

SOUTHEAST TEXAS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MANAGEMENT PLAN

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GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

1. INTRODUCTION/PURPOSE

The Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District was created to conserve, preserve, protect, recharge, and prevent waste of groundwater and control subsidence caused by withdraw of groundwater within its boundaries which are coextensive with the boundaries of Jasper, Newton, Hardin and Tyler Counties, Texas as shown on the attached map. As part of the process of accomplishing its purposes, the District is required to adopt a Management Plan, which after adoption, must be reviewed and approved by the Texas Water Development Board. The District is located in Groundwater Management Area 14 which covers the Upper Gulf Coast Aquifer.

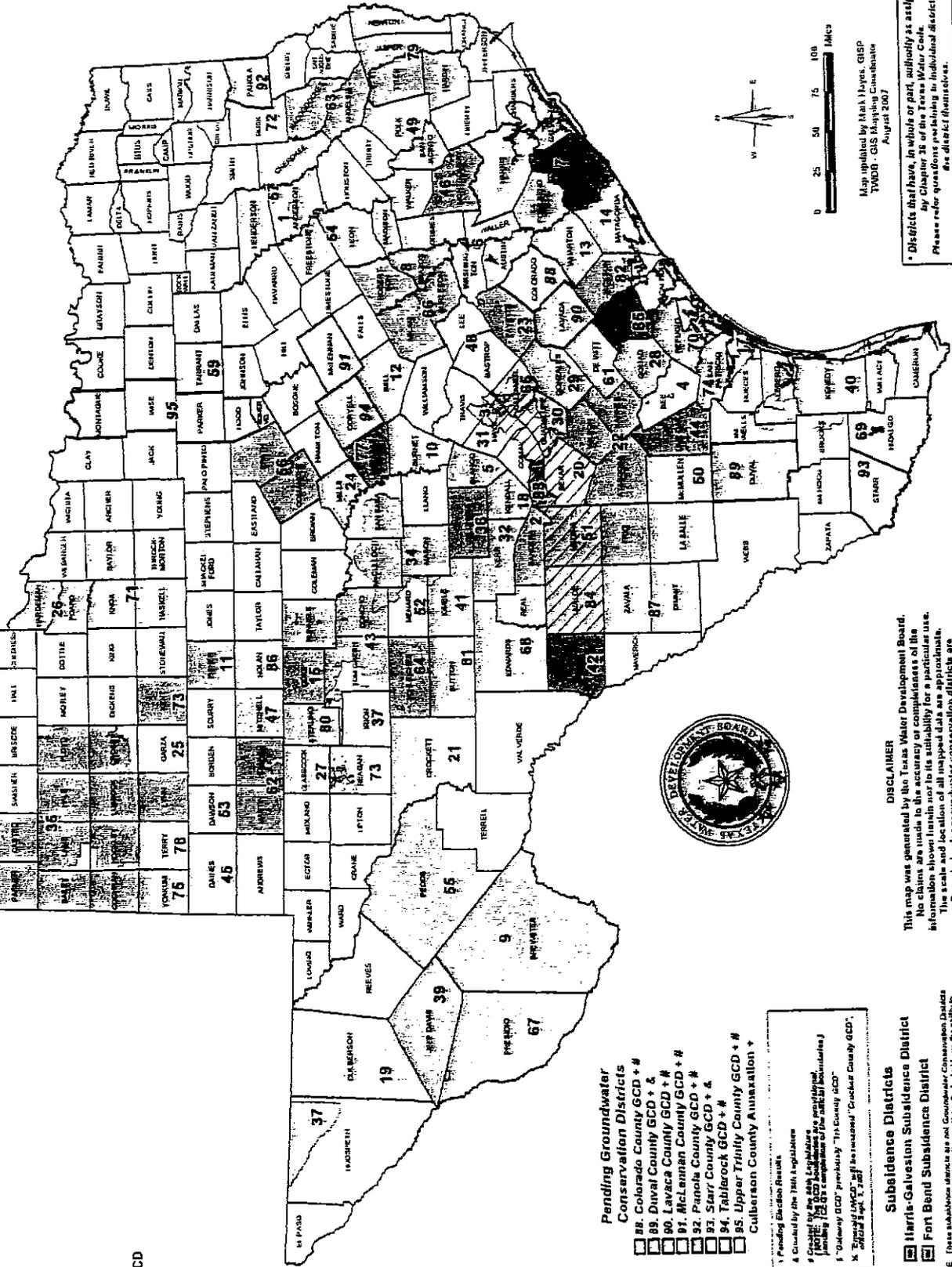
2. DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT

2.1 Creation and Organization. The 78th Texas Legislature, in its regular session of 2003, enacted Senate Bill 1888 which created the District in Jasper and Newton Counties, subject to approval of a confirmation election. On November 2, 2004, the voters of Jasper and Newton Counties confirmed the creation of the District. Subsequently, the Commissioners' Courts of Tyler and Hardin Counties, Texas, adopted resolutions requesting that Tyler County and Hardin County be added to the District. The voters of Tyler County and Hardin County confirmed the inclusion of the Counties into the District at an election held November 8, 2005.

Groundwater Conservation Districts

- 1. Anderson County UWCD
- 2. Bandera County River Authority & Groundwater District
- 3. Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer CD
- 4. Bee GCD
- 5. Blanco-Pedernales GCD
- 6. Bluebonnet GCD
- 7. Brazoria County GCD
- 8. Brazos Valley GCD
- 9. Brewster County GCD
- 10. Central Texas GCD
- 11. Clear Fork GCD
- 12. Clearwater UWCD
- 13. Coastal Bend GCD
- 14. Coastal Plains GCD
- 15. Coke County UWCD
- 16. Collingworth County UWCD
- 17. Corpus Christi ASRCD
- 18. Cow Creek GCD
- 19. Culberson County GCD
- 20. Edwards Aquifer Authority
- 21. Emerald UWCD
- 22. Evergreen UWCD
- 23. Fayette County GCD
- 24. Fox Crossing Water District
- 25. Garza County Underground and FWCD
- 26. Glasco GCD
- 27. Glasscock GCD
- 28. Goliad County GCD
- 29. Gonzales County UWCD
- 30. Guadalupe County GCD
- 31. Hays Trinity GCD
- 32. Headwaters UWCD
- 33. Hemphill County UWCD
- 34. Hickory UWCD No. 1
- 35. High Plains UWCD No. 1
- 36. Hill Country UWCD
- 37. Hudspeth County UWCD No. 1
- 38. Irion County UWCD
- 39. Jeff Davis County UWCD
- 40. Kendall County GCD
- 41. Kimble County GCD
- 42. Kinney County GCD
- 43. Lipan-Kichapoo WCD
- 44. Live Oak UWCD
- 45. Llano Estacado UWCD
- 46. Lone Star GCD
- 47. Lost Pines GCD
- 48. Lower Trinity GCD
- 49. McLennan County GCD
- 50. Medina County GCD
- 51. Menard County UWCD
- 52. Mesa UWCD
- 53. Mid-East Texas GCD
- 54. Middle Pecos GCD
- 55. Middle Trinity GCD
- 56. Middle Trinity GCD
- 57. Neches & Trinity Valleys GCD
- 58. North Plains GCD
- 59. Northern Trinity GCD
- 60. Panhandle GCD
- 61. Pecan Valley GCD
- 62. Pecos Basin UWCD
- 63. Phaywoods GCD
- 64. Pecos and Supply District
- 65. Plum Creek CD
- 66. Post Oak Savannah GCD
- 67. Prospector County UWCD
- 68. Real-Edwards C and R District
- 69. Red Sands GCD
- 70. Redondo GCD
- 71. Rolling Plains GCD
- 72. Rock County GCD
- 73. Salt Fork UWCD
- 74. San Patricio County GCD
- 75. Sandy Land UWCD
- 76. Santa Rita UWCD
- 77. Saratoga UWCD
- 78. South Plains UWCD
- 79. Southeast Texas GCD
- 80. Sterling County UWCD
- 81. Sutton County UWCD
- 82. Tarrant GCD
- 83. Trinity Glen Rose GCD
- 84. Uvalde County UWCD
- 85. Victoria County GCD
- 86. West-Texas GCD

GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS*, (Confirmed and Pending Confirmation)



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Subsidence Districts

- 1. Harris-Galveston Subsidence District
- 2. Fort Bend Subsidence District

Pending Groundwater Conservation Districts

- 88. Colorado County GCD + #
- 89. Duval County GCD + #
- 90. Lavaca County GCD + #
- 91. McLennan County GCD + #
- 92. Panola County GCD + #
- 93. Starr County GCD + #
- 94. Tarrant County GCD + #
- 95. Upper Trinity County GCD + #
- Culberson County Association +

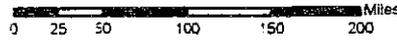
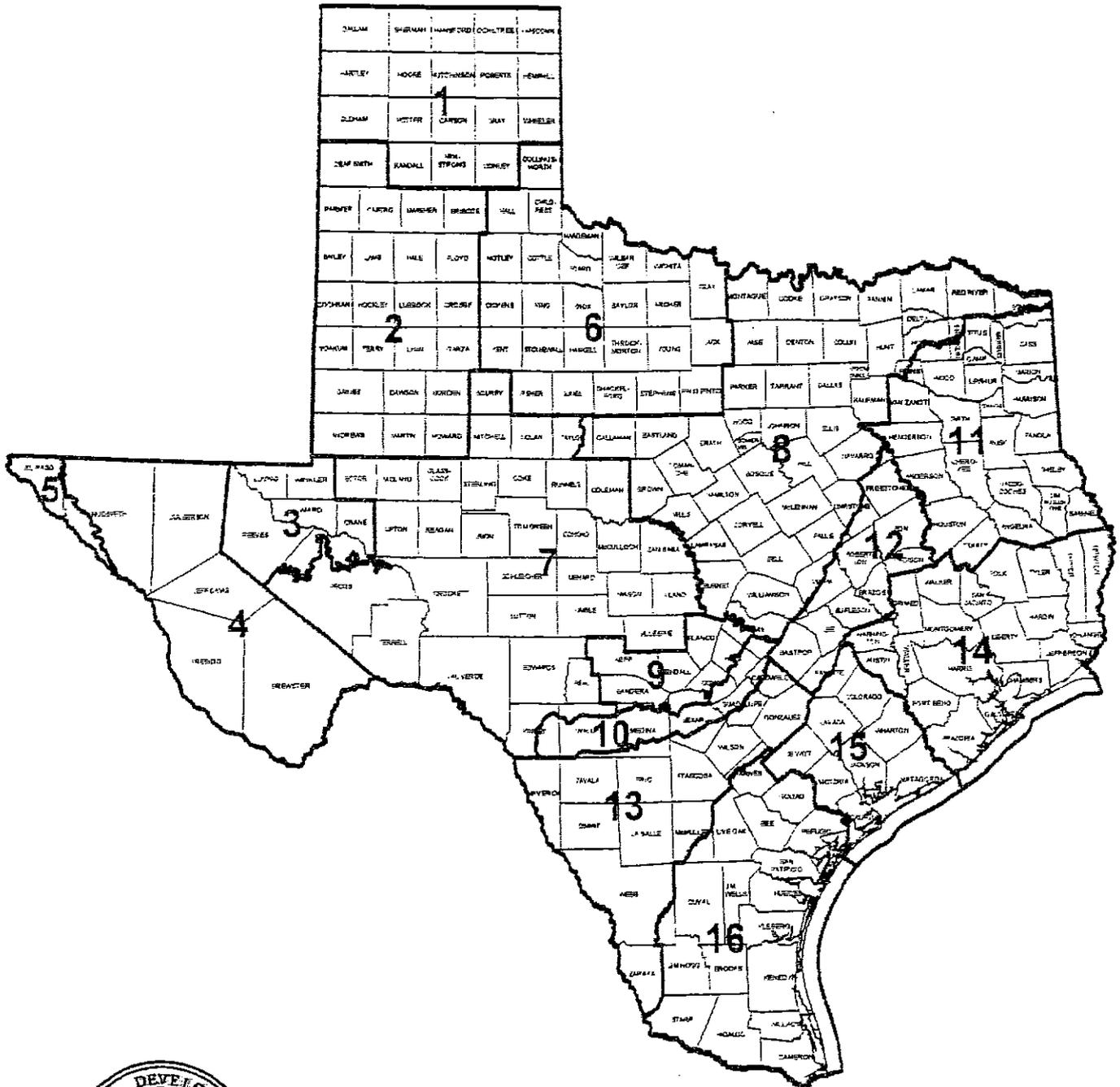
Pending Election Results

- A. Created by the 76th Legislature
- B. Created by the 77th Legislature
- C. Created by the 78th Legislature
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* Districts that have, in whole or part, authority as assigned by Chapter 38 of the Texas Water Code. Please refer questions regarding this authority to the district themselves.

