



# Abridged Application

Due February 5, 2016 by 5:00pm

SWIFT@twdb.texas.gov

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Entity	County	Regional Water Planning Area
North Harris County RWA *ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED VIA OLA*	Harris	H

### Entity Contact Information

Contact Person	Name	Mr. Mark Evans		
	Title	Planning and Governmental Affairs Director		
Mailing Address	3648 Cypress Creek Parkway			
	Houston, TX			
	77068-0000			
Phone Number	(281) 440-3924	Fax Number	(281) 440-4104	
Email Address	<a href="mailto:mevans@nhcrwa.com">mevans@nhcrwa.com</a>			

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Name of Project <i>(As it appears in the 2016 regional water plan)</i>	NHCRWA Transmission 2020			
Where can the project be found in the most recent Regional Water Plan?	Project described on page:	See Attachment	Capital costs listed on page:	See Attachment

*Please attach a list of all water systems served by the proposed project.*

Phase(s) Applied For	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acquisition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Design	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction
Population Served When Fully Operational	938,598			

### Description of Proposed Project

The North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) has entered into contractual agreements with the City of Houston (COH) to purchase treated surface water from the City's Northeast Water Purification Plant (NEWPP) for use in complying with the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District regulatory conversion requirements as detailed in the NHCRWA's Updated Groundwater Reduction Plan. The NEWPP is located adjacent to the western shoreline of Lake Houston near the Sam Houston Toll Road (Beltway 8). The COH, the NHCRWA, the Central Harris County Regional Water Authority, the West Harris County Regional Water Authority and the North Fort Bend Water Authority propose to design and construct a 120'±/108'± shared transmission pipeline approximately 16.6 miles in length from the NEWPP to just west of IH 45 (Second Source Line). From this point the NHCRWA and CHCRWA propose to design and construct an 84'± transmission pipeline approximately 7.7 miles in length to just west of State Highway 249, terminating at the NHCRWA's proposed SH 249 Regional Pump Station (Initial Phase of NHCRWA 2025 Transmission System).

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See Attachment B for additional information and background for NHCRWA and Exhibit 1 - Existing and Proposed Water Transmission System Map.

<b>Emergency</b> <i>(select all that apply)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant/entity's water supply will last less than 180 days. <input type="checkbox"/> Water supply need occurs earlier than anticipated in the State Water Plan. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant has received or applied for Federal emergency funding. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None of the above.
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<b>Agricultural Efficiency Project?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Efficiency improvement achieved by implementing the project <i>(Please provide an attachment showing the basis for your calculation.)</i> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> &lt;1%</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> 10%-13.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> 1%-1.9%</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> 14%-17.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> 2%-5.9%</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> ≥18%</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> 6%-9.9%</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/> <1%	<input type="checkbox"/> 10%-13.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> 1%-1.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> 14%-17.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> 2%-5.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> ≥18%	<input type="checkbox"/> 6%-9.9%	
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### Household Cost Factor

*(Household Cost Factor for SWIFT prioritization is calculated by dividing the service area's average residential water bill by its annual median household income. For regional projects, these should represent the combined service areas of all participating entities.)*

<b>Estimated average annual residential water bill:</b>	\$488	<b>Annual Median Household Income:</b>	\$77,750
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<b>The proposed project addresses:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation <input type="checkbox"/> Water Loss <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Annual Volume of Water Produced/Conserved by the Project</b> <i>(in acre-feet per year)</i>	126,585
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<b>Readiness to Proceed</b> <i>(select all that apply)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preliminary planning or design work (30% of total project) has been completed or is not required. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant is prepared to begin implementation or construction within 18 months of application deadline. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant has acquired all water rights associated with the proposed project, or none will be required.
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### ESTIMATED COSTS

<b>Estimated Project Costs</b>	Low-interest Loan	\$ 117,855,000
	Deferred Loan	\$
	Board Participation	\$
	Local Contribution	\$
	Other: Prior SWIFT	\$ 222,135,000
	<b>Total Estimated Project Costs</b>	<b>\$ 339,990,000</b>

<b>Anticipated Commitments</b> <i>Attach proposed schedule for multi-year commitments</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Commitment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Multi-Year Commitments
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# 1. General Information

Project Information

Funding Type: SWIFT

## 2. Contact Information

Entity Contact Information	Engineering Firm Contact Information
Name of Entity: North Harris Co Regional WA:3167	Name of New Entity: no value entered by user
County: Harris	Prefix: Mr.
Prefix: Mr.	First Name: Mark
First Name: Michael V.	Last Name: Evans
Last Name: Reedy	Addr 1: 3648 Cypress Creek Parkway, Suite 110
Addr 1: 10497 Town and Country Way Ste 600	Addr 2: no value entered by user
Addr 2: no value entered by user	City: Houston
City: Houston	State: TX
State: TX	Zip: 77068-0000
Zip: 77024-0000	Phone: (281) 440-3924
Phone: (713) 600-6828	Fax: (281) 440-4104
Fax: (713) 600-6801	Suffix: no value entered by user
Suffix: P.E.	OrgName: no value entered by user
OrgName: no value entered by user	DeptName: no value entered by user
DeptName: no value entered by user	Title: Planning and Governmental Affairs Direct
Title: Vice President	Email: mevans@nhcrwa.com
Email: mvr@freese.com	
Firm Name: Freese and Nichols, Inc.	Make Changes: Y
Make Changes: Y	No Entity TxWISE Id

# 3. Service Area

Population Served: 938598

## 4. Project Description

Project Name: NHCRWA Transmission Line

Where can Project be found in the most recent Regional Water Plan?

Project listed on page: : See Attachment A

Capital costs on page: : See Attachment A

Region: H - REGION H

Phase(s) Applied For

Planning: N

Acquisition: Y

Design: Y

Construction: Y

Emergency

Applicant/entity's water supply will last less than 180 days.: N

Water Supply need occurs earlier than anticipated in the State Water Plan: N

Applicant has received or applied for Federal emergency funding.: N

None of the above.: Y

Agricultural Efficiency Project?: N

Estimated average annual residential water bill: \$488.00

Annual Median Household Income: \$77750.00

Project expected to produce water: Y

Project expected to conserve water: N

Annual Volume of Water Produced or Conserved: 143360.00

Project Long Desc: The North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) has entered into contractual agreements with the City of Houston (COH) to purchase treated surface water from the City's Northeast Water Purification Plant (NEWPP) for use in complying with the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District regulatory conversion requirements as detailed in the NHCRWA's Updated Groundwater Reduction Plan. The NEWPP is located adjacent to the western shoreline of Lake Houston near the Sam Houston Toll Road (Beltway 8). The COH, the NHCRWA, the Central Harris County Regional Water Authority, the West Harris County Regional Water Authority and the North Fort Bend Water Authority propose to design and construct a 120 1/108 shared transmission pipeline approximately 16.6 miles in length from the NEWPP to just west of IH 45 (Second Source Line). From this point the NHCRWA and CHCRWA propose to

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**ATTACHMENT C**  
**REGIONAL PROJECT WORKSHEET**

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**State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT)**

Abridged Application Regional Project Worksheet

**Applicant: North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRA)**

**Project Name: NHCRA Transmission 2020 (Initial Phase of NHCRA 2025 Transmission System)**

**Instructions:** List all entities (aside from the applicant) that will be served by the proposed project. Use the “Rural” column to indicate the entities serving populations of 10,000 or fewer.

Press “Tab” to add new rows as needed.

