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June 16, 2009

Mr. Trey Buzbee  
Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group  
Executive Committee  
P.O. Box 7555  
Waco, TX 76714

Dear Trey:

Please accept my application for one of the municipal member positions on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group. The position I am interested in is the one that becomes vacant in December.

As you know, Waco is deeply involved in developing and implementing plans to meet regional water needs in Central Texas. We have considered our previous participation in the State of Texas water planning process as an integral part of the work we are doing and our leadership wishes to continue that participation. Our City Council has endorsed the water planning process with specific funding and resources to insure a sustainable water supply for the communities in this area.

Please contact me if you need additional information or if there is any assistance the City of Waco could provide the Brazos G RWPG.

Sincerely,

Larry D. Groth  
City Manager

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# BRAZOS G

WATER PLANNING GROUP

## VOTING MEMBER APPLICATION (Solicitation for Municipalities & Water Districts Interest Categories)

Announced April 17, 2009

Please print or type applicable information and return by 5:00 PM, Friday, June 19, 2009  
to: Brazos G RWPG, Attn: Trey Buzbee, Brazos River Authority, P.O. Box 7555, Waco, Texas 76714-7555;  
or via facsimile at (254) 761-3204; or via electronic email at [info@brazosqwater.org](mailto:info@brazosqwater.org).  
For questions, call Trey Buzbee at (254) 761-3168.

<b>Full Name:</b>	Larry D. Groth						
<b>Home Address:</b>	220 South 2nd #3A2	<b>City:</b>	Waco	<b>State:</b>	TX	<b>Zip:</b>	76702
<b>Telephone:</b>	<b>Home:</b> 254-709-0569	<b>Business:</b>	254-750-5640	<b>Cell:</b>	254-709-0569		
<b>E-mail Address:</b>	LarryG@ci.waco.tx.us			<b>Fax:</b>	254-750-5880		
<b>Current Position/Title:</b>	City Manager				<b># years employed:</b>	24 (total)	
<b>Company Name:</b>	City of Waco						
<b>Company Address:</b>	P.O. Box 2570						
<b>City:</b>	Waco	<b>State:</b>	TX	<b>Zip:</b>	76702		

**Briefly describe why you wish to serve on the Brazos G RWPG:**

The City of Waco wants to continue to be part of the planning process primarily because Lake Waco is designated as the regional water supply for McLennan County. The deliberations of this group are a very important part of our water planning process.

Applicants may have qualifications that fit more than one Interest Category sought. Place an 'X' in the box(s) for each Interest Category that you want to be considered for:

*If you marked both boxes, then place an 'X' in one of the boxes to the right of each Interest Category to state your preference.*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>1. Municipalities</b>	→	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Choice:</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Choice:</b>	<b>No Preference</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>2. Water Districts</b>	→	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Choice:</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Choice:</b>	<b>No Preference</b>

**If applicable, describe your qualifications and/or skills that represent the 'Municipalities' Interest Category:**

As a professional engineer, I have been involved in many water projects over the last 30 years. These include: water supply, treatment, distribution, conservation and reclamation. I also have experience with wholesale/retail rates and contracts. Working closely with TxDOT, TWDB and TCEQ has provided me (continued below)

**If applicable, describe your qualifications and/or skills that represent the 'Water Districts' Interest Category:**

(continued from above) with an understanding of the complex growth issues in Texas and how water is an important, essential part of continued Texas growth.

**If applicable, describe your qualifications and/or skills that might represent other Interest Categories for future voting member vacancies that are not being solicited for in this application.**

*(see last page of this application for a list of definitions for all twelve (12) voting member Interest Categories)*

(See attached resume.)

**If you could achieve one goal during your term as a Brazos G RWPG member, what would it be?**

A public educated about water conservation.

**List current and/or past positions held on other boards or committees (professional or otherwise)**

Board Member of Waco McLennan County Economic Development Corporation  
 Board Member of Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization  
 Board Member of Waco McLennan County Health District  
 Trustee for Cooper Foundation  
 Associate Member of the Waco Business League  
 (See attached resume for other positions.)

**Checklist (✓) of Required Materials to be included in Applicant's Packet**

✓	Application form
✓	Resume
✓	Support Letters (maximum of 6 recommended)

The Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group (RWPG) requests this information for the purpose of facilitating the review process of candidates to fill voting member vacancies within the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group. Applications will be reviewed by the Brazos G Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will make a recommendation to the Brazos G Group as to which applicant should be appointed to fill the vacancies.

By signing the application below, you are requesting to be nominated for a voting member position on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group; and, understand the responsibilities associated with being a voting member, agree to abide by the Brazos G Bylaws, and have adequate time to serve if appointed.

