

- b. For any request which adds Agricultural purpose of use or changes the place of use for Agricultural rights, provide the following location information regarding the lands to be irrigated:
  - i. Applicant proposes to irrigate a total of <u>N/A</u> acres in any one year. This acreage is all of or part of a larger tract(s) which is described in a supplement attached to this application and contains a total of <u>N/A</u> acres in <u>N/A</u> acres in <u>N/A</u>
  - ii. Location of land to be irrigated: In the NA Original Survey No.

A copy of the deed(s) describing the overall tract(s) with the recording information from the county records must be submitted. Applicant's name must match deeds. If the Applicant is not currently the sole owner of the lands to be irrigated, Applicant must submit documentation evidencing consent or other legal right for Applicant to use the land described.

Water Rights for Irrigation may be appurtenant to the land irrigated and convey with the land unless reserved in the conveyance. 30 TAC § 297.81.

- c. Submit Worksheet 1.1, Interbasin Transfers, for any request to change the place of use which moves State Water to another river basin.
- d. See Worksheet 1.2, Marshall Criteria, and submit if required.
- e. See Worksheet 6.0, Water Conservation/Drought Contingency, and submit if required.

### WORKSHEET 1.1 INTERBASIN TRANSFERS, TWC § 11.085

Submit this worksheet for an application for a new or amended water right which requests to transfer State Water from its river basin of origin to use in a different river basin. A river basin is defined and designated by the Texas Water Development Board by rule pursuant to TWC § 16.051.

Applicant requests to transfer State Water to another river basin within the State? Y / N $\underline{N/A}$ 

#### 1. Interbasin Transfer Request (Instructions, Page. 20)

b. Provide the quantity of water to be transferred (acre-feet). N/A

c. Provide the Basin(s) and count(y/ies) where use will occur in the space below:

N/A

### 2. Exemptions (Instructions, Page. 20), TWC § 11.085(v)

Certain interbasin transfers are exempt from further requirements. Answer the following:

- a. The proposed transfer, which in combination with any existing transfers, totals less than 3,000 acre-feet of water per annum from the same water right. Y/N\_
- b. The proposed transfer is from a basin to an adjoining coastal basin? Y/N\_\_\_\_
- c. The proposed transfer from the part of the geographic area of a county or municipality, or the part of the retail service area of a retail public utility as defined by Section 13.002, that is within the basin of origin for use in that part of the geographic area of the county or municipality, or that contiguous part of the retail service area of the utility, not within the basin of origin? Y/N\_\_
- d. The proposed transfer is for water that is imported from a source located wholly outside the boundaries of Texas, except water that is imported from a source located in the United Mexican States? Y/N\_\_

### 3. Interbasin Transfer Requirements (Instructions, Page. 20)

For each Interbasin Transfer request that is not exempt under any of the exemptions listed above Section 2, provide the following information in a supplemental attachment titled "Addendum to Worksheet 1.1, Interbasin Transfer":

- a. the contract price of the water to be transferred (if applicable) (also include a copy of the contract or adopted rate for contract water);
- b. a statement of each general category of proposed use of the water to be transferred and a detailed description of the proposed uses and users under each category;
- c. the cost of diverting, conveying, distributing, and supplying the water to, and treating the water for, the proposed users (example expert plans and/or reports documents may be provided to show the cost);

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- d. describe the need for the water in the basin of origin and in the proposed receiving basin based on the period for which the water supply is requested, but not to exceed 50 years (the need can be identified in the most recently approved regional water plans. The state and regional water plans are available for download at this website: (http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/swp/index.asp);
- e. address the factors identified in the applicable most recently approved regional water plans which address the following:
  - (i) the availability of feasible and practicable alternative supplies in the receiving basin to the water proposed for transfer;
  - (ii) the amount and purposes of use in the receiving basin for which water is needed;
  - (iii) proposed methods and efforts by the receiving basin to avoid waste and implement water conservation and drought contingency measures;
  - (iv) proposed methods and efforts by the receiving basin to put the water proposed for transfer to beneficial use;
  - (v) the projected economic impact that is reasonably expected to occur in each basin as a result of the transfer; and
  - (vi) the projected impacts of the proposed transfer that are reasonably expected to occur on existing water rights, instream uses, water quality, aquatic and riparian habitat, and bays and estuaries that must be assessed under Sections 11.147, 11.150, and 11.152 in each basin *(if applicable)*. If the water sought to be transferred is currently authorized to be used under an existing permit, certified filing, or certificate of adjudication, such impacts shall only be considered in relation to that portion of the permit, certified filing, or certificate of adjudication proposed for transfer and shall be based on historical uses of the permit, certified filing, or certificate of adjudication for which amendment is sought;
- f. proposed mitigation or compensation, if any, to the basin of origin by the applicant; and
- g. the continued need to use the water for the purposes authorized under the existing Permit, Certified Filing, or Certificate of Adjudication, if an amendment to an existing water right is sought.