Entity Name	Rural
1. Bammel UD	Yes
2. Bilma PUD	Yes
3. Bridgestone MUD	No
4. Charterwood MUD	Yes
5. City of Jersey Village	Yes
6. City of Tomball	No
7. City of Waller	Yes
8. CNP UD	Yes
9. Cy-Champ PUD	Yes
10. Cypress Creek UD	Yes
11. Cypress Forest PUD	Yes
12. Cypress Hill MUD 1	Yes
13. Cypress-Klein UD	Yes
14. Cypresswood UD	Yes
15. Dowdell PUD	Yes
16. Emerald Forest UD	Yes
17. Encanto Real UD	Yes
18. Faulkey Gully MUD	Yes
19. Fountainhead MUD	Yes
20. Grant Road PUD	Yes
21. Harris County FWSD 52	Yes
22. Harris County FWSD 61	No
23. Harris County ID 18	Yes
24. Harris County MUD 001	Yes
25. Harris County MUD 016	Yes
26. Harris County MUD 018	Yes
27. Harris County MUD 024	Yes
28. Harris County MUD 025	Yes
29. Harris County MUD 026	No
30. Harris County MUD 043	Yes

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31.	Harris County MUD 044	Yes
32.	Harris County MUD 048	Yes
33.	Harris County MUD 069	Yes
34.	Harris County MUD 082	No
35.	Harris County MUD 086	Yes
36.	Harris County MUD 104	Yes
37.	Harris County MUD 109	Yes
38.	Harris County MUD 118	Yes
39.	Harris County MUD 168	No
40.	Harris County MUD 170	Yes
41.	Harris County MUD 180	Yes
42.	Harris County MUD 191	Yes
43.	Harris County MUD 202	Yes
44.	Harris County MUD 211	Yes
45.	Harris County MUD 220	Yes
46.	Harris County MUD 222	Yes
47.	Harris County MUD 230	Yes
48.	Harris County MUD 231	Yes
49.	Harris County MUD 233	Yes
50.	Harris County MUD 248	Yes
51.	Harris County MUD 249	Yes
52.	Harris County MUD 273	Yes
53.	Harris County MUD 275	Yes
54.	Harris County MUD 280	Yes
55.	Harris County MUD 281	Yes
56.	Harris County MUD 282	Yes
57.	Harris County MUD 286	Yes
58.	Harris County MUD 316	Yes
59.	Harris County MUD 322	Yes
60.	Harris County MUD 354	Yes
61.	Harris County MUD 358	Yes
62.	Harris County MUD 360	Yes
63.	Harris County MUD 364	Yes
64.	Harris County MUD 365	Yes
65.	Harris County MUD 367	Yes
66.	Harris County MUD 368	No
67.	Harris County MUD 383	Yes
68.	Harris County MUD 387	Yes
69.	Harris County MUD 389	Yes
70.	Harris County MUD 391	Yes
71.	Harris County MUD 396	Yes

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72.	Harris County MUD 397	Yes
73.	Harris County MUD 401	Yes
74.	Harris County MUD 416	Yes
75.	Harris County MUD 454	Yes
76.	Harris County MUD 468	Yes
77.	Harris County MUD 480	Yes
78.	Harris County WCID 091	Yes
79.	Harris County WCID 092	Yes
80.	Harris County WCID 099	Yes
81.	Harris County WCID 109	Yes
82.	Harris County WCID 110	Yes
83.	Harris County WCID 113	Yes
84.	Harris County WCID 114	Yes
85.	Harris County WCID 116	Yes
86.	Harris County WCID 119	Yes
87.	Harris County WCID 132	Yes
88.	Harris County WCID 136	Yes
89.	Harris County WCID 155 (Partial)	Yes
90.	Harris Montgomery County MUD 386	No
91.	Heatherloch MUD	Yes
92.	Hunter's Glen MUD	Yes
93.	Inverness Forest ID	Yes
94.	Klein PUD	Yes
95.	Kleinwood MUD	Yes
96.	Lake Forest UD	Yes
97.	Louetta North PUD	Yes
98.	Louetta Rd. UD	Yes
99.	Malcomson Road UD	Yes
100.	Meadowhill Regional MUD	Yes
101.	Memorial Hills UD	Yes
102.	Mills Road MUD	Yes
103.	North Park PUD	Yes
104.	Northampton MUD	Yes
105.	Northgate Crossing MUD 1	Yes
106.	Northgate Crossing MUD 2	Yes
107.	Northwest Freeway MUD	Yes
108.	Northwest Harris County MUD 05	No
109.	Northwest Harris County MUD 06	Yes
110.	Northwest Harris County MUD 09	Yes
111.	Northwest Harris County MUD 10	Yes
112.	Northwest Harris County MUD 15	Yes

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113.	Northwest Harris County MUD 19	Yes
114.	Northwest Harris County MUD 20	Yes
115.	Northwest Harris County MUD 21	Yes
116.	Northwest Harris County MUD 22	Yes
117.	Northwest Harris County MUD 23	Yes
118.	Northwest Harris County MUD 24	Yes
119.	Northwest Harris County MUD 28	Yes
120.	Northwest Harris County MUD 29	Yes
121.	Northwest Harris County MUD 30	Yes
122.	Northwest Harris County MUD 32	Yes
123.	Northwest Harris County MUD 36	Yes
124.	Northwest Park MUD	Yes
125.	Oakmont PUD	Yes
126.	Ponderosa Forest UD	Yes
127.	Post Wood MUD	Yes
128.	Prestonwood Forest UD	Yes
129.	Reid Road MUD 1	Yes
130.	Reid Road MUD 2	Yes
131.	Richey Road MUD	Yes
132.	Shasla PUD	Yes
133.	Spring Creek Forest PUD	Yes
134.	Spring West MUD	Yes
135.	Tattor Road MUD	Yes
136.	Terranova West MUD	Yes
137.	Timber Lane UD	No
138.	Timberlake ID	Yes
139.	West Harris County MUD 01	Yes
140.	West Harris County MUD 09	Yes
141.	West Harris County MUD 10	Yes
142.	West Harris County MUD 11	Yes
143.	West Harris County MUD 15	Yes
144.	West Harris County MUD 21	Yes
145.	Westador MUD	Yes
146.	White Oak Bend MUD	Yes
147.	Woodcreek MUD	Yes

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## 5. Readiness to Proceed to Construction

Preliminary planning or design work (30% of total project) has been completed or is not required.:  
Y

Applicant is prepared to begin implementation or construction within 18 months of application  
deadline.: Y

Applicant has acquired all water rights associated with the proposed project, or none will be  
required.: Y

