

To: Brazos G RWPG Members	
From: HDR Engineering, Inc.	Project:
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Date: April 20, 2005	Job No:

**RE: April 26, 2005 Brazos G RWPG Meeting  
Summary for Agenda Item 7.5 – Update on Water Demands for Specific Entities in Bell County**

**Customers served by Bell County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.** At a meeting held in Belton on March 17, 2005, the Bell County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 (District) informed HDR that the Year 2000 water use data reported by its customers were in error (439 Water Supply Corp. and the Cities of Belton, Copperas Cove, Harker Heights, Killeen and Nolanville). Not included in the reported water use was treated water used to backwash water treatment plant filters, which accounts for about 10 percent of the total water diverted from Lake Belton by the District. The District asserted that the Year 2000 water use and water use projections for subsequent decades for each customer should be increased to account for the filter backwash water. Each of the District's customers mailed a letter to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) requesting that the water use projections for each entity be adjusted to correct for the reporting error. Copies of the letters are included in your information packets. If approved by the TWDB, municipal demands for the District's customers would increase about 2,700 acre-feet per year. A portion of this increase would be for the City of Copperas Cove in Coryell County. At the time of this memorandum, the TWDB staff have indicated a willingness to take this matter to their board for approval, but no direct confirmation of this has yet been received by HDR.

**City of Temple.** At the April 14, 2005 sub-regional meeting held in Waco, a representative from the City of Temple indicated that the water use projections for Temple may also be in error and that the City would be contacting HDR with information to support the City's assertion. The City subsequently contacted HDR the week of April 18, but has not yet provided the information at the time of this memorandum.

HDR recommends that the Brazos G RWPG approve the changes in projected water demands for those entities served by the Bell County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, as this represents a correction of a data reporting error.

As no data have been provided by the City of Temple, HDR cannot offer a recommendation concerning the request from the City of Temple.