

## For Immediate Release

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## **BOIL WATER NOTIFICATION FOR THE CITY OF DIME BOX**

September 8, 2009 -- Due to repairs on the storage and distribution water lines for the **City of Dime Box** (Lee County Fresh Water Supply District #1), the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has required the system to notify all customers to **boil their water prior to consumption beginning at 10 p.m. tonight and until further notice.** 

To ensure destruction of all harmful bacteria and other microbes, water for drinking, cooking, and ice making should be boiled and cooled prior to consumption. The water should be brought to a vigorous rolling boil and then boiled for two minutes. In lieu of boiling, you may purchase bottled water or obtain water from some other suitable source. Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.

When it is no longer necessary to boil the water, system officials will notify you through announcements on the radio, television stations, and newspapers.

Please share this information with all who drink water from the City of Dime Box especially those who may not have received this notice directly (people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses.) You may post this notice in a public place or distribute copies by hand or mail. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality may be reached for additional information at 512-239-4691.

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## About the Brazos River Authority

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The Authority built, owns, and operates three reservoirs (Lakes Possum Kingdom, Granbury, and Limestone). In addition to these water supply reservoirs, the Authority contracts with the Corps of Engineers for the water supply storage space at eight

federal multi-purpose flood control and water conservation reservoirs (Lakes Whitney, Belton, Proctor, Somerville, Stillhouse Hollow, Granger, Georgetown, and Aquilla).

The Brazos River Authority owns and operates a regional wastewater system for the cities of Temple-Belton. The Authority also operates wastewater treatment plants for the cities of Georgetown, Dime Box, Clute-Richwood, and Sugar Land. Through an alliance with the Lower Colorado River Authority, the Brazos River Authority operates wastewater treatment plants at Brushy Creek Regional Wastewater System in Round Rock, the city of Hutto and the city of Liberty Hill.

The Authority owns and operates water treatment systems at Lake Granbury (which supplies potable water to wholesale customers in Hood and Johnson Counties), and the City of Taylor. The Authority also operates a potable water treatment plant for the City of Dime Box. A water treatment plant for the City of Leander is operated by the Brazos River Authority through an alliance with the Lower Colorado River Authority.

The Authority also engages in water quality monitoring activities throughout the Brazos River basin. As a member of the Texas Clean River Program, the Authority samples and tests water from 157 locations throughout the basin on either a monthly or quarterly basis.

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