## 6. Estimated Costs

TWDB Requested Amount

Low-Interest Loan Amount: \$117855000.00

Deferred Loan Amount: no value entered by user

Board Participation Amount: no value entered by user

Local Contribution Amount: no value entered by user

Other Amount: \$222135000.00

Other Desc: Prior SWIFT Commitment

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$339990000.00



**ATTACHMENT D**  
**PROJECT FUNDING DETAILS**

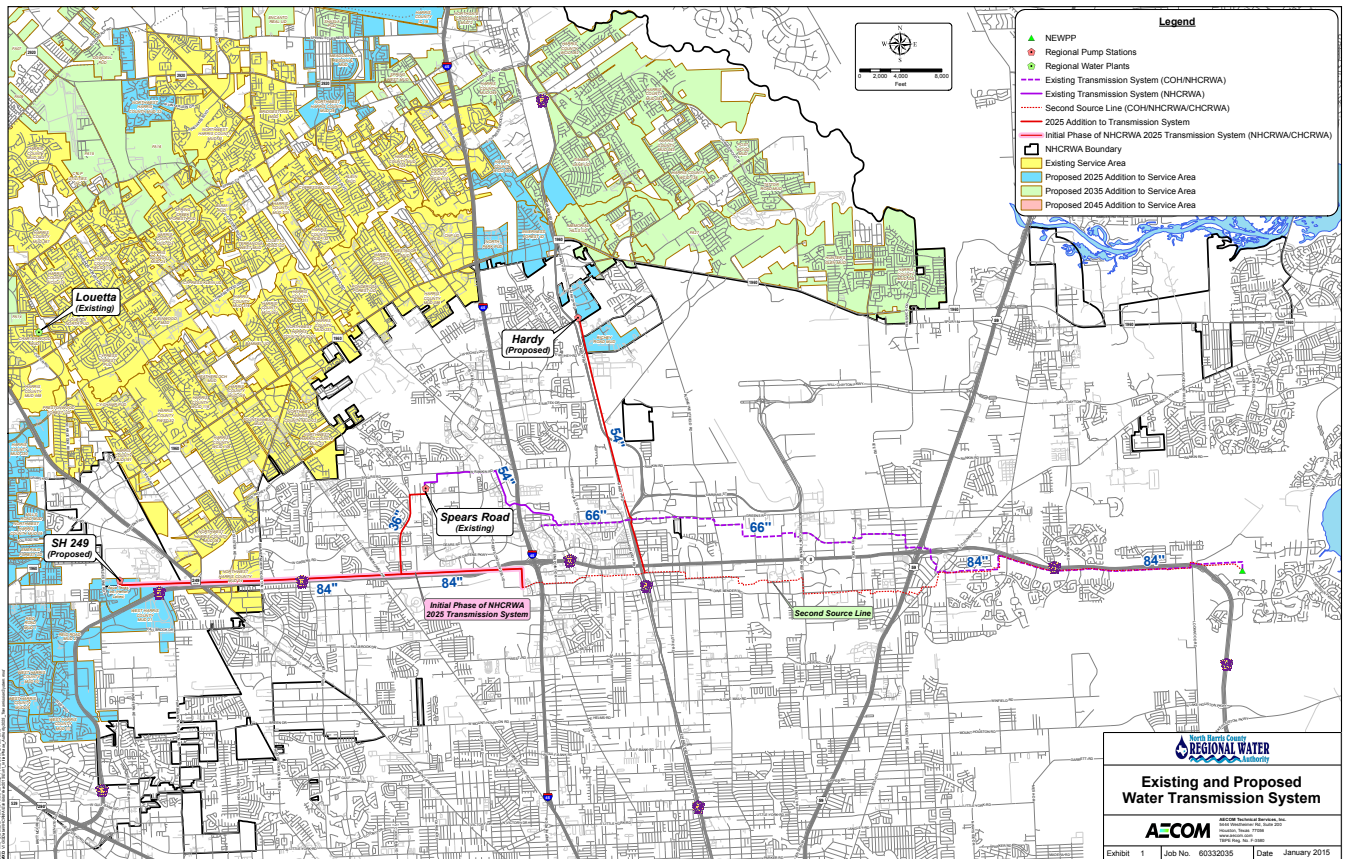
<b>PROJECT BUDGET - Entity Name NHCRA (Supplemental Funding for Second Source Line)</b>						
<b>Uses</b>	<b>TWDB 2016 Funds</b>	<b>TWDB 2017 Funds</b>	<b>TWDB 2018 Funds</b>	<b>Total TWDB Cost</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
<b>Construction</b>						
Construction	\$46,626,700	\$2,899,300	\$30,355,600	\$79,881,600	\$0	\$79,881,600
<b>Subtotal Construction</b>	<b>\$46,626,700</b>	<b>\$2,899,300</b>	<b>\$30,355,600</b>	<b>\$79,881,600</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$79,881,600</b>
<b>Basic Engineering Fees</b>						
Planning +	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Design	\$9,869,100	\$0	\$0	\$9,869,100	\$0	\$9,869,100
Construction Engineering	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Basic Engineering Other **</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Basic Engineering Fees</b>	<b>\$9,869,100</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$9,869,100</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$9,869,100</b>
<b>Special Services</b>						
Application	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
Environmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Conservation Plan	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
I/I Studies/Sewer Evaluation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Surveying	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Geotechnical	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Testing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Permits	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
O&M Manual	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Project Management (by engineer)	\$1,255,400	\$210,000	\$1,000,500	\$2,465,900	\$0	\$2,465,900
Pilot Testing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution Modeling	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Special Services Other **</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Special Services</b>	<b>\$1,305,400</b>	<b>\$210,000</b>	<b>\$1,000,500</b>	<b>\$2,515,900</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,515,900</b>
<b>Other</b>						
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land/Easements	\$1,490,800	\$6,513,300	\$0	\$8,004,100	\$0	\$8,004,100
Water Rights Purchase (If Applicable)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capacity Buy-In (If Applicable)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Project Legal Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Other **</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Other Services</b>	<b>\$1,490,800</b>	<b>\$6,513,300</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,004,100</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,004,100</b>
<b>Fiscal Services</b>						
Financial Advisor	\$123,547	\$22,590	\$68,147	\$214,283	\$0	\$214,283
Bond Counsel	\$185,320	\$33,884	\$102,220	\$321,424	\$0	\$321,424
Issuance Cost	\$123,547	\$22,590	\$68,147	\$214,284	\$0	\$214,284
Bond Insurance/Surety	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fiscal/Legal	\$184,580	\$34,604	\$101,480	\$320,664	\$0	\$320,664
Capitalized Interest	\$2,470,936	\$451,792	\$1,362,936	\$4,285,664	\$0	\$4,285,664
Bond Reserve Fund	\$3,088,670	\$564,740	\$1,703,670	\$5,357,080	\$0	\$5,357,080
Loan Origination Fee	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Other **</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Fiscal Services</b>	<b>\$6,176,600</b>	<b>\$1,130,200</b>	<b>\$3,406,600</b>	<b>\$10,713,400</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,713,400</b>
<b>Contingency</b>						
Contingency	\$2,481,400	\$1,672,200	\$2,717,300	\$6,870,900	\$0	\$6,870,900
<b>Subtotal Contingency</b>	<b>\$2,481,400</b>	<b>\$1,672,200</b>	<b>\$2,717,300</b>	<b>\$6,870,900</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,870,900</b>
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>	<b>\$67,950,000</b>	<b>\$12,425,000</b>	<b>\$37,480,000</b>	<b>\$117,855,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$117,855,000</b>

Other \*\* description must be entered

**ATTACHMENT B**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND ON NHCRWA AND  
EXHIBIT 1 – EXISTING AND PROPOSED WATER TRANSMISSION SYSTEM MAP**

The North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRA) is a special purpose political subdivision of the State of Texas created in 1999. The NHCRA has jurisdiction over an approximately 338 square mile area, largely comprised of County-Other as defined by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), located in northwest Harris County. The NHCRA has the statutory power to conserve, preserve, protect, recharge, and prevent waste of groundwater including, but not limited to, the power to acquire or develop surface water supplies; to acquire, construct, operate, and maintain a water treatment or supply system; to store, transport, treat, and sell water to others; to allocate water among participants in its Groundwater Reduction Plan (GRP); to coordinate water services; and to exercise the power of eminent domain. Based on the Region H Regional Water Plan, the NHCRA area is expected to experience significant growth throughout the planning cycle, from approximately 750,000 people in 2020 to approximately 940,000 by 2070. This growth in population will result in significant increased water demands. The NHCRA was created to develop and implement the strategies for complying with the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District's (HGSD) Regulatory Plan. The NHCRA's GRP establishes the framework and plans for the implementation of projects to optimize groundwater and surface water supplies and ensuring a sustainable water supply for the population served by the NHCRA.





Jimmie Schindewolf, PE.  
General Manager

February 4, 2016

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P. O. Box 13231  
Austin, Texas 78711-3231

**Re: North Harris County Regional Water Authority State Water Implementation Fund for  
Texas ("SWIFT") 2016 Abridged Application**

Dear Mr. Walker:

Transmitted herewith please find the North Harris County Regional Water Authority ("NHCRWA") 2016 Abridged Application for SWIFT funding for the NHCRWA's portion of the NHCRWA Transmission 2020 project, as named in the 2012 State Water Plan (also referred to as "Second Source Line Project No. 51021").