### WORKSHEET 1.2 NOTICE. "THE MARSHALL CRITERIA"

This worksheet assists the Commission in determining notice required for certain **amendments** that do not already have a specific notice requirement in a rule for that type of amendment, and *that do not change the amount of water to be taken or the diversion rate.* The worksheet provides information that Applicant **is required** to submit for amendments such as certain amendments to special conditions or changes to off-channel storage. These criteria address whether the proposed amendment will impact other water right holders or the on- stream environment beyond and irrespective of the fact that the water right can be used to its full authorized amount.

*This worksheet is* **not required for Applications in the Rio Grande Basin** requesting changes in the purpose of use, rate of diversion, point of diversion, and place of use for water rights held in and transferred within and between the mainstems of the Lower Rio Grande, Middle Rio Grande, and Amistad Reservoir. See 30 TAC § 303.42.

This worksheet is **not required for amendments which are only changing or adding diversion points, or request only a bed and banks authorization or an IBT authorization**. However, Applicants may wish to submit the Marshall Criteria to ensure that the administrative record includes information supporting each of these criteria

#### 1. The "Marshall Criteria" (Instructions, Page. 21)

Submit responses on a supplemental attachment titled "Marshall Criteria" in a manner that conforms to the paragraphs (a) – (g) below:

- a. <u>Administrative Requirements and Fees.</u> Confirm whether application meets the administrative requirements for an amendment to a water use permit pursuant to TWC Chapter 11 and Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapters 281, 295, and 297. An amendment application should include, but is not limited to, a sworn application, maps, completed conservation plan, fees, etc.
- b. <u>Beneficial Use</u>. Discuss how proposed amendment is a beneficial use of the water as defined in TWC § 11.002 and listed in TWC § 11.023. Identify the specific proposed use of the water (e.g., road construction, hydrostatic testing, etc.) for which the amendment is requested.
- c. <u>Public Welfare</u>. Explain how proposed amendment is not detrimental to the public welfare. Consider any public welfare matters that might be relevant to a decision on the application. Examples could include concerns related to the well-being of humans and the environment.
- d. <u>Groundwater Effects.</u> Discuss effects of proposed amendment on groundwater or groundwater recharge.

e. <u>State Water Plan.</u> Describe how proposed amendment addresses a water supply need in a manner that is consistent with the state water plan or the applicable approved regional water plan for any area in which the proposed appropriation is located or, in the alternative, describe conditions that warrant a waiver of this requirement. The state and regional water plans are available for download at:\_

http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/swp/index.asp.

- f. <u>Waste Avoidance</u>. Provide evidence that reasonable diligence will be used to avoid waste and achieve water conservation as defined in TWC § 11.002. Examples of evidence could include, but are not limited to, a water conservation plan or, if required, a drought contingency plan, meeting the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 288.
- g. <u>Impacts on Water Rights or On-stream Environment.</u> Explain how the proposed amendment will not impact other water right holders or the on-stream environment beyond and irrespective of the fact that the water right can be used to its full authorized amount.

### WORKSHEET 2.0 Impoundment/Dam Information

This worksheet **is required** for any impoundment, reservoir and/or dam. Submit an additional Worksheet 2.0 for each impoundment or reservoir requested in this application.

If there is more than one structure, the numbering/naming of structures should be consistent throughout the application and on any supplemental documents (e.g., maps).

#### 1. Storage Information (Instructions, Page. 21)

- a. Official USGS name of reservoir, if applicable: <u>N/A</u>
- b. Provide amount of water (in acre-feet) impounded by structure at normal maximum operating level: N/A\_\_\_\_\_\_.
- c. The impoundment is on-channel<u>N/A</u> or off-channel\_(mark one)
  - i. Applicant has verified on-channel or off-channel determination by contacting Surface Water Availability Team at (512) 239-4600? Y / N\_NA\_\_\_
  - ii. If on-channel, will the structure have the ability to pass all State Water inflows that Applicant does not have authorization to impound? Y /  $N_{-}$
- d. Is the impoundment structure already constructed? Y /  $N_{N/A}$ 
  - i. For already constructed **on-channel** structures:

    - 2. Was it constructed to be an exempt structure under TWC § 11.142? Y / N<sub>N/A</sub> a. If Yes, is Applicant requesting to proceed under TWC § 11.143? Y / N<sub>N/A</sub>
      - b. If No, has the structure been issued a notice of violation by TCEQ? Y / N  $_{\rm N/A}$
    - 3. Is it a U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) (formerly Soil Conservation Service (SCS)) floodwater-retarding structure? Y / N N/A
      a. If yes, provide the Site No.\_\_\_\_\_and watershed project name\_\_\_\_;
      b. Authorization to close "ports" in the service spillway requested? Y / N N/A
  - ii. For **any** proposed new structures or modifications to structures:
    - 1. Applicant **must** contact TCEQ Dam Safety Section at (512) 239-0326, *prior to submitting an Application*. Applicant has contacted the TCEQ Dam Safety Section regarding the submission requirements of 30 TAC, Ch. 299? Y / N<sup>N/A</sup> Provide the date and the name of the Staff Person\_\_\_\_\_
    - 2. As a result of Applicant's consultation with the TCEQ Dam Safety Section, TCEQ has confirmed that:
      - a. No additional dam safety documents required with the Application. Y /  $N_{N/A}$
      - b. Plans (with engineer's seal) for the structure required. Y /  $N_{N/A}$
      - c. Engineer's signed and sealed hazard classification required.  $Y / N_{N/A}$
      - d. Engineer's statement that structure complies with 30 TAC, Ch. 299 Rules required. Y /  $N_{\rm e}^{\rm N/A}$