Groundwater Management Areas in Texas



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The District is governed by a thirteen (13) member board of directors. The Jasper County Commissioners' Court appoints two directors, one of whom represents rural water utilities and small water supply interests and one director represents the large industrial groundwater supply interests and large municipal utilities. The Newton County Commissioners' Court appoints two directors, one of whom represents rural water utilities and small municipal water supply interests and one director represents forestry or agricultural groundwater supply interests in the Counties. The Newton City Council appoints one director and the Jasper City Council appoints one director. The Tyler County Commissioners' Court appoints three directors, one representing rural water supply utilities and small municipal groundwater supply interests; one director representing forestry, industrial, agricultural or landowner groundwater supply interests; and one director representing large municipal groundwater supply interests. The Hardin County Commissioners' Court appoints three directors, one representing rural water utilities and small municipal groundwater supply interests; one director representing the forestry, industrial, agricultural or landowner groundwater supply interests; and one director to represent large municipal groundwater supply interests. The Hardin County Commissioners' Court, the Tyler County Commissioners' Court, together with the Jasper County

jointly appoint one director to represent the forestry, agriculture, or landowner groundwater supply interests. The jointly appointed director serves as the presiding officer of the Board.

2.2 Legal Authority. The Act creating the District, Senate Bill 1888, confers upon the District all of the powers of a groundwater conservation district under Texas Water Code Chapter 36, except as limited in the Act. The District was created under Texas Constitution Article 16, Section 59 and is a governmental agency and a political subdivision of the State. Senate Bill 1888 prohibits the District from imposing a tax, limits pumpage fee charged by the District to not exceed \$0.01 per thousand gallons of groundwater withdrawn for any purpose. The Act further denies the District the power of eminent domain, the power to issue bonds or other obligations that pledge revenue derived from taxation, and the power to purchase groundwater lot rights unless the rights purchased are for conservation purposes and are permanently held in trust not to be produced.

2.3 Rules and Regulations. After public notice and public hearing, the District adopted its substantive rules which were effective July 1, 2005. The District also adopted Rules for Hearing which were effective July 1, 2005. A copy of the Rules can be found at the District's website: <http://www.SETGCD.org>.

3. GROUNDWATER RESOURCES IN THE DISTRICT

The Texas Gulf Coast Aquifer area includes the Gulf Coast, Yegua-Jackson, and the Brazos River Alluvium aquifers. Only the Chicot, Evangaline, Burkeville Confined, Yegua-Jackson, and the Jasper Aquifers are present within the District. The boundaries of these aquifers have been defined by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). See the TWDB GAM Run 06-20 and Run 06-06 attached as Appendix A.

3.1 Estimate of Managed Available Groundwater in the Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District by County.

The amount of managed available groundwater in the District has not been determined and is therefore not available. The District is participating in the process the desired future conditions. The amount of groundwater in the District according to the East Texas Region 2006 Water Plan by County is:

County	Values shown are acre-feet per year		
	Yegua-Jackson Aquifer	Gulf Coast Aquifer	Other
Hardin Co.		23,500	
Jasper Co.		52,000	6,000
Newton Co.		29,000	1,500
Tyler Co.	180	30,300	1,620
TOTAL	180	134,800	9,120

Source: Table 3.5 East Texas Region 2006 Water Plan

3.2 Estimate of Groundwater Being Used in the Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District on an Annual Basis by County.

The District maintains records showing the amount of groundwater pumped by well owners and operators who are not

exempt from the payment of production fees. For the year 2006, the District records show that 74,319 acre feet of water was pumped within the District by non-exempt users. The 2006 Regional Water Plan shows the amount of groundwater being pumped within the District for irrigation, livestock, mining, and "other" users, which are not included in the amounts reported to the District. The total for these unreported uses is 23,246 making the total amount of groundwater used within the District for 2006 to be 97,565 acre feet.

3.3 Estimate of the annual amount of recharge from precipitation.

Aquifer	Precipitation recharge (acft/yr)
Chicot aquifer	74,796
Evangeline acquifer	11,021
Burkeville Confining Unit	11
Jasper acquifer	13,610

Source: TWDB GAM Run 06-06 (Appendix A)

3.4 Estimate of the annual volume of water discharged to springs and surface water bodies.

Aquifer	Surface water outflow (act/yr)
Chicot aquifer	37,043
Evangeline acquifer	4,636
Burkeville Confining Unit	2
Jasper acquifer	10,774

Source: TWDB GAM RUN 06-06 (Appendix A)

3.5 Estimate of annual volume of flow into and out of the District. GAM Run 06-06, a copy of which is found in Appendix A, shows an estimate of the annual volume of flow into and out of the District within each aquifer and between aquifers in the District.

Aquifer	Inflow into District (act/yr)	Outflow from District (act/yr)
Chicot aquifer	51,203	60,365
Evangeline acquifer	51,984	55,372
Burkeville Confining Unit	78	89
Jasper acquifer	13,686	14,656

Source: TWDB GAM Run 06-06 (Appendix A)

3.6 Estimate of the projected surface water supply in the District.

See the excerpts from the 2006 East Texas Regional Water Plan attached as Appendix B.

3.7 Estimate of the projected total demand for water in the District.

See the 2007 State Water Plan Projected Water Demands in Appendix C.

3.8 Consideration of water supply needs and water management strategies included in adopted state water plans.

The strategies in the 2007 State Water Plan are in the attached Appendix C. The District considers these strategies to be adequate at this time.

4. MANAGEMENT GOALS, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS, AND MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

4.1 Providing the Most Efficient Use of Groundwater:

4.1.1 Objective - Each year, the District will require all new exempt or permitted wells that are constructed within the boundaries of the District to be registered or permitted with the District in accordance with the District Rules.

4.1.2 Performance Standard - The number of exempt and permitted wells registered or permitted by the District for the year will be incorporated into the Annual Report submitted to the Board of Directors of the District.

4.2 Controlling and Preventing the Waste of Groundwater in the District.

4.2.1 Objective - Each year, the District will make an evaluation of the District Rules to determine whether any amendments are recommended to decrease the amount of waste of groundwater within the District.

4.2.1 Performance Standard - The District will include a discussion of the annual evaluation of the District Rules and the determination of whether any amendments to the rules are recommended to prevent the waste of groundwater in the Annual Report of the District provided to the Board of Directors.

4.2.2 Objective - Each year, the District will provide information to the public on eliminating and reducing wasteful practices in the use of groundwater by an article on groundwater waste reduction on the District's website.

4.2.2 Performance Standard - Each year, a copy of the information provided in the groundwater waste reduction article on the District's website will be included in the District's Annual Report to be given to the District Board of Directors.

4.3 Controlling and Preventing Subsidence. This Management Goal is not Applicable to the District.

4.4 Addressing Conjunctive Surface Water Management Issues.

4.4.1 Objective - The District will coordinate conjunctive surface water issues with the Angelina and Neches River Authority, Lower Neches Valley Authority, and the Sabine River Authority through the East Texas Region Water Planning Group, Region I, by inviting officials from the Planning Group to attend a District meeting at least once a year.

4.4.2 Performance Standard - A copy of the letters to the surface water providers will be included in the annual report to the Board of Directors.

4.5 Natural Resource Issues Affecting the Use and Availability of Groundwater or affected by the Use of Groundwater. This Management Goal is not Applicable to the District.

4.6 Addressing Drought Conditions.

4.6.1 Objective - The District will post an article at least annually regarding drought conditions in the District on the District website.

4.6.2 Performance Standard - A copy of the article or articles posted on the District website regarding drought conditions will be included in the annual report to the Board of Directors.

4.7 Addressing Conservation, recharge enhancement, rainwater harvesting, precipitation enhancement, or brush control. Conservation is the only practice which is practicable in the District. The District does not consider recharge enhancement, precipitation enhancement, or brush control to be either necessary or practical at this time. Rainwater harvesting is not necessary due to the very high rainfall rate in the District.

4.7.1 Objective - The District will annually submit an article regarding water conservation for publication to at least one newspaper of general circulation in Jasper, Newton, Tyler and Hardin Counties.

4.7.2 Performance Standard - A copy of the article submitted by the District for publication to a newspaper of general circulation in Jasper, Newton, Tyler and Hardin Counties regarding water conservation will be included in the Annual Report to the Board of Directors.

4.7.3 Objective - Each year, the District will include an informative flier on water conservation within at least one mail out to groundwater use permit holders distributed in the normal course of business for the District.

4.7.4 Performance Standard - The District's Annual Report will include a copy of the informative flier distributed to groundwater use permit holders regarding water conservation and the number of fliers distributed.

4.8 Addressing Future Conditions of Groundwater Resources

in a Quantitative Manner. The desired future condition of the Gulf Coast aquifer has not been established in accordance with Chapter 36.108 of the Texas Water Code. In establishing the desired future conditions of the aquifers, the District shall consider uses or conditions of an aquifer within the management area that differ substantially from one geographic area to another. The District may establish different desired future

conditions for each aquifer, or each geographic area overlying an aquifer in whole or in part or subdivision of an aquifer within the boundaries of the management area.

4.8.1 Objective - The District will monitor groundwater conditions within the District boundaries.

4.7.2 Performance Standard - The District will continue monitoring the static water levels in at least fifteen (15) wells (with previous measurement history) annually.

5. ACTIONS, PROCEDURE, PERFORMANCE, AND AVOIDANCE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF MANAGEMENT PLAN

The District will implement the goals and provisions of this management plan as a guideline in its decision-making. The District will ensure that its planning efforts, operations, and activities will be consistent with the provisions of this plan.

The District will adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code, and all rules will be followed and enforced. The District may amend the District rules as necessary to comply with changes to Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code, revised Management Plans and to insure the best management of groundwater within the District according to present aquifer conditions. The development and enforcement of the rules of the District will be based on the best scientific and technical evidence available to the District.

The District will encourage cooperation and coordination in the implementation of this plan. All operations and activities of the District will be performed in a manner that encourages cooperation with the appropriate state, regional or local water entity.

APPENDIX

A

GAM run 06-06

by **Richard Smith, P.G.**

Texas Water Development Board
Groundwater Availability Modeling Section
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April 20, 2006

REQUESTOR:

Mr. John Stover, Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District (GCD).

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:

Mr. Stover requested that we provide him with the required numbers for his district's management plan using the groundwater availability model (GAM) for the northern part of the Gulf Coast aquifer (Kasmarek and Robinson, 2004; Kasmarek and others, 2005).