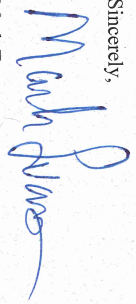
As you well know, the Second Source Line Project received a multi-year loan commitment from the 2015 round of SWIFT funding in the amount of \$222,135,000. Subsequent to receiving the multi-year loan commitment, the NHCRWA and the City of Houston executed the Third and Fourth Supplements to the Water Supply Contract which included revised estimated project costs and changes in the funding schedule. Based on these revisions, the NHCRWA will need additional funding estimated to be in the amount of \$56,450,000 and, in addition, would need previously committed SWIFT funds sooner than reflected in the current multi-year loan commitment schedule.

In order for the NHCRWA to complete the 2016 Abridged Application and to provide the 2016 Annual Confirmation of SWIFT Multi-Year Commitment Annual Loan Closing Schedule to reflect the increased funding needs and change in funding schedule, NHCRWA representatives determined that it was appropriate to seek guidance from TWDB. On January 29, 2016, NHCRWA representatives met with you, Amanda Lavin and Scott Galaway. As a result of that meeting, the NHCRWA has included in this 2016 Abridged Application the total amount of funding needed (\$117,855,000) without applying a change in the schedule of the previously committed SWIFT funds and, at this time, will not request any proposed revisions to the 2016 Annual Confirmation of SWIFT Multi-Year Commitment Annual Loan Closing Schedule. Should the total amount of funding for the Second Source Line Project that is requested by the NHCRWA in this 2016 Abridged Application be ultimately approved, then the NHCRWA may not need previously committed project funding for the years 2019 and 2020.

Mr. Jeff Walker  
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Should you have any questions or need any additional information please contact me by telephone at 281-440-3924 or by email at [mevans@nhcrwa.com](mailto:mevans@nhcrwa.com).

Sincerely,



Mark Evans  
Planning and Governmental Affairs Director

ME/cp

Attachment

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**ATTACHMENT A**

**SECTION 1. APPLICANT INFORMATION  
REFERENCES TO 2011 REGION H REGIONAL WATER PLAN**



## **SECTION 1. APPLICANT INFORMATION**

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Water Management Strategy*	WMS Project Name
New / Expanded Contract With BRA	Allens Creek Reservoir
	BRA System Operation Permit (Region G Project)
New / Expanded Contract With BWA	BWA Treatment Plant Expansion
New / Expanded Contract With BWA - Brackish Groundwater	BWA Brackish Groundwater
New / Expanded Contract With CLCND	CLCND West Chambers System
New / Expanded Contract With COH	City of Houston GRP
	City of Houston Treatment Expansion
	COH Northeast Water Purification Plant Expansion
	Luce Bayou Interbasin Transfer
	San Jacinto Basin Regional Return Flows
	TRA to COH Transfer
New / Expanded Contract With GCWA	GCWA Reclaimed Water from COH
New / Expanded Contract With LNVA	WUG Infrastructure Expansion (WUG-level projects)
New / Expanded Contract With SJRA	Lake Livingston to SJRA Transfer
	San Jacinto Basin Regional Return Flows
	SJRA GRP
NFBWA Grand Lakes Reuse	Grand Lakes Reclaimed Water System
NFBWA GRP	City of Houston Reuse
	COH Northeast Water Purification Plant Expansion
	Luce Bayou Interbasin Transfer
	NFBWA GRP
	NFBWA Phase 2 Distribution Segments
	San Jacinto Basin Regional Return Flows
	TRA to COH Transfer
	WHCRWA/NFBWA Transmission Line
NHCRWA GRP	City of Houston Reuse
	COH Northeast Water Purification Plant Expansion
	COH, NHCRWA, and CHCRWA Shared Transmission
	Luce Bayou Interbasin Transfer
	NHCRWA Distribution Expansion
	NHCRWA GRP
	NHCRWA Transmission Line
	San Jacinto Basin Regional Return Flows
TRA to COH Transfer	
Old Galveston Road Transmission Improvements	Old Galveston Road Transmission Improvements
Panorama Village And Shenandoah Joint GRP	Panorama Village and Shenandoah Joint GRP
Pearland SWTP	Allens Creek Reservoir
	GCWA Reclaimed Water from COH
	Pearland Surface Water Treatment Plant
Porter SUD Joint GRP	City of Conroe Reuse
	Porter SUD Joint GRP

Project	Potential Volume <sup>1</sup> (ac-ft)	Capital Cost (\$)	Unit Cost (\$/ac-ft)		Start Decade
			Start Decade	2070	
<b>Contractual Transfer</b>					
TRA to COH Transfer	150,000	\$0	\$5	\$5	2020
<b>Conveyance</b>					
CHCRWA Transmission and Distribution Expansion	4,682	\$23,207,659	\$409	\$44	2020
COH, NHRWA, and CHCRWA Shared Transmission	148,042	\$150,325,381	\$83	\$9	2020
East Texas Transfer	250,000	\$388,064,210	\$145	\$15	2040
Lake Livingston to SJRA Transfer	50,000	\$166,710,892	\$311	\$32	2050
Luce Bayou Interbasin Transfer	450,000	\$360,004,806	\$143	\$23	2020
NFBWA Phase 2 Distribution Segments	62,496	\$65,450,062	\$95	\$7	2020
NHRWA Distribution Expansion	143,360	\$922,549,086	\$307	\$50	2020
NHRWA Transmission Line	143,360	\$155,993,406	\$86	\$6	2020
Old Galveston Road Transmission Improvements	24,300	\$99,886,253	\$322	\$25	2020
WHCRWA Distribution Expansion	91,896	\$293,290,000	\$299	\$32	2020
WHCRWA/NFBWA Transmission Line	154,392	\$642,986,052	\$340	\$34	2020
<b>Groundwater Development</b>					
Brackish Groundwater Development <sup>3</sup>	Varies	Varies by project	\$278-1,557	Varies	2020
BWA Brackish Groundwater	3,136	\$34,016,950	\$600	\$346	2020
Conroe Brackish Groundwater Desalination	5,600	\$40,691,342	\$857	\$323	2020
Expanded Use of Groundwater <sup>3</sup>	30,000+	Varies by WUG	Varies by WUG	Varies by WUG	2020
Groveton Groundwater Expansion	161	\$2,195,000	\$1,277	\$136	2020
SJRA Catahoula Aquifer Supplies	7,840	\$10,980,367	\$213	\$96	2020
<b>Groundwater Reduction Plans</b>					
CHCRWA GRP <sup>4</sup>	4,682	\$0	\$0	\$0	2020
City of Houston GRP <sup>4</sup>	130,544	\$0	\$0	\$0	2020
City of Missouri City GRP	12,656	\$50,959,636	\$329	\$33	2020
City of Richmond GRP	1,465	\$32,167,109	\$1,761	\$146	2020
City of Rosenberg GRP	826	\$12,469,012	\$1,242	\$131	2020
City of Sugar Land GRP	20,160	\$148,650,964	\$900	\$283	2020
Fort Bend County MUD 25 GRP	744	\$2,148,043	\$282	\$40	2030
Fort Bend County WC&ID No. 2 GRP	6,720	\$36,668,844	\$800	\$343	2020
NFBWA GRP <sup>4</sup>	62,496	\$0	\$0	\$0	2020
NHRWA GRP <sup>4</sup>	143,360	\$0	\$0	\$0	2020
Panorama Village and Shenandoah Joint GRP	472	\$1,619,114	\$399	\$112	2040
Porter SUD Joint GRP	2,240	\$22,061,536	\$1,250	\$426	2020
River Plantation and East Plantation Joint GRP <sup>5</sup>	92	\$0	\$0	\$0	2030
SJRA GRP	100,000	\$834,931,018	\$245	\$81	2020
WHCRWA GRP <sup>4</sup>	91,896	\$0	\$0	\$0	2020

