2019 WATER RESOURCE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY

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1. INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVES

This Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan (WREMP) was prepared utilizing the Model North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) WREMP for Member Cities and Customers prepared by Freese and Nichols, Inc.¹ This WREMP addresses all of the current TCEQ requirements for a drought contingency plan.² This WREMP replaces the plan dated August 2014.

The measures included in this WREMP are intended to provide short-term water savings during drought or emergency conditions. Water savings associated with ongoing, long-term strategies are discussed in the document entitled *Water Conservation Plan for Greater Texoma Utility Authority*.³

The purpose of this WREMP is as follows:

- To conserve the available water supply in times of drought, water supply shortage, and emergency.
- To maintain supplies for domestic water use, sanitation, and fire protection.
- To protect and preserve public health, welfare, and safety.
- To minimize the adverse impacts of water supply shortages.
- To minimize the adverse impacts of emergency water supply conditions.

Greater Texoma Utility Authority (GTUA) receives treated potable water from NTMWD and delivers that treated potable water to its Customers. This WREMP calls for each Customer to adopt Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stages initiated by NTMWD during a drought or water supply emergency. Customers may also adopt more stringent Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stages than GTUA/NTMWD if conditions so warrant.

In the absence of drought response measures, water demands tend to increase during a drought due to increased outdoor irrigation. The severity of a drought depends on the degree of depletion of supplies and on the relationship of demand to available supplies.

¹ Superscripted numbers match references listed in Appendix A.

2. DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

- AQUATIC LIFE means a vertebrate organism dependent upon an aquatic environment to sustain its life.
- ATHLETIC FIELD means a public sports competition field, the essential feature of which is turf
 grass, used primarily for organized sports practice, competition or exhibition events for schools;
 professional sports and league play sanctioned by the utility providing retail water supply.
- 3. COMMERCIAL FACILITY means business or industrial buildings and the associated landscaping, but does not include the fairways, greens, or tees of a golf course.
- 4. COMMERCIAL VEHICLE WASH FACILITY means a permanently-located business that washes vehicles or other mobile equipment with water or water-based products, including but not limited to self-service car washes, full service car washes, roll-over/in-bay style car washes, and facilities managing vehicle fleets or vehicle inventory.
- CUSTOMERS include those entities receiving wholesale treated potable water from GTUA. The
 Cities of Anna, Howe, Melissa and Van Alstyne are customers of GTUA, with Anna, Melissa and
 Van Alstyne currently receiving treated water.
- 6. DESIGNATED OUTDOOR WATER USE DAY means a day prescribed by rule on which a person is permitted to irrigate outdoors.
- 7. DRIP IRRIGATION is a type of micro-irrigation system that operates at low pressure and delivers water in slow, small drips to individual plants or groups of plants through a network of plastic conduits and emitters; also called trickle irrigation.
- 8. DROUGHT, for the purposes of this report, means an extended period of time when an area receives insufficient amounts of rainfall to replenish the water supply, causing water supply sources (in this case reservoirs) to be depleted.
- EVAPOTRANSPIRATION (ET) represents the amount of water lost from plant material to evaporation and transpiration. The amount of ET can be estimated based on the temperature, wind, and relative humidity.

- 10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR means the Executive Director of NTMWD.
- 11. FOUNDATION WATERING means an application of water to the soils directly abutting (within 2 feet) the foundation of a building or structure.
- 12. GENERAL MANAGER means the General Manager of the GTUA and includes a person the General Manager has designated to administer or perform any task, duty, function, role, or action related to this Plan or on behalf of the General Manager.
- 13. INTERACTIVE WATER FEATURES means water sprays, dancing water jets, waterfalls, dumping buckets, shooting water cannons, inflatable pools, temporary splash toys or pools, slip-n-slides, or splash pads that are maintained for recreation.
- 14. IRRIGATION SYSTEM means a permanently installed, custom-made, site-specific system of delivering water generally for landscape irrigation via a system of pipes or other conduits installed below ground.
- 15. LANDSCAPE means any plant material on a property, including any tree, shrub, vine, herb, flower, succulent, ground cover, grass or turf species that is growing or has been planted out of doors.
- 16. NEW LANDSCAPE means: (a) vegetation installed at the time of the construction of a residential or commercial facility; (b) installed as part of a governmental entity's capital improvement project; or (c) installed to stabilize an area disturbed by construction.
- 17. NORTH TEXAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT is the entity providing Greater Texoma Utility Authority with treated potable water.
- 18. ORNAMENTAL FOUNTAIN means an artificially created structure (up to a certain diameter) from which a jet, stream, or flow of treated water emanates and is not typically utilized for the preservation of aquatic life.
- 19. RETAIL CUSTOMERS include those customers to whom the Customer provides retail water from a water meter.
- 20. SOAKER HOSE means a perforated or permeable garden-type hose or pipe that is laid above ground that provides irrigation at a slow and constant rate.