METHODS:

We analyzed for average recharge from precipitation, average surface-water inflow, average surface-water outflow, average inflow into the district, average outflow from the district, average net inter-aquifer flow (upper), and average net inter-aquifer flow (lower) using the period 1980 to 1999. MODFLOW's general head boundary (GHB) package was used to simulate recharge and discharge in the GAM for the northern part of the Gulf Coast aquifer. The GHB package simulates flow across the boundary using differences in water-level elevations at or beyond the boundary and the aquifer and conductance of the aquifer materials. The amount of water that recharges the aquifer from rainfall, irrigation return flow, and river leakage and naturally discharges in the form of baseflow to streams and evapotranspiration are all accounted for in the GHB. Evapotranspiration is the water that is lost out of the aquifer due to direct evaporation from the water table (when water table is shallow) and plant transpiration. To calculate surface water interaction, we assumed the uppermost block or GHB cell in the model with a river, stream, spring, lake, or reservoir represented groundwater/surface-water interactions. All other cells using the GHB package were assumed to represent net recharge from precipitation.

To address the request, we:

- ran the transient GAM for the northern part of the Gulf Coast aquifer and extracted water budgets for each year of the 1980 through 1999 period;
- averaged the twenty year period for recharge, surface water inflow, surface water outflow, inflow to the district, outflow from the district, net inter-aquifer flow (upper) and net inter-aquifer flow (lower);

PARAMETERS AND ASSUMPTIONS:

- For detailed discussion on assumptions and limitations of the northern part of the Gulf Coast aquifer GAM, refer to Kasmarek and Robinson (2004) and Kasmarek and others (2005).
- The model includes four layers, representing the Chicot aquifer (Layer 1), the Evangeline aquifer (Layer 2), the Burkeville confining unit (Layer 3), and the Jasper aquifer (Layer 4).
- Quality of model calibration can be estimated using root mean square (RMS) error. RMS error evaluates differences between measured and simulated water levels in the wells considered for calibration. The RMS error is 31 feet for the Chicot aquifer, 45 feet for the Evangeline aquifer, and 38 feet for the Jasper aquifer for the calibration year 2000.

RESULTS:

The Chicot, Evangeline, and Jasper are the principal aquifers in the Southeast Texas GCD with the Burkeville functioning as a confining unit. The components of the budgets shown in Table 1 include:

- Precipitation recharge—This component represents areally distributed recharge due to precipitation falling on the outcrop areas of aquifers. This value reflects the average precipitation from 1980 to 1999.
- Surface water inflow and outflow—This describes the interaction between the aquifer and streams, springs, lakes, wetlands, and possibly irrigation return flow.
- Net inter-aquifer flow upper and lower—This describes the vertical flow, or leakage, between two aquifers. This flow is controlled by the water levels in each aquifer and aquifer properties of each aquifer that define the amount of leakage that can occur. “Inflow” to an aquifer from an overlying or underlying aquifer will always equal the “Outflow” from the other aquifer.
- Inflow into and outflow from the district—This component describes the lateral flow of groundwater within the aquifer between the GCD and adjacent counties.

The water budgets for an individual cell containing a GCD boundary are assigned to either the GCD or the surrounding county.

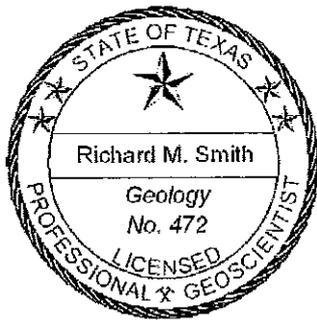
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Table 1: All values are averages of the 1980 to 1999 water budgets. All values are in acre-feet per year. Note: negative values mean flow out of the district and positive values mean flow into the district.

GCD	Model	Aquifer	Precipitation recharge (acft/yr)	Surface water inflow (acft/yr)	Surface water outflow (acft/yr)	Inflow into district (acft/yr)	Outflow from district (acft/yr)	Net inter-aquifer flow (upper(acft/yr)	Av. Net inter-aquifer flow (lower) (acft/yr)
Southeast Texas GCD	Gulf Coast-North	Chicot aquifer	74,796	11,933	37,043	51,203	60,365	0	-24,850
Southeast Texas GCD	Gulf Coast-North	Evangeline aquifer	11,021	636	4,636	51,984	55,372	24,850	866
Southeast Texas GCD	Gulf Coast-North	Burkeville Confining Unit	11	1	2	78	89	-866	334
Southeast Texas GCD	Gulf Coast-North	Jasper aquifer	13,610	607	10,774	13,686	14,656	-334	0



GAM run 06-20

by **Richard Smith, P.G.**

Texas Water Development Board
Groundwater Availability Modeling Section
(512) 936-0877
October 12, 2006

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

A 51-year predictive model run was done with the groundwater availability model (GAM) for the northern part of the Gulf Coast Aquifer to evaluate the amount of pumpage that resulted in a desired future condition (DFC) of “sustainability”, or zero water level declines, in the Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District (GCD). Using the 1999 estimated historic pumpage as the baseline pumpage, it was determined that even when only using this rate of pumpage, water levels declined in the aquifers of interest. Therefore, even with no additional pumpage above what was estimated to be produced from these aquifers in 1999, “sustainability” or zero water level declines, could not be achieved.

REQUESTOR:

Mr. John Stover, Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District (GCD), which is composed of Tyler, Hardin, Jasper, and Newton counties (Figure 1).

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:

Mr. Stover requested that we provide a model run with a desired future condition of “sustainability” in the district using the groundwater availability model (GAM) for the northern part of the Gulf Coast Aquifer (Kasmarek and Robinson, 2004; Kasmarek and others, 2005). Sustainability as defined by the district is maintaining present water levels.

METHODS:

To develop a baseline, we ran the model from 1999 to 2050 using 1999 pumping rates (Table 1) for each year. We are aware of the Harris-Galveston County Subsidence District’s Regulatory Plan that has been developed through the year 2030 with an overall goal to reduce groundwater withdrawal to no more than 20 percent of total water demand. That scenario was not included in this model run. We produced maps of water levels and drawdowns in the Chicot, Evangeline and Jasper aquifers for the years 1999, 2010, 2030 and 2050 to evaluate how current pumpage rates affected the aquifers. Since the Burkeville Formation is considered a confining unit, we did not analyze this layer of the model. We calculated drawdowns by subtracting the simulated water levels from water levels that were calibrated to measured values in 1999.

PARAMETERS AND ASSUMPTIONS:

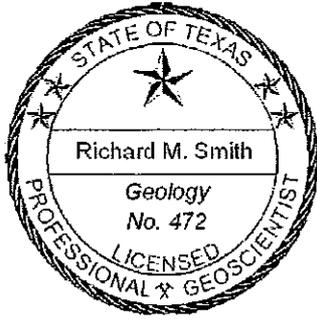
- For detailed discussion on assumptions and limitations of the northern part of the Gulf Coast Aquifer GAM, refer to Kasmarek and Robinson (2004) and Kasmarek and others (2005).
- We assumed pumping remained at 1999 levels and also used 1999 water levels as the sustainable target water levels. We are aware of the District's Regulatory Plan that has been developed for the period through the year 2030 with an overall goal to reduce groundwater withdrawal to no more than 20 percent of total water demand. However, that scenario was not included in this model run.
- The model includes four layers, representing the Chicot aquifer (Layer 1), the Evangeline aquifer (Layer 2), the Burkeville confining unit (Layer 3), and the Jasper aquifer (Layer 4).
- Quality of model calibration can be estimated using root mean square (RMS) error. RMS error evaluates differences between measured and simulated water levels in the wells considered for calibration. The RMS error is 31 feet for the Chicot aquifer, 45 feet for the Evangeline aquifer, and 38 feet for the Jasper aquifer for the calibration year 2000.

RESULTS:

The results of the model runs are illustrated in Figures 2 through 13. These figures show that groundwater levels will continue to slightly decline in Tyler, Hardin, Jasper and Newton counties during the 51-year predictive period and decline more rapidly in surrounding counties assuming 1999 pumping levels. In order to maintain present water levels, pumping will need to be decreased. This is further illustrated by Figures 14 through 22 which show the amounts of drawdown for 2010, 2030, and 2050 using 1999 as the base year.

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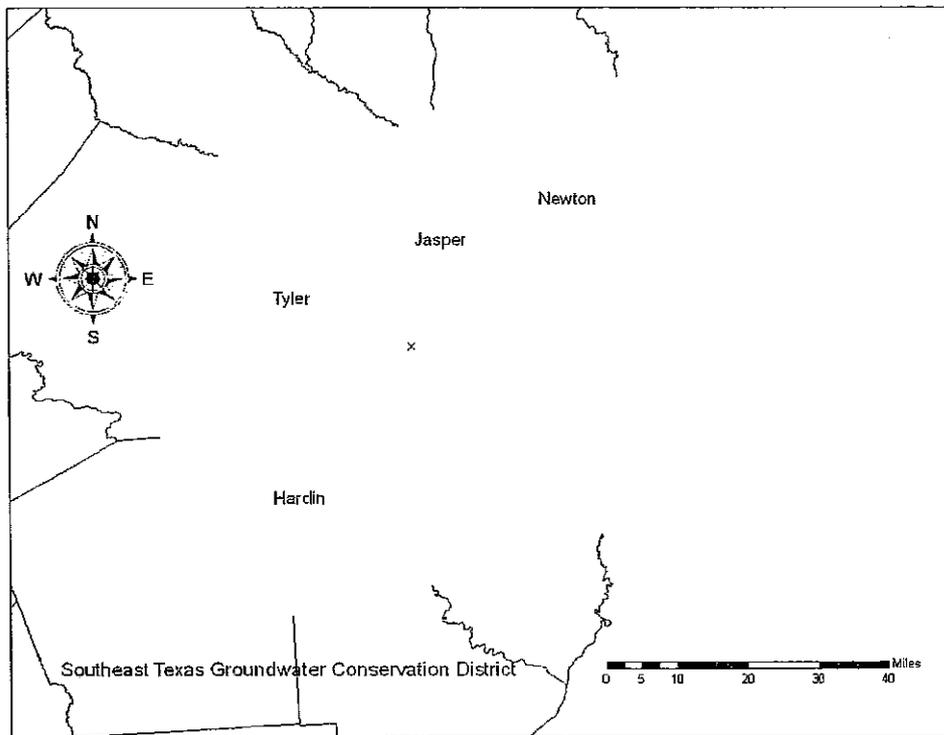


Figure 1: Location of the Southeast Texas GCD

Table 1: 1999 pumpage in acre-feet per year for the counties in the district and the surrounding counties

Aquifer	Newton	Jasper	Tyler	Hardin	Polk
Chicot	18	22,821	0	8,786	0
Evangeline	734	24,248	686	4,451	435
Burkville	0	0	11	174	42
Jasper	800	3,609	1,697	0	2,974

	Liberty	Jefferson	Orange	Angelina	
Chicot	864	2,700	19,392	0	
Evangeline	6,492	92	932	0	
Burkville	0	0	0	0	
Jasper	463	0	0	154	

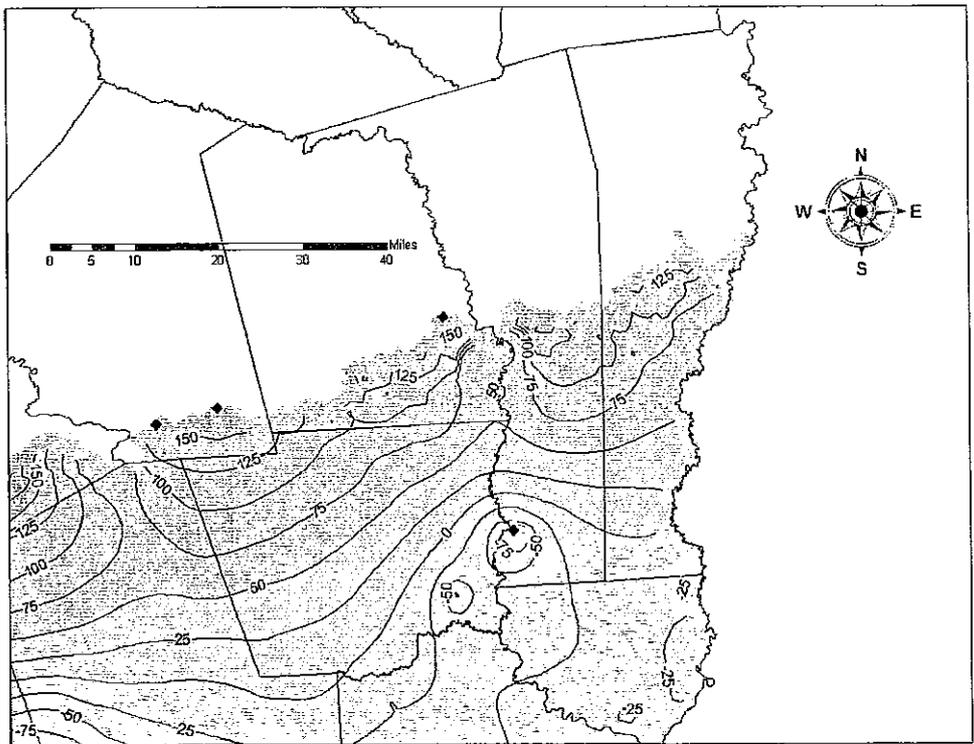


Figure 2: Water level map in 1999 for the Chicot aquifer (layer 1) in the Southeast Texas District. Contour interval is 25 feet.