Table 5-A3 – Scoring for Key Projects

WMS Project		Cost	Location	Water Quality	Environmental Land & Habitat	Impacts on Environmental Flows	Local Preference	Institutional Constraints / Risk of Implementability	Development Timeline	Sponsorship	Vulnerability	Impacts on Other WMS
Conservation												
CNSV-001	Industrial Conservation	5	5	3	5	3	4	5	5	3	5	3
CNSV-002	Irrigation Conservation	5	5	3	4	3	3	5	5	3	5	3
CNSV-003	Municipal Conservation	4	5	3	5	3	4	5	5	3	5	2
Contractual Transfer												
CNTR-001	TRA to COH Transfer	5	2	3	5	2	3	3	5	5	4	4
Conveyance												
CONV-001	CHCRWA Transmission and Distribution Expansion	4	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	5	5	3
CONV-002	COH, NHCRWA, and CHCRWA Shared Transmission	5	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	5	5	3
CONV-003	East Texas Transfer	5	1	3	2	2	3	1	3	3	2	4
CONV-004	GCWA Treated Water from LNVA	1	1	3	2	3	2	2	4	2	2	3
CONV-005	Lake Livingston to SJRA Transfer	4	2	3	2	2	4	2	4	4	4	4
CONV-006	Luce Bayou Interbasin Transfer	5	2	3	3	2	4	5	5	5	4	5
CONV-007	NFBWA Phase 2 Distribution Segments	5	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	5	5	3
CONV-008	NHCRWA Distribution Expansion	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	5	5	3
CONV-009	NHCRWA Transmission Line	5	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	5	5	3
CONV-010	Old Galveston Road Transmission Improvements	4	5	3	5	3	5	3	5	5	5	5
CONV-011	WHCRWA Distribution Expansion	4	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	5	5	3
CONV-012	WHCRWA/NFBWA Transmission Line	5	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	5	5	3
Groundwater Development												
GWDV-001	Aquifer Storage and Recovery	3	5	3	4	4	4	3	5	3	3	5
GWDV-002	Brackish Groundwater Development	3	5	3	4	4	3	3	5	3	4	4
GWDV-003	BWA Brackish Groundwater	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	5	5	4	5
GWDV-004	Conroe Brackish Groundwater Desalination	2	5	3	4	4	4	3	5	4	4	4
GWDV-005	Expanded Use of Groundwater	1	5	3	4	4	4	3	5	3	5	3
GWDV-006	Forestar Houston County Project	3	2	3	2	4	3	2	5	2	3	3

Project	Project Type	Associated WMS
NHRWA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2035 PHASE	WMS	NHRWA GRP
NHRWA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2045 PHASE	WMS	NHRWA GRP
NHRWA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN	WMS	NHRWA GRP
NHRWA TRANSMISSION LINES	WMS	NHRWA GRP
OLD GALVESTON ROAD TRANSMISSION IMPROVEMENTS	WMS	OLD GALVESTON ROAD TRANSMISSION IMPROVEMENTS
PANORAMA AND SHENANDOAH GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	PANORAMA AND SHENANDOAH JOINT GRP
PEARLAND REUSE INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	CITY OF PEARLAND REUSE
PEARLAND SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT DEVELOPMENT	WMS	PEARLAND SWTP
PORTER SUD GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	PORTER SUD JOINT GRP
REGIONAL RETURN FLOWS DEVELOPMENT		CHCRWA GRP
		CITY OF HOUSTON GRP
		NEW / EXPANDED CONTRACT WITH COH
		NEW / EXPANDED CONTRACT WITH SJRA
		NFBWA GRP
		NHRWA GRP
		SJRA REUSE SUPPLIES FOR MANUFACTURING
RICHMOND GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	WHCRWA GRP
RIVER PLANTATION REUSE EXPANSION	WMS	RICHMOND GRP
ROSENBERG GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	RIVER PLANTATION AND EAST PLANTATION JOINT GRP
SJRA CATAHOULA AQUIFER SUPPLIES	WMS	ROSENBERG GRP
SJRA CONROE REUSE PROJECT	WMS	SJRA CATAHOULA AQUIFER SUPPLIES
SJRA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN - 2025 PHASE		SJRA REUSE SUPPLIES FOR MANUFACTURING
		NEW / EXPANDED CONTRACT WITH SJRA
SJRA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN - 2035 PHASE		SJRA GRP
		NEW / EXPANDED CONTRACT WITH SJRA
	WMS	SJRA GRP

Project Name	Proj. Level	Sponsor	Capital Cost (\$)	Annual Cost (\$/year)						
				2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070	
NEW / EXPANDED CONTRACT WITH SIRA - STAGECOACH	WUG	SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NEW / EXPANDED CONTRACT WITH SIRA - STANLEY LAKE MUD	WUG	STAGECOACH	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NEW / EXPANDED CONTRACT WITH SIRA - STEAM ELECTRIC POWER, MONTGOMERY COUNTY (SJ)	WUG	SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NEW / EXPANDED CONTRACT WITH SUGAR LAND - FORT BEND MUD 25	WUG	STANLEY LAKE MUD	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NFBWA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN	WUG	SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NFBWA PHASE 2 DISTRIBUTION SEGMENTS	WMS	STEAM ELECTRIC POWER, MONTGOMERY	\$65,450,062	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NHCRWA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2025 PHASE	WMS	FORT BEND COUNTY MUD #25	\$5,934,717	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NHCRWA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2035 PHASE	WMS	SUGAR LAND	\$43,957,902	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NHCRWA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2045 PHASE	WMS	NORTH FORT BEND WATER AUTHORITY	\$373,353,219	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
NHCRWA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN	WMS	NORTH FORT BEND WATER AUTHORITY	\$11,503,412	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
OLD GALVESTON ROAD TRANSMISSION IMPROVEMENTS	WMS	NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	\$155,993,406	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
PANORAMA AND SHENANDOAH GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	\$99,886,253	\$8,963,415	\$8,963,415	\$605,000	\$605,000	\$605,000	\$605,000	\$605,000
PEARLAND REUSE INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	HOUSTON	\$1,619,114	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
PEARLAND SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT DEVELOPMENT	WMS	PANORAMA VILLAGE	\$5,895,808	\$-	\$-	\$188,486	\$188,486	\$188,486	\$188,486	\$53,000
PORTER SUD GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	SHENANDOAH	\$112,947,347	\$154,751	\$596,982	\$468,137	\$103,625	\$103,625	\$103,625	\$103,625
REGIONAL RETURN FLOWS DEVELOPMENT	WMS	PEARLAND	\$22,061,536	\$9,402,243	\$14,604,574	\$8,500,389	\$5,153,215	\$5,153,215	\$5,153,215	\$5,153,215
RICHMOND GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	PEARLAND	\$32,167,109	\$2,800,465	\$2,800,465	\$954,371	\$954,371	\$954,371	\$954,371	\$954,371
		PORTER SUD	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
		HOUSTON	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
		NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
		SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
		RICHMOND	\$2,580,112	\$2,580,112	\$213,200	\$213,200	\$213,200	\$213,200	\$213,200	\$213,200

