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## **SJRA Surface Water Treatment Plant Ready for Initial Delivery of Treated Drinking Water**

The San Jacinto River Authority is very pleased to announce that its Surface Water Treatment Plant and transmission pipeline system are now ready for initial delivery of treated drinking water. At this time, SJRA's GRP Division is concluding flushing and disinfection of the transmission lines serving the various water plants that will receive the treated water. It is anticipated that delivery will begin sometime between September 15<sup>th</sup> and September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Almost 150 utilities in Montgomery County have partnered in the construction of the new Surface Water Treatment Plant and transmission pipeline system, but initial deliveries will be made to the following entities: Mid-South Synergy Water Resources, The Woodlands Joint Powers Agency, Southern Montgomery County Municipal Utility District, the City of Oak Ridge North, and Rayford Road Municipal Utility District.

The treated drinking water from the new SJRA plant will be blended with groundwater from each utility's existing water wells. From the beginning of the GRP program, SJRA established the delivery of high quality, safe drinking water as its top priority, and numerous sampling, testing, and treatment protocols have been put in place to ensure a top quality finished product. A very sophisticated treatment process was selected, which includes granulated activated carbon, micro filtration, air stripping, and disinfection, and a comprehensive sampling and testing program has been implemented in cooperation with the retail water providers receiving the treated surface water in order to maintain compliance with all State and Federal drinking water regulations.

SJRA and its GRP partners are not only creating lasting water solutions for future generations, but we are also ensuring that Montgomery County's economic engine has a plentiful supply of water to fuel its continued growth.

On behalf of SJRA, we appreciate your support and patience during the construction of this project, and we are pleased to share this milestone with all of our partners and customers. For more detailed information on the GRP program, please visit [www.sjra.net/grp](http://www.sjra.net/grp).