

SPRINGS HILL WATER

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Mr. Con Mims, Chair
South Central Texas Regional Water Planning Group
% San Antonio River Authority
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RE: Comments on Initially Prepared 2011 South Central Texas Regional Water Plan

Dear Mr. Mims

Springs Hill Water Supply Corporation ("SHWSC") appreciates the opportunity to provide written comments on the Initially Prepared Regional Water Plan for the South Central Texas Regional Water Planning Area. We recognize that the draft plan is subject to revision prior to adoption and is subject to continued revision in the future. These written comments are provided with such revisions in mind.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Springs Hill WSC supports a comprehensive regional approach that addresses the region's water shortages. The majority of the region's shortages are located to the west of the SHWSC service area. However, most of the recommended water management strategies for meeting these forecast shortages are located east of the SHWSC service area. SHWSC supports the development of a regional pipeline system that moves water from east to west across its service area so "right sized" regional pipelines are initially constructed and customer costs are reduced.

The SHWSC water supply system is supplied by both surface water and groundwater. The North Area is supplied with GBRA surface water treated at the SHWSC Lake Placid Treatment Plant and/or the Canyon Regional Water Authority ("CRWA") Lake Dunlap Treatment Plant. The South Area is supplied from water wells in the Carrizo Aquifer at the SHWSC Mesa Well Field or the CRWA Wells Ranch Well Field. SHWSC plans to continue to maintain these two separate systems in the future. However, additional surface water must be imported to meet the forecast shortages in the North Area and additional Carrizo water must be imported to meet the forecast shortages in South Area.

In order to meet its forecast surface water shortages SHWSC recommends that one of the adopted GBRA Water Management Strategies ("WMS") include a GBRA water pipeline that delivers untreated water to the SHWSC Lake Placid Treatment Plant. The SHWSC Lake Placid Treatment Plant would be expanded. A regional potable pipeline would transport treated water from the SHWSC Lake Placid Treatment Plant to both the Hwy 46 Corridor and the Hwy 123 Corridor north of Seguin. The conceptual alignment of this proposed pipeline is shown on the attached figure.

In order to meet its forecast groundwater shortages, SHWSC recommends that the TWA Regional Carrizo Project (WMS 36) pipeline deliver water to the SHWSC Hickory Forest Elevated Storage Tank. SHWSC also recommends a single regional pipeline be constructed from the SHWSC Hickory Forest Elevated Storage Tank to the SHWSC Mesquite Pass Elevated Storage Tank. This single pipeline will transport potable water from both the TWA Regional Carrizo Project (WMS 36) and the CRWA Wells Ranch Project (WMS 27). The general alignment of this proposed pipeline is shown on the attached figure.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS

SHWSC requests that its Recommended Wholesale Water Supply Plan shown in Table 4.3.7-1 (page 4B.3-18) be revised to reflect the following sources of water:

RECOMMENDED PLAN	2010 (acft/yr)	2020 (acft/yr)	2030 (acft/yr)	2040 (acft/yr)	2050 (acft/yr)	2060 (acft/yr)
Municipal Water Conservation						
Purchase from WWP (TWA Regional Carrizo)		1,500	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Purchase from WWP (GBRA – Lake Placid)		1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Purchase from RWA (Brackish Wilcox)						1,500
Total New Supply		3,000	4,500	4,500	4,500	6,000

Thank you for your consideration of these comments. Please contact me at 830-379-7683 if you have any questions. SHWSC looks forward to a continuing working relationship with the South Central Regional Planning Group during this and future planning cycles.