Signature:  Date: 6/16/09

**If not selected this time, keep me on the list for consideration for four (4) years:** YES →  NO →

**LARRY D. GROTH, P.E.**  
**April 2009**

**PERSONAL**

- Native of Waco, Texas
- Married to the former Miss Donna Wedemeyer of Lorena
- Three Children and Seven Grandchildren
- Active Member and Teacher of Cottonwood Baptist Church
- Hobbies: Basketball, Reading, Motorcycling

**EDUCATIONAL**

- Graduated Valedictorian of Robinson High School in 1970
- Graduated Summa Cum Laude from Texas A&M University with a B.S. Degree in Civil Engineering in 1974
- Member of the Following Honor Societies:  
Phi Eta Sigma, Chi Epsilon, Tau Beta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

- 2003 to Present, City Manager for the City of Waco
- 2000 to 2003, Assistant City Manager for the City of Waco with responsibilities over Engineering, Planning, Inspection, and Parks and Recreation.
- 1995 – 2000, Director of Cameron Park Zoo/Executive Director of the Zoological Society with operational responsibility for the Zoo and the Zoo Society. Responsible for the acquisition and implementation of over \$4 million in Zoo improvements including the Herpetarium, a Children's Play Area, Explore Texas Exhibit, African Lion Exhibit, several Bird Exhibits and miscellaneous facility improvements.
- 1980 – 1995, City Engineer for the City of Waco with responsibility over the design and construction administration of all public works improvements including implementation of street improvement program, capital water and sewer projects, park, airport, and zoo construction projects. Responsible for over \$70 million in public works improvement projects during this period. Participation in the design and managed the construction of the new Cameron Park Zoo.
- 1978 – 1980, Branch Manager of Trinity Engineering Testing Corporation with total authority of Branch Office including personnel, marketing, quality assurance, and collections.
- 1975 – 1978, Assistant Manager of the Waco Office of Trinity Engineering Testing with operational responsibility over engineering and testing.
- 1974 – 1975, Engineering Assistant for Lockwood, Andrews & Neunam Consulting Engineers of Dallas performing specific project design.
- 1971 – 1974, Student Research Works for Texas Transportation Institute at Texas A&M University
- 1968 – 1971, Summer Work for Texas Highway Department

## **PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS**

- Licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Texas
- Member of the following Professional Organizations:  
International City Managers Association, Texas City Managers Association,  
Texas Recreation and Park Society
- Board Member of Waco McLennan County Economic Development Corporation
- Associate Board Member of Texas Sports Hall of Fame
- Board Member of Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Board Member of Waco McLennan County Health District
- Trustee for The Cooper Foundation
- Associate Member of the Waco Business League
- Member of The Rotary Club of Waco and Past Board Member
- Past President of the Central Texas Chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers
- Past Director of the Central Texas Chapter of the Texas Public Works Association
- Past President of the Central Texas Branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)
- Past State Director of the Central Texas Branch of ASCE
- Past Chairman of the National Committee for Government Engineers on Section and Branch Involvement in ASCE
- Past Member of the National Executive Committee for Government Engineers in ASCE
- Past Trustee of the Lorena I.S.D.
- Past Board Member of United Way of Waco

## **HONORS**

- Named Outstanding Young Engineer of Year for Central Texas in 1979 by the Texas Society of Professional Engineers
- Named Engineer of the Year in 1985 for Central Texas by the Texas Society of Professional Engineers
- Named the Government Civil Engineer of the Year for Texas in 2009 by the American Society of Civil Engineers



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**KIP AVERITT**  
Texas State Senator  
District 22

April 28, 2009

Mr. Trey Buzbee  
Brazos G RWPG Executive Committee  
P.O. Box 7555  
Waco, Texas 76714

Dear Mr. Buzbee:

I am pleased to recommend Mr. Larry D. Groth for a position on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group (RWPG) to fill a member vacancy representing municipalities. Mr. Groth is exceptionally qualified for the position.

As City Manager of the City of Waco, Larry Groth meets the qualification to represent the municipalities interest category and has the experience and understanding to greatly benefit the Brazos G RWPG. I believe Larry to be eager to serve and positioned to make a full commitment to participate in the regional water planning process. He is held in high esteem for his leadership and the work he has undertaken with the City of Waco.

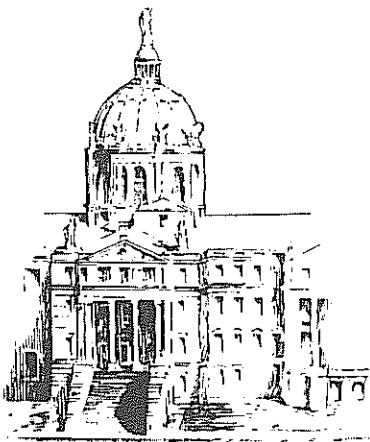
It is with great confidence that I submit the name of Mr. Larry D. Groth for an appointment to the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group. Thank you for your consideration of his application. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kip Averitt".

Kip Averitt

cc: Mr. Larry Groth



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**Jim Lewis**  
McLENNAN COUNTY JUDGE

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Waco, Texas  
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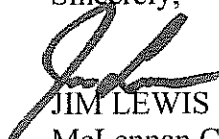
May 15, 2009

Mr. Trey Buzbee  
Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group Executive Committee  
P.O. Box 755  
Waco, Texas 76714

Dear Mr. Buzbee:

I am writing to recommend Larry Groth for one of the vacant Municipal positions on the Regional Water Planning Group. I have worked with Larry for over 10 years and can assure you that he is very knowledgeable on water issues. He and I serve on a variety of boards that review economic development issues and address the growth challenges of Central Texas. He would be an excellent representative on the group.

