#### LCRA WATER SUPPLIES

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#### A Look at LCRA









#### Lake Buchanan **Texas' Colorado River** Inks Lake Inks Dam Lake Marble Falls Lake LBJ Fort Dallas Worth Colorado Rive Jarcke Dam Wirtz Dam **≜**Austin Lake Travis San <sub>©</sub> Antonio Houston Mansfield Dam Matagorda Bay Gulf of Mexico Lake Austin Tom Miller Dam



























**Lake Travis** 

## 2015 WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN



Governs LCRA's operation of the Highland Lakes to supply water to users throughout the lower Colorado River basin





### Water Management Plan Background

- Only one of its kind in the state
- Required by 1988 court order
- First plan approved in 1989
- Updates approved in 1991, 1992, 1999, 2010 and 2015



- More responsive to changing conditions
- Ends "open supply" of interruptible water
- Considers storage, inflow conditions and a look-ahead test
- Determines availability of interruptible stored water separately for first and second crops



- Includes hydrology through 2013
- Maintains combined storage above 600,000 acre-feet through a repeat of historic hydrology
- Includes most recent environmental flow studies



### 2016 Interruptible Stored Water Availability

- For combined storage of 1.8 million acrefeet on March 1 under Normal conditions:
  - Up to 202,000 acre-feet available for first crop

# **EXPANDING WATER SUPPLIES**



#### **Groundwater Wells**

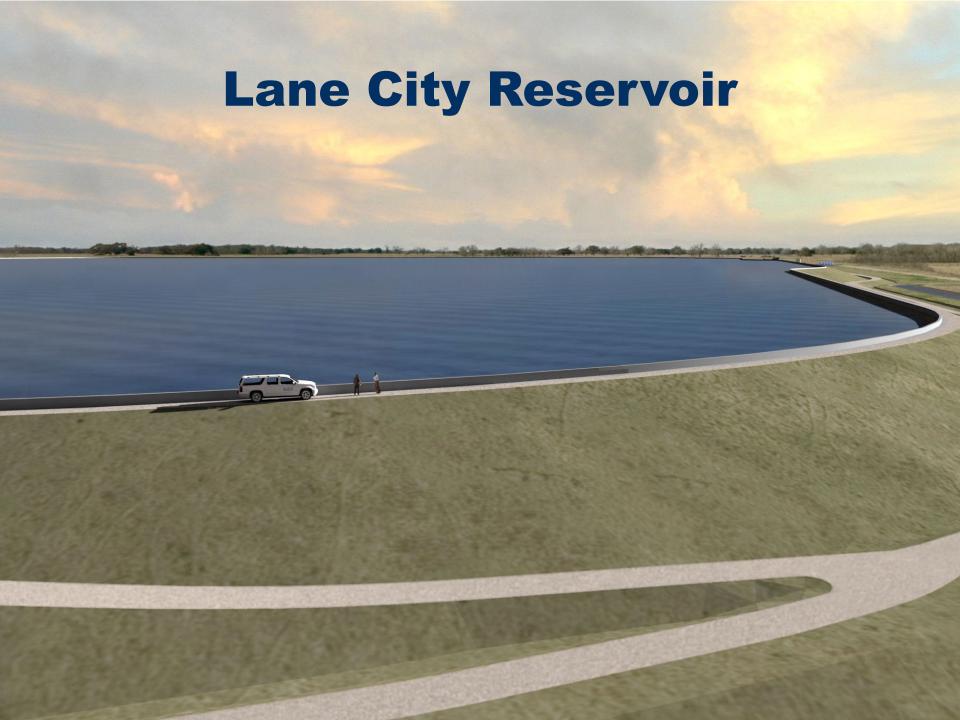




#### **Expanding Water Supplies**

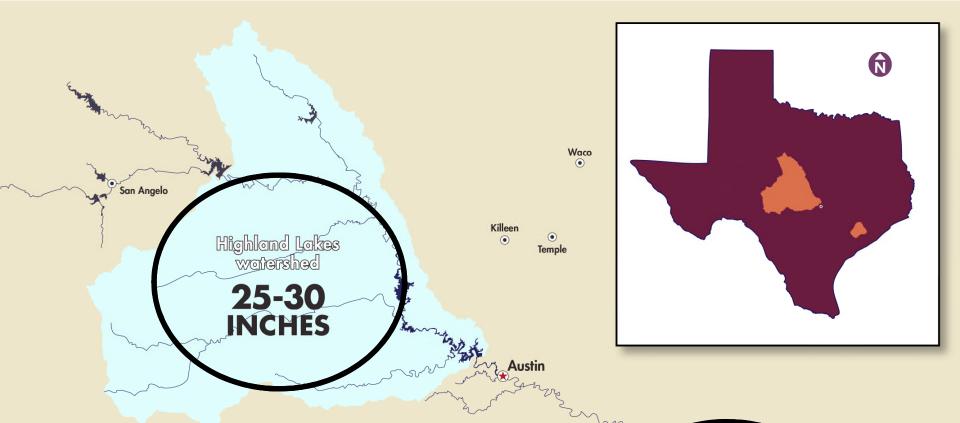
- Purchased groundwater rights
  - Griffith League Scout Ranch
- Building new downstream reservoir
  - Lane City Reservoir
- Developing additional water strategies





#### **Lane City Reservoir Components**





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#### **Amount of Annual Rainfall**

45-47 INCHES Reservoir matagorda Bay **Gulf** of Mexico

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