The Brazos River Authority’s Board of Directors held their quarterly meeting Monday, July 28, 2014. The Board took the following actions:

**EXECUTIVE SESSION 1A**
The Brazos River Authority Board of Directors passed a resolution authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and enter into agreements with parties opposing the System Operations Permit. The resolution also authorized the General Manager/CEO to renegotiate agreements previously entered into with opposing parties as long as all negotiations and agreements are in the best interest of the Brazos River Authority.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION 1B**
The Board of Directors passed a resolution recognizing the sustained, exemplary performance by the General Manager/CEO and noting that performance warrants and justifies recognition and acknowledgement.

**HALFF STUDY**
The Board of Directors authorized a re-evaluation of the Possum Kingdom-Granbury-Whitney Water Management Study conducted by Halff Associates on the condition that the review is to include equal numbers of representatives from lakes Possum Kingdom and Granbury and a consensus must be reached among that stakeholder committee supporting the potential re-evaluation.

The Board further resolved that all parties must agree to the provision that no alternative to be considered adversely impacts Brazos River Authority’s ability to meet the water supply needs of its customers and that should the potential reevaluation of the Halff Study exceed the contracting authority of the General Manager/CEO, the issue shall be brought back before the Board for approval before moving forward.

**AUTHORIZATION TO DISBURSE FUNDS TO UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS FOR AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT PROJECTS**
The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to make payments to the United States Army Corps of Engineers in accordance with the provisions of the (1) Proctor Reservoir Supplemental Agreement, and (2) Somerville Reservoir Supplemental Agreement, both executed in September 2011, by the Brazos River Authority and the Corps. Any such payments will be funded from available savings in the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget.

**WEST CENTRAL BRAZOS WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**
The Board voted to set rates for water supply contracts utilizing the West Central Water Distribution System. The Board determined that effective Sept. 1, 2014, for FY 2015, a fixed rate of $0.0196 per barrel (the equivalent of $0.467 per 1,000 gallons or $151.99
per acre-foot) shall be applied to the amount of water contracted by any customer invoiced for transportation and use of the West Central Brazos Water Distribution System. A variable rate of $0.0179 per barrel (the equivalent of $0.4268 per 1,000 gallons or $139.06 per acre-foot) will be applied to the amount of water delivered to any customer invoiced for transportation using the system.

The Board also determined that effective Sept. 1, 2014, for FY 2015, the fee charged for customers who access the West Central Brazos Water Distribution System for well-drilling purposes or who have water made available at the Veale-Parks Pump Station shall be set at $1,480.

Also effective Sept. 1, 2014 and until changed further, the fee for customers to access the West Central Brazos Water Distribution System through individually dedicated pumps and taps, unless otherwise provided for through an appropriate easement or deed, shall be invoiced at $1,200 for a 1 inch tap and $1,850 for a 1½ inch tap to recover the cost of procuring the equipment, labor and installation.

In addition, the board voted that fees associated with commercial, municipal, or larger taps will be charged in an amount sufficient to recover the cost of procuring the equipment, labor, and installation.

**TEXAS COUNTY AND DISTRICT RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TCDRS) RETIREMENT PLAN**

The Board resolved that the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS) plan provisions, for Brazos River Authority retirees and non-retirees, remain the same for the 2015 plan year, and that the required TCDRS employer contribution rate will be 7.33 percent for the 2015 plan year.

**HOUSE BILL 1437 ALLIANCE WATER**

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract amendment with K Friese and Associates to fund Phase III of the House Bill 1437, No Net Loss Water Study, for up to $92,925.

The Board also authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute an amendment to the Cost Share Agreement with the city of Round Rock to fund the study, so that the city is financially responsible for 50 percent of the Phase III costs.

**NEW TEMPLE-BELTON WASTEWATER OPERATIONS CONTRACT**

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute contracts for the operations of the Temple and Belton city wastewater facilities.

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY REGIONAL RAW WATER LINE ENCASEMENT AT IH-35 AND BUD STOCKTON LOOP**

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and enter into a contract with Lewis Contractors, Inc., to build the Williamson County Regional Raw Water Line Relocation Project in an amount not to exceed $548,609.

**FISCAL YEAR 2015 ANNUAL OPERATING PLAN AND MULTI-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

The Board approved the Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Operating Plan and the Multi-Year Capital Improvement Plan. The Board also authorized the General Manager/CEO to
make expenditures and enter into contracts for expenditures as listed in the two plans, in accordance with the BRA’s General Operations Practices, Policy 2.01, Authority And Responsibilities Of The Board Of Directors And General Manager/Chief Executive Officer.

The Board also authorized the General Manager/CEO to make adjustments in the individual line item amounts of the Budget provided that the total amount expended shall not exceed the total amount authorized for each operating division as follows:

Water Supply: $36,140,721
Cost Reimbursable: $14,279,795
Total Operating Budget: $50,420,516

Water Supply: $19,462,134
Cost Reimbursable: $695,000
Total Capital Budget: $20,157,134

The Board also adopted a rate of $69.50 per acre-foot of water annually for FY 2015 for both System and Interruptible Water Contracts. The Board also adopted a rate of $48.65 per acre-foot of water annually for FY 2015 for the Agricultural Water Rate.