- 21. SPRINKLER means an above-ground water distribution device that may be attached to a garden hose.
- 22. SWIMMING POOL means any structure, basin, chamber, or tank including hot tubs, containing an artificial body of water for swimming, diving, or recreational bathing, and having a depth of two (2) feet or more at any point.
- 23. WATER RESOURCE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN means a strategy or combination of strategies for temporary supply management and demand management responses to temporary and potentially recurring water supply shortages and other water supply emergencies required by Texas Administrative Code Title 30, Chapter 288, Subchapter B. This is sometimes called a drought contingency plan.

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Full Nomenclature
GTUA	Greater Texoma Utility Authority
NTMWD or District	North Texas Municipal Water District
TCEQ	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
TWDB	Texas Water Development Board
WREMP	GTUA Water Resource and Emergency
	Management Plan
Model WREMP	Model Water Resource and Emergency
	Management Plan for Member Cities and
	Customers
SRA	Sabine River Authority

3. STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLANS

The TCEQ rules governing development of drought contingency plans for wholesale water suppliers are contained in Title 30, Chapter 288, §288.22 of the Texas Administrative Code, a current copy of which is included in Appendix B. For the purpose of these rules, a drought contingency plan is defined as "a strategy or combination of strategies for temporary supply and demand management responses to temporary and potentially recurring water supply shortages and other water supply emergencies."²

Minimum Requirements

TCEQ's minimum requirements for drought contingency plans are addressed in the following subsections of this report:

- 288.22 (a)(1) Provisions to Inform the Public and Provide Opportunity for Public Input —
 Section 4.1
- 288.22(a)(2) Coordination with Regional Water Planning Group Section 4.6
- 288.22(a)(3) Criteria for Initiation and Termination of Drought Stages Section 4.3
- 288.22(a)(4) Drought and Emergency Response Stages Section 4.3
- 288.22(a)(5) Procedures for Initiation and Termination of Drought Stages Section 4.3
- 288.22(a)(6) Specific, Quantified Targets for Water Use Reductions During Water Shortages – Section 4.3
- 288.22(a)(7) Specific Water Supply or Water Demand Management Measures to be
 Implemented during Each Drought Stage Section 4.3
- 288.22(a)(8) Provision in Wholesale Contracts to Require Water Distribution According to Texas Water Code Section §11.039 – Sections 4.3 and 4.7
- 288.22(a)(9) Procedures for Granting Variances Section 4.4
- 288.22(a)(10) Procedures for Enforcement of Mandatory Restrictions Section 4.5
- 288.22(b) TCEQ Notification of Implementation of Mandatory Measures Section 4.3
- 288.22(c) Review and Update of the Plan Section 4.8

4. GTUA WATER RESOURCE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

4.1 PROVISIONS TO INFORM THE PUBLIC AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC INPUT

GTUA provided opportunity for public input in the development of this WREMP by the following means:

- Making the draft WREMP available on the GTUA website.
- Providing the draft WREMP to anyone that requests a copy.
- Providing written notice of the proposed Plan and the opportunity to comment on the Plan by newspaper and posted notice. (Appendix F)
- Holding a public meeting regarding the Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan at the GTUA Administrative Offices on March 18, 2019, providing advance public notice of such meeting on GTUA website and in local newspaper. (Appendix F)

4.2 PROGRAM FOR CONTINUING PUBLIC EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

GTUA will inform and educate the public about the Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan by the following means:

- Making the plan available to the public through the GTUA website.
- Making the plan available to the public at the GTUA Administrative offices.
- At any time that the Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan is activated or changes, GTUA will notify Customers of the issues, and the Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage (if applicable), and the specific actions required of the public. The information will also be publicized on the GTUA website.

4.3 INITIATION AND TERMINATON OF WATER RESOURCE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAGES

Initiation of a Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage

The General Manager, or official designee, with consent of the GTUA Board of Directors, may implement a Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage when one or more of the trigger conditions for that stage is met.

NTMWD has initiated a Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage.

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- GTUA is required, as a Customer of NTMWD, to implement Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stages implemented by NTMWD.
- Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stages implemented by GTUA are requested to be initiated by Customers.
- For other trigger conditions internal to a GTUA Customer, the City Manager, General Manager, Mayor, Chief Executive, or official designee may decide not to order the implementation of a Water Resource Management Stage and/or Water Emergency even though one or more of the trigger criteria for the stage are met. Factors which could influence such a decision include, but are not limited to, the time of the year, weather conditions, the anticipation of replenished water supplies, or the anticipation that additional facilities will become available to meet needs. The reason for this decision should be documented.

The following actions will be taken when a water resource and/or emergency management stage is initiated by GTUA:

- GTUA Wholesale Customers and NTMWD will be notified and provided details of the reasons for initiation of the Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage.
- The public will be notified through GTUA's Customers and the GTUA website as described in Section 4.2.
- If any mandatory provisions of the Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan are activated, GTUA will notify the TCEQ Executive Director and the NTMWD Executive Director within five (5) business days.
- The GTUA General Manager may decide not to order the implementation of a Water Resource and/or Management Stage even though one or more of the trigger criteria for the stage is met. Factors that could influence such a decision include, but are not limited to, the time of the year, weather conditions, the anticipation of replenished water supplies, or the anticipation that additional facilities will become available to meet needs.