- 3. Applicants **shall** give notice by certified mail to each member of the governing body of each county and municipality in which the reservoir, or any part of the reservoir to be constructed, will be located. (30 TAC § 295.42). Applicant must submit a copy of all the notices and certified mailing cards with this Application. Notices and cards are included?  $Y / N^{N/A}$
- Additional information required for **on-channel** storage: iii.
  - 1. Surface area (in acres) of on-channel reservoir at normal maximum operating level: N/A
  - 2. Based on the Application information provided, Staff will calculate the drainage area above the on-channel dam or reservoir. If Applicant wishes to also calculate the drainage area they may do so at their option. Applicant has calculated the drainage area. Y/N\_N/A If yes, the drainage area is N/A \_\_\_\_\_sq. miles. (If assistance is needed, call the Surface Water Availability Team prior to submitting the application, (512) 239-4600).

#### Structure Location (Instructions, Page. 23) 2.

a. On Watercourse (if on-channel) (USGS name): N/A

b. Zip Code:

c. In the N/A

Original Survey No.N/A Abstract No.N/A

County, Texas.

\* A copy of the deed(s) with the recording information from the county records must be submitted describing the tract(s) that include the structure and all lands to be inundated.

\*\*If the Applicant is not currently the sole owner of the land on which the structure is or will be built and sole owner of all lands to be inundated, Applicant must submit documentation evidencing consent or other documentation supporting Applicant's right to use the land described.

d. A point on the centerline of the dam (on-channel) or anywhere within the impoundment (offchannel) is:

Latitude\_N/A N, Longitude\_N/A °W.

\*Provide Latitude and Lonaitude coordinates in decimal dearees to at least six decimal places

- i. Indicate the method used to calculate the location (examples: Handheld GPS Device, GIS, Mapping Program): N/A
- Map submitted which clearly identifies the Impoundment, dam (where applicable), ii. and the lands to be inundated. See instructions Page. 15.  $\dot{Y} / N^{N/A}$

### WORKSHEET 3.0 DIVERSION POINT (OR DIVERSION REACH) INFORMATION

This worksheet **is required** for each diversion point or diversion reach. Submit one Worksheet 3.0 for **each** diversion point and two Worksheets for **each** diversion reach (one for the upstream limit and one for the downstream limit of each diversion reach).

The numbering of any points or reach limits should be consistent throughout the application and on supplemental documents (e.g., maps).

1.	Diversion	Information	(Instructions,	Page. 24)
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a. This Worksheet is to add new (select 1 of 3 below):

- 1. \_\_\_\_Diversion Point No.
- 2. \_\_\_\_Upstream Limit of Diversion Reach No.
- 3. \_\_\_\_Downstream Limit of Diversion Reach No.
- b. Maximum Rate of Diversion for **this new point**<u>N/A</u> cfs (cubic feet per second) or <u>N/A</u> gpm (gallons per minute)
- c. Does this point share a diversion rate with other points? Y / N\_\_\_\_\_\_ If yes, submit Maximum **Combined** Rate of Diversion for all points/reaches\_N/A\_\_\_\_\_\_cfs or\_N/A\_\_\_\_\_gpm
- d. For amendments, is Applicant seeking to increase combined diversion rate? Y / N\_\_\_\_\_

\*\* An increase in diversion rate is considered a new appropriation and would require completion of Section 1, New or Additional Appropriation of State Water.

e. Check ( $\sqrt{}$ ) the appropriate box to indicate diversion location and indicate whether the diversion location is existing or proposed):

Check one		Write: Existing or Proposed
	Directly from stream	
	From an on-channel reservoir	
	From a stream to an on-channel reservoir	
	Other method (explain fully, use additional sheets if necessary)	

f. Based on the Application information provided, Staff will calculate the drainage area above the diversion point (or reach limit). If Applicant wishes to also calculate the drainage area, you may do so at their option.

Applicant has calculated the drainage area.  $Y / N_N/A$ 

If yes, the drainage area is <u>N/A</u> sq. miles. (*If assistance is needed, call the Surface Water Availability Team at (512) 239-4600, prior to submitting application*)

#### 2. Diversion Location (Instructions, Page 25)

a. On watercourse (USGS name): <u>N/A</u>

b. Zip Code: <u>N</u>/A

c. Location of point: In the N/A Original Survey No. N/A, Abstract County, Texas.

