



# **GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN**

## ***MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT***

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# ACRONYMS AND DEFINITIONS

## ACRONYMS

<b>AWS</b>	Alternative Water Source
<b>AWWA</b>	American Water Works Association
<b>CIP</b>	Capital Improvement Project
<b>ECC</b>	Early Conversion Credits
<b>GIS</b>	Geographic Information System
<b>GRP</b>	Groundwater Reduction Plan
<b>GPY</b>	Gallons Per Year
<b>GST</b>	Groundwater Storage Tank
<b>HSPS</b>	High Service Pump Station
<b>ICO</b>	Initial Conversion Obligation
<b>LSGCD</b>	Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District
<b>LVGU</b>	Large Volume Groundwater User
<b>MSL</b>	Mean Sea Level
<b>ORS</b>	Online Reporting System
<b>RWI / RWPS</b>	Raw Water Intake / Raw Water Pump Station
<b>SCADA</b>	Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition
<b>SJRA</b>	San Jacinto River Authority
<b>SWF</b>	Surface Water Facilities (SWTP, HSPS and RWI)
<b>SWRF</b>	Surface Water Receiving Facilities
<b>SWTP</b>	Surface Water Treatment Plant
<b>TCEQ</b>	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
<b>TQD</b>	Total Qualifying Demand
<b>TWDB</b>	Texas Water Development Board

## DEFINITIONS

<b>GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN (GRP)</b>	The document developed and filed with the LSGCD indicating SJRA's plan to reduce the permitted 2009 groundwater pumpage of its GRP Participants by 30%. The GRP is administered by the SJRA, including any supplements, revisions, or amendments.
<b>GRP ADMINISTRATOR</b>	The SJRA General Manager's designee who administers the SJRA Groundwater Reduction Plan and GRP Contract with GRP Participants.
<b>GRP CONTRACT</b>	Contract between the SJRA and a Participant to be included in the SJRA's efforts to meet the surface water conversion requirements mandated by the LSGCD.
<b>ICO ADJUSTED TQD</b>	The ICO Adjusted TQD is the total amount of groundwater that can be produced by all Joint GRP Participants.
<b>JOINT GRP</b>	GRP which is prepared to include (takes into account) LVGUs who have executed a GRP Contract with the SJRA to join the SJRA's GRP. Contracted LVGUs obtain LSGCD groundwater reduction regulation compliance through the SJRA's Joint GRP without preparing and submitting a GRP.
<b>LARGE VOLUME GROUNDWATER USER(S) (LVGU)</b>	Any person or entity that, through a single well or a combination of wells, actually produces or is authorized by permit(s) issued by the LSGCD to produce 10 million gallons or more of groundwater annually on or after January 1, 2008.
<b>PARTICIPANT(S)</b>	Regulated User(s) that enters into and remains subject to a written agreement with the SJRA to be included in the SJRA's GRP and includes the legal successors or assigns of Participant(s).
<b>REGULATED USER(S)</b>	Any public or private entity or person that is or becomes subject to the District Regulatory Plan established by the LSGCD and includes any amendments, revisions or supplements thereto as may be adopted by the LSGCD.
<b>SJRA GRP DIVISION</b>	Division of the SJRA responsible for GRP compliance, and the management, administration, operation and maintenance of the surface water facilities and surface water transmission system.



## 1.0 REPORTED WATER USAGE

For the purpose of the GRP Monthly Operations Report, water usage is separated into two (2) categories; groundwater and alternative water source (AWS), and is tracked on a monthly basis. Pursuant to the GRP Rate Order, Participant water usage must be reported no later than forty-eight (48) days from the end of the month. Water usage is self-reported by Participants through an online reporting system (ORS), TrueBill. The water usage data in Sections 1.1 - 1.4 is as of March 8, 2016 and is self-reported by the GRP Participants.

### 1.1 REPORTED GROUNDWATER USAGE

The amount of groundwater usage reported by GRP Participants for the month of January is **697,916,241** gallons.

### 1.2 REPORTED ALTERNATIVE WATER SOURCE USAGE

For the purpose of this report, reported AWS usage is separated into three (3) categories; surface water, Catahoula Aquifer usage, and reuse. The amount of AWS usage reported for the month of January is **416,036,800** gallons. The AWS data reflected in the tables below are reported by source and Participant for the month of January.