<u>Termination of a Water Resource Management Stage</u>

WREMP stages initiated by GTUA may be terminated by Customers after GTUA has terminated the stage. For WREMP stages initiated by Customer, the City Manager, General Manager, Mayor, Chief

Executive, or official designee may order the termination of a Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage when the conditions for termination are met or at their discretion.

The General Manager, or official designee, with the concurrence of the GTUA Board of Directors, may order the termination of a Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage when the conditions for termination are met or at his/her discretion. The following actions will be taken when a stage is terminated:

- GTUA Customers and NTMWD will be notified.
- The public will be notified through GTUA Customers and the GTUA website as described in Section 4.2.
- When any mandatory provisions of the Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan that have been activated by GTUA are terminated, GTUA will notify the TCEQ Executive Director and the NTMWD Executive Director within five (5) business days.

The General Manager, or official designee, may decide not to order the termination of a Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage even though the conditions for termination of the stage are met. Factors which could influence such a decision include, but are not limited to, the time of the year, weather conditions, or the anticipation of potential changed conditions that warrant the continuation of the Water Resource and/or Emergency Management Stage. The reason for this decision should be documented.

Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan Stages and Corresponding Measures

4.3.1 Stage 1

Initiation and Termination Conditions for Stage 1

NTMWD Stage 1 Initiation Conditions:

- The Executive Director, with the concurrence of the NTMWD Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the declaration of Stage 1.
- Water demand is projected to approach the limit of the NTMWD's permitted supply.
- o The storage level in Lake Lavon as published by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB),⁴ is less than 70 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of

- the months of April through October or less than 60 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of November through March.
- The Sabine River Authority (SRA) has indicated that its Upper Basin water supplies used
 by NTMWD (Lake Tawakoni and/or Lake Fork) are in a Stage 1 drought.
- o NTMWD has concern that Lake Texoma, Jim Chapman Lake, the East Fork Water Reuse Project, the Main Stem Pump Station, or some other NTMWD water source may be limited in availability within the next six (6) months.
- Water demand exceeds 95 percent of the amount that can be delivered by NTMWD to Customers for three (3) consecutive days.
- Water demand for all or part of the NTMWD delivery system approaches delivery capacity because delivery capacity is inadequate.
- o NTMWD supply source is interrupted or unavailable due to contamination, invasive species, equipment failure, or other cause.
- NTMWD water supply system is unable to deliver water due to the failure or damage of major water system components.
- Part of the NTMWD system has a shortage in supply or damage to equipment. NTMWD
 may implement measures for only that portion of the NTMWD system impacted.

GTUA Stage 1 Initiation Conditions:

- NTMWD has notified GTUA that NTMWD has initiated Stage 1 of their Plan.
- The General Manager, with the concurrence of the GTUA Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the declaration of Stage 1.
- GTUA's water demand exceeds 95 percent of the amount that can be delivered to customers for three consecutive days.
- GTUA's supply source becomes contaminated.
- GTUA's water demand for all or part of the delivery system equals delivery capacity because delivery capacity is inadequate.
- GTUA's water system is unable to deliver water due to the failure or damage of major water system components.

NTMWD Stage 1 Termination Conditions:

- The Executive Director, with the concurrence of the NTMWD Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the termination Stage 1.
- o The storage level in Lake Lavon, as published by the TWDB⁴, is greater than 75 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of April through October or greater than 65 percent of the total conservation pol capacity during any of the months of November through March.
- Other circumstances that caused NTMWD initiation of Stage 1 no longer prevail.

GTUA Stage 1 Termination Conditions:

- NTMWD has notified GTUA that NTMWD has terminated Stage 1 of their Plan.
- The General Manager, with the concurrence of the GTUA Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the termination of Stage 1.
- Other circumstances that caused GTUA initiation of Stage 1 no longer prevail.

Goal for Use Reduction and Actions Available under Stage 1

The goal for water use reduction under Stage 1 is a two percent (2%) reduction in the amount of water delivered by GTUA that would have occurred in the absence of water resource management measures prior to institution of water resource management measures. If circumstances warrant, or if required by NTMWD, the General Manager can set a goal for greater or lesser water use reduction. The General Manager, or official designee, may implement any or all of the actions listed below, as deemed necessary, to achieve a two-percent reduction. GTUA Customers are encouraged to adopt any or all measures necessary to achieve the designated reduction in use. Measures described as "requires notification to TCEQ" are those that impose mandatory requirements on customers. The General Manager, or official designee, must notify TCEQ and NTMWD within five (5) business days of any mandatory measures implemented by GTUA.

- Continue actions established by the Water Conservation Plan.
- Notify Customers of actions being taken and request that they initiate Stage 1 in their respective, independently adopted WREMP.