A copy of the deed(s) with the recording information from the county records must be submitted describing tract(s) that include the diversion structure.

For diversion reaches, the Commission cannot grant an Applicant access to property that the Applicant does not own or have consent or a legal right to access, the Applicant will be required to provide deeds, or consent, or other documents supporting a legal right to use the specific points when specific diversion points within the reach are utilized. Other documents may include, but are not limited to a recorded easement, a land lease, a contract, or a citation to the Applicant's right to exercise eminent domain to acquire access.

- d. Point is at: Latitude N/A °N, Longitude N/A °W. Provide Latitude and Longitude coordinates in decimal degrees to at least six decimal places
- e. Indicate the method used to calculate the location (examples: Handheld GPS Device, GIS, Mapping Program): N/A
- f. Map submitted must clearly identify each diversion point and/or reach. See instructions Page. 15.
- g. If the Plan of Diversion is complicated and not readily discernable from looking at the map, attach additional sheets that fully explain the plan of diversion.

### WORKSHEET 4.0 DISCHARGE INFORMATION

This worksheet required for any requested authorization to discharge water into a State Watercourse for conveyance and later withdrawal or in-place use. Worksheet 4.1 is also required for each Discharge point location requested. **Instructions Page. 26**. *Applicant is responsible for obtaining any separate water quality authorizations which may be required and for insuring compliance with TWC, Chapter 26 or any other applicable law.* 

- a. The purpose of use for the water being discharged will be N/A
- b. Provide the amount of water that will be lost to transportation, evaporation, seepage, channel or other associated carriage losses N/A (% or amount) and explain the method of calculation: N/A
- c. Is the source of the discharged water return flows? Y / N\_N/A \_\_\_\_If yes, provide the following information:
  - 1. The TPDES Permit Number(s). <u>N/A</u> (attach a copy of the **current** TPDES permit(s))
  - 2. Applicant is the owner/holder of each TPDES permit listed above? Y / N\_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE NOTE: If Applicant is not the discharger of the return flows, or the Applicant is not the water right owner of the underlying surface water right, or the Applicant does not have a contract with the discharger, the application should be submitted under Section 1, New or Additional Appropriation of State Water, as a request for a new appropriation of state water. If Applicant is the discharger, the surface water right holder, or the contract holder, then the application should be submitted under Section 3, Bed and Banks.

- 3. Monthly WWTP discharge data for the past 5 years in electronic format. (Attach and label as "Supplement to Worksheet 4.0").
- 4. The percentage of return flows from groundwater <u>N/A</u>, surface water <u>N/A</u>?
- 5. If any percentage is surface water, provide the base water right number(s) N/A
- d. Is the source of the water being discharged groundwater? Y / N\_\_\_\_ If yes, provide the following information:
  - 1. Source aquifer(s) from which water will be pumped: N/A
  - 2. If the well has not been constructed, provide production information for wells in the same aquifer in the area of the application. See <a href="http://www.twdb.texas.gov/groundwater/data/gwdbrpt.asp">http://www.twdb.texas.gov/groundwater/data/gwdbrpt.asp</a>. Additionally, provide well numbers or identifiers\_N/A
  - 3. Indicate how the groundwater will be conveyed to the stream or reservoir.
  - 4. A copy of the groundwater well permit if it is located in a Groundwater Conservation District (GCD) or evidence that a groundwater well permit is not required.
- di. Is the source of the water being discharged a surface water supply contract? Y /  $N_{N/A}$  If yes, provide the signed contract(s).
- dii. Identify any other source of the water N/A

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### WORKSHEET 4.1 DISCHARGE POINT INFORMATION

This worksheet is required for **each** discharge point. Submit one Worksheet 4.1 for each discharge point. If there is more than one discharge point, the numbering of the points should be consistent throughout the application and on any supplemental documents (e.g., maps). **Instructions, Page 27.** 

#### For water discharged at this location provide:

- a. The amount of water that will be discharged at this point is <u>N/A</u> acre-feet per year. The discharged amount should include the amount needed for use and to compensate for any losses.
- b. Water will be discharged at this point at a maximum rate of N/A cfs or N/A gpm.
- c. Name of Watercourse as shown on Official USGS maps: <u>N/A</u>
- d. Zip Code N/A
- e. Location of point: In the N/A Original Survey No. N/A , Abstract No. N/A \_\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.
- f. Point is at: Latitude\_N/A\_\_\_\_\_°N, Longitude\_N/A\_\_\_\_\_°W.

# \*Provide Latitude and Longitude coordinates in decimal degrees to at least six decimal places

g. Indicate the method used to calculate the discharge point location (examples: Handheld GPS Device, GIS, Mapping Program): N/A

Map submitted must clearly identify each discharge point. See instructions Page. 15.