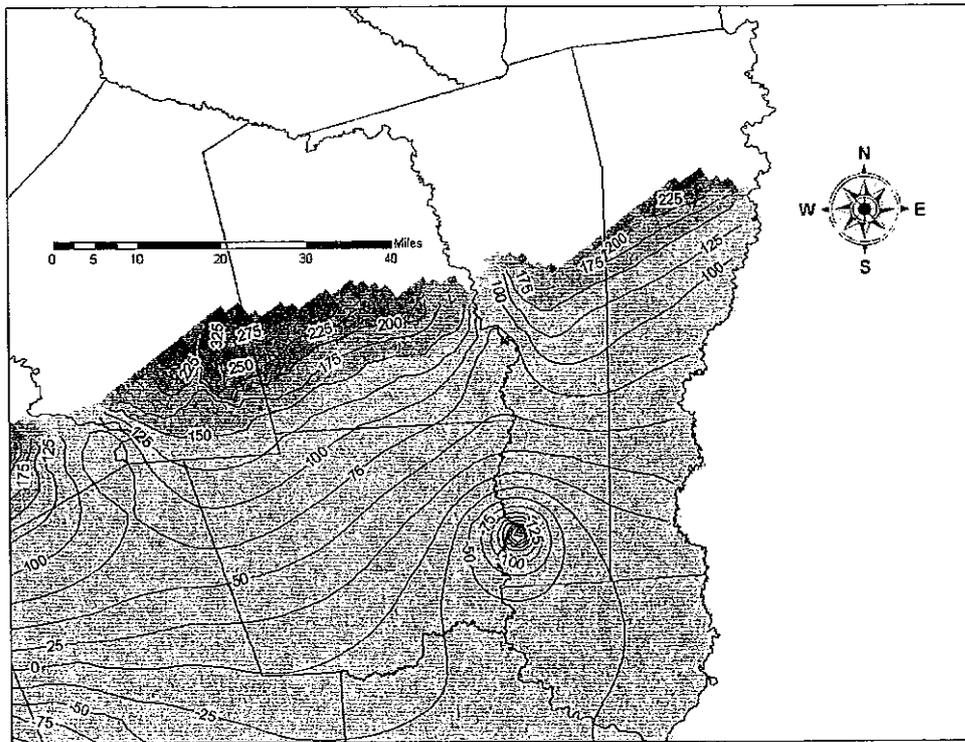


Figure 3: Water level map in 1999 for the Evangeline aquifer (layer 2). Contour interval is 25 feet.

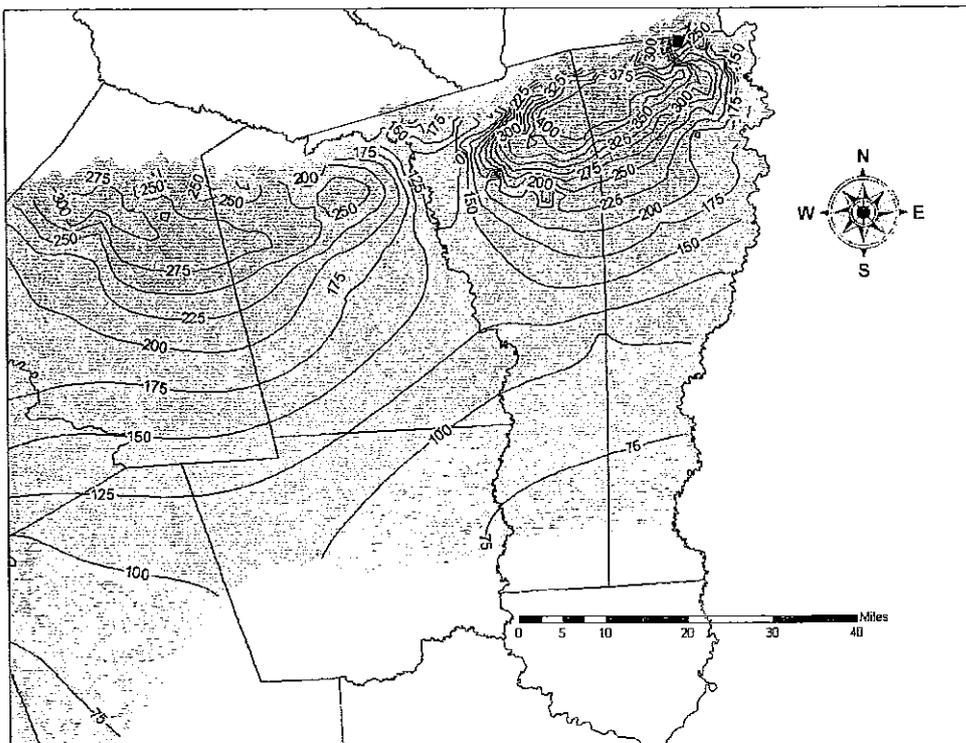


Figure 4: Water level map in 1999 for the Jasper aquifer (layer 4). Contour interval is 25 feet.

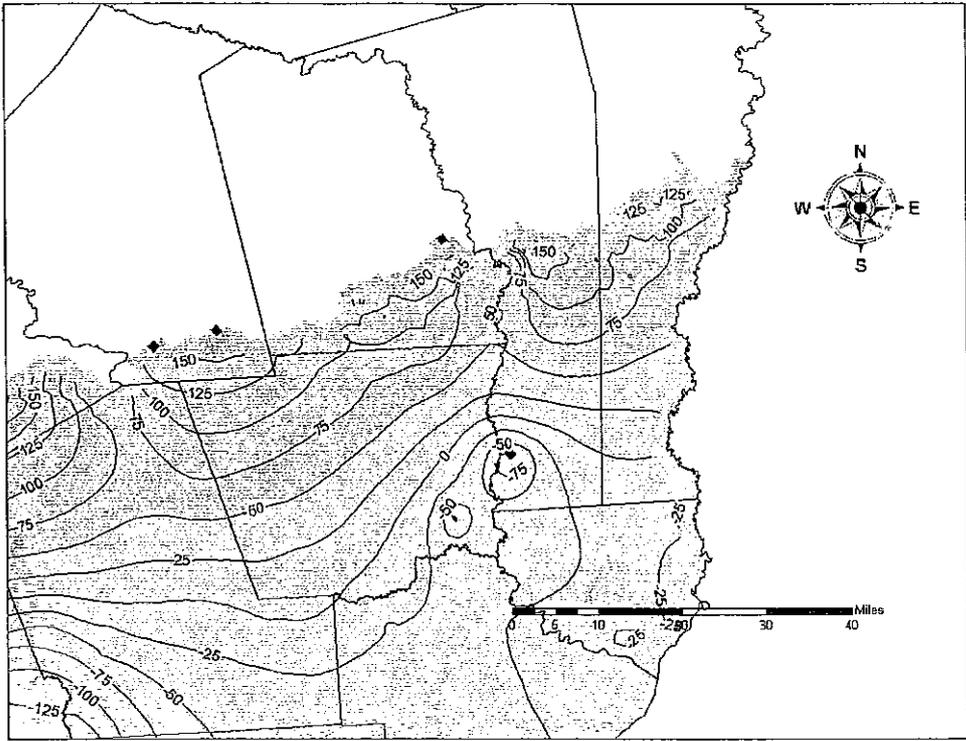


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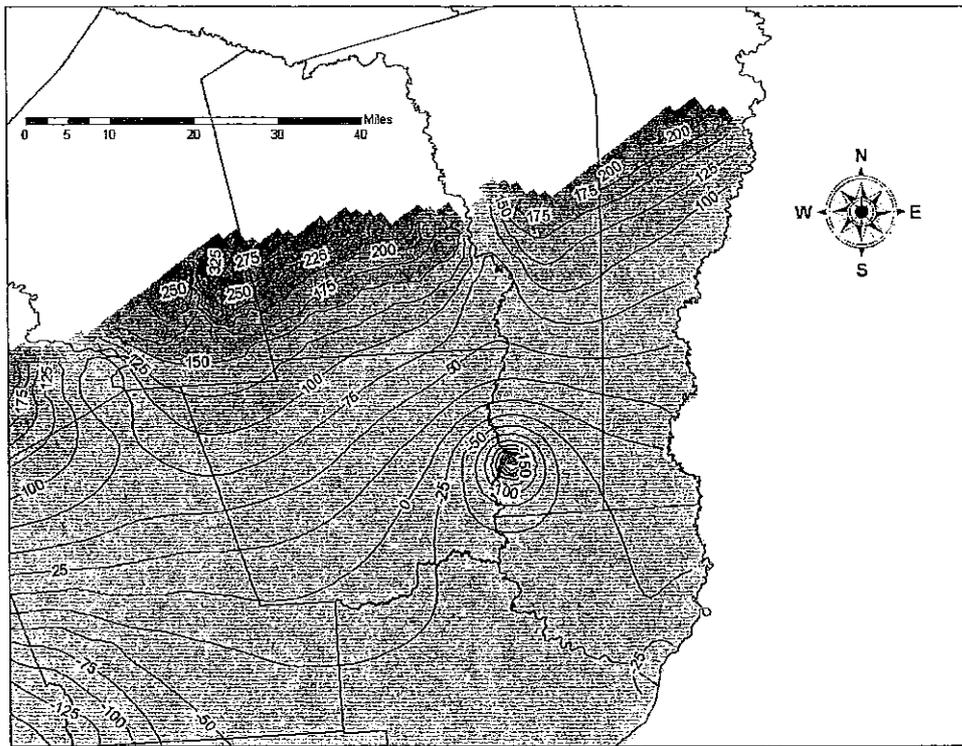


Figure 6: Water level map in 2010 for the Evangeline aquifer (layer2) with 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 25 feet.