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- Initiate engineering studies to evaluate alternative water sources and/or alternative delivery mechanisms should conditions worsen.
- Accelerate public education efforts on ways to reduce water use.
- As a wholesale water provider, GTUA does not have relationships with end users. Therefore the following measures are requested to be considered by GTUA Customers:
 - Request Customers encourage the public to wait until the current drought or emergency situation has passed before establishing new landscape.
 - Request Customers encourage all users to reduce the frequency of draining and refilling swimming pools.
 - Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers increase enforcement of the following landscape watering restrictions established by the Water Conservation Plan: (1) limit landscape watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems at each service address to no more than two (2) days per week, on designated days, between April 1 and October 31; and (2) limit landscape watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems at each service address to once every week, on designated days, between November 1 and March 31. Exceptions are as follows:
 - An exception is allowed for new landscape associated with new construction that may be watered as necessary for 30 days from the date of installation of new landscape features.
 - An exception for additional watering of landscape may be provided by hand-held hose with shutoff nozzle, and/or use of dedicated irrigation drip zones provided no runoff occurs.
 - Foundation watering (within 2 feet), new landscape watering, watering of new plantings (first year) of shrubs, and watering of trees (within a ten foot radius of its trunk) may occur by a hand-held hose, a soaker hose, or a dedicated zone using a Drip Irrigation system provided no runoff occurs.
 - Locations using alternative sources of water supply only for irrigation may irrigate without day of the week restrictions provided proper signage is employed. However, irrigation using alternative sources of supply is subject all other restrictions applicable to this stage. If the alternative supply source is a well, proper

proof of well registration with the North Texas Groundwater Conservation District or Red River Ground Water Conservation District is required. Other sources of water supply may not include imported treated water.

- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests that Customers
 require all parks, golf courses and Athletic Fields using potable water for landscape
 watering meet the same reduction goals and measures outlined in this stage. Exception
 for golf course greens and tee boxes that may be hand-watered as needed.
- o Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers: GTUA requests Customers initiate a rate surcharge for all water use over a certain level.

4.3.2 Stage 2

Initiation and Termination Conditions for Stage 2

NTMWD Stage 2 Initiation Conditions:

- o The Executive Director, with the concurrence of the NTMWD Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the declaration of Stage 2.
- Water demand is projected to approach the limit of the NTMWD's permitted supply.
- The storage level in Lake Lavon as published by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)⁴, is less than 55 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of April through October or less than 45 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of November through March.
- o SRA has indicated that its Upper Basin water supplies used by NTMWD (Lake Tawakoni and/or Lake Fork) are in a Stage 2 drought.
- O NTMWD has concern that Lake Texoma, Jim Chapman Lake, the East Fork Water Reuse Project, the Main Stem Pump Station, or some other NTMWD water source may be limited in availability within the next three (3) months.
- Water demand exceeds 98 percent of the amount that can be delivered by NTMWD to
 Customers for three (3) consecutive days.
- Water demand for all or part of the NTMWD delivery system approaches delivery capacity because delivery capacity is inadequate.

- NTMWD supply source is interrupted or unavailable due to contamination, invasive species, equipment failure, or other cause.
- NTMWD water supply system is unable to deliver water due to the failure or damage of major water system components.
- Part of the NTMWD system has a shortage in supply or damage to equipment. NTMWD may implement measures for only that portion of the NTMWD system impacted.

GTUA Stage 2 Initiation Conditions:

- NTMWD has notified GTUA that NTMWD has initiated Stage 2 of their Plan.
- The General Manager, with the concurrence of the GTUA Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the declaration of Stage 2.
- GTUA's water demand exceeds 98 percent of the amount that can be delivered to Customers for three consecutive days.
- GTUA's supply source is interrupted or unavailable due to contamination, invasive species, equipment failure, or other cause.
- GTUA's water demand for all or part of the delivery system equals delivery capacity because delivery capacity is inadequate.
- GTUA's water system is unable to deliver water due to the failure or damage of major water system components.

NTMWD Stage 2 Termination Conditions:

- The Executive Director, in concurrence of the NTMWD Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the termination of Stage 2.
- o The storage level in Lake Lavon, as published by the TWDB⁴, is greater than 70 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of April through October or greater than 60 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of November through March.
- Other circumstances that caused NTMWD initiation of Stage 2 no longer prevail.

GTUA Stage 2 Termination Conditions:

NTMWD has notified GTUA that NTMWD has terminated Stage 2.

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- The General Manager, with the concurrence of the GTUA Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the termination of Stage 2.
- Other circumstances that caused GTUA initiation of Stage 2 no longer prevail.

Goals for Use Reduction and Actions Available under Stage 2

The goal for water use reduction under Stage 2 is a reduction of ten percent (10%) in the amount of water delivered by GTUA to Customers that would have occurred in the absence of water resource management measures. If circumstances warrant, or if required by NTMWD, the General Manager, or official designee can set a goal for greater or lesser water use reduction. The General Manager, or official designee, may implement any or all of the actions listed below, as deemed necessary, to achieve a ten-percent reduction. GTUA Customers are encouraged to adopt any or all measures necessary to achieve the designated reduction in use. Measures described as "requires notification to TCEQ" are those that impose mandatory requirements on customers. The General Manager, or official designee, must notify TCEQ and NTMWD within five (5) business days if such mandatory measures are implemented.