#### 1.2.1 Reported Surface Water Usage

Reported Surface Water Usage in Gallons - January 2016	
City of Conroe	163,200,000
City of Oak Ridge North	2,765,000
MSEC - Montgomery Trace/Crown Oaks	13,622,000
Rayford Road MUD	11,215,000
SJRA - The Woodlands	203,514,000
Southern Montgomery County MUD	8,085,000
<b>Total Gallons</b>	<b>402,401,000</b>

#### 1.2.2 Reported Catahoula Aquifer Usage

Reported Catahoula Aquifer Usage in Gallons - January 2016	
City of Willis	9,587,000
Corinthian Point MUD No. 2	1,568,000
<b>Total Gallons</b>	<b>11,155,000</b>

#### 1.2.3 Reported Reuse Water

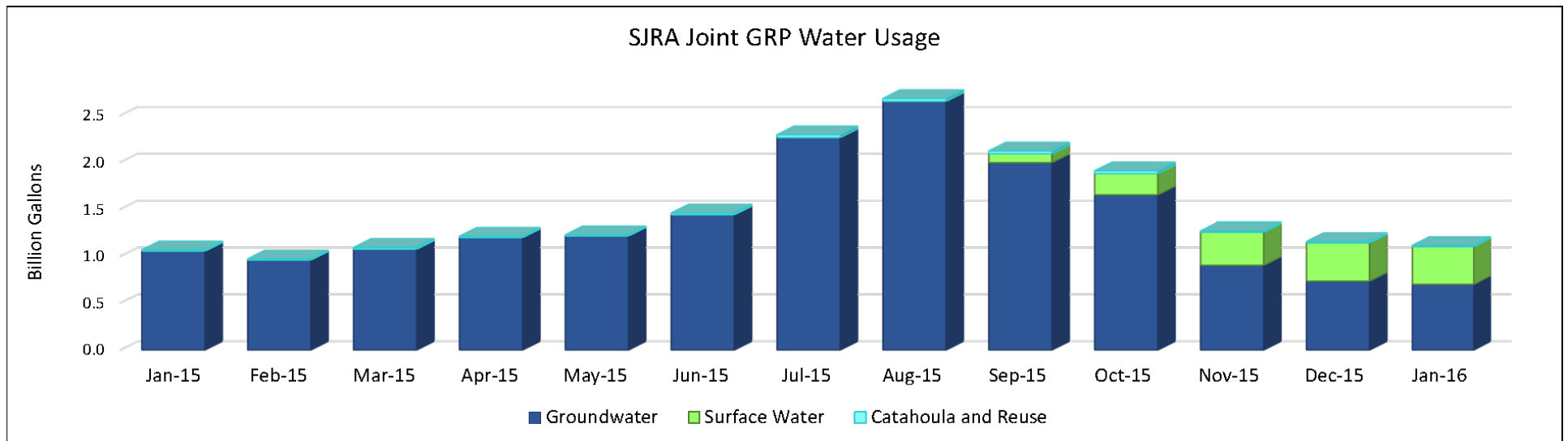
Reported Reuse Water in Gallons - January 2016	
Sequoia—Panther Trails	0
Southern Montgomery County MUD	2,480,800
<b>Total Gallons</b>	<b>2,480,800</b>



### 1.3 HISTORICAL DATA REPORTED BY PARTICIPANTS

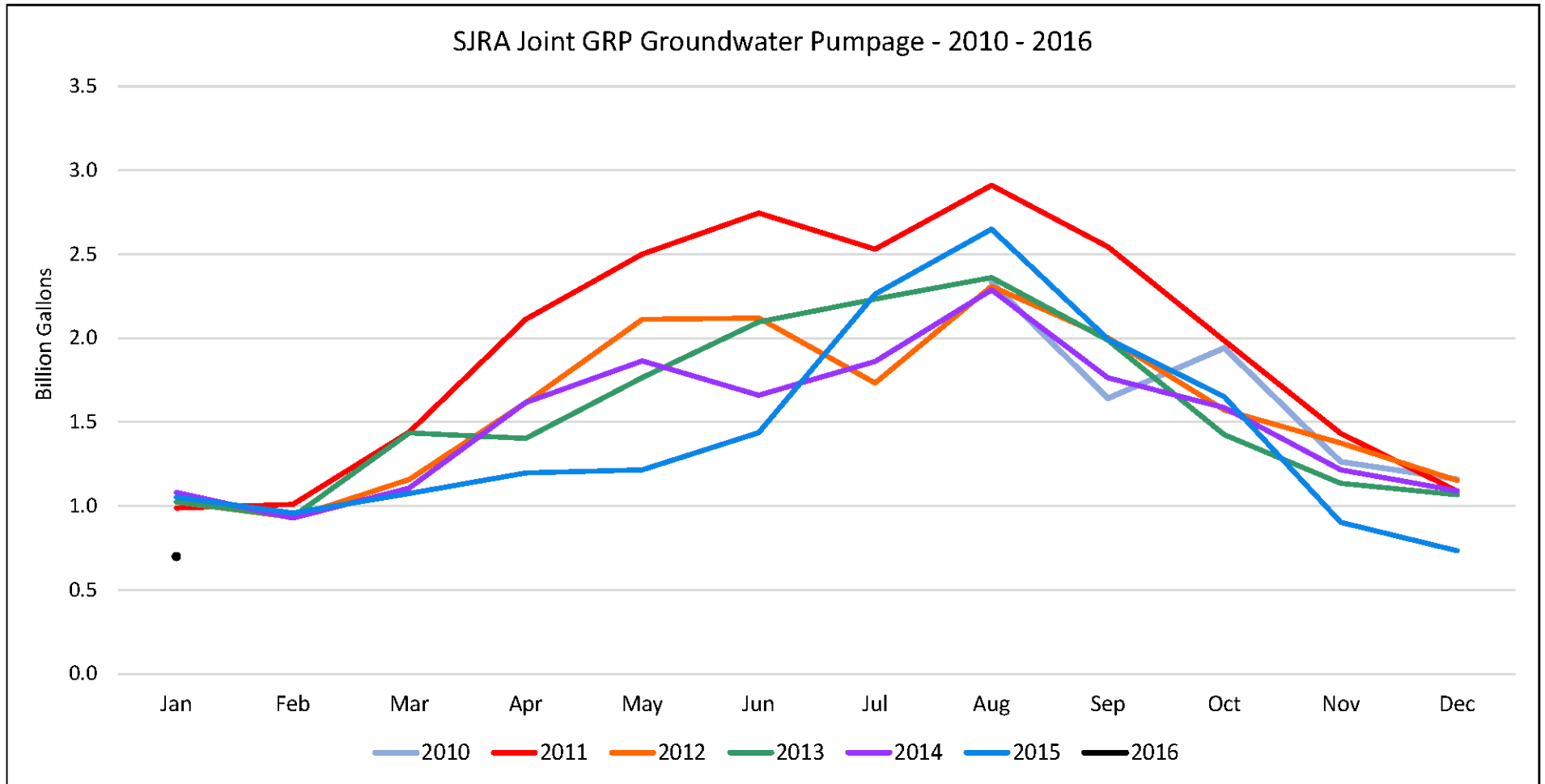
The table and chart below reflect the historical usage of groundwater and alternative water sources for all Joint GRP Participants. For representational purposes, historical surface water usage has been presented independently from other AWS usage.