# WORKSHEET 5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

## 1. Impingement and Entrainment

**This section is required for any new diversion point that is not already authorized.** Indicate the measures the applicant will take to avoid impingement and entrainment of aquatic organisms (ex. Screens on any new diversion structure that is not already authorized in a water right). **Instructions, Page 28.** 

## 2. New Appropriations of Water (Canadian, Red, Sulphur, and Cypress Creek Basins only) and Changes in Diversion Point(s)

This section is required for new appropriations of water in the Canadian, Red, Sulphur, and Cypress Creek Basins and in all basins for requests to change a diversion point. **Instructions, Page 30.** 

Description of the Water Body at each Diversion Point or Dam Location. (Provide an Environmental Information Sheet for each location),

a. Identify the appropriate description of the water body.

□ Stream

	Reservoir
	Average depth of the entire water body, in feet:N/A
	□ Other, specify: N/A
b. Flow	v characteristics
	If a stream, was checked above, provide the following. For new diversion locations, check one of the following that best characterize the area downstream of the diversion (check one).
	Intermittent - dry for at least one week during most years
	Intermittent with Perennial Pools - enduring pools
	Perennial – normally flowing
	Check the method used to characterize the area downstream of the new diversion location.
	□ USGS flow records
	Historical observation by adjacent landowners

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□ Personal observation

 $\Box$  Other, specify: N/A

c. Waterbody aesthetics

Check one of the following that best describes the aesthetics of the stream segments affected by the application and the area surrounding those stream segments.

- □ Wilderness: outstanding natural beauty; usually wooded or unpastured area; water clarity exceptional
- □ Natural Area: trees and/or native vegetation common; some development evident (from fields, pastures, dwellings); water clarity discolored
- Common Setting: not offensive; developed but uncluttered; water may be colored or turbid
- □ Offensive: stream does not enhance aesthetics; cluttered; highly developed; dumping areas; water discolored

d. Waterbody Recreational Uses

Are there any known recreational uses of the stream segments affected by the application?

□ Primary contact recreation (swimming or direct contact with water)

Secondary contact recreation (fishing, canoeing, or limited contact with water)

□ Non-contact recreation

e. Submit the following information in a Supplemental Attachment, labeled Addendum to Worksheet 5.0:

- 1. Photographs of the stream at the diversion point or dam location. Photographs should be in color and show the proposed point or reservoir and upstream and downstream views of the stream, including riparian vegetation along the banks. Include a description of each photograph and reference the photograph to the mapsubmitted with the application indicating the location of the photograph and the direction of the shot.
- 2. If the application includes a proposed reservoir, also include:
  - i. A brief description of the area that will be inundated by the reservoir.
  - ii. If a United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) 404 permit is required, provide the project number and USACE project manager.
  - iii. A description of how any impacts to wetland habitat, if any, will be mitigated if the reservoir is greater than 5,000 acre-feet.

## 3. Alternate Sources of Water and/or Bed and Banks Applications

This section is required for applications using an alternate source of water and bed and banks applications in any basins. **Instructions, page 31.** 

- a. For all bed and banks applications:
  - i. Submit an assessment of the adequacy of the quantity and quality of flows remaining after the proposed diversion to meet instream uses and bay and estuary freshwater inflow requirements.
- b. For all alternate source applications:
  - i. If the alternate source is treated return flows, provide the TPDES permit number\_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. If groundwater is the alternate source, or groundwater or other surface water will be discharged into a watercourse provide:

Reasonably current water chemistry information including but not limited to the following parameters in the table below. Additional parameters may be requested if there is a specific water quality concern associated with the aquifer from which water is withdrawn. If data for onsite wells are unavailable; historical data collected from similar sized wells drawing water from the same aquifer may be provided. However, onsite data may still be required when it becomes available. Provide the well number or well identifier. Complete the information below for each well and provide the Well Number or identifier.

Parameter	Average Conc.	Max Conc.	No. of Samples	Sample Type	Sample Date/Time
Sulfate, mg/L					
Chloride, mg/L					
Total Dissolved Solids, mg/L					
pH, standard units					
Temperature*, degrees Celsius					

\* Temperature must be measured onsite at the time the groundwater sample is collected.

iii. If groundwater will be used, provide the depth of the well\_<u>N/A</u> and the name of the aquifer from which water is withdrawn\_<u>N/A</u>.

