



RIVERBEND RESOLUTION NO. 20240828-05

**A RESOLUTION OF THE RIVERBEND WATER RESOURCES DISTRICT TO
CONTRIBUTE FUNDS TO THE SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY TO HELP
SUPPORT ITS WATER QUALITY PROTECTION AND WATER PLANNING
EFFORTS IN THE BASIN.**

WHEREAS, Riverbend Water Resources District (“Riverbend”) is a conservation and reclamation district created under and essential to accomplish the purposes of Section 59 Article XVI, Texas Constitution, existing pursuant to and having the powers set forth in Chapter 9601 of the Special District Local Laws Code of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Riverbend works with local member entity partners on water planning, conservation, and management of shared water resources in which the Cities of Annona, Atlanta, Avery, Central Bowie County WSC, DeKalb, Hooks, Leary, Maud, Nash, New Boston, Oak Grove WSC, Redwater, Texarkana, Texas, and Wake Village, as well as TexAmericas Center, and the Counties of Bowie, Cass, and Red River, are all members; and

WHEREAS, Sulphur River Basin Authority (“SRBA”) is a conservation and reclamation district created under and essential to accomplish the purposes of Section 59 Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and is responsible for the health and quality of the water within the Sulphur River Basin; and

WHEREAS, SRBA administers the Clean Rivers Program for the basin, such program being a partnership involving the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (“TCEQ”), other state agencies, river authorities, water districts, local governments, industry, and citizens to maintain and improve the quality of surface water resources within each river basin in Texas, and the members of Riverbend benefit from the water quality protection that results from SRBA’s administration of that program; and

WHEREAS, SRBA engages in the state and regional water planning process and represents the needs of the people in the basin, including Riverbend members; and

WHEREAS, SRBA does not have the authority to impose a tax and historically has struggled to secure adequate sources of funding to perform its functions and achieve its mission; and

WHEREAS, historically, SRBA has been funded by entities in the DFW Metroplex; and

WHEREAS, SRBA seeks to diversify its sources of funding to include more local funds from counties, cities, water districts, and other water suppliers in the basin; and



WHEREAS, SRBA has requested that Riverbend contribute funds to help SRBA perform the functions for which it was created, to continue to benefit the Sulphur River Basin through its water quality protection and water planning activities, and to help diversify its funding sources by increasing the amount of local funds in the basin that comprises its budget; and

WHEREAS, Riverbend wishes to be supportive of SRBA in addressing water quality and quantity concerns, and to be proactive about future water planning, both within the Sulphur River Basin and within the region; and

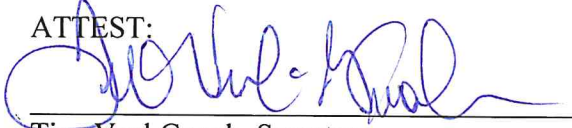
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF RIVERBEND WATER RESOURCES DISTRICT that Riverbend Water Resources District, in an effort to help support SRBA's desires to diversify its funding portfolio by increasing funds contributed by local entities in the basin and their desires to continue to provide the water quality protection and water planning activities for the basin, resolves to:

1. Contribute \$70,000 in FY 25 to SRBA to support water quality protection and water planning functions, services, and operations in the basin, subject to budgeting and available funding.
2. Provide a similar contribution of \$70,000 to SRBA no later than October 31st of each year for both FY26 and FY27, subject to budgeting and available funding.
3. At the end of the three (3) year period, Riverbend shall consider an extension of this commitment for a new three (3) year cycle.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the 28th day of August, 2024.



Steve Mayo, President

ATTEST:


Tina Veal Gooch, Secretary