	Reported Surface Water Usage in Gallons			Reported Groundwater Usage in Gallons			Reported Catahoula Aquifer and Reuse in Gallons		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Jan	0	0	402,401,000	1,081,148,860	1,053,121,573	697,916,241	11,308,000	12,875,000	13,635,800
Feb	0	0		927,403,262	957,449,001		9,329,000	11,616,332	
Mar	0	0		1,106,284,834	1,073,944,063		12,338,000	17,476,258	
Apr	0	0		1,615,439,368	1,197,285,858		16,715,000	14,505,905	
May	0	0		1,864,139,670	1,214,339,213		17,904,000	12,331,000	
Jun	0	0		1,660,110,972	1,437,279,301		13,515,000	17,789,706	
Jul	0	0		1,860,403,649	2,261,950,683		20,530,000	30,200,834	
Aug	0	0		2,287,169,292	2,648,950,746		18,629,000	29,510,064	
Sep	0	94,555,000		1,763,157,393	1,994,471,242		17,319,000	29,794,419	
Oct	0	226,715,000		1,584,949,550	1,650,433,000		14,035,000	29,198,500	
Nov	0	353,189,000		1,215,827,800	901,529,106		12,001,000	13,166,800	
Dec	0	408,797,000		1,089,683,728	732,581,838		13,203,000	13,202,100	
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,083,256,000</b>	<b>402,401,000</b>	<b>18,055,718,378</b>	<b>17,123,335,624</b>	<b>697,916,241</b>	<b>176,826,000</b>	<b>231,666,918</b>	<b>13,635,800</b>



### 1.3 HISTORICAL DATA REPORTED BY PARTICIPANTS(cont.)

The chart below reflects historical usage of groundwater pumped by all Joint GRP Participants, since August, 2010 through the month of January, 2016.



