

Item No.	Agenda Item	Date
7.4	Consider adoption of a resolution of the San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors repealing Resolution No. 2026-R-04 and adopting an amended Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budget for the Woodlands Division.	05/28/2026

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On March 26, 2026, the Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2026-R-04 amending the Woodlands Division Fiscal Year 2026 operating budget. This resolution repeals and replaces Resolution No. 2026-R-04 and amends the Fiscal Year 2026 budget to provide a revised listing of total refunds of excess funds to the Woodlands Municipal Utility Districts and updates the project budgets for the Wastewater System Land Acquisition and Lift Station No. 5 projects. Additionally, the resolution incorporates an exhibit outlining the proposed budget amendments, adds supporting exhibits, and clarifies the allocation for each Municipal Utility District.

Per Section 5.02 of the Resolution creating the R&R Fund, the Authority has determined that excess funds in the amount of \$6,058,582 exist from Fiscal Year 2025 based on the results of the annual independent audit report (Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)) for a Fiscal Year approved by the SJRA Board of Directors on January 22, 2026. For excess funds to be eligible for refund or use by SJRA, revenue for the Woodlands Division must be above 90% of budget after six months of the current fiscal year. The Fiscal Year 2026 revenues for September 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026, are adequate to satisfy this requirement of the resolution. The Woodlands MUDs approved the FY2025 excess funds to be refunded according to the chart below.

MUD	FY25 Water Sales (1,000 Gallons)	FY25 Water Sales (%)	Total Refund
1	367,335	6.89%	\$417,575.12
6	298,130	5.59%	\$338,905.00
7	352,353	6.61%	\$400,544.04
36	195,819	3.67%	\$222,601.01
39	178,959	3.36%	\$203,435.08
46	1,244,621	23.35%	\$1,414,846.83
47	876,994	16.46%	\$996,939.77
60	589,461	11.06%	\$670,081.11
67	494,932	9.29%	\$562,623.46
Metro	628,158	11.79%	\$714,070.67
386	102,888	1.93%	\$116,959.91
Total	5,329,650	100.00%	\$6,058,582.00

In addition to refunding the excess funds, the Woodlands Division is requesting to modify the project budgets as follows:

Project ID – Project Description	Approved Project Budget	Requested Amendment	Amended Project Budget
WWF1LA – Wastewater System Land Acquisition	\$9,800,000.00	(\$9,546,938.20)	\$253,061.80
WWFM5R – Lift Station No. 5 Force Main Rehab	\$0.00	\$9,546,938.20	\$9,546,938.20

The Woodlands MUDs approved the modification of these project budgets.

FUNDING SOURCE: Woodlands Operating Fund and Woodlands Repair and Replacement Fund

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution, Exhibit “A”, Exhibit “B”, Exhibit “C”, Exhibit “D”

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve a resolution of the San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors, repealing Resolution No. 2026-R-04, and adopting an amended Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budget for the Woodlands Division.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2026-R-04 AND AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026.

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2025, the San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2025-R-22 approving the Fiscal Year 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2026, the San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2026-R-04 approving an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the San Jacinto River Authority finds it necessary to repeal and replace Resolution No. 2026-R-04 and amend the Fiscal Year 2026 budget to provide a revised listing of total refunds of excess funds to the Woodlands Municipal Utility Districts, amend the project budgets for the Wastewater System Land Acquisition and Lift Station No. 5 Rehabilitation projects, and incorporate an exhibit detailing the proposed budget amendments, add supporting exhibits, and clarify the allocation for each Municipal Utility District.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY:

Section 1. That Resolution No. 2026-R-04 is hereby repealed.

Section 2. That the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, as approved under Resolution No. 2025-R-22, is further amended as detailed in Exhibit “A”, Exhibit “B”, Exhibit “C”, and Exhibit “D” attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes.

Section 3. That the budget amendment, attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, Exhibit “B”, Exhibit “C”, and Exhibit “D” shall be attached to and made part of the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget for all purposes.

Section 4. That except as amended hereby, the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, as approved under Resolution No. 2025-R-22 is ratified and confirmed in all respects and shall remain in effect.

Section 5. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately after adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Jacinto River Authority on the 28th day of May, 2026.