- Continue or initiate any actions available under the Water Conservation Plan and Stage 1 of WREMP.
- Notify Customers of actions being taken and request that they initiate Stage 2 in their respective, independently adopted WREMP.
- Implement viable alternative water supply strategies.
- As a wholesale water provider, GTUA does not have relationships with end users. Therefore
 the following measures are requested to be considered by GTUA Customers:
 - GTUA requests Customers encourage all users to reduce the frequency of draining and refilling swimming pools.
 - Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers limit landscape watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems at each service address to once per week on designated days between April 1 and October 31. Limit landscape watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems at each service address to once every other week on designated days between November 1 and March 31. Exceptions are as follows:

- New landscape may be watered as necessary for 30 days from the date of the installation of new landscape features.
- Foundation watering (within 2 feet), new landscape watering, watering of new plantings (first year) of shrubs, and watering of trees (within a ten foot radius of its trunk) may occur for up to two hours on any day by a hand-held hose, a dedicated zone using a Drip Irrigation system and/or Soaker Hose, provided no runoff occurs.
- Athletic fields may be watered twice per week.
- Locations using alternative sources of water supply only for irrigation may irrigate without day-of-the-week restrictions, provided proper signage is employed to notify the public of alternative water source(s) being used. However, irrigation using alternative sources of supply is subject all other restrictions applicable to this stage. If the alternative supply source is a well, proper proof of well registration with the North Texas Groundwater Conservation District or Red River Groundwater Conservation District is required. Alternative sources of water supply may not include imported treated water.
- An exemption is allowed for Drip Irrigation systems from the designated outdoor water use day limited to no more than one day per week. Drip Irrigation systems are however subject to all other restrictions applicable under this stage.
- Hand watering with shutoff nozzle, drip lines, and Soaker Hoses are allowed before
 10 am and after 6 pm, provided no runoff occurs.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers prohibit hydro seeding, hydro mulching, and sprigging.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers initiate
 a rate surcharge as requested by NTMWD.
- o Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers initiate a rate surcharge for all water use over a certain level.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA (and GTUA Customers, if applicable) If NTMWD has imposed a reduction in water available to Member Cities and Customers, impose the same percent reduction on any wholesale Customer.

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Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers – GTUA requests Customers require parks and golf courses using potable water for landscape watering to meet the same reduction goals and measures outlined in this stage. Exception for golf course greens and tee boxes which may be hand watered as needed.

4.3.3 Stage 3

<u>Initiation and Termination Conditions for Stage 3</u>

NTMWD Stage 3 Initiation Conditions:

- The Executive Director, with the concurrence of the NTMWD Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the declaration of Stage 3.
- NTMWD water demand is projected to approach the limit of the NTMWD's permitted supply.
- o The storage level in Lake Lavon as published by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB),⁴ is less than 30 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of April through October or less than 20 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of November through March.
- SRA has indicated that its Upper Basin water supplies used by NTMWD (Lake Tawakoni and/or Lake Fork) are in a Stage 3 drought.
- NTMWD has concern that Lake Texoma, Jim Chapman Lake, the East Fork Water Reuse Project, the Main Stem Pump Station, or some other NTMWD water source has become limited in availability.
- Water demand exceeds the amount that can be delivered by NTMWD to Member Cities and Customers.
- o Water demand for all or part of the NTMWD delivery system approaches delivery capacity because delivery capacity is inadequate.
- o NTMWD supply source is interrupted or unavailable due to contamination, invasive species, equipment failure, or other cause.
- NTMWD water supply system is unable to deliver water due to the failure or damage of major water system components.

Part of the NTMWD system has a shortage in supply or damage to equipment. NTMWD
may implement measures for only that portion of the NTMWD system impacted.

GTUA Stage 3 Initiation Conditions:

- NTMWD has notified GTUA that NTMWD has initiated Stage 3 of their Plan.
- The General Manager, with the concurrence of the GTUA Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the declaration of Stage 3.
- GTUA's water demand exceeds the amount that can be delivered to Customers.
- GTUA's water demand for all or part of the delivery system seriously exceeds delivery capacity because the delivery capacity is inadequate.
- GTUA's supply source is interrupted or unavailable due to contamination, invasive species,
 equipment failure, or other cause.
- GTUA's water system is unable to deliver water due to the failure or damage of major water system components.

NTMWD Stage 3 Termination Conditions:

- o The Executive Director, in concurrence of the NTMWD Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the termination of Stage 3.
- o The storage level in Lake Lavon, as published by the TWDB, is greater than 55 percent of the total conservation pool capacity during any of the months of April through October or greater than 45 percent of the total conservation pol capacity during any of the months of November through March.
- Other circumstances that caused NTMWD initiation of Stage 3 no longer prevail.