## 2.0 LAKE LEVEL IMPACTS

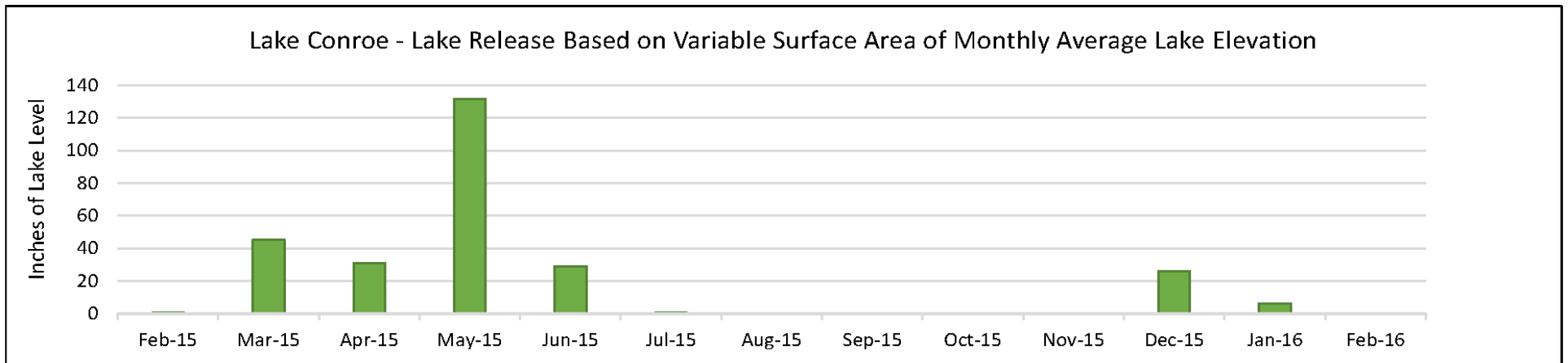
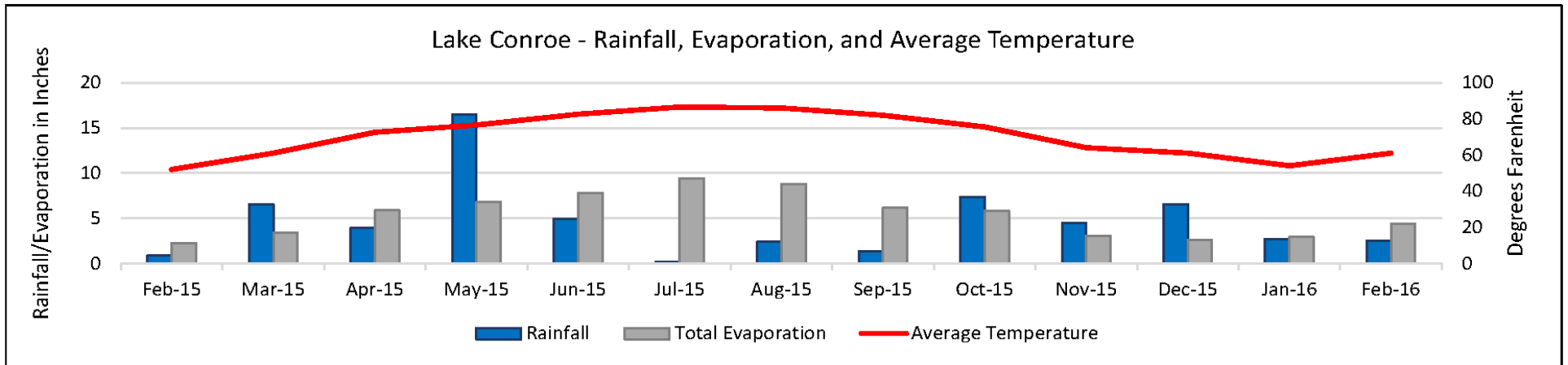
For the purpose of this report, GRP Division staff will monitor and report on several indicators, which impact the lake level of Lake Conroe.

### 2.1 SURFACE WATER WITHDRAWAL

Surface water withdrawal is the amount of surface water that is metered through the Raw Water Intake. For the purpose of the GRP, the amount of surface water withdrawal for the month of February was **470,890,000** gallons or approximately 0.883 inches.

### 2.2 OTHER IMPACTS

The associated tables reflect other impacts to Lake Conroe and denotes averages and in some cases approximations. Lake Conroe data was provided by the SJRA - Lake Conroe Division.



### 3.0 COMPLIANCE

The following information is related to the Joint GRP’s compliance with Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District’s (LSGCD) rules and regulations, along with Participant compliance with the GRP Contract.