ATTEST:

SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY

Wil Faubel, Secretary

Ronnie Anderson, President

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Amy L. Sims, General Counsel

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Aubrey A. Spear, General Manager

Exhibit “A”

San Jacinto River Authority - Woodlands Operating
Actual to Budget Comparison
FY2023 - FY2026

Description	Budget FY2025	Approved Budget FY2026	PROPOSED	
			Budget Amendment FY2026	Proposed Budget FY2026
OPERATING REVENUES				
Water Sales-Woodlands MUD's	\$ 14,645,030	\$ 14,913,854		\$ 14,913,854
Wastewater Treatment Fees	15,820,000	15,820,000		15,820,000
Direct Reuse Water	30,000	30,000		30,000
Permits, Licenses & Fees - Commercial	118,196	120,462		120,462
GRP Pumping Fees	15,932,505	15,951,814		15,951,814
Sampling	1,500	1,500		1,500
Repair Recovery Revenue	-	-		-
Other Operating Revenue	(5,126,309)	-	(6,058,582)	(6,058,582)
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$ 41,420,922	\$ 46,837,630	\$ (6,058,582)	\$ 40,779,048
OTHER SOURCES (USES)*				
Cash Sources (Uses)	\$ 5,126,309	\$ 6,430,000	\$ 6,058,582	\$ 12,488,582
Lease Principal	(8,912)	(9,487)		(9,487)
Debt Service Transfers	(2,098,662)	(2,102,652)		(2,102,652)
Repair and Replacement Transfers	(6,019,400)	(6,061,060)		(6,061,060)
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES (USES)	\$ (3,000,665)	\$ (1,743,199)	\$ 6,058,582	\$ 4,315,383
NET CASH BASIS SOURCES (USES)	\$ (0)	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ 0

*Actuals intentionally left blank.

**San Jacinto River Authority
FY2026 Budget
Total Project Budget Amendment**

Division	Project ID	Project Name	Approved FY2026 Total Project Budget	Proposed Amendment FY2026 Total Project Budget	Proposed Amended FY2026 Total Project Budget
Woodlands					
	WWF1LA	Wastewater System Land Acquisition	\$ 9,800,000	\$ (9,546,938)	\$ 253,062
	WWFM5R	Lift Station No. 5 Force Main Rehab	\$ -	\$ 9,546,938	\$ 9,546,938

Note: Total Project Budgets include multiple fiscal years and funding sources.
 *Was previously two projects that have been combined.
 **Future bond funding was not included when presented in FY2025.

Exhibit “B”

San Jacinto River Authority
Reserve Calculation for Woodlands Division
At August 31, 2025

Woodlands		FY2025
Unrestricted Cash		
115001-500-WO	FFIN1051465 Woodlands Operating-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	25,551
115002-500-WO	WNB701698 Woodlands Operating-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	676,714
115003-500-WO	TXP00014 Woodlands Operating-Money Funds-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	11,841,215
Subtotal Unrestricted Cash		\$ 12,543,480

Restricted Construction Cash		
115500-510-WO	FFIN1095983 Woodlands R&R Fund-Woodlands Repair & Replacement-Woodlands	18,054
115501-510-WO	FFIN10006891 Woodlands R&R Investment Fund-Woodlands Repair & Replacement-Woodlands	11,362,298
115502-510-WO	TXP00037 Woodlands R&R Fund-Woodlands Repair & Replacement-Woodlands	16,410,084
115600-533-WO	FFIN1008657 Woodlands 2017 Construction Fund-Woodlands 2017 Bonds-Woodlands	13,736
115602-533-WO	TXP00047 Woodlands 2017 Construction Fund-Woodlands 2017 Bonds-Woodlands	5,222,531
115603-533-WO	USBANK13281 Woodlands 2017 Construction Fund-Woodlands 2017 Bonds-Woodlands	157,756
115604-533-WO	AMG7697901 Woodlands 2017 Escrow-Woodlands 2017 Bonds-Woodlands	-
115800-530-WO	FFIN1096098 Future Facilities Fund-Future Facilities-Woodlands	22,289
115801-530-WO	TXP00021 Future Facilities Fund-Future Facilities-Woodlands	4,071,994
115802-530-WO	TXS0034 Future Facilities Fund-Future Facilities-Woodlands	1,139,758
		\$ 38,418,500

Accounts Receivable		
120000-500-WO	Accounts Receivable-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	5,141,606
120000-532-WO	Accounts Receivable-Waste Disposal Bonds-Woodlands	14,345
120040-505-WO	Accounts Receivable-Investments-Woodlands Emergency-Woodlands	8,520
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130000-500-WO	Due From-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	(248,185)
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Subtotal Accounts Receivable		\$ 4,963,816

Accounts Payable Unrestricted		
210000-500-WO	Accounts Payable-Trade-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	(934,177)
210000-510-WO	Accounts Payable-Trade-Woodlands Repair & Replacement-Woodlands	(119,138)
210000-533-WO	Accounts Payable-Trade-Woodlands 2017 Bonds-Woodlands	(52,889)
210001-500-WO	Accounts Payable-P-Card-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	(14,145)
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210010-505-WO	Accounts Payable-Other-Woodlands Emergency-Woodlands	(3,860)
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210015-500-WO	Accrued Liabilities-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	(106,186)
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210035-500-WO	Accrued Payroll-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	(247,838)
210040-500-WO	Compensated Absence Liability-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	(84,772)
230000-500-WO	Due To-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	(2,199,557)
230000-510-WO	Due To-Woodlands Repair & Replacement-Woodlands	466
Subtotal Accounts Payable		\$ (5,541,393)

