

March 17, 2022

Mr. Brad Daniels General Manager Aquilla Water Supply District P.O. Box 959 Hillsboro, Texas 76645

Re: Implementation of Stage 1 Drought Watch for the Possum Kingdom-Granbury-Whitney Reservoir System, Georgetown-Stillhouse Hollow Reservoir System, and Lakes Proctor, Aquilla, Belton, and Limestone

Dear Mr. Daniels:

As specified in the Brazos River Authority (BRA) Drought Contingency Plan (Plan), one of the triggers for a Stage 1 – Drought Watch Condition is when the Palmer Hydrologic Drought Index (PHDI) is equal to or less than -2.4. The PHDI, which is a product of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, is an indicator for how wet or dry conditions are within a particular area. Due to the drier than normal conditions in the Brazos River basin, the monthly PHDI has dropped below the -2.4 trigger for the Possum Kingdom-Granbury-Whitney reservoir system, the Georgetown-Stillhouse Hollow reservoir system, and for Lakes Proctor, Aquilla, Belton, and Limestone.

Therefore, the BRA is implementing a Stage 1 Drought Watch Condition for the Possum Kingdom-Granbury-Whitney reservoir system, the Georgetown-Stillhouse Hollow reservoir system, and for Lakes Proctor, Aquilla, Belton, and Limestone. The stated goals in Stage 1 – Drought Watch of the Plan are to raise awareness of the developing drought situation and to achieve a voluntary five percent (5%) reduction of the water use that would have occurred in the absence of any drought contingency measures.

We ask that you take action consistent with Stage 1 of the BRA Plan to achieve a five percent (5%) reduction in water use. Activities that you should consider include:

- 1. Activate your entity's Drought Contingency Plan;
- 2. Increase public education efforts on ways to reduce water use;
- 3. Notify customers of actions being taken; and
- 4. Any other actions you deem appropriate for your situation.

Additional information on the implementation of the Stage 1 – Drought Watch Condition can be found on pages 9 and 10 of the BRA Plan, which is available on our website at <a href="http://www.brazos.org">http://www.brazos.org</a> under About Us – Water Supply – Drought – Drought Contingency Plan. Current drought information is also located on the website at <a href="http://www.brazos.org/About-Us/Water-Supply/Drought">http://www.brazos.org/About-Us/Water-Supply/Drought</a>.

The BRA is monitoring water supply and drought conditions within the basin and will notify you when changes under the Plan are made or additional action is required.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Cathy Dominguez, Regional Government and Customer Relations Manager for the Lower Basin (254-761-3176); Amy Muttoni, Regional Government and Customer Relations Manager for the Central Basin (254-761-3165); Jon Dulus, Regional Business Manager & Project Development for the Upper Basin (254-761-3274); or Jeff Sammon, Regional Customer Relations Business Manager for the Upper Basin (254-761-3132).

Sincerely,

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