# WORKSHEET 6.0 Water Conservation/Drought Contingency Plans

This form is intended to assist applicants in determining whether a Water Conservation Plan and/or Drought Contingency Plans is required and to specify the requirements for plans. **Instructions, Page 31.** 

The TCEQ has developed guidance and model plans to help applicants prepare plans. Applicants may use the model plan with pertinent information filled in. For assistance submitting a plan call the Resource Protection Team (Water Conservation staff) at 512-239-4600, or e-mail wras@tceq.texas.gov. The model plans can also be downloaded from the TCEQ webpage. **Please use the most up-to-date plan documents available on the webpage.** 

## Water Conservation Plans

- a. The following applications must include a completed Water Conservation Plan (30 TAC § 295.9) for each use specified in 30 TAC, Chapter 288 (municipal, industrial or mining, agriculture including irrigation, wholesale):
  - 1. Request for a new appropriation or use of State Water.
  - 2. Request to amend water right to increase appropriation of State Water.
  - 3. Request to amend water right to extend a term.
  - 4. Request to amend water right to change a place of use. \*does not apply to a request to expand irrigation acreage to adjacent tracts.
  - 5. Request to amend water right to change the purpose of use. \**applicant need only address new uses.*
  - 6. Request for bed and banks under TWC § 11.042(c), when the source water is State Water.

\*including return flows, contract water, or other State Water.

- b. If Applicant is requesting any authorization in section (1)(a) above, indicate each use for which Applicant is submitting a Water Conservation Plan as an attachment:
  - 1. \_\_\_\_\_Municipal Use. See 30 TAC § 288.2. \*\*
  - 2. \_\_\_\_Industrial or Mining Use. See 30 TAC § 288.3.
  - 3. \_\_\_\_\_Agricultural Use, including irrigation. See 30 TAC § 288.4.
  - 4. \_\_\_\_Wholesale Water Suppliers. See 30 TAC § 288.5. \*\*

\*\*If Applicant is a water supplier, Applicant must also submit documentation of adoption of the plan. Documentation may include an ordinance, resolution, or tariff, etc. See 30 TAC §§ 288.2(a)(1)(J)(i) and 288.5(1)(H). Applicant has submitted such documentation with each water conservation plan? Y / N\_\_\_\_

c. Water conservation plans submitted with an application must also include data and information which: supports applicant's proposed use with consideration of the plan's water conservation goals; evaluates conservation as an alternative to the proposed

appropriation; and evaluates any other feasible alternative to new water development. See 30 TAC § 288.7.

Applicant has included this information in each applicable plan? Y /  $N_{N/A}$ 

# 2. Drought Contingency Plans

- a. A drought contingency plan is also required for the following entities if Applicant is requesting any of the authorizations in section (1) (a) above indicate each that applies:
  - 1. \_\_\_\_\_Municipal Uses by public water suppliers. See 30 TAC § 288.20.
  - 2. \_\_\_\_Irrigation Use/ Irrigation water suppliers. See 30 TAC §288.21.
  - 3. \_\_\_\_\_Wholesale Water Suppliers. See 30 TAC § 288.22.
- b. If Applicant must submit a plan under section 2(a) above, Applicant has also submitted documentation of adoption of drought contingency plan (*ordinance, resolution, or tariff, etc. See 30 TAC § 288.30*) Y / NN/A

# WORKSHEET 7.0 ACCOUNTING PLAN INFORMATION WORKSHEET

The following information provides guidance on when an Accounting Plan may be required for certain applications and if so, what information should be provided. An accounting plan can either be very simple such as keeping records of gage flows, discharges, and diversions; or, more complex depending on the requests in the application. Contact the Surface Water Availability Team at 512-239-4600 for information about accounting plan requirements, if any, for your application. **Instructions, Page 34.** 

## 1. Is Accounting Plan Required

Accounting Plans are generally required:

- For applications that request authorization to divert large amounts of water from a single point where multiple diversion rates, priority dates, and water rights can also divert from that point;
- For applications for new major water supply reservoirs;
- For applications that amend a water right where an accounting plan is already required, if the amendment would require changes to the accounting plan;
- For applications with complex environmental flow requirements;
- For applications with an alternate source of water where the water is conveyed and diverted; and
- For reuse applications.

## 2. Accounting Plan Requirements

- a. A **text file** that includes:
  - 1. an introduction explaining the water rights and what they authorize;
  - 2. an explanation of the fields in the accounting plan spreadsheet including how they are calculated and the source of the data;
  - 3. for accounting plans that include multiple priority dates and authorizations, a section that discusses how water is accounted for by priority date and which water is subject to a priority call by whom; and
  - 4. Should provide a summary of all sources of water.
- b. A **spreadsheet** that includes:
  - 1. Basic daily data such as diversions, deliveries, compliance with any instream flow requirements, return flows discharged and diverted and reservoir content;
  - 2. Method for accounting for inflows if needed;
  - 3. Reporting of all water use from all authorizations, both existing and proposed;
  - 4. An accounting for all sources of water;
  - 5. An accounting of water by priority date;
  - 6. For bed and banks applications, the accounting plan must track the discharged water from the point of delivery to the final point of diversion;
  - 7. Accounting for conveyance losses;
  - 8. Evaporation losses if the water will be stored in or transported through a reservoir. Include changes in evaporation losses and a method for measuring reservoir content resulting from the discharge of additional water into the reservoir;
  - 9. An accounting for spills of other water added to the reservoir; and
  - 10. Calculation of the amount of drawdown resulting from diversion by junior rights or diversions of other water discharged into and then stored in the reservoir.