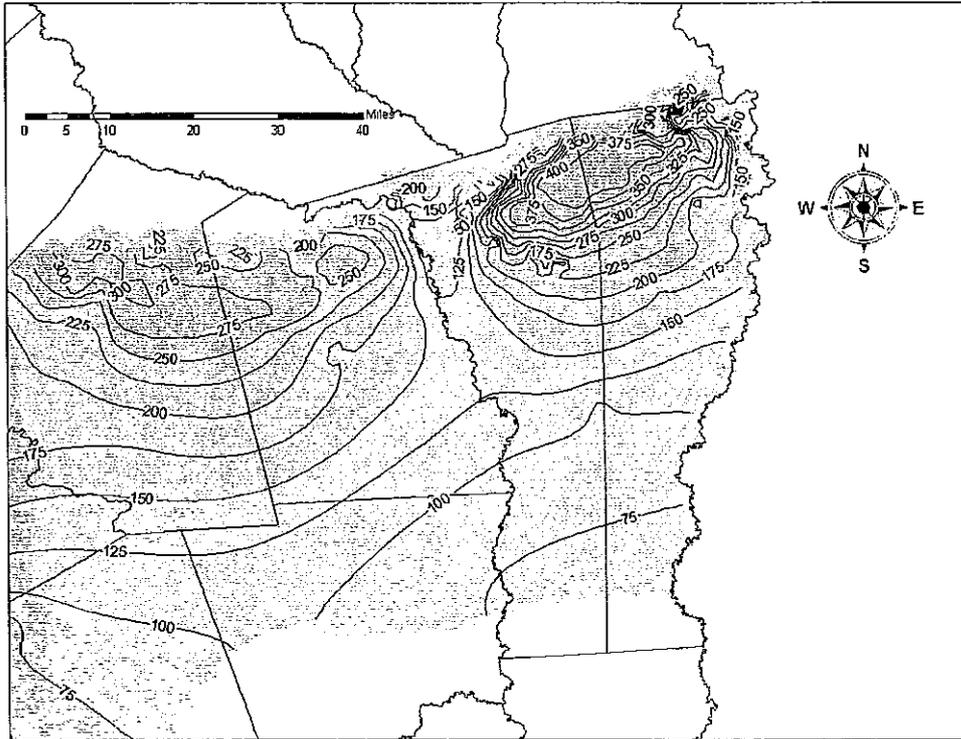


Figure 7: Water level map in 2010 for the Jasper aquifer (layer 4) with 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 25 feet.

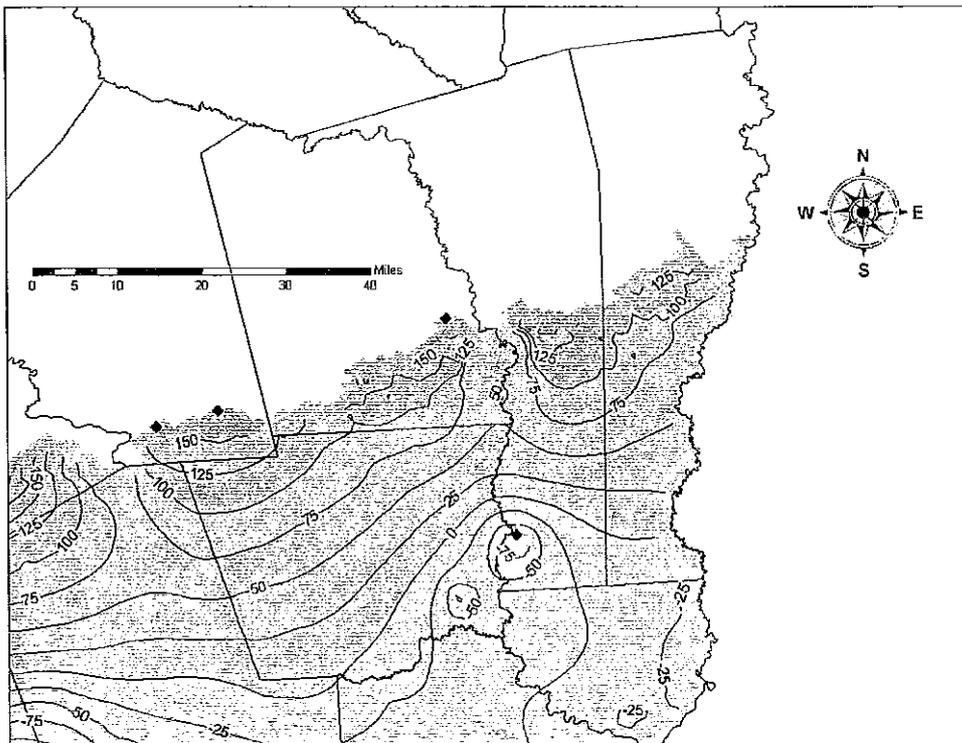


Figure 8: Water level map in 2030 for the Chicot aquifer (layer 1) with 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 25 feet.

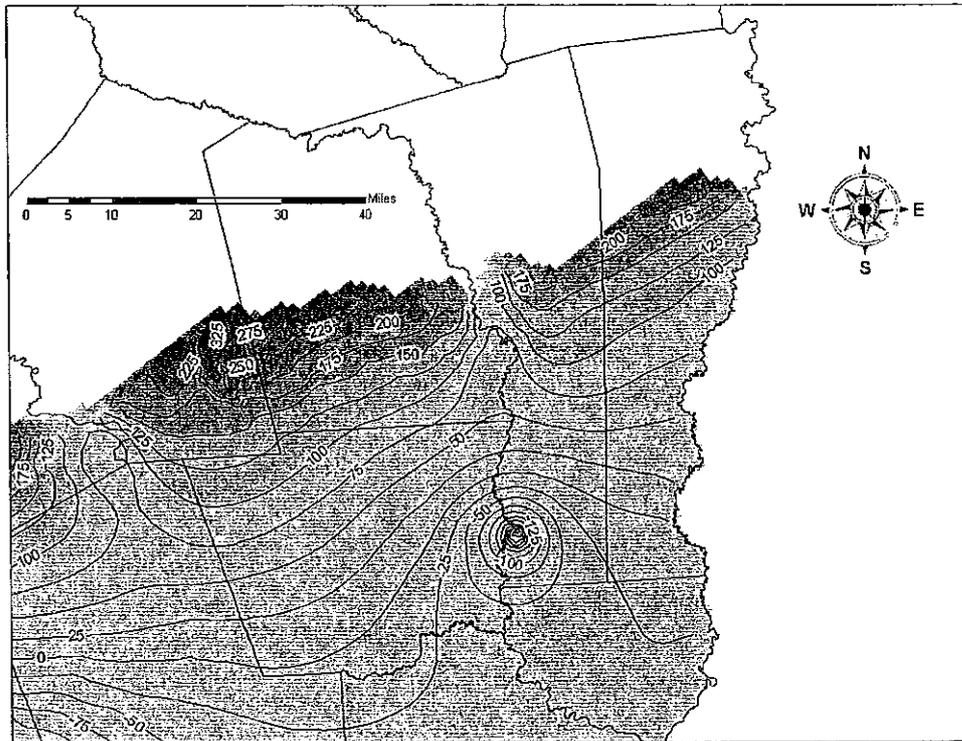


Figure 9: Water level map in 2030 for the Evangeline aquifer (layer 2) with 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 25 feet.

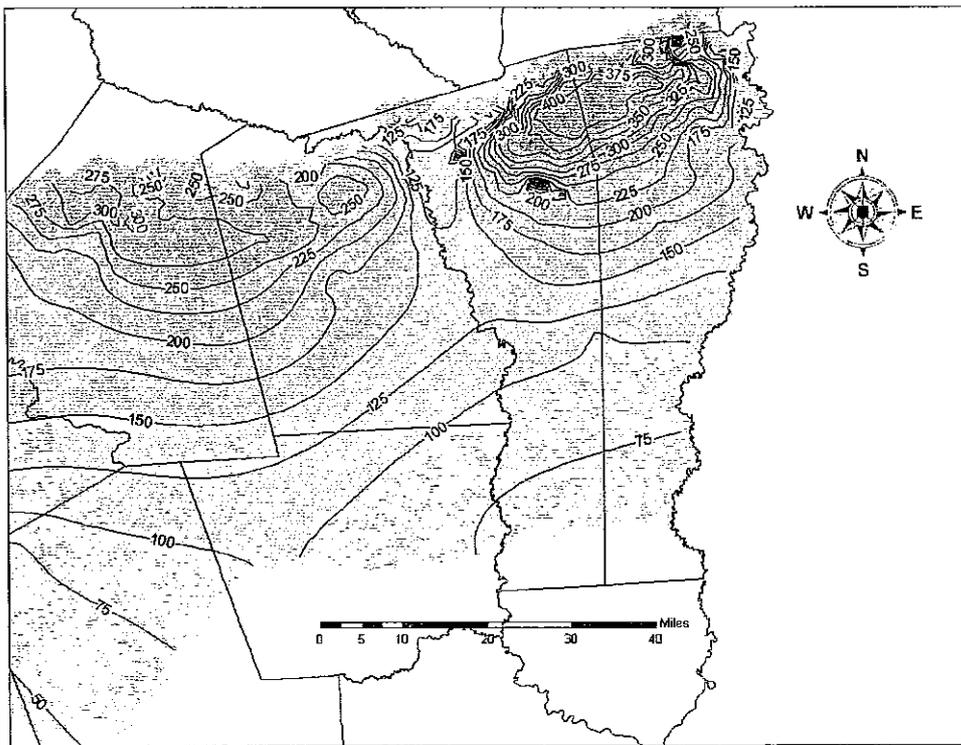


Figure 10: Water level map in 2030 for the Jasper aquifer (layer 4) with 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 25 feet.

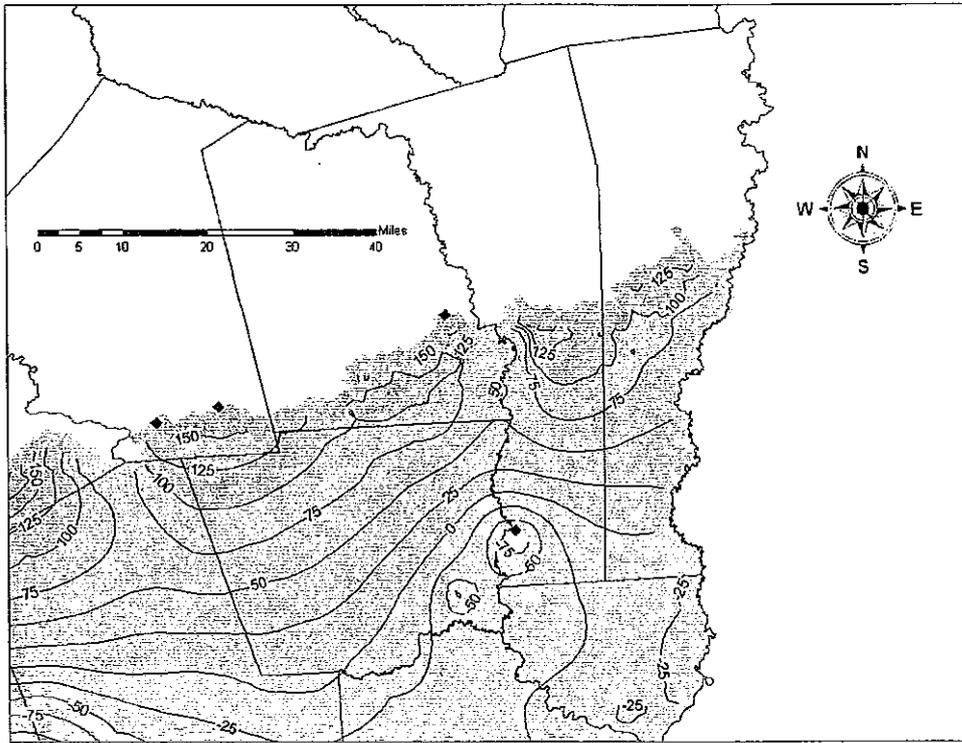


Figure 11: Water level map in 2050 for the Chicot aquifer (layer 1) with 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 25 feet.