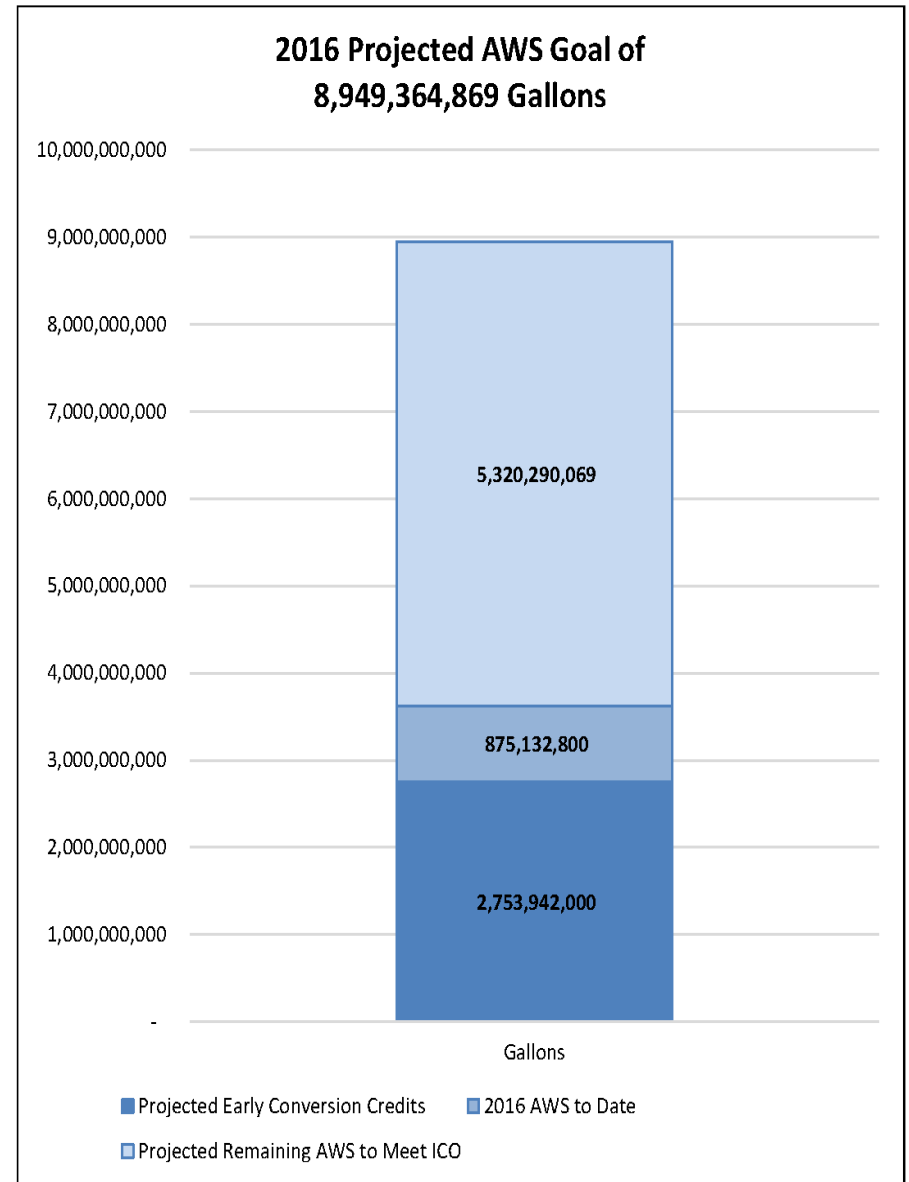
#### 3.1 LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REQUIREMENT STATUS

Per LSGCD rules and regulations, the Joint GRP is required to reduce its overall groundwater pumpage in 2016 to below its Initial Conversion Obligation (ICO) Adjusted Total Qualifying Demand (TQD). Currently, the Joint GRP’s Participant’s total ICO Adjusted TQD is **14,033,318,008 GPY**. The Joint GRP’s Participant’s total current projected demand for 2016 is **22,982,682,877 GPY**.

#### 3.2 EARLY CONVERSION CREDITS

Early Conversion Credits (ECC) are earned through LSGCD by the implementation of AWS and surface water until January 1, 2016. ECC are designed to offset any groundwater production amounts in excess of a defined Joint GRP’s ICO Adjusted TQD. The Joint GRP applied and was approved by LSGCD to earn ECC by the early delivery of surface water to various GRP Participants. The Joint GRP is also accruing ECC through the City of Willis, who is producing groundwater through Catahoula wells. The Joint GRP will receive two (2) for one (1) credits on both projects (i.e., early surface water delivery and Catahoula wells). The following table represents the estimated ECC that the Joint GRP will receive from LSGCD. It does reflect the two (2) for one (1) credit that will be earned.

Estimated Early Conversion Credits in Gallons through December 31, 2015	
Early Conversion Credits - Surface Water	2,167,336,000
City of Willis Early Conversion Credits - 2013	17,802,000
City of Willis Early Conversion Credits - 2014	280,260,000
City of Willis Early Conversion Credits - 2015	265,908,000
<b>Total Gallons</b>	<b>2,753,942,000</b>