Project Name	Proj. Level	Unit Cost (\$/ac-ft)					
		2020	2030	2040	2050	2070	
LNUA IRRIGATION SYSTEM EXPANSION	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$435	\$435	\$360	\$360
LUCE BAYOU TRANSFER	WMS	\$143	\$143	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$23
MISSOURI CITY GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	\$329	\$329	\$33	\$33	\$33	\$33
MONTGOMERY COUNTY MUDDS #8 AND #9 REUSE	WMS	\$1,360	\$1,360	\$595	\$595	\$595	\$595
NFBWA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
NFBWA PHASE 2 DISTRIBUTION SEGMENTS	WMS	\$95	\$95	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7
NHCRWA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2025 PHASE	WMS	\$307	\$307	\$31	\$31	\$31	\$31
NHCRWA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2035 PHASE	WMS	\$0	\$211	\$211	\$19	\$19	\$19
NHCRWA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2045 PHASE	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$6	\$6	\$1	\$1
NHCRWA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
NHCRWA TRANSMISSION LINES	WMS	\$86	\$86	\$6	\$6	\$6	\$6
OLD GALVESTON ROAD TRANSMISSION IMPROVEMENTS	WMS	\$369	\$369	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25
PANORAMA AND SHENANDOAH GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$399	\$399	\$112	\$112
PEARLAND REUSE INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	\$493	\$517	\$406	\$90	\$90	\$90
PEARLAND SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT DEVELOPMENT	WMS	\$839	\$652	\$379	\$230	\$230	\$230
PORTER SUD GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$426	\$426	\$426	\$426
REGIONAL RETURN FLOWS DEVELOPMENT	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RICHMOND GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	\$1,761	\$1,761	\$146	\$146	\$146	\$146
RIVER PLANTATION REUSE EXPANSION	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ROSENBERG GRP INFRASTRUCTURE	WMS	\$1,242	\$1,242	\$131	\$131	\$131	\$131
SIRA CATAHOULA AQUIFER SUPPLIES	WMS	\$213	\$213	\$96	\$96	\$96	\$96
SIRA CONROE REUSE PROJECT	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SIRA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN - 2025 PHASE	WMS	\$245	\$245	\$28	\$28	\$28	\$28
SIRA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN - 2035 PHASE	WMS	\$0	\$971	\$971	\$113	\$113	\$113
SIRA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN - 2045 PHASE	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$594	\$594	\$69	\$69
SIRA GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN - 2055 PHASE	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$971	\$971	\$113
SUGAR LAND GRP	WMS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

## REGION H PROJECT ANALYSIS TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

<b>Project Name:</b>	North Harris County Regional Water Authority Transmission Line
<b>Project ID:</b>	CONV-009
<b>Project Type:</b>	Existing Surface Water Source
<b>Potential Supply Quantity (Rounded):</b>	143,360 ac-ft/yr (128 mgd)
<b>Implementation Decade:</b>	2020 (2025)
<b>Development Timeline:</b>	<10 years
<b>Project Capital Cost:</b>	\$155,993,406 (Sept. 2013)
<b>Unit Water Cost (Rounded):</b>	\$86 per ac-ft (during loan period) \$6 per ac-ft (after loan period)

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Harris-Galveston Subsidence District (HGSD) and Fort Bend Subsidence District (FBSD) have established requirements for entities within their boundaries to limit groundwater pumpage to a specified percentage of total water use to address the issue of land surface subsidence caused by prolonged heavy pumping from the Gulf Coast Aquifer; as demands are expected to grow with time, the allowable percentage from groundwater is scheduled to decrease. In order to meet these requirements, the North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) has contracted with the City of Houston (COH) to receive treated surface water. The Authority has already developed transmission and distribution infrastructure to its initial obligations for reducing groundwater demand and are receiving water from COH. In order to utilize sufficient supplies to meet future surface water conversion obligations, NHCRWA is developing transmission infrastructure to convey additional treated surface water to its service area from connections with a large pipeline developed jointly by COH, NHCRWA, and the Central Harris County Regional Water Authority (CHCRWA).

### PROJECT ANALYSES

The project analyses for the NHCRWA Transmission Line include evaluations of the potential supply to be created, environmental factors involved in the project, permitting and development considerations, and an analysis of project cost.

### Supply Development

The Authority has already developed transmission and distribution infrastructure to meet its initial obligations for reducing groundwater demand and is receiving water from COH, which is reflected in the Regional Plan as an existing supply. In order to meet future water demands and regulatory conversion obligations, the Authority has continued development and implementation of its Groundwater Reduction Plan (GRP) program, increasing its supply reservation and planning for large



scale transmission to its service area. In order to utilize this expanded supply in order to meet future required phases of conversion, NHCRWA will expand its treated surface water transmission capacity by 2025. A major 84-inch pipeline jointly sponsored by and serving COH, NHCRWA, and CHCRWA is planned to convey water from the COH Northeast Water Purification Plant (NEWPP) westward to point just west of Interstate 45 along a route roughly parallel to Beltway 8. The NHCRWA Transmission Line will convey this water to the Authority service area in several segments. A 54-inch line will run north from the shared transmission along the Hardy Toll Road north to a pump station near Richey Road. Another line of 84-inch diameter will run westward from the terminus of the shared pipeline to a proposed pump station near the Heron Lakes subdivision slightly west of SH 249. A smaller 36-inch line will branch off at TC Jester Blvd and connect to the existing Spears Road Pump Station.

### **Environmental Considerations**

Infrastructure development may result in some construction disturbance which could require mitigation. The most significant impact associated with the project is the source supply, which requires the interbasin transfer of surface water supplies.

### **Permitting and Development**

NHCRWA is subject to contractual requirements established by COH as well as any relevant permitting required by the State of Texas and HGSD. Development of expanded distribution infrastructure will cause some degree of surface disturbance, which may require permitting and mitigation. Infrastructure development is also likely to require acquisition of additional easements or property.

### **Cost Analysis**

Planning-level capital cost estimates for the NHCRWA Transmission Line project were included in the NHCRWA GRP. The primary capital component of the project was pipeline construction through both open cut and trenchless methods, with additional cost for contingency, engineering, legal costs, land acquisition, and environmental studies and mitigation. Capital costs were scaled to a September 2013 equivalent cost using the Construction Cost Index in accordance with TWDB guidance. Other cost components not included in the GRP, such as interest during construction, annualized debt service, and annualized operations and maintenance costs, were assumed using standard Regional Planning costing assumptions. The costs presented in this memorandum do not include the purchase cost of water. Estimated costs are presented in *Table 1*.

**Table 1 – NHRWA Transmission Project Cost**

OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST						January 24, 2015
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL	
<b>PROJECT COST SUMMARY</b>						
1	CONSTRUCTION (CAPITAL) COST	1	LS	\$88,050,000	\$88,050,000	
2	ENGINEERING, FINANCIAL, AND LEGAL SERVICES AND CONTINGENCIES	1	LS	\$43,620,000	\$43,620,000	
3	LAND AND EASEMENTS	1	LS	\$8,070,000	\$8,070,000	
4	ENVIRONMENTAL - STUDIES AND MITIGATION	1	LS	\$70,000	\$70,000	
5	INTEREST DURING CONSTRUCTION	1	LS	\$16,183,406	\$16,183,406	
<b>PROJECT COST</b>					<b>\$155,993,406</b>	

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ANNUAL TOTAL					
ANNUAL COST SUMMARY		2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070
1	DEBT SERVICE	\$11,478,268	\$11,478,268	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (O&M)	\$880,500	\$880,500	\$880,500	\$880,500	\$880,500	\$880,500
3	PUMPING ENERGY COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4	PURCHASE COST OF WATER	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL ANNUAL COST</b>		<b>\$12,358,768</b>	<b>\$12,358,768</b>	<b>\$880,500</b>	<b>\$880,500</b>	<b>\$880,500</b>	<b>\$880,500</b>

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ANNUAL TOTAL					
ANNUAL COST SUMMARY		2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070
1	ANNUAL COST	\$12,358,768	\$12,358,768	\$880,500	\$880,500	\$880,500	\$880,500
2	YIELD	143,360	143,360	143,360	143,360	143,360	143,360
3	UNIT COST	\$86	\$86	\$6	\$6	\$6	\$6
<b>TOTAL UNIT COST</b>		<b>\$33</b>					

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
<b>CONSTRUCTION COST SUMMARY</b>					
1	PIPELINES	1	LS	\$88,050,000	\$88,050,000
<b>PROJECT COST</b>					<b>\$88,050,000</b>

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (O&amp;M) COST SUMMARY</b>					
1	PIPELINES	1.0	%	\$88,050,000	\$880,500
<b>ANNUAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COST</b>					<b>\$880,500</b>

**PROJECT EVALUATION**

Based on the analysis provided above, the NHRWA Transmission Line project was evaluated across eleven different criteria for the purpose of quick comparison against alternative projects that may be incorporated into the Regional Water Plan. The results of this evaluation can be seen in the table below.