Restricted Retainage Pay		
210200-510-WO	Retainage-Woodlands Repair & Replacement-Woodlands	(46,725)
Subtotal Restricted Retainage Pay		\$ (46,725)

Net OPEB Obligation		
250015-500-WO	Retiree Health Insurance OPEB Liability-Woodlands Operating-Woodlands	(258,867)
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FY 2026 Net Over - (2.75) Month of Expense		\$ 6,058,582

FY2026 6 months Revenue budget-Water, WW & Effluent	\$ 14,271,819
FY2026 6 months Revenue actual-Water, WW & Effluent (as of 2.28.25)	\$ 14,826,461
	\$ 554,642
90% Budget Met?	104%

For informational purposes only:		
February 28, 2026 Cash & Investments	\$ 15,030,249	
3 Month Operating Reserve	(5,651,737)	
Net Excess (Short) @ 02/28/25	\$ 9,378,512	

Exhibit “C”

Memorandum



To: Woodlands Water Audit Committee, WWA Trustees & MUD 386
From: Chris Meeks
cc: Erich Peterson, P.E., Ed Shackelford, P.E., and Pam Steiger, C.P.A.
Date: February 11, 2026
Re: SJRA – Woodlands FY2025 Excess Funds

This memorandum will be updated with the Excess Cash Calculation after February 28, 2026, to ensure that the revenue for FY2026 is above 90% after six months of the fiscal year per resolution. A final version of the memorandum will be provided to the Trustees at the March meeting.

Per Section 5.02(a) of the Resolution creating the R&R Fund dated September 1, 2014, after the Authority has received the results of its annual independent audit report of the accounting records for the Woodlands Division (Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)) for a Fiscal Year, the Authority shall determine if excess funds were held by the Authority as of the end of such prior Fiscal Year. If excess funds exist, the funds may be distributed to the Customers, transferred to the R&R Fund, or divided between the R&R Fund and Customers, as determined and voted by the Woodlands Water Trustees and MUD 386. As a reminder, a majority vote of the Trustees and MUD 386 is needed to determine the use of the Excess Funds.

The ACFR for the Woodlands Division was approved by the SJRA Board of Directors on January 22, 2026, and reflects excess funds for The Woodlands Division (as defined in Section 5.02(a)) in the amount of \$6,058,582. The calculation of the excess funds is on page 3 of this memo. Per Section 5.02 (b) of the Resolution, the revenue for the Woodlands Division is projected to be above 90% of budget after six months of the fiscal year (September 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026).

In preparing for the FY2027 SJRA – Woodlands Division Budget, The Woodlands Division has not identified any projects to bring forward from the FY2027 Budget or 10-Year Project Plan to utilize these funds on. Page 2 lists the amount to be refunded to each MUD based on FY2025 water sales per MUD.

FY25 Water Sales and Refund to MUDs

The table below lists the refund to each MUD based on a ratio of the total amount of FY25 water sales billed by SJRA to each MUD.

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Exhibit “D”

From the meeting discussion in: January 2026

TO: Woodlands Water Trustees /Woodlands MUDs / HMC MUD 386

FROM: Chris Meeks, Utility Enterprise Manager

RE: Gravity Conveyance Optimization

As part of the Wastewater Strategic Plan, a comprehensive evaluation was conducted to assess the feasibility and projected costs associated with the construction of a gravity wastewater system aimed at eliminating up to five lift stations and their associated force mains within the WWTF No. 1 service area.

Following the completion of an *Impact Analysis Study, Route Feasibility Study, and Life Cycle Cost Analysis*, it was concluded that maintaining the existing operation and maintenance framework of the wastewater collection system would be the most cost-effective strategy over a 50-year horizon, with no elimination of lift stations. This conclusion is grounded in an assessment of capital costs, ongoing operation and maintenance expenses, and the potential impacts on the community.

