

*Texas Water Development Board
Regional Water Planning*

*Region F Regional Water
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Mr. Doug Shaw
Project Manager
Texas Water Development Board
P.O. Box 13231
Austin, TX 78711-3231

Re: City of Ballinger 2014 DWSRF Water System Improvement Project
Support for Waiver

Dear Mr. Shaw:

The Region F Regional Water Planning Group has received a waiver request from the City of Ballinger for a water supply project which was found to be inconsistent with the 2011 Region F Regional Water Plan. This project is to develop a groundwater well field in Coke County which will produce 840 to 1,200 acre-feet of new groundwater annually. This new groundwater will be used to supplement or if necessary replace surface water which was the only identified source of water for the City in the 2011 Plan.

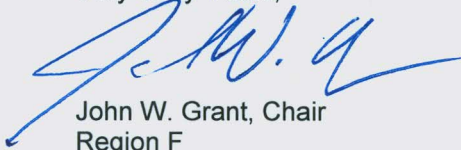
Since this project was presented to Region F Planning Group too late to include on our last regularly scheduled meeting agenda and to assist the City of Ballinger in the funding process with the TWDB, we have polled the voting members by e-mail and over 50 percent of the voting members have responded that they believe this project is beneficial and have agreed to support a waiver for this project.

Based on the response from the Region F Regional Water Planning Group the group gives its conditional approval of support to the waiver for the City of Ballinger with final approval being considered at the next meeting of the group which I believe will be in March or April of 2014. At that time we will ask the City of Ballinger to make a presentation to the group about this project.

I believe that this conditional approval will be sufficient for the TWDB to continue processing the City of Ballinger's request for funding for this important project.

Should you have any questions in this matter please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very Truly Yours,



John W. Grant, Chair
Region F

xc: Tommy New, City of Ballinger