CRITERIA	RATING	EXPLANATION
Cost	5	The NHRWA Transmission Line, while not directly generating supply, allow conveyance with small additional cost.

CRITERIA	RATING	EXPLANATION
<b>Location</b>	4	Reflects conveyance infrastructure from major transmission pipelines to demand centers.
<b>Water Quality</b>	3	No known water quality issues.
<b>Environmental Land and Habitat</b>	3	Environmental impacts can be mitigated. Limited concerns.
<b>Environmental Flows</b>	3	Project does not directly impact flows. Source projects will result in decreased instream flows downstream of diversion location in source basin.
<b>Local Preference</b>	4	Local support. Limited opposition.
<b>Institutional Constraints</b>	3	Permits expected with minimal problems. Property available.
<b>Development Timeline</b>	4	Project to be developed within 10 years.
<b>Sponsorship</b>	5	Sponsors identified and project is in development.
<b>Vulnerability</b>	5	Minimal risk from natural and man-made disasters.
<b>Impacts on Other Projects</b>	3	No known significant impacts to other projects.

The NHCRWA Transmission Line include up to 14 miles of large-diameter pipelines. The majority of this impact will be in urbanized areas with limited impacts to habitat. The project will not directly impact environmental flows and are not anticipated to impact agricultural land or production.

#### WATER USER GROUP APPLICATION

The NHCRWA Transmission Line project was evaluated on a basis of several criteria to determine the Water User Groups (WUGs) to which it may be applied. Consideration was given to the proximity of the project to identified needs, the volume of the supply made available, the quality of the water provided, and the unit cost of the project as well as other factors that may relate to the auditability of the project to the WUGs served.

CRITERIA	WUG SUITABILITY
<b>Proximity</b>	Conveyance infrastructure from major transmission pipelines to demand centers.
<b>Size</b>	Conveyance is sized to convey the requisite amount of source water.
<b>Water Quality</b>	Conveys treated water of quality appropriate for municipal use.
<b>Unit Cost</b>	Adds small amount to unit cost of NHCRWA's surface water conversion process.

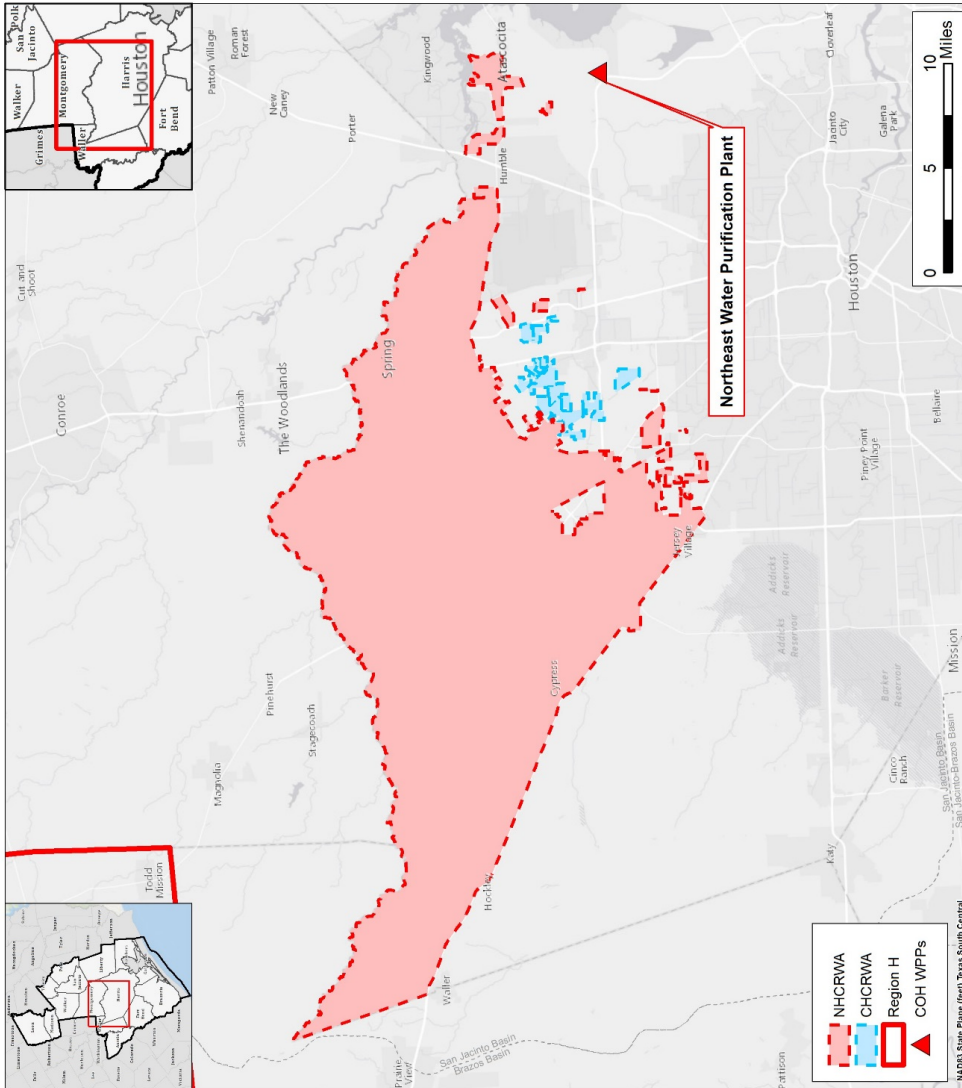
CRITERIA	WUG SUITABILITY
<b>Other Factors</b>	Reduces dependence on Gulf Coast Aquifer groundwater.

**REFERENCES**

AECOM. *2014 North Harris County Regional Water Authority Groundwater Reduction Plan*, prepared for NHRWA, June 2014.

Harris-Galveston Subsidence District. *Harris-Galveston Subsidence District 2013 District Regulatory Plan*, May 2013.