# WORKSHEET 8.0 CALCULATION OF FEES

This worksheet is for calculating required application fees. Applications are not Administratively Complete until all required fees are received. **Instructions, Page. 34** 

#### **1. NEW APPROPRIATION**

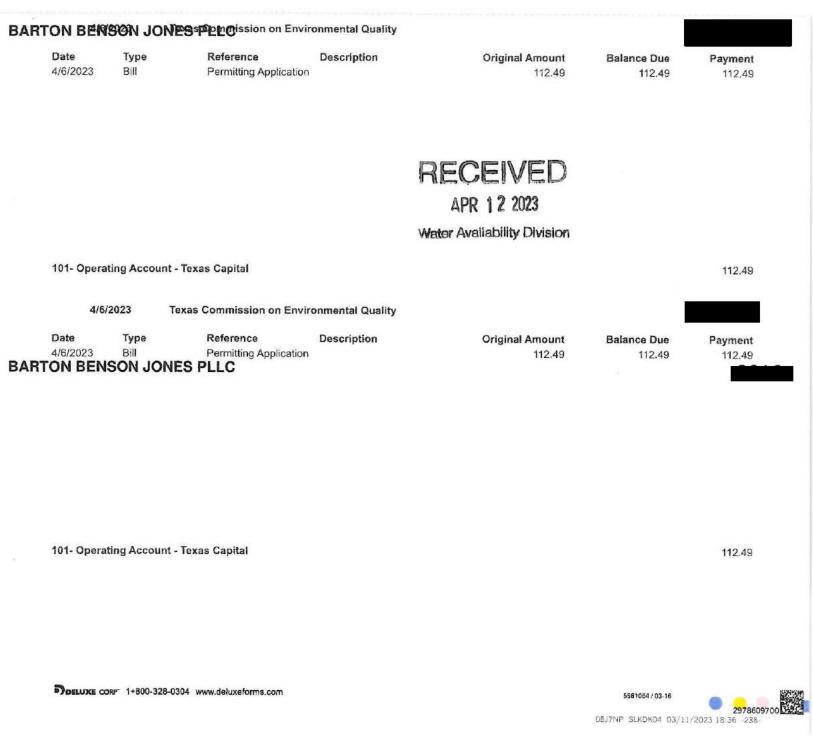
		Description		Amount (\$)
	Circle fee correlating to the total amount of water* requested for any new appropriation and/or impoundment. Amount should match total on Worksheet 1, Section 1. Enter corresponding fee under <b>Amount (\$)</b> .			
	In Acre-Feet			23
Filing Fee	a. Less than 100	\$100.00		
	b. 100 - 5,000	\$250.00	RECEIV APR 12 20	EU
	c. 5,001 - 10,000	\$500.00		12
	d. 10,001 - 250,000	\$1,000.00	APR 12 20	20
	e. More than 250,000	\$2,000.00	Water Availability	Division
Recording Fee			AACKC: .	\$25.00
Agriculture Use Fee	Only for those with an Irr Multiply 50¢ xNum Water. **			
	Required for all Use Type	s, excluding Irrigation	Use.	
Use Fee	Multiply \$1.00 xMax feet. **			
De sus stienel Cérere se	Only for those with Recre	ational Storage.		
Recreational Storage Fee	Multiply \$1.00 xacr to be stored at normal m			
	Only for those with Storag	ge, <b>excluding Recreatio</b>	onal Storage.	
Storage Fee	Multiply 50¢ xacre-feet of State Water to be stored at normal max operating level.			
Mailed Notice	Cost of mailed notice to a determine the amount (5		asin. Contact Staff to	
			TOTAL	\$

#### 2. AMENDMENT OR SEVER AND COMBINE

	Description	Amount (\$)
	Amendment: \$100	100.00
Filing Fee	<b>OR</b> Sever and Combine: \$100 x of water rights to combine	
<b>Recording Fee</b>		\$12.50
Mailed Notice	Additional notice fee to be determined once application is submitted.	
	TOTAL INCLUDED	\$112.50

#### 3. BED AND BANKS

	Description	Amount (\$)
Filing Fee		\$100.00
<b>Recording</b> Fee		\$12.50
Mailed Notice	Additional notice fee to be determined once application is submitted.	
	TOTAL INCLUDED	\$



# Attachment

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### **Buck Benson**

From:Chuck Hedges <</th>Sent:Wednesday, MarceTo:Buck BensonCc:Brittany StanfordSubject:Palm Lake Amening

Wednesday, March 22, 2023 3:46 PM Buck Benson Brittany Stanford Strong Palm Lake Amenities. LLC

#### Dear Buck;

As you know, I represent Fasken, Ltd. (Fasken) and Farias Development, Ltd. (Farias). Fasken and Farias consent to the amendment that Palm Lake Amenities, LLC has proposed to Certificate of Adjudication 23-2714A to add recreation in place use as an authorized use for the impoundment.