GTUA Stage 3 Termination Conditions:

- NTMWD has notified GTUA that NTMWD has terminated Stage 3.
- The General Manager, with the concurrence of the GTUA Board of Directors, finds that conditions warrant the termination of Stage 3.
- Other circumstances that caused the GTUA's initiation of Stage 3 no longer prevail.

Goals for Use Reduction and Actions Available under Stage 3

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The goal for water use reduction under Stage 3 is a reduction as designated by GTUA, in the amount of water delivered by GTUA to Customers prior to institution of water resource management measures. If circumstances warrant, or if required by the NTMWD, the General Manager, or official designee, can set a goal for greater or lesser water use reduction. The General Manager, or official designee, may implement any or all of the actions listed below, as deemed necessary, to achieve reduction in the amount set by GTUA. GTUA Customers are encouraged to adopt any or all measures necessary to achieve the designated reduction in use. Measures described as "requires notification to TCEQ" are those that impose mandatory requirements on Customers. The General Manager, or official designee, must notify TCEQ and NTMWD within five (5) business days if such mandatory measures are implemented.

- Continue or initiate any actions available under the Water Conservation Plan, and Stages 1 and 2 of the WREMP.
- Notify Customers of actions being taken and request that they initiate Stage 3 in their respective, independently adopted WREMP.
- Implement viable alternative water supply strategies.
- As a wholesale water provider, GTUA does not have relationships with end users. Therefore
 the following measures are requested to be considered by GTUA Customers:
 - Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers initiate mandatory water use restrictions as follows:
 - Hosing and washing of paved areas, buildings, structures, windows or other surfaces is prohibited except by variance and performed by a professional service using high efficiency equipment.
 - Prohibit operation of ornamental fountains or ponds that use potable water except where supporting aquatic life or water quality.
 - Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests customers prohibit new sod, hydro-seeding, hydro-mulching, and sprigging.
 - Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers prohibit the use of potable water for the irrigation of new landscape.

- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers prohibit all commercial and residential landscape watering, except that Foundation Watering (within 2 feet) and watering of trees (within a ten foot radius of its trunk) may occur for two hours one day per week with a hand-held hose or with a dedicated zone using a Drip Irrigation system and/or Soaker Hose, provided no runoff occurs. Drip Irrigation systems are not exempt from this requirement.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers prohibit washing of vehicles except at a commercial vehicle wash facility.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers require landscape watering of parks, golf courses, and Athletic Fields with potable water be prohibited. Exception for golf course greens and tee boxes that may be hand watered as needed. Variances may be granted by the water provider under special circumstances.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers prohibit the filling, draining, and/or refilling of existing swimming pools, wading pools, Jacuzzi and hot tubs except to maintain structural integrity, proper operation and maintenance, or to alleviate a public safety risk. Existing pools may add water to replace losses from normal use and evaporation. Permitting of new swimming pools, wading pools, Jacuzzi, and hot tubs is prohibited.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers GTUA requests Customers prohibit the operation of interactive water features such as water sprays, dancing water jets, waterfalls, dumping buckets, shooting water cannons, inflatable pools, temporary splash toys or pools, slip-n-slides or splash pads that are maintained for recreation.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers: GTUA requests Customers
 require all commercial water users to reduce water use by a percentage established
 by the City Manager, General Manager, Mayor, Chief Executive, or official designee.
- Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA (and Customers, if applicable) If NTMWD
 has imposed a reduction in water available to Member Cities and Customers,

impose the same percent reduction on any wholesale customers. Such a reduction will be distributed as required by Texas Water Code Section 11.039.

Requires Notification to TCEQ by GTUA Customers – GTUA requests Customers initiate a rate surcharge over normal rates for all water use or for water use over a certain level.

4.4 PROCEDURES FOR GRANTING VARIANCES TO THE PLAN

Each Customer of GTUA is required to establish procedures for granting variances to their individual WREMP. The City Manager, General Manager, Mayor, Chief Executive Officer, or official designee may grant temporary variances for existing water uses otherwise prohibited under their individual WREMP if one or more of the following conditions are met:

- Failure to grant such a variance would cause an emergency condition adversely affecting health, sanitation, or fire safety for the public or the person or entity requesting the variance.
- Compliance with this plan cannot be accomplished due to technical or other limitations.
- Alternative methods that achieve the same level of reduction in water use can be implemented.

Variances shall be granted or denied at the discretion of the City Manager, General Manager, Mayor, Chief Executive, or official designee. All petitions for variances should be in writing and should include the following information:

- Name and address of the petitioners.
- Purpose of water use.
- Specific provisions from which relief is requested.
- Detailed statement of the adverse effect of the provision from which relief is requested.
- Description of the relief requested.
- Period of time for which the variance is sought.
- Alternative measures that will be taken to reduce water use and the level of water use reduction.
- Other pertinent information.

4.5 PROCEDURES FOR ENFORCING MANDATORY WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

Mandatory water use restrictions may be imposed in all stages of the Plan. Each Customer will determine and enforce its own set of penalties associated with the mandatory water use restrictions applicable to its retail and wholesale customers.