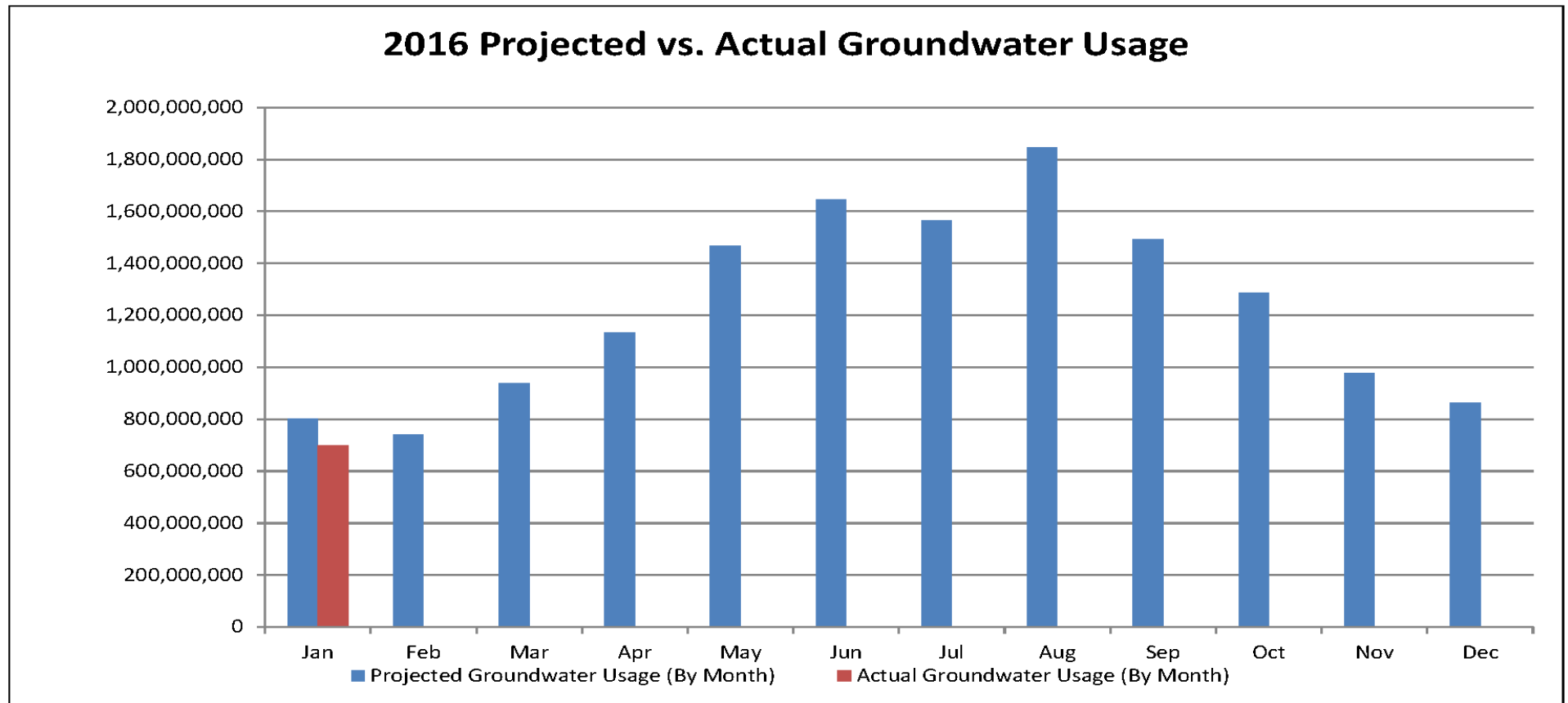
### 3.3 PARTICIPANTS

Following are recently received, new Joint GRP Contracts and/or amendments to existing Joint GRP Contract's exhibits for consideration:

- East Montgomery County MUD No. 9

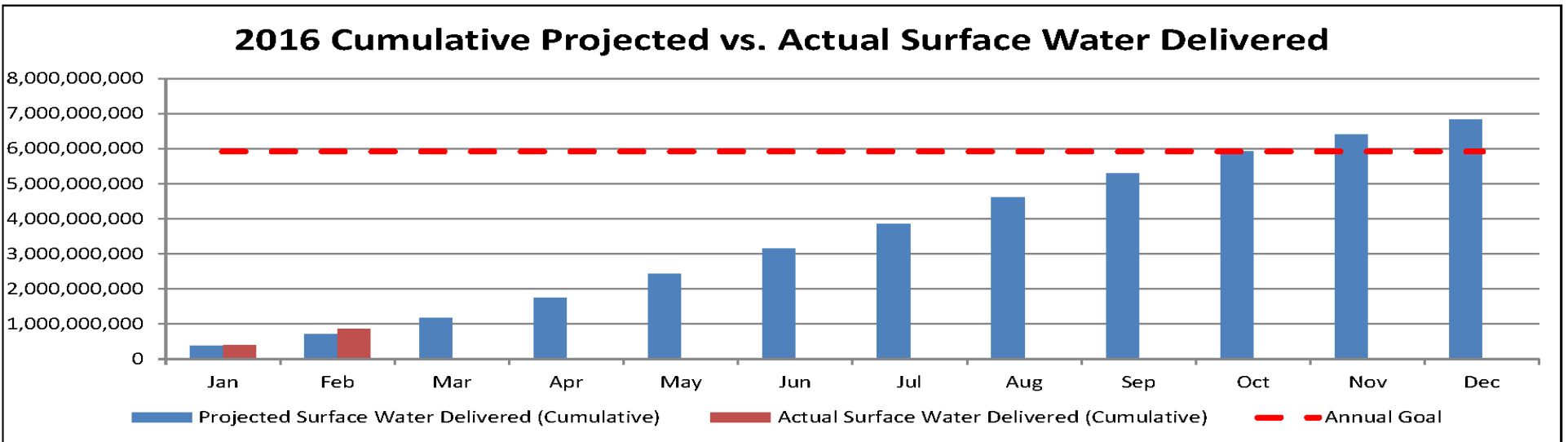
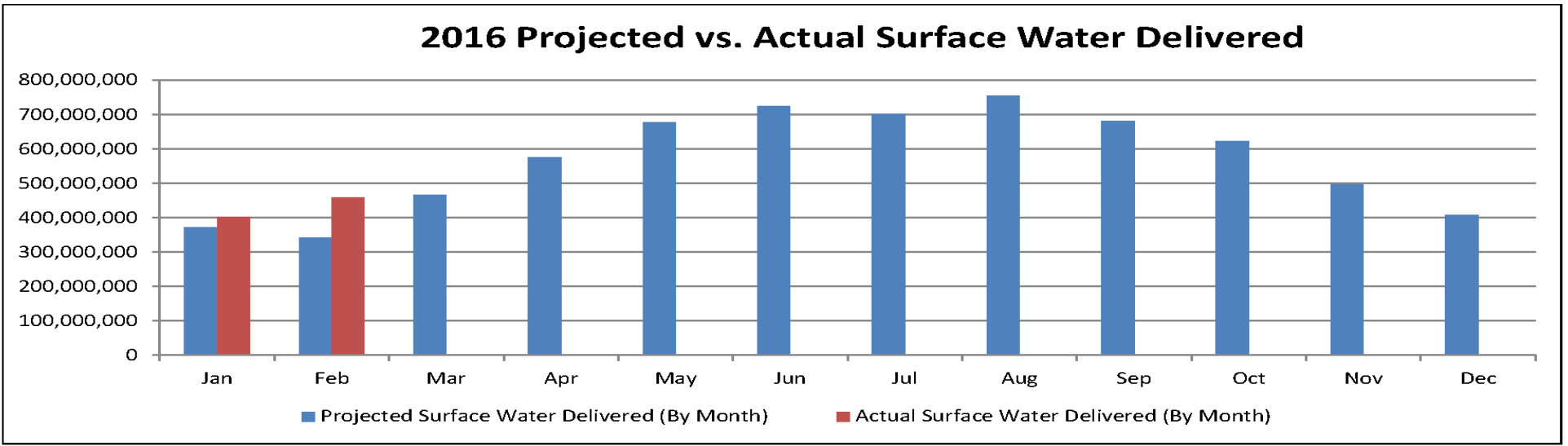
### 3.4 PROJECTED DATA VERSUS ACTUAL DATA FOR GROUNDWATER USAGE