Yours truly,

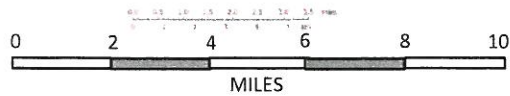
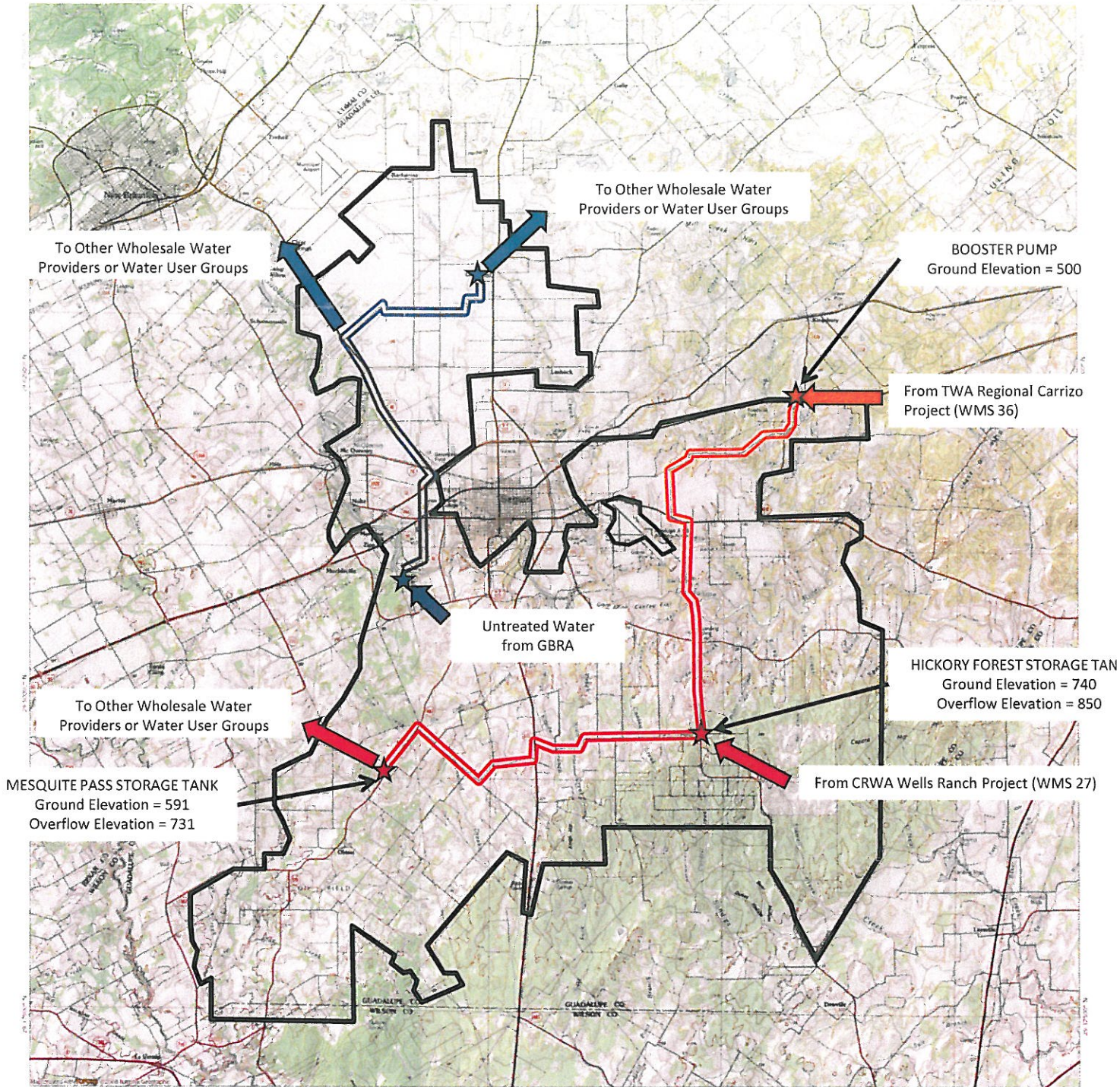


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Recommended Regional Pipeline Alignments

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- Regional Groundwater Pipeline
- Regional Surface Water Pipeline