Sincerely,



JIM LEWIS

McLennan County Judge

Enclosures (1)  
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# City of Robinson

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R. C. Fletcher, City Manager

[d.fletcher@robinsontexas.org](mailto:d.fletcher@robinsontexas.org)

June 3, 2009

Executive Committee  
Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group  
Box 7555  
Waco, TX 76714-7555

Re: Letter of support

Dear Sirs:

I am happy to support the nomination of Larry Groth P. E. to serve on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group Board of Directors. Mr. Groth is a graduate of Texas A & M, a Registered Professional Engineer and has been employed by the City of Waco for almost thirty years, the last six as City Manager.

Although Mr. Groth is employed by a larger city, he has roots in rural McLennan County and thus is able to represent both large and small municipalities equally well. I have worked with Larry professionally for a number of years and have found him to always be congenial, cooperative and professional in all respects.

Knowing that Larry Groth will be an asset to your board, I wholeheartedly endorse his nomination.

Sincerely,

R. C. Fletcher  
City Manager



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June 5, 2009

Mr. Trey Buzbee  
Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group  
Executive Committee  
P.O. Box 7555  
Waco, TX 76714

Dear Trey:

I am pleased to recommend Larry Groth for the vacant municipality member position on the Regional Water Planning Group. Larry is our City Manager and a very capable and talented engineer who is very familiar with the water supply challenges we are facing in Texas. Our City Council considers water to be one of our community's greatest assets and for that reason we want to place our top person into consideration for this most important water planning effort.

In recent years the City of Waco has contributed to the RWPG process by offering funds to complete important area studies so that the state water plan could be updated. Waco has a large stake in the Brazos Basin and for that reason will continue to support and provide resources to assist the RWPG.

Thank you for considering Larry to fill one of the vacant positions.

Sincerely,

Virginia DuPuy  
Mayor

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# City of Robinson

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R. C. Fletcher, City Manager

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June 10, 2009

Executive Committee  
Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group  
Box 7555  
Waco, TX 76714-7555

Re: Nomination to represent municipalities

Dear Sirs:

The Robinson City Council has adopted the attached resolution nominating Larry Groth of Waco to represent municipalities on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group. We believe Mr. Groth is well qualified to represent the cities in the region due to his position with the City of Waco and long experience in the water planning field.

Sincerely,

R. C. Fletcher  
City Manager

attachment:

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**RESOLUTION # 2009-013**

**City of Robinson**

**WHEREAS;** the City of Robinson is committed to the provision of a comprehensive regional water planning effort as mandated by the Texas Legislature; and

**WHEREAS;** that regional planning effort is being undertaken by the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group; and

**WHEREAS;** the role of the regional plan is to provide for the orderly development, management, and conservation of water resources, and preparation and response to drought conditions in order that sufficient water will be available at a reasonable cost to ensure the public health, safety and welfare for all citizens of Texas; and

**WHEREAS;** the Brazos G group has solicited nominations for new members to represent specific user classes; and


**WHEREAS;** the City of Robinson desires to nominate Larry Groth, City Manager for the City of Waco to represent municipalities on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group. Mr. Groth has been actively involved in the water industry for over twenty-five years and has extensive knowledge and experience in water planning, water operations and capital projects,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

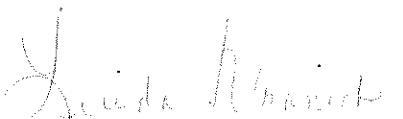
The City of Robinson, in recognition of his deep commitment to the regional water planning process, nominates Larry Groth to serve on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group representing municipalities.

Passed and approved the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009 by the City Council.

Signed:

  
Bryan Ferguson, Mayor  
City of Robinson

ATTEST:

  
Linda Vranich, City Secretary  
City of Robinson

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



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June 15, 2009

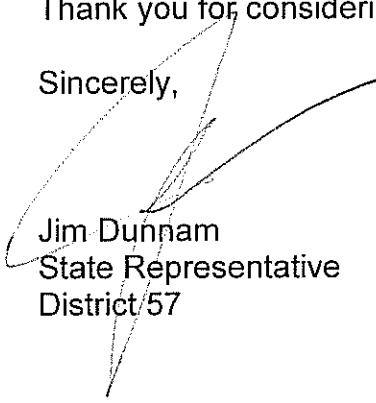
Mr. Trey Buzbee  
Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group  
Executive Committee  
P. O. Box 7555  
Waco, TX 76714-7555

Dear Trey:

Please accept my recommendation of Larry Groth for the vacant municipal position on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group. As City of Manager of Waco, Larry is knowledgeable of local and state water issues through his work with Lake Waco and regional water planning challenges in the Central Texas Area. He is committed to efficient management of the State's water resources and has over 25 years of experience in water related projects and issues.

Thank you for considering this recommendation.

Sincerely,



Jim Dunnam  
State Representative  
District 57