In an effort to comply with LSGCD's rules for groundwater reduction, GRP Division staff tracks groundwater pumpage monthly to ensure that the Joint GRP does not exceed the Participant's total overall ICO Adjusted TQD. Conversion status will be evaluated monthly by comparing projected demands with actual groundwater pumpage and surface water delivery. The surface water delivery data for this report comes from SJRA's SCADA system while groundwater data is self-reported by the GRP Participants, through the ORS.



### 3.5 PROJECTED VERSUS ACTUAL DATA FOR SURFACE WATER DELIVERY

The GRP estimates that it will need to deliver **5,923,859,335** gallons of surface water to meet its ICO. This estimate does consider Early Conversion Credits and AWS usage by Participants. For the month of February, **458,964,000** gallons of surface water was delivered.



## 4.0 FINANCIAL

### 4.1 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES

#### Schedule of Revenues and Expenses—Actual and Budget For Six Months Ending February 29, 2016

	Feb	Fiscal Year To Date				Fiscal Budget	
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Variance	% Variance	Total Year Budget	Actual YTD % of Total Year Budget
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>							
GRP pumping fees	\$ 1,782,678	\$ 15,277,313	\$ 12,454,651	\$ 2,822,662	23%	\$ 29,700,716	51%
GRP Surface Water Sales	1,182,925	4,894,909	8,351,711	(3,456,802)	(41%)	19,939,981	25%
LSGCD revenue	217,365	457,066	601,000	(143,934)	(24%)	1,202,000	38%
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 3,182,968</b>	<b>\$ 20,629,288</b>	<b>\$ 21,407,362</b>	<b>\$ (778,074)</b>	<b>(4%)</b>	<b>\$ 50,842,697</b>	<b>41%</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>							
Payroll & employee benefit expenses	\$ 384,039	\$ 2,450,895	\$ 2,655,459	\$ 204,564	8%	\$ 5,310,918	46%
Professional fees	26,189	80,293	253,500	173,207	68%	505,050	16%
Purchased & contracted services	231,789	588,800	888,731	299,931	34%	1,757,462	34%
Supplies, materials & utilities	507,819	3,618,634	7,335,818	3,717,184	51%	13,008,558	28%
Maintenance repairs, parts & rentals	4,061	39,151	135,000	95,849	71%	270,000	15%
General & administration	44,124	267,063	417,035	149,972	36%	834,069	32%
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 1,198,020</b>	<b>\$ 7,044,837</b>	<b>\$ 11,685,543</b>	<b>\$ 4,640,706</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>\$ 21,686,057</b>	<b>32%</b>
<b>NON-OPERATING REVENUES &amp; EXPENSES</b>							
Interest on investments	\$ 19,457	\$ 153,750	\$ 1,975	\$ 151,776	7,685%	\$ 3,950	3,892%
Other revenues	-	1,611	6,150	(4,539)	(74%)	12,300	13%
Interest expense	(1,767,161)	(10,605,150)	(10,605,147)	(3)	0%	(21,299,405)	50%
Capital contributions	-	1,327,541	-	1,327,541	100%	-	0%
<b>TOTAL NON-OPERATING (EXCLUDING ITEMS NOT BUDGETED)</b>	<b>\$ (1,747,704)</b>	<b>\$ (9,122,248)</b>	<b>\$ (10,597,022)</b>	<b>\$ 1,474,774</b>	<b>(14%)</b>	<b>\$ (21,283,155)</b>	<b>43%</b>
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS) (EXCLUDING ITEMS NOT BUDGETED)</b>	<b>\$ 237,244</b>	<b>\$ 4,462,203</b>	<b>\$ (875,203)</b>	<b>\$ 5,337,406</b>	<b>(610%)</b>	<b>\$ 7,873,485</b>	<b>57%</b>
<b>NON-OPERATING REVENUES &amp; EXPENSES (NOT BUDGETED)</b>							
Depreciation	\$ (37,490)	\$ (225,038)	\$ -	\$ (225,038)	100%	\$ -	0%
Amortized debt issuance expense	363	2,177	-	2,177	100%	-	0%
<b>TOTAL NON-OPERATING (NOT BUDGETED)</b>	<b>\$ (37,127)</b>	<b>\$ (222,861)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (222,861)</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS) (BUDGETED AND NOT BUDGETED)</b>	<b>\$ 200,117</b>	<b>\$ 4,239,341</b>	<b>\$ (875,203)</b>	<b>\$ 5,114,545</b>	<b>(584%)</b>	<b>\$ 7,873,485</b>	<b>54%</b>