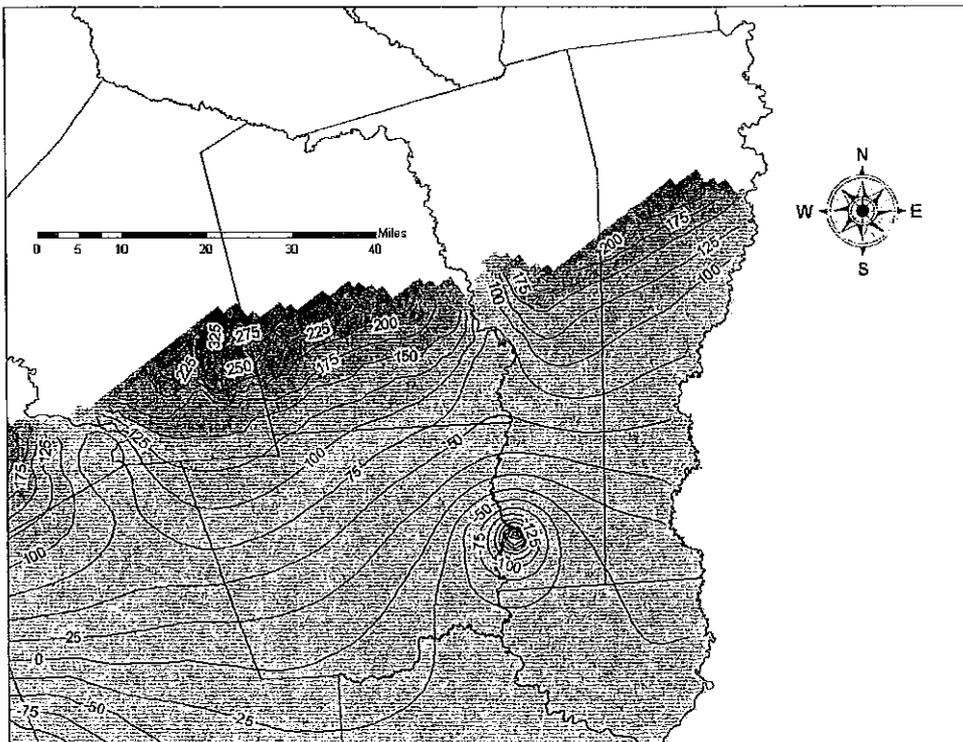


Figure 12: Water level map in 2050 for the Evangeline aquifer (layer 2) with 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 25 feet.

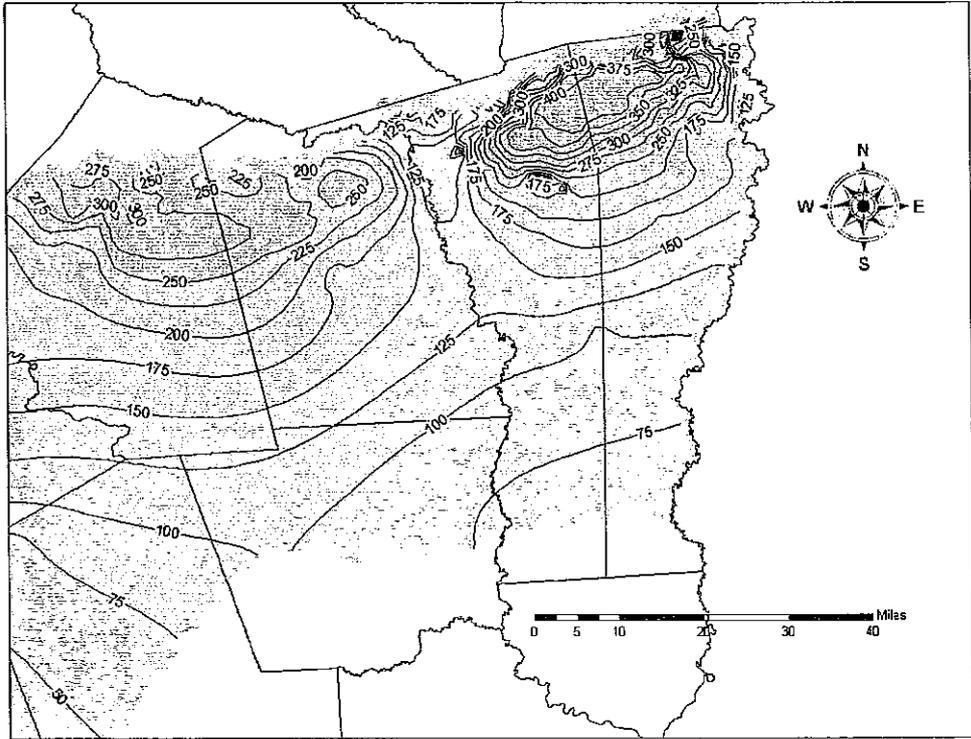


Figure 13: Water level map in 2050 for the Jasper aquifer (layer 4) with 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 25 feet.

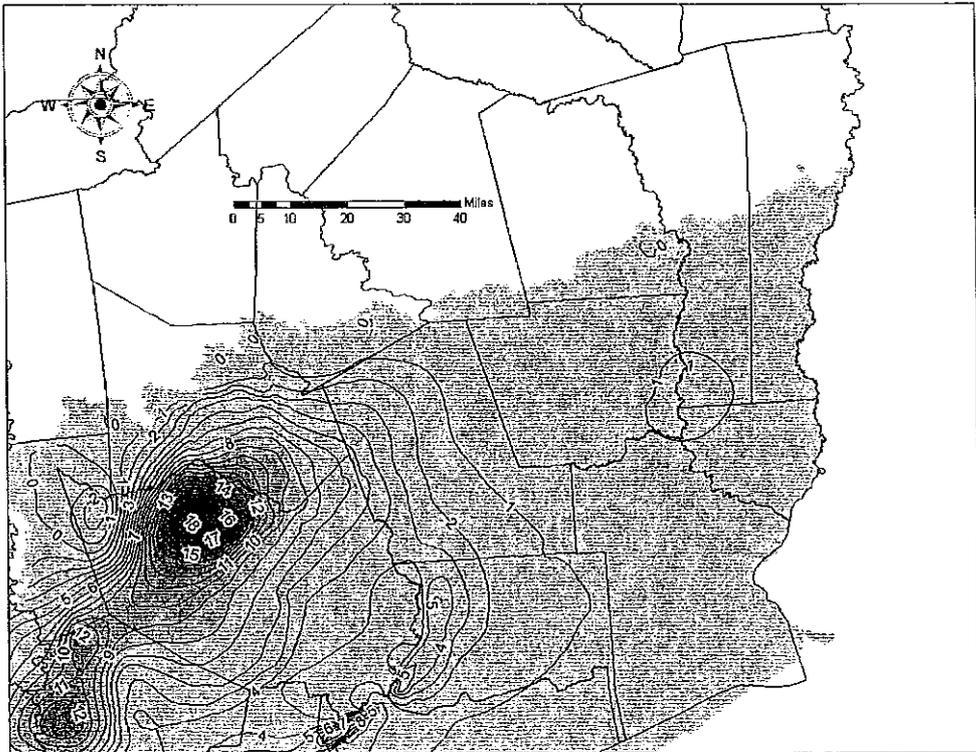


Figure 14: Drawdown in 2010 in the Chicot aquifer with continued 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 1 feet.

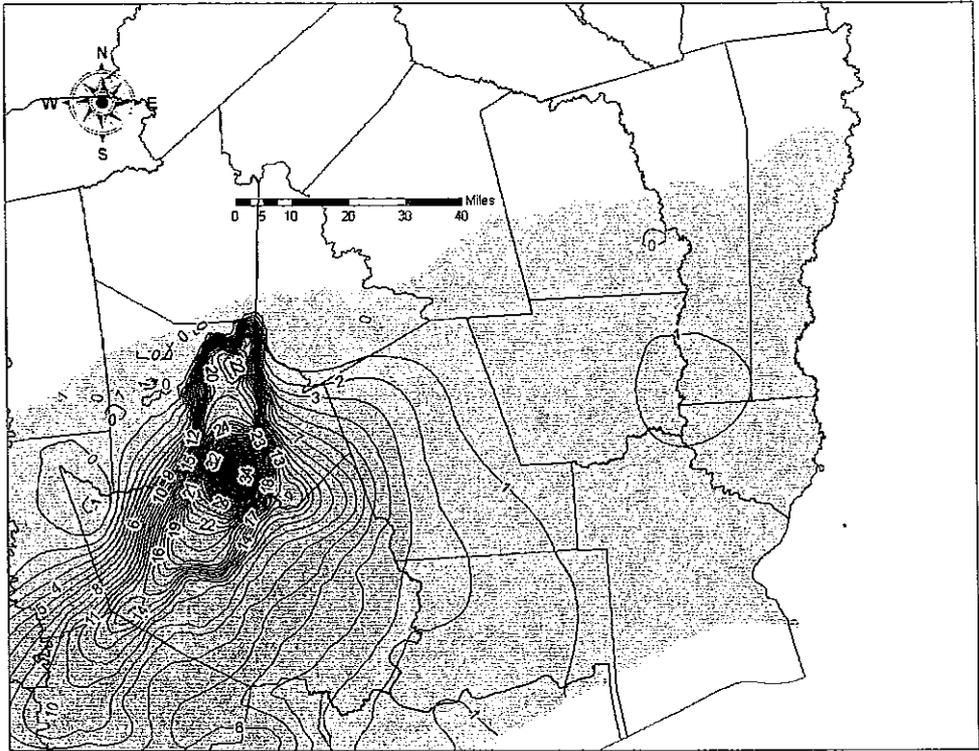


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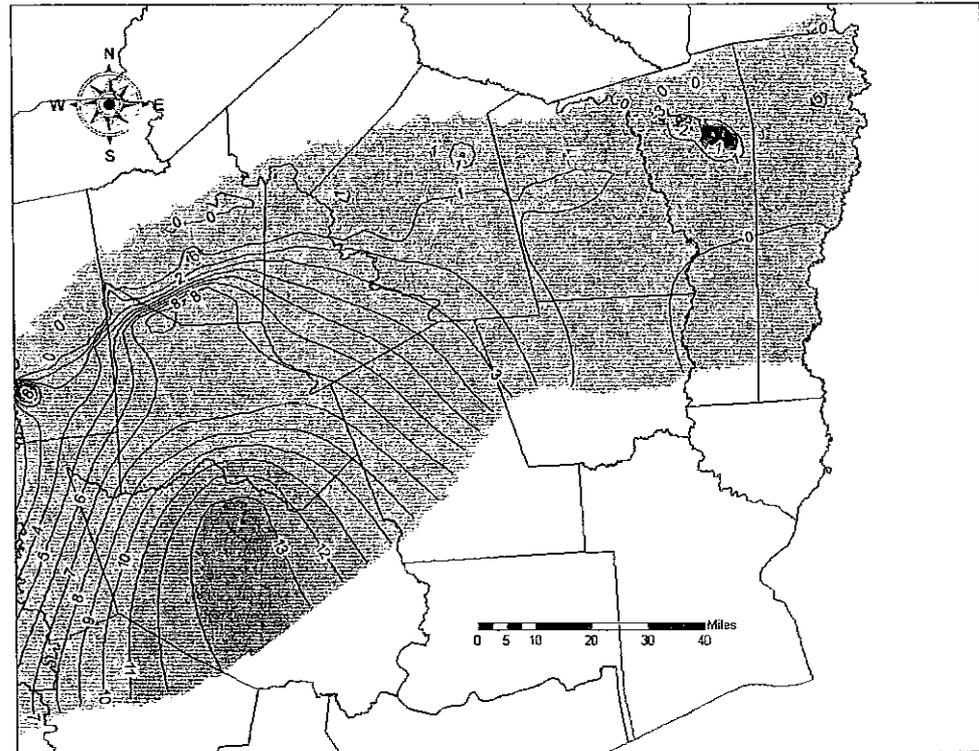


Figure 16: Drawdown in 2010 in the Jasper aquifer with continued 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 1 feet.