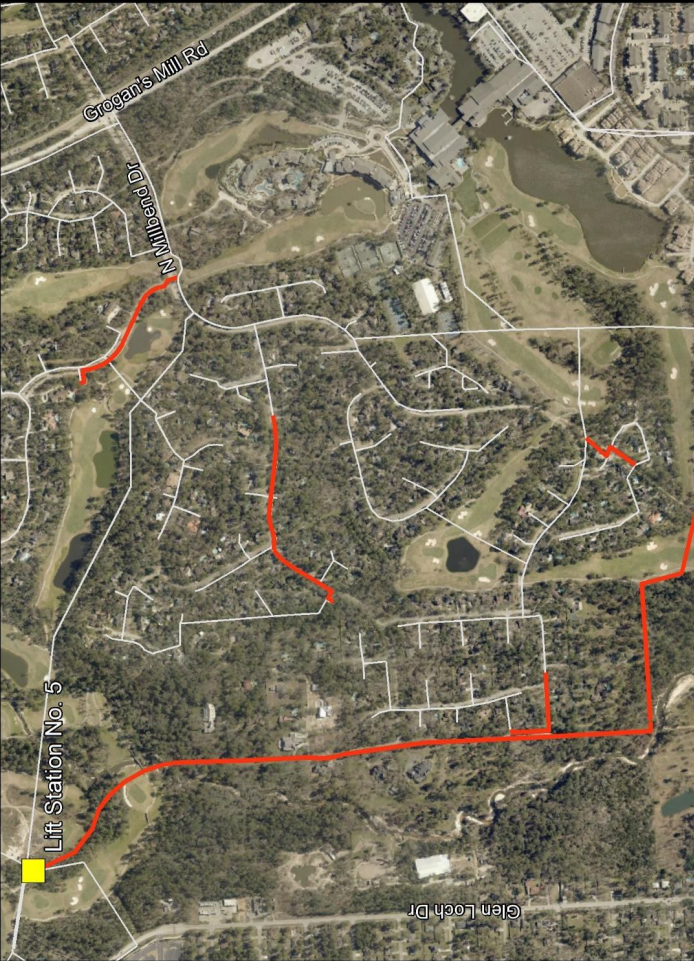
Furthermore, the construction of wastewater gravity mains at a deeper elevation would necessitate the design and construction of a new, deeper lift station at WWTF No. 1. While the costs for the WWTP #1 lift station have yet to be fully evaluated, they would likely increase the initial capital expenditures associated with any consolidation options. Below, the Life Cycle Cost Summary is presented, excluding bond interest and the construction costs of a new lift station.

Life Cycle Cost Summary				
3A - No Consolidation	3B - Partial Consolidation, Except LS 2,3, & 18	3C - Partial Consolidation, Except LS 2 & 3	3D - Partial Consolidation, Except LS 2	3E - Full Consolidation
\$38.1M	\$39.0M	\$38.5M	\$39.1M	\$42.6M

Considering the information gathered and studied during the Gravity Conveyance Optimization Project, SJRA recommends the following.

1. Maintain the current operation, maintenance, and renewal of all existing assets in this study area.
2. Consider a R&R Fund Budget Amendment in March 2026 to reallocate funds from the Wastewater System Land Acquisition project (\$9.5M) to replace LS No. 5 force main (\$9.5M).
 - a. This project was previously designed (2020) but needs to be updated
 - b. Land acquisition has been completed
 - c. The pipe material has deteriorated to paper thin and one recent break (2023) has occurred; see attached pictures and information.
 - d. Based on the path forward for the repairs/replacement of WWTF No. 1, future land acquisition funds may be needed to acquire land surrounding WWTF No. 1

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT ID	FISCAL YEAR	DIVISION
Lift Station No. 5 Force Main Replacement	WWFM5R	2018 - 2020	Woodlands
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:			



Some parts of the existing collection system have been in service in excess of 40 years. The aging system requires rehabilitation or replacement to avoid collection system failure. Through the Asset Management Program, specific force mains were identified as high risk for failure and were evaluated for rehabilitation or replacement.

Based on a risk analysis of all force mains, the force main associated with Lift Station No. 5 was identified as a candidate for replacement based on pipe material, age, and likelihood and consequence of failure. In 2014, a SmartBall condition assessment was performed for this force main which showed several areas of corrosion throughout the force main. Constructed in the early 1980's, this force main consists of approximately 8,100 linear feet of 24-inch cement mortar lined ductile iron pipe, all of which is recommended for replacement.

Permanent easements will be acquired during this project.

PROJECT SCHEDULE	DELIVERY		FUNDING		2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	
	DBB	CMAR	CSP	Other								Capitalized
Initiate Cons. Selection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>								
PSA/WO Issued:												
Final Proposal Docs:			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>								
Proposals/Bids Received:				<input type="checkbox"/>								
Const. Contract to Board:												
Substantial Completion:												
BUDGET *	TOTAL	PREVIOUS	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Planning/Permitting/PER	\$ 344,000	\$ 344,000	July 2017									
Engineering/Design	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	September 2017									
Construction	\$ 4,066,000	\$ 3,066,000	September 2019									
CPS, CM&I, and CMT	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	November 2019									
Land Acquisition			January 2020									
Equipment Purchase			May 2021									
Total	\$ 4,610,000	\$ 3,510,000	\$ 1,100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

* Budget includes contingency

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