## 4.2 CLARIFICATION OF ACTUAL AND BUDGET VARIANCES

Following is a schedule with an explanation of budget variances related to the SJRA GRP Division's Fiscal Year 2016 operating budget (revenue and expenditures) for the month of February.

### For Six Months Ending February 29, 2016

Category	YTD - Driver	February 2016	FYTD 2016
GRP Pumping Fees	Groundwater pumpage more than budgeted due to reduced Surface water delivery.	376	2,822
GRP Surface Water Sales	Surface water delivery less than anticipated.	255	(3,457)
LSGCD Revenue	Quarterly Billing of LSGCD pass through charges less than budgeted.	(83)	(144)
Payroll and related expenses	Budgeted positions not filled as scheduled.	33	205
Professional Fees	Professional fees less than budgeted.	13	173
Purchased & Contracted Services	Purchased and contracted services below budgeted. Quarterly LSGCD Regulatory fees less than rate budgeted.	19 104	92 208
Supplies, Materials, Utilities, Maintenance, Repairs, Parts & Rentals	Fuel, office supplies, phones, recruiting and misc. expenses less than budgeted.	26	252
	Chemicals-Aggregate usage of Chemicals lower than expected.	38	452
	GAC Replacement- GAC Replacement not yet necessary	1,700	1,700
	Utilities-Utility costs lower than expected	39	763
	COH Reservation Fee less than budgeted	-	281
	SJRA Reservation Fee more than budgeted	(17)	(163)
	SJRA Supply Use Fee less than budgeted	(35)	432
Maintenance repairs, parts & rentals expense less than budgeted.	19	96	
General & Administration	Allocated labor and related expenses less than budgeted, anticipated a quicker rate of growth than has been actualized.	25	150
Non-Operating	Interest/Investment Income	19	152
	Other Revenues	(1)	(5)
	Bond interest expense	-	-
	Capital Contribution	-	1,328
	Depreciation expense	(37)	(225)
	Bond Issuance Cost Amort expense		2
		<u>2,493</u>	<u>5,114</u>



### 4.3 CAPITAL ASSET PURCHASES

For the month of February, Truebill was capitalized as an asset in the amount of \$148,848.27

## 5.0 DIVISION UPDATES

### 5.1 DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN TRIGGERS/STATUS

The GRP has not implemented any stages of its Drought Contingency Plan.

### 5.2 PUBLIC RELATIONS ACTIVITIES

Event	Type	Location	Date	Participants
Leadership of Montgomery County	Tour	GRP Surface Water Treatment Facilities	2/4/2016	GRP Staff and group members
Porter High School	Tour	GRP Surface Water Treatment Facilities	3/2/2016	GRP Staff, Porter High School students and faculty

### 5.3 UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Event	Type	Location	Date	Participants
Porter High School	Tour	GRP Surface Water Treatment Facilities	3/2/2016	GRP Staff, Porter High School students and faculty
American Public Works Association	Tour	GRP Surface Water Treatment Facilities	3/23/2016	GRP Staff and APWA members
College Park Academy & Science (Conroe Independent School District)	Tour	GRP Surface Water Treatment Facilities	3/23/2016	GRP Staff, College Park students and faculty
Woodland Joint Powers Agency and MUD Directors	Tour	GRP Surface Water Treatment Facilities	3/29/2016	WJPA Personnel and MUD Directors