**LOCATION MAP**



**NHCROWA Transmission Line  
Location Map**



**Recommended Projects Associated with Water Management Strategies**

Sponsor Name	Is Sponsor a WWP?	Project Name	Project Description	Capital Cost	Online Decade
NORTH GREEN MUD	N	WUG INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION (GROUNDWATER) - NORTH GREEN MUD	MULTIPLE WELLS/WELL FIELD	\$1,567,843	2030
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	COH NORTHEAST WATER PURIFICATION PLANT EXPANSION	WATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPANSION	\$462,850,625	2021
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	COH, NHCRA, AND CHCRA SHARED TRANSMISSION	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE	\$107,089,958	2025
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION, NHCRA	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION CAPITAL COST (DOES NOT INCLUDE METER REPLACEMENT OR WATER LOSS)	\$59,468,460	2020
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	MUNICIPAL IRRIGATION REUSE DEVELOPMENT, NHCRA	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE; NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT	\$6,067,108	2030
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	NHCRA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2025 PHASE	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE	\$537,692,455	2025
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	NHCRA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2035 PHASE	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE	\$373,353,219	2035
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	NHCRA DISTRIBUTION EXPANSION - 2045 PHASE	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE	\$11,503,412	2045
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	NHCRA TRANSMISSION LINES	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE	\$155,993,406	2025
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	WATER LOSS REDUCTION, NHCRA	WATER LOSS CONTROL	\$132,740,570	2020
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	WUG INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION - NHCRA DISTRICTS 2025	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE; PUMP STATION	\$106,821,318	2025
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	Y	WUG INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION - NHCRA DISTRICTS 2035	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE; PUMP STATION	\$83,858,688	2035
NORTHWEST PARK MUD	N	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION, NORTHWEST PARK MUD	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION CAPITAL COST (DOES NOT INCLUDE METER REPLACEMENT OR WATER LOSS)	\$1,455,250	2020
NORTHWEST PARK MUD	N	WUG INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION (GROUNDWATER) - NORTHWEST PARK MUD	MULTIPLE WELLS/WELL FIELD	\$5,130,247	2030
OAK RIDGE NORTH	N	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION, OAK RIDGE NORTH	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION CAPITAL COST (DOES NOT INCLUDE METER REPLACEMENT OR WATER LOSS)	\$208,910	2020
OAKWOOD	N	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION, OAKWOOD	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION CAPITAL COST (DOES NOT INCLUDE METER REPLACEMENT OR WATER LOSS)	\$5,890	2040
OLD RIVER-WINFREE	N	WATER LOSS REDUCTION, OLD RIVER-WINFREE	WATER LOSS CONTROL	\$361,100	2020
OLD RIVER-WINFREE	N	WUG INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION (GROUNDWATER) - OLD RIVER-WINFREE - PHASE 1	SINGLE WELL	\$1,080,966	2020
OLD RIVER-WINFREE	N	WUG INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION (GROUNDWATER) - OLD RIVER-WINFREE - PHASE 2	SINGLE WELL	\$1,080,966	2070
ONALASKA	N	WATER LOSS REDUCTION, ONALASKA	WATER LOSS CONTROL	\$1,511,450	2020
OYSTER CREEK	N	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION, OYSTER CREEK	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION CAPITAL COST (DOES NOT INCLUDE METER REPLACEMENT OR WATER LOSS)	\$129,490	2020
OYSTER CREEK	N	WATER LOSS REDUCTION, OYSTER CREEK	WATER LOSS CONTROL	\$283,260	2020
OYSTER CREEK	N	WUG INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION - OYSTER CREEK	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE; PUMP STATION	\$1,832,010	2020
PANORAMA VILLAGE	N	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION, PANORAMA VILLAGE	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION CAPITAL COST (DOES NOT INCLUDE METER REPLACEMENT OR WATER LOSS)	\$227,300	2020
PANORAMA VILLAGE	N	WUG INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION - PANORAMA VILLAGE	CONVEYANCE/TRANSMISSION PIPELINE; NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT; PUMP STATION	\$6,493,814	2025
PARKWAY UD	N	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION, PARKWAY UD	MUNICIPAL CONSERVATION CAPITAL COST (DOES NOT INCLUDE METER REPLACEMENT OR WATER LOSS)	\$224,720	2020



# Abridged Application

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By submitting this abridged application, you understand and confirm that the information provided is true and correct to the best of your knowledge and further understand that the failure to submit a complete abridged application by the stated deadlines, or to respond in a timely manner to additional requests for information, may result in the withdrawal of the abridged application without review.

GENERAL INFORMATION		
Name of Entity	County	Regional Water Planning Area
North Harris County RWA *ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED VIA OLA*	Harris	H

Entity Contact Information			
Contact Person	Name	Mr. Mark Evans	
	Title	Planning and Governmental Affairs Director	
Mailing Address	3648 Cypress Creek Parkway		
	Houston, TX		
	77068-0000		
Phone Number	(281) 440-3924	Fax Number	(281) 440-4104
Email Address	mevans@nhcrwa.com		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION			
Name of Project <i>(As it appears in the 2016 regional water plan)</i>	NHCRWA Transmission 2020		
Where can the project be found in the most recent Regional Water Plan?	Project described on page:	Capital costs listed on page:	

Please attach a list of all water systems served by the proposed project.

Phase(s) Applied For	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acquisition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Design	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction
Population Served When Fully Operational	843,645			

**Description of Proposed Project**

The North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) has entered into contractual agreements with the City of Houston (COH) to purchase treated surface water from the City's Northeast Water Purification Plant (NEWPP) for use in complying with the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District regulatory conversion requirements as detailed in the NHCRWA's Updated Groundwater Reduction Plan. The NEWPP is located adjacent to the western shoreline of Lake Houston near the Sam Houston Toll Road (Beltway 8). The COH, the NHCRWA, the Central Harris County Regional Water Authority, the West Harris County Regional Water Authority and the North Fort Bend Water Authority propose to design and construct a 120 "/108" shared transmission pipeline approximately 16.6 miles in length from the NEWPP to just west of IH 45 (Second Source Line). From this point the NHCRWA and CHCRWA propose to design and construct an 84" transmission pipeline approximately 7.7 miles in length to just west of State Highway 249, terminating at the NHCRWA's proposed SH 249 Regional Pump Station (Initial Phase of NHCRWA 2025 Transmission System).

The NHCRWA received a loan (no. 51021) for the project from the 2015 SWIFT funding. Since the submission of the initial abridged application for the Second Source Line the COH has updated and increased its estimated cost of the project. This application is for supplemental funding to enable the NHCRWA to pay its portion of the updated estimated cost of the Second Source Line.



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See Attachment B for additional information and background for NHCRWA and Exhibit 1 - Existing and Proposed Water Transmission System Map.

<b>Emergency</b> <i>(select all that apply)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant/entity's water supply will last less than 180 days. <input type="checkbox"/> Water supply need occurs earlier than anticipated in the State Water Plan. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant has received or applied for Federal emergency funding. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None of the above.
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<b>Agricultural Efficiency Project?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>Efficiency improvement achieved by implementing the project</b> <i>(Please provide an attachment showing the basis for your calculation.)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <1% <input type="checkbox"/> 10%-13.9% <input type="checkbox"/> 1%-1.9% <input type="checkbox"/> 14%-17.9% <input type="checkbox"/> 2%-5.9% <input type="checkbox"/> ≥18% <input type="checkbox"/> 6%-9.9%
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**Household Cost Factor**  
*(Household Cost Factor for SWIFT prioritization is calculated by dividing the service area's average residential water bill by its annual median household income. For regional projects, these should represent the combined service areas of all participating entities.)*

Estimated average annual residential water bill:	\$488	Annual Median Household Income:	\$77,750
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<b>The proposed project addresses:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation <input type="checkbox"/> Water Loss <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Annual Volume of Water Produced/Conserved by the Project</b> <i>(in acre-feet per year)</i> <div style="text-align: right;">126,585</div>
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<b>Readiness to Proceed</b> <i>(select all that apply)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preliminary planning or design work (30% of total project) has been completed or is not required. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant is prepared to begin implementation or construction within 18 months of application deadline. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant has acquired all water rights associated with the proposed project, or none will be required.
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**ESTIMATED COSTS**

<b>Estimated Project Costs</b>	Low-interest Loan	\$ 117,855,000
	Deferred Loan	\$
	Board Participation	\$
	Local Contribution	\$
	Other:    Prior SWIFT	\$ 222,135,000
	<b>Total Estimated Project Costs</b>	<b>\$ 339,990,000</b>

<b>Anticipated Commitments</b> <i>Attach proposed schedule for multi-year commitments</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Commitment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Multi-Year Commitments
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