4.6 COORDINATION WITH THE REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP AND NTMWD

Appendix C includes a copy of a letter sent to the Chair of the Region C Water Planning Group in conjunction with this Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan.

GTUA will send a draft of its resolution implementing this plan to NTMWD for NTMWD's review and comment. GTUA will also send the final resolution to NTMWD.

4.7 DISTRIBUTION OF WATER DURING SHORTAGE – TEXAS WATER CODE §11.039

Any mandatory reduction of deliveries from GTUA to its Customers shall be distributed as required by Texas Water Code Section 11.039, which is attached to this Plan as Appendix E. In addition, GTUA will include a provision in every wholesale contract entered into or renewed after adoption of this Plan, including contract extensions, stating that in case of a water shortage resulting from drought or water emergency, water will be distributed in accordance with Texas Water Code Section 11.039.

4.8 REVIEW AND UPDATE OF WATER RESOURCE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

As required by TCEQ rules, GTUA will review its Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan every five years. The plan will be updated as appropriate based on new or updated information, such as the revision of the regional water plans.

APPENDIX A

List of References

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- (1) Freese and Nichols, Inc.: Model Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan for NTMWD Member Cities and Customers, January 2019
- (2(Title 30 of the Texas Administrative Code, Part 1, Chapter 288, Subchapter B, Rule 288.22
- (3) Water Conservation Plan for Greater Texoma Utility Authority, March 2019

APPENDIX B

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Rules on Drought Contingency Plans

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Texas Administrative Code

Next Rule>>

TITLE 30 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

PART I TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

CHAPTER 288 WATER CONSERVATION PLANS, DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLANS,

GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

SUBCHAPTER B DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLANS

RULE §288.22 Drought Contingency Plans for Wholesale Water Suppliers

- (a) A drought contingency plan for a wholesale water supplier must include the following minimum elements.
- (1) Preparation of the plan shall include provisions to actively inform the public and to affirmatively provide opportunity for user input in the preparation of the plan and for informing wholesale customers about the plan. Such acts may include, but are not limited to, having a public meeting at a time and location convenient to the public and providing written notice to the public concerning the proposed plan and meeting.
- (2) The drought contingency plan must document coordination with the regional water planning groups for the service area of the wholesale public water supplier to ensure consistency with the appropriate approved regional water plans.
- (3) The drought contingency plan must include a description of the information to be monitored by the water supplier and specific criteria for the initiation and termination of drought response stages, accompanied by an explanation of the rationale or basis for such triggering criteria.
- (4) The drought contingency plan must include a minimum of three drought or emergency response stages providing for the implementation of measures in response to water supply conditions during a repeat of the drought-of-record.
- (5) The drought contingency plan must include the procedures to be followed for the initiation or termination of drought response stages, including procedures for notification of wholesale customers regarding the initiation or termination of drought response stages.
- (6) The drought contingency plan must include specific, quantified targets for water use reductions to be achieved during periods of water shortage and drought. The entity preparing the plan shall establish the targets. The goals established by the entity under this paragraph are not enforceable.
- (7) The drought contingency plan must include the specific water supply or water demand management measures to be implemented during each stage of the plan including, but not limited to, the following:
- (A) pro rata curtailment of water deliveries to or diversions by wholesale water customers as provided in Texas Water Code, §11.039; and
- (B) utilization of alternative water sources with the prior approval of the executive director as appropriate (e.g., interconnection with another water system, temporary use of a non-municipal water

supply, use of reclaimed water for non-potable purposes, etc.).

- (8) The drought contingency plan must include a provision in every wholesale water contract entered into or renewed after adoption of the plan, including contract extensions, that in case of a shortage of water resulting from drought, the water to be distributed shall be divided in accordance with Texas Water Code, §11.039.
- (9) The drought contingency plan must include procedures for granting variances to the plan.
- (10) The drought contingency plan must include procedures for the enforcement of any mandatory water use restrictions including specification of penalties (e.g., liquidated damages, water rate surcharges, discontinuation of service) for violations of such restrictions.
- (b) The wholesale public water supplier shall notify the executive director within five business days of the implementation of any mandatory provisions of the drought contingency plan.
- (c) The wholesale public water supplier shall review and update, as appropriate, the drought contingency plan, at least every five years, based on new or updated information, such as adoption or revision of the regional water plan.

Source Note: The provisions of this §288.22 adopted to be effective February 21, 1999, 24 TexReg 949; amended to be effective April 27, 2000, 25 TexReg 3544; amended to be effective October 7, 2004, 29 TexReg 9384

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APPENDIX C

Letter to Region C Water Planning Group



GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY

5100 AIRPORT DRIVE DENISON, TEXAS 75020-8448 903/786-4433 FAX: 903/786-8211

www.gtua.org

March 18, 2019

Kevin Ward Region C Water Planning Group Trinity River Authority P.O. Box 60 Arlington, Texas 76004

Re: Greater Texoma Utility Authority Water Conservation and Water Resource and

Emergency Management Plan

Dear Kevin:

Enclosed please find a copy of the recently updated Water Conservation Plan and Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan. I am submitting a copy of these plans to the Region C Water Planning Group in accordance with the Texas Water Development Board and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality rules. The Board of Directors of the Greater Texoma Utility Authority adopted the Water Conservation Plan and Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan on March 18, 2019.