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Respectfully, Charles F. Hedges, Jr.

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Charles F. Hedges, Jr. Senior Vice President and General Counsel Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd. 6101 Holiday Hill Road Midland, Texas 79707 Telephone: (432) 687-1777 Facsimile: (432) 687-2509 Email:



March 22, 2023

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

To whom it may concern:

Please allow this correspondence to serve as permission for Devin "Buck" Benson of Barton Benson Jones, PLLC, to apply to the TCEQ to amend Certificate of Adjudication No. 23-2714A.

Palm Lake Amenities,

LLC, a Texas liability company By: Name: Ta 111 Manager Title:

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# Attachment

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### WORKSHEET 1.2 MARSHALL CRITERIA



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Administrative Requirements and Fees – The Application meets the administrative requirements for an amendment to a water use permit pursuant to TWC Chapter 11 and Title 30 Tex. Admin. Code Chs. 281, 295, and 297. The Application includes a sworn application, maps, and all necessary fees.

**Beneficial Use** –Irrigation and Recreation in place uses are beneficial uses as defined and listed in TWC Ch. 11.

Public Welfare - The amendment of the authorized uses is not detrimental to the public welfare.

**Groundwater Effects** – The proposed amendment will not affect groundwater recharge. Use of the surface water for Irrigation and Recreation in place will lessen the reliance on groundwater at the place of use.

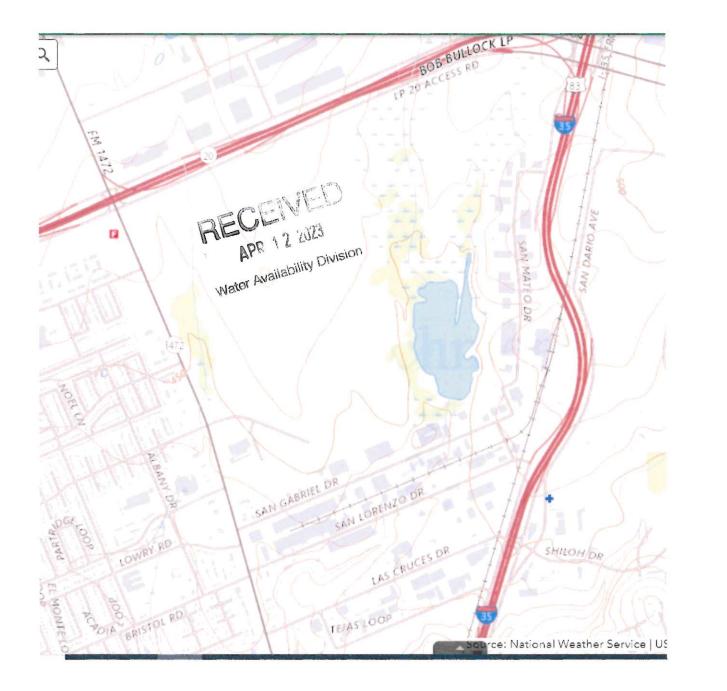
State Water Plan – The state and regional water plans generally do not address every possible change in individual water rights. The application is consistent with the 2021 Region M Water Plan and the 2022 State Water Plan because there is nothing in the plans that conflict with the application.

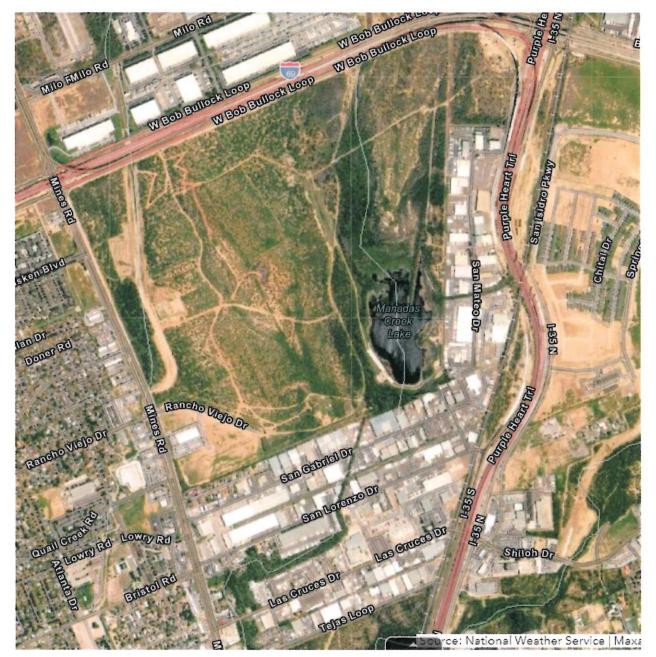
Waste Avoidance – Applicant will institute conservation methods and only use the surface water when necessary.

**Impacts on Water Rights or On-stream Environment** – Amending the authorized uses has no impact on any water right holders or the on-stream environment. The diversion point is not being moved.









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