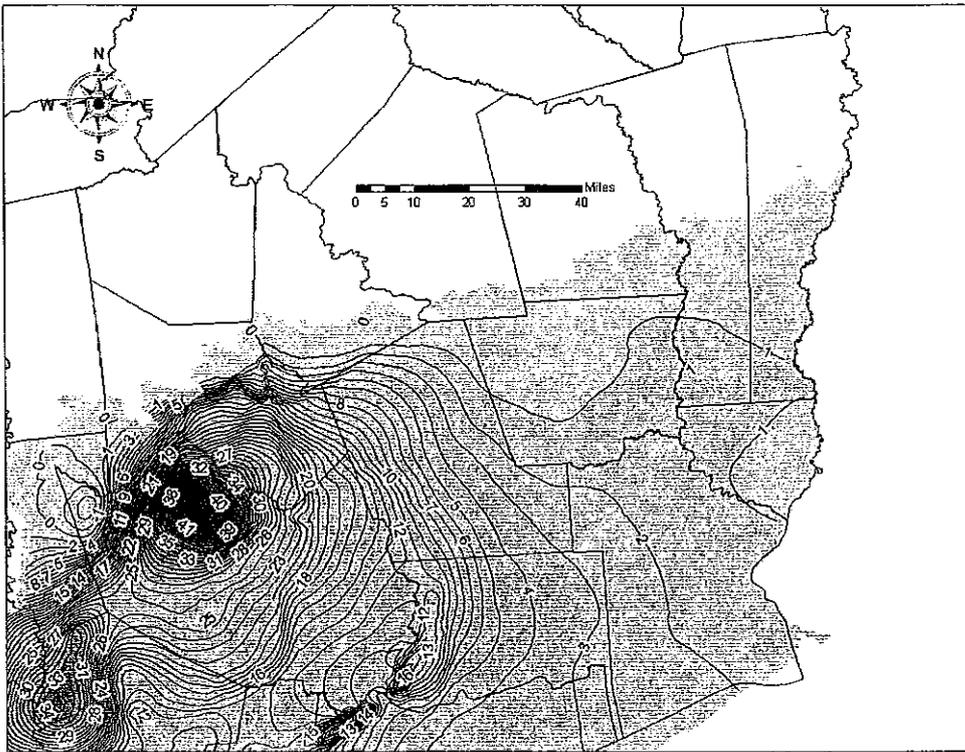


Figure 17: Drawdown in 2030 in the Chicot aquifer with continued 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 1 feet.

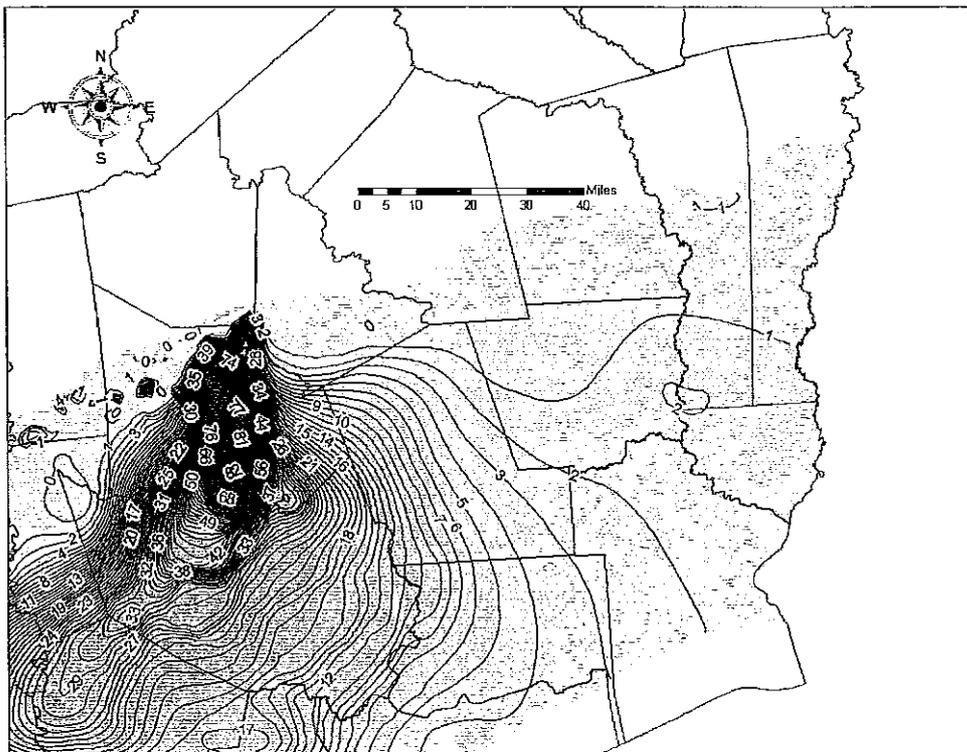


Figure 18: Drawdown in 2030 in the Evangeline aquifer with continued 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 1 feet.

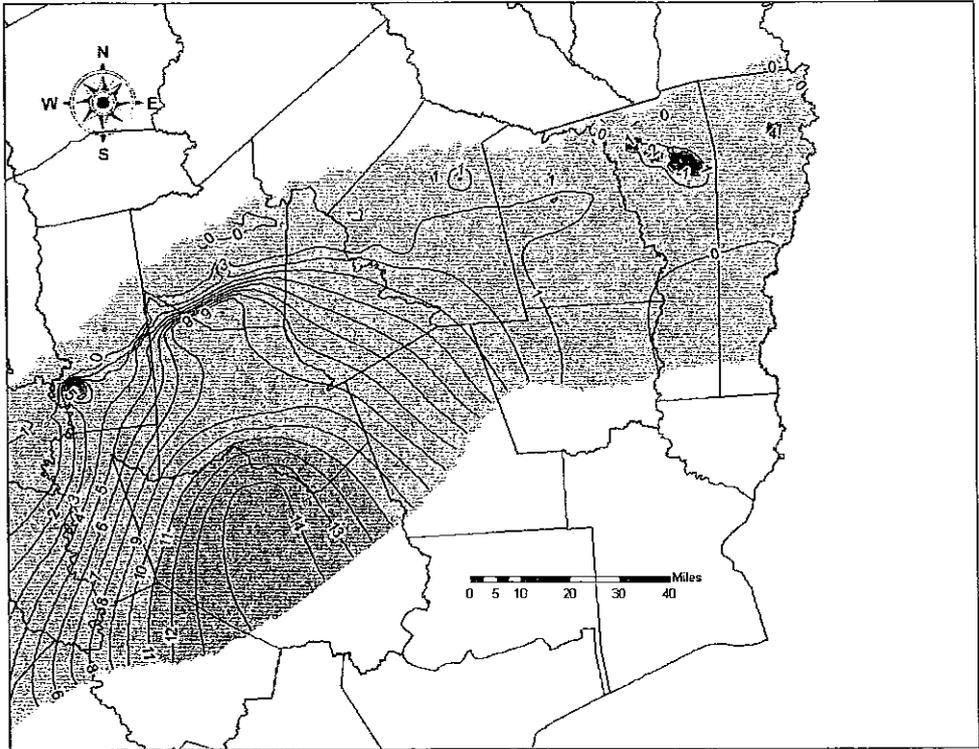


Figure 19: Drawdown in 2030 in the Jasper aquifer with continued 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 1 foot.

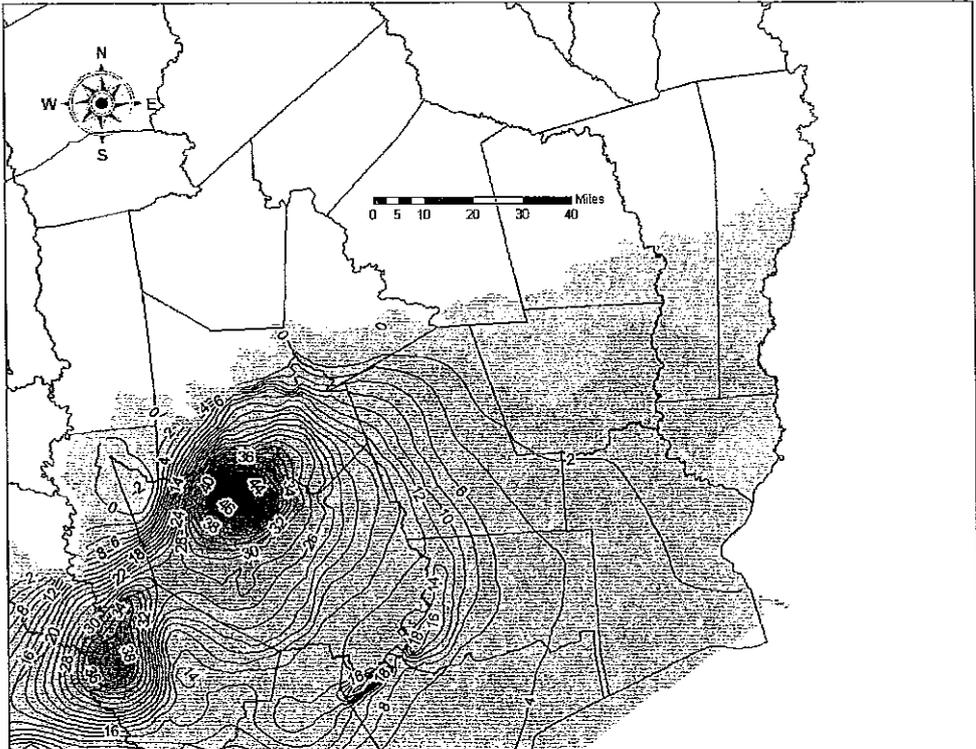


Figure 20: Drawdown in 2050 in the Chicot aquifer with continued 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 2 feet.

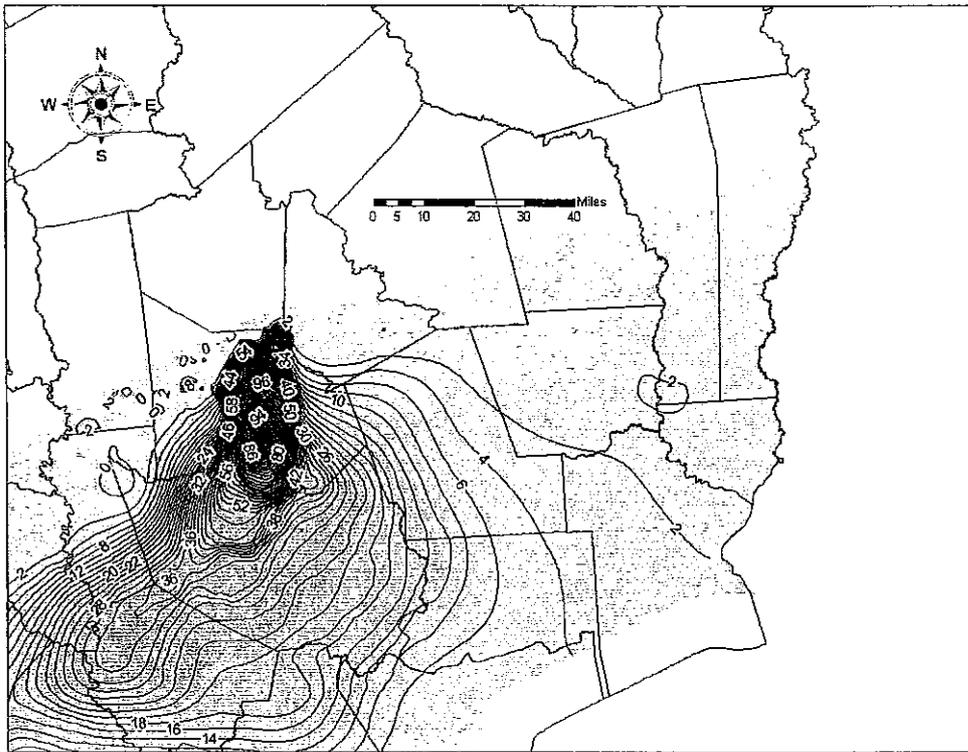


Figure 21: Drawdown in 2050 in the Evangeline aquifer with continued 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 2 feet.