Sincerely,

Drew Satterwhite, P.E.

General Manager

DS:cb

APPENDIX D

Resolution Adopting Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan

RESOLUTION NO. 1363

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY ADOPTING A WATER CONSERVATION PLAN AND A WATER RESOURCE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN TO PROMOTE THE RESPONSIBLE USE OF WATER

WHEREAS, the Greater Texoma Utility Authority ("GTUA") has previously adopted a Water Conservation and Drought Contingency and Water Emergency Response Plan; and

WHEREAS, GTUA recognizes that the amount of water available to its water customers is limited; and

WHEREAS, GTUA recognizes that due to natural limitations, drought conditions, system failures, and other acts of God that may occur, GTUA cannot guarantee an uninterrupted water supply for all purposes at all times; and

WHEREAS, the Water Code and the regulations of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") require that GTUA adopt a Water Conservation Plan and a Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the GTUA has determined an urgent need in the best interest of the public to adopt a Water Conservation and Water Response and Emergency Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 49 of the Water Code, GTUA is authorized to adopt such policies necessary to preserve and conserve its water resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY THAT:

SECTION 1: The Board of Directors hereby approves and adopts the Water Conservation Plan and Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan for GTUA dated March 18, 2019, attached hereto as Appendix A, as if recited verbatim herein. The GTUA commits to implement the requirements and procedures set forth in the adopted Plans.

SECTION 2: All resolutions that are in conflict with the provisions of this resolution be, and the same are hereby, repealed and all other resolutions of the GTUA not in conflict with the provisions of this resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of Directors of GTUA that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this resolution are severable and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this resolution shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of the resolution, since the same would have been enacted by the Board of Directors without the incorporation of this resolution of such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.

SECTION 4: This resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

SECTION 5: The Board of Directors does hereby find and declare that sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of the meeting adopting this Resolution was posted at a designated place convenient to the public for the time required by law preceding the meeting, that such place of posting was readily accessible at all times to the general public, and that all of the foregoing was done as required by law at all times during which this Resolution and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The Board of Directors further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the posting thereof.

SECTION 6: The General Manager or their designee is hereby directed to file a copy of the Water Conservation Plan, the Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan, and this Resolution with the TCEQ in accordance with Title 30, Chapter 288 of the Texas Administrative Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 18 day of March 2019.

President

Board of Directors

Greater Texoma Utility Authority

ATTEST:

Secretary-Treasurer Board of Directors

Greater Texoma Utility Authority

APPENDIX E

Texas Water Code §11.039

WATER CODE

TITLE 2. WATER ADMINISTRATION

SUBTITLE B. WATER RIGHTS

CHAPTER 11. WATER RIGHTS

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS §11.039

Sec. 11.039. DISTRIBUTION OF WATER DURING SHORTAGE. (a) If a shortage of water in a water supply not covered by a water conservation plan prepared in compliance with Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission or Texas Water Development Board rules results from drought, accident, or other cause, the water to be distributed shall be divided among all customers pro rata, according to the amount each may be entitled to, so that preference is given to no one and everyone suffers alike.

- (b) If a shortage of water in a water supply covered by a water conservation plan prepared in compliance with Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission or Texas Water Development Board rules results from drought, accident, or other cause, the person, association of persons, or corporation owning or controlling the water shall divide the water to be distributed among all customers pro rata, according to:
- the amount of water to which each customer may be entitled;
- (2) the amount of water to which each customer may be entitled, less the amount of water the customer would have saved if the customer had operated its water system in compliance with the water conservation plan.
- (c) Nothing in Subsection (a) or (b) precludes the person, association of persons, or corporation owning or controlling the water from supplying water to a person who has a prior vested right to the water under the laws of this state.

Amended by Acts 1977, 65th Leg., p. 2207, ch. 870, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1977; Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1126, Sec. 1, eff. June 15, 2001.

APPENDIX F

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Greater Texoma Utility Authority will conduct a public meeting at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2019 for the purpose of receiving Input from the public in preparation of the Greater Texoma Utility Authority Water Conservation Plan and Greater Texoma Utility Authority Water Resource and Emergency Management Plan. The public meeting will take place in the GTUA Boardroom, located at 5100 Airport Drive, Denison, Texas 75020. Copies of the Draft Plans are available on the GTUA website, GTUA.org, or at the Authority offices.

The Dixle Cemetery Association, inc., in Whitesboro, TX, is taking bids Ground Maintenance. Bid specifications can be obtained by contacting Kathy Kost, Maintenance Director, at 903-271-2011 or skost137@gmail.com. Bids must be submitted no later than April 10, 2019. Dixle Cemetery Association reserves the right to accept or reject any bids.

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