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GOVERNOR APPOINTS DIRECTORS & NAMES CHAIRMAN

April 3, 2008 - Governor Rick Perry has appointed nine new members to the Brazos River Authority Board of Directors. The new directors replace those whose terms have expired.

The governor also named Christopher DeCluitt of Waco as chairman replacing Steve Pena of Georgetown who had served in the position since 2006.

New to the BRA Board are:

Patricia S. Bailon of Belton

Richard Ball of Mineral Wells

Grady Barr of Abilene

F. LeRoy Bell of Tuscola

Peter G. Bennis of Cleburne

Zachary S. Brady of Lubbock

John A. Brieden III of Brenham

Jon E. Sloan of Round Rock

Scott D. Smith of Cedar Park

Salvatore Zaccagnino of Caldwell was reappointed to the Board for a second term.

The 21-member BRA Board is appointed by the governor and confirmed by the state senate. They serve six-year terms with one-third of the Board being replaced each odd numbered year.

For additional information on the BRA Board of Directors, please [click here](#).

About the Brazos River Authority

The Brazos River Authority, with headquarters in Waco, is the oldest river authority in Texas. Created by the Texas Legislature in 1929, the Authority's 42,000 square-mile territory includes all or part of 70 counties; extending from the Texas-New Mexico border west of Lubbock to the Gulf of Mexico near Freeport.

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.

For further information on the Brazos River Authority, please contact Judi Pierce, Public Information Officer at 254-761-3103.