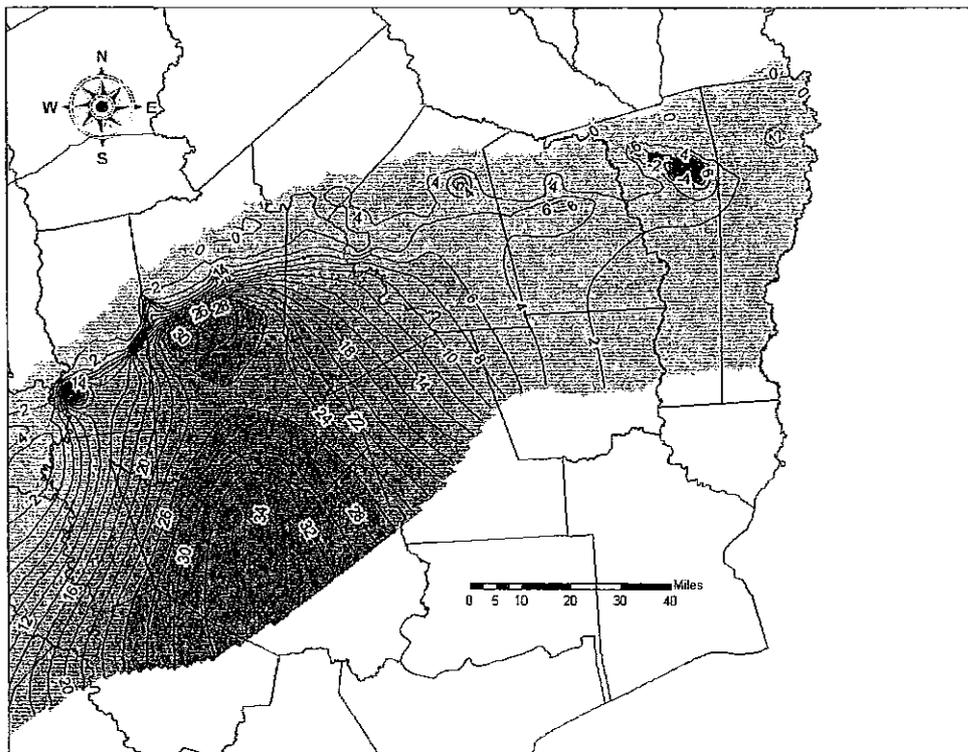


Figure 22: Drawdown in 2050 in the Jasper aquifer with continued 1999 pumping. Contour interval is 2 feet.

APPENDIX

B

**2007 State Water Plan Projected Surface Water Supplies
Southeast Groundwater Conservation District
Hardin, Jasper, Newton, and Tyler Counties**

Hardin County

RWPG	Water Use Group	County	River	Year	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
1	Mining	Hardin	Neches	Sam Rayburn - Steinhagen Lake/Reservoir System	9,000	10,770	10,770	10,770	10,770	10,770
1	Livestock	Hardin	Neches	Livestock Local Supply	126	139	139	139	139	139
1	Livestock	Hardin	Trinity	Livestock Local Supply	1	2	2	2	2	2
Total Projected Surface Water Supplies (acre-feet per year) =					9,127	10,911	10,911	10,911	10,911	10,911

Jasper County

RWPG	Water Use Group	County	River	Year	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
1	Manufacturing	Jasper	Neches	Sam Rayburn - Steinhagen Lake/Reservoir System	12,828	29,991	29,991	29,991	29,991	29,991
1	Manufacturing	Jasper	Neches	Neches River Run-of-River Manufacturing	0	604	604	604	604	604
1	Manufacturing	Jasper	Neches	Neches River Run-of-River Manufacturing	0	12	12	12	12	12
1	Livestock	Jasper	Sabine	Livestock Local Supply	78	75	75	75	75	75
1	Livestock	Jasper	Neches	Livestock Local Supply	119	115	115	115	115	115
Total Projected Surface Water Supplies (acre-feet per year) =					13,025	30,797	30,797	30,797	30,797	30,797

Newton County

RWPC Water Using Sup	County	River Basin	Source	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040
I Manufacturing	Newton	Sabine	Sabine River Run-of-River	0	135	135	135	135
I Steam Electric Power	Newton	Sabine	Manufacturing	0	13,442	13,442	13,442	13,442
I Steam Electric Power	Newton	Sabine	Sabine River Run-of-River	0	17,929	17,929	17,929	17,929
I Mining	Newton	Sabine	Toledo Bend Lake/Reservoir	28	28	28	28	28
I Irrigation	Newton	Sabine	Other Local Supply	596	50	50	50	50
I Livestock	Newton	Sabine	Sabine River Run-of-River Irrigation	60	66	66	66	66
Total Projected Surface Water Supplies (acre-feet per year) =				684	31,650	31,650	31,650	31,650

Tyler County

RWPC Water Using Sup	County	River Basin	Source	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040
I Irrigation	Tyler	Neches	Neches River Combined Run-of-River Irrigation	18	123	123	123	123
I Livestock	Tyler	Neches	Livestock Local Supply	176	165	165	165	165
Total Projected Surface Water Supplies (acre-feet per year) =				194	288	288	288	288

APPENDIX

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**2007 State Water Plan Projected Water Demands
Southeast Groundwater Conservation District
Hardin, Jasper, Newton, and Tyler Counties**

Hardin County

RWPG Water User Group	County	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
I Kountze	Hardin	282	320	347	359	372	385	399							
I Lumberton	Hardin	1,301	1,475	1,599	1,656	1,715	1,776	1,839							
I Silsbee	Hardin	974	1,104	1,198	1,240	1,284	1,330	1,377							
I Sour lake	Hardin	162	184	200	207	214	222	230							
I County Other	Hardin	1,668	1,891	2,051	2,124	2,199	2,277	2,358							
I County Other	Hardin	17	20	21	22	23	24	24							
I Manufacturing	Hardin	119	146	165	182	200	216	233							
I Mining	Hardin	6,228	7,800	8,648	9,219	9,788	10,361	10,798							
I Irrigation	Hardin	3,502	7,213	7,213	7,213	7,213	7,213	7,213							
I Livestock	Hardin	154	154	154	154	154	154	154							
I Livestock	Hardin	2	2	2	2	2	2	2							
I Lake Livingston Water Supply & Sewer Service Company	Hardin	6	7	8	8	8	8	9							
I Lumberton Mud	Hardin	1,734	1,966	2,133	2,208	2,287	2,368	2,452							
I North Hardin WSC	Hardin	626	710	770	797	826	855	885							
I West Hardin WSC	Hardin	291	330	358	371	384	397	412							
Total Projected Water Demands (acre-feet per year) =		17,066	23,322	24,867	25,762	26,669	27,588	28,385							

Jasper County

RWPG Water User Group	County	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
I Jasper	Jasper	1,510	1,639	1,751	1,817	1,834	1,834	1,834							

I	Kirbyville	Jasper	Sabine	446	482	512	531	535	535	535
I	County Other	Jasper	Sabine	941	1,016	1,081	1,119	1,129	1,129	1,129
I	County Other	Jasper	Neches	1,765	1,899	2,016	2,084	2,101	2,101	2,101
I	Manufacturing	Jasper	Neches	58,883	64,231	67,611	70,123	72,318	73,965	74,028
I	Mining	Jasper	Sabine	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
I	Mining	Jasper	Neches	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
I	Livestock	Jasper	Sabine	120	120	120	120	120	120	120
I	Livestock	Jasper	Neches	197	197	197	197	197	197	197
I	Jasper County WCID #1	Jasper	Sabine	318	343	365	378	382	382	382
I	Mauriceville SUD	Jasper	Sabine	98	106	113	117	118	118	118
I	Manufacturing	Jasper	Sabine	33	36	38	39	41	41	41
Total Projected Water Demands (acre-feet per year) =				64,315	70,073	73,808	76,529	78,779	80,426	80,489

Newton County

RWPD	Water	Use	Category	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity
I	Newton	Newton	Sabine	463	492	514	517	532	548	565
I	County Other	Newton	Sabine	1,104	1,172	1,225	1,232	1,269	1,307	1,346
I	Manufacturing	Newton	Sabine	551	678	793	899	1,006	1,103	1,196
I	Steam Electric Power	Newton	Sabine	0	5,924	14,132	16,522	19,436	22,987	27,317
I	Mining	Newton	Sabine	28	26	26	26	26	26	26
I	Mining	Newton	Neches	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
I	Irrigation	Newton	Sabine	367	367	367	367	367	367	367
I	Livestock	Newton	Sabine	110	110	110	110	110	110	110
I	Mauriceville SUD	Newton	Sabine	37	39	41	41	42	44	45
I	South Newton WSC	Newton	Sabine	255	270	283	284	293	301	311
Total Projected Water Demands (acre-feet per year) =				2,921	9,084	17,497	20,004	23,087	26,799	31,289

Tyler County

RWPC Water User Group	City	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070	2080	2090	2100
Colmesneil	Tyler	64	76	88	95	98	98	98	98	98	98	98
Woodville	Tyler	571	677	780	846	871	871	871	871	871	871	871
County Other	Tyler	1,250	1,482	1,708	1,853	1,908	1,908	1,908	1,908	1,908	1,908	1,908
Manufacturing	Tyler	32	39	46	53	60	66	66	66	66	66	71
Irrigation	Tyler	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29
Livestock	Tyler	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274
Lake Livingston Water Supply & Sewer Service Company	Tyler	6	7	8	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Tyler County WSC	Tyler	514	609	702	761	784	784	784	784	784	784	784
Total Projected Water Demands (acre-feet per year) =		2,740	3,193	3,635	3,920	4,033	4,039	4,039	4,039	4,039	4,044	4,044

Source: Volume 3, 2007 State Water Planning Database

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Newton County

RWPC	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County			
1	Manufacturing	Newton	Sabine	Purchase Water from Provider (2)	Reservoir	Toledo Bend Lake/Reservoir	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700			
1	Manufacturing	Newton	Sabine	New Wells - Gulf Coast Aquifer Newton	Gulf Coast Aquifer	Gulf Coast Aquifer	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400			
Total Projected Water Management Strategies (acre-feet per year) =																	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400

Tyler County

RWPC	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County	WUC	County			
1	County Other	Tyler	Neches	New Wells - Gulf Coast Aquifer Tyler	Gulf Coast Aquifer	Gulf Coast Aquifer	0	205	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274	274			
Total Projected Water Management Strategies (acre-feet per year) =																	0	205	274	274	274	274	274

**2007 State Water Plan Projected Water Needs
Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District**

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Tyler County

AWPC	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Colmesneil	Tyler	Neches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Woodville	Tyler	Neches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
County Other	Tyler	Neches	0	-142	-239	-251	-232	-232	-232	-232
Manufacturing	Tyler	Neches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Irrigation	Tyler	Neches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Livestock	Tyler	Neches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lake Livingston Water Supply and Sewer Service Company	Tyler	Neches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tyler County WSC	Tyler	Neches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Projected Water Needs (acre-feet per year) =			0	-142	-239	-251	-232	-232	-232	-232
Source: Volume 3, 2007 State Water Planning Database										4/13/2007

Newton County

RWPS	W/LC	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Newton	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	County Other	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Manufacturing	Newton	Sabine	-149	-264	-370	-477	-574	-667			
	Steam Electric Power	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mining	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mining	Newton	Neches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Irrigation	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Livestock	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mauriceville SUD	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	South Newton WSC	Newton	Sabine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Total Projected Water Needs (acre-feet per year) =		-149	-264	-370	-477	-574	-667			

Source: Volume 3, 2007 State Water Planning Database

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