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SJRA Board of Directors Hold Special Meetings to Discuss Seasonal Lowering of Lake Conroe

Conroe, Texas—The San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) Board of Directors will hold special meetings January 21 and February 20 to hear public comment on the temporary flood mitigation strategy of lowering Lake Conroe on a seasonal basis.

The lowering of Lake Conroe one foot in the spring and two feet in the fall is intended to provide flood mitigation benefits for downstream residents by increasing capacity to catch rainfall and runoff in the lake. The strategy is reviewed annually and is currently authorized by both the SJRA Board of Directors and the City of Houston as the two entities each own water rights in Lake Conroe.

The SJRA Board of Directors will receive a presentation from staff at the January 21st special meeting and any vote on the strategy would take place at the February 20th special meeting. The special meetings are exclusively for addressing the lake lowering strategy. No other items are planned for the special meeting agendas, and the board does not intend to consider the lake lowering strategy at its regular board meetings in January or February.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING DATES, TIME, AND LOCATION

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 6pm at Lone Star Convention and Expo Center, 9055 Airport Road, Conroe, Texas 77303. Doors open at 5pm.

Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 6pm at Lone Star Convention and Expo Center, 9055 Airport Road, Conroe, Texas 77303. Doors open at 5pm.

Those wishing to address the board or register a comment at a special meeting may fill out a Comment Registration Form. Comment Registration Forms may be submitted at the special meeting. The form may not be mailed, emailed, or dropped off prior to the meeting date.

The SJRA Board of Directors welcomes input regarding the seasonal lake lowering strategy. To contact the Board please visit: <https://www.sjra.net/about/board/> or email floodmanagementdivision@sjra.net.

One of the major river authorities in Texas, SJRA's mission is to develop, conserve, and protect the water resources of the San Jacinto River basin. Covering all or part of seven counties, the organization's jurisdiction includes the entire San Jacinto River watershed, excluding Harris County. For additional information on SJRA visit our website at www.sjra.net, like SJRA on Facebook [@SanJacintoRiverAuthority](https://www.facebook.com/SanJacintoRiverAuthority), follow us on Twitter [@SJRA_1937](https://twitter.com/SJRA_1937), or find us on Instagram [@SanJacintoRiverAuthoritySJRA](https://www.instagram.com/SanJacintoRiverAuthoritySJRA).

Special Board Meeting Media Coverage

Houston Chronicle

[Lake Conroe to Kingwood: Look elsewhere for help with flooding](#)

by: Emily Foxhall

image source: www.houstonchronicle.com

The Kingwood Tribune

[Lake Conroe seasonal lowering, public meeting: big, loud, contentious](#)

by: Bruce Olson

image source: www.ourtribune.com

Conroe Courier

[Massive turnout for Lake Conroe lowering prompts special meetings for SJRA](#)

by: Catherine Dominguez

image source: www.yourconroenews.com

What's New with the "Know Your Watershed" Campaign



We are very excited to debut the latest video from the *Know Your Watershed Campaign*. The "What is a Watershed" Illustration video explains valuable information on what is a watershed in an easy to understand way.



#FACTS

SJRA's Mission

SJRA's mission is to develop, conserve, and protect the water resources of the San Jacinto River Basin.

Water Quality

Trees improve water quality by serving as natural filters to protect neighboring bodies of water. What can YOU do to help? Participate in [The Woodlands Township's Sixth Annual Community Tree Planting](#).

Bear Branch Gravity Main Improvements - February, 2020

In the month of February, SJRA will begin improving the Bear Branch Gravity Main wastewater collection system in The Woodlands. When completed, the structural integrity of the more than 2.5 miles of pipe and associated manholes in the Village of Cochran's Crossing will be restored, preventing aquifer groundwater and stormwater runoff from entering the collection system through possible leaking joints and manhole covers.

The pipe will be rehabilitated using the Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) method, a trenchless technology that minimizes impacts to the environment and the public. The result is a tight-fitting, jointless, and corrosion-resistant structural liner within the existing pipe, or a "pipe-within-a-pipe." Additionally, manholes will be rehabilitated with new covers and a corrosion-resistant lining. The project is funded by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB).

Timeline: The construction contract was approved by SJRA's Board of Directors at the December 2019 Board meeting. The construction contract is being reviewed by TWDB and approval is anticipated by mid-January. After TWDB approval, the contractor will be given notice to proceed. Construction activity is expected to start late February or early March 2020. During construction, temporary access roads will be established, construction vehicles and heavy machinery will be present, but should not disrupt traffic patterns.



**Only Rain in the Drain!
SJRA's Stormwater Inlet Marking (SwIM) Program**

Most people do not realize the rain water that flows down our streets, over parking lots, through parks and yards, and into open drains flows directly into Lake Conroe. Our community actions and behaviors have a significant and direct impact on preserving high water quality in the Lake Conroe Watershed.



Be on the look out for our **Only Rain in the Drain! SJRA's Stormwater Inlet Marking (SwIM) Program** article in the next installment of [Dock Line Magazine](#).

The San Jacinto River Authority's mission is to develop, conserve, and protect the water resources of the San Jacinto River basin. Covering all or part of seven counties, the organization's jurisdiction includes the entire San Jacinto River watershed, excluding Harris County. The SJRA is one of two dozen river authorities in the State of Texas, and like other river authorities, its primary purpose is to implement long-term, regional projects related to water supply and wastewater treatment. SJRA receives no money from the state, nor does it collect any type of taxes.

If you would like to know more about SJRA, what we do, and how we work for the community, check out our website www.sjra.net and follow us on social media [@SanJacintoRiverAuthority](#), [@SJRA_1937](#), [@sanjacintoriverauthoritiesjra](#).

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