

Riverbend Regional Water System Improvements Program Public Meeting Notice: UTILITY RATE INCREASE (UPDATED)

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A public meeting is being held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 20, at the Rice Street Community Room, 303 Rice Street in New Boston, to discuss the Riverbend Regional Water System Improvements Program.

Experts from Riverbend Water Resources District (RWRD) will share an overview of water treatment infrastructure upgrades that will ensure continued safe and reliable water supply for the growing Northeast Texas region. The upgraded system will provide water from Lake Wright Patman, replacing the current water treatment facility located on New Boston Road in Texarkana.

This project involves the construction of a critical facility in a 100-year floodplain. Alternatives to construction in a floodplain, potential impacts on the floodplain and proposed mitigation measures will be addressed during the public meeting.

Related construction may cause land disruptions and a transition in water service. Please visit the project website more information: <https://rwr.org/rwsip>.

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) has allocated \$200 million for this project through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. A future rate increase is anticipated, but the amount is undetermined. RWRD has filed an application for project funding with TWDB at P.O. Box 13231, Austin, Texas, 78711-3231.

An Environmental Information Document (EID) for the project has been prepared and is available for public review at the RWRD office, 228A Texas Ave. in New Boston, between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. in advance of the public meeting.

Questions or comments regarding the Regional Water System Improvements Program can be directed to kkeefe@pape-dawson.com or to the Texas Water Development Board. Written comments on the proposed project may be sent to the RWRD office, 228A Texas Ave. in New Boston, or to the Texas Water Development Board.