

Item No.	Agenda Item	Date
4.2	Consider a recommendation to the SJRA Board of Directors relating to an amendment to the FY26 Operating Budget for the GRP Division for the White Oak Creek GRP transmission line replacement.	07/20/2026

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On the evening of April 2, 2026, the 12-inch surface water transmission line conveying treated water from the GRP Surface Water Treatment Plant to Conroe Water Plant No. 6 failed at the White Oak Creek crossing. An emergency repair contractor responded and evaluated options to restore service. Although a temporary repair was initially considered, the effort was discontinued due to the significant cost associated with implementing a short-term solution. This failure occurred near the location of the previous line failure that was repaired on August 6, 2025.

Subsequent evaluation of the damaged pipeline, including laboratory analysis of the failed pipe sections, indicates the transmission line is susceptible to additional failures. Based on these findings, SJRA management recommends replacing the affected section of the transmission line rather than continuing to perform costly emergency repairs.

The proposed project includes the installation of approximately 800 linear feet of new 12-inch high-density polyethylene (HDPE) transmission line. The new pipeline will be connected to the existing transmission line on both sides of the creek crossing. In addition, a protective casing is to be considered to be installed under White Oak Creek to enhance the long-term stability and reliability of the crossing. The project scope also includes replacement of the existing fiber optic cable located along the transmission line and, if necessary, the acquisition of temporary and/or permanent easements to accommodate the revised pipeline alignment.

Engineering design services will be performed by a qualified engineering consultant, followed by construction by a general contractor.

The affected transmission line provides surface water to Conroe Water Plant No. 6. Since the April 2026 failure, the facility has been meeting customer demand solely through groundwater production, without supplemental surface water deliveries. While funding for this project is included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2027 Budget, the GRP Division recommends accelerating the project schedule by initiating engineering design during Fiscal Year 2026. Advancing the design phase will allow construction to proceed as quickly as possible, restore reliable surface water service to the Conroe Water Plant No. 6 service area, and reduce the risk of future service interruptions.

	Approved Project Budget	Requested Amendment	Amended Project Budget
Project ID – Project Description			
GSWWRO – White Oak Creek Transmission Line Repair	\$0.00	\$2,847,000.00	\$2,847,000.00

ATTACHMENTS: SJRA Board Resolution, Exhibit “A”, and Exhibit “B”

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recommendation to the SJRA Board of Directors relating to an amendment to the FY26 Operating Budget for the GRP Division for the White Oak Creek GRP transmission line replacement.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY 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

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

Section 1. That the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, as approved under Resolution No. 2025-R-22, is further amended as detailed in Exhibit “A” and Exhibit “B” attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes.

Section 2. That the budget amendment, attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and Exhibit “B” shall be attached to and made part of the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget for all purposes.

Section 3. 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 4. 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 23rd day of July, 2026.

ATTEST:

SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY

Wil Faubel, Secretary

Ronnie Anderson, President

San Jacinto River Authority - GRP Repair and Replacement

Exhibit A

FY2023 - FY2026

Description			PROPOSED	PROPOSED
	Budget	Approved	Budget	Amended
	FY2025	Budget	Amendment	Budget
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS*				
Water Treatment Plant & Facilities	\$ 304,000	\$ 690,000	\$ -	\$ 690,000
Transmission Lines & Facilities	161,000	323,000	339,000	662,000
TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 465,000	\$ 1,013,000	\$ 339,000	\$ 1,352,000
NET CASH BASIS SOURCES (USES)	\$ -	\$ 10,009,000	\$ (339,000)	\$ 9,670,000

*Actuals intentionally left blank.

San Jacinto River Authority
FY2026 Budget
Total Project Budget Amendment
Exhibit B

Division	Project ID	Project Name	Approved	Proposed	Proposed
			FY2026 Total Project Budget	Amendment FY2026 Total Project Budget	Amended FY2026 Total Project Budget
GRP					
	GSWWOR	White Oak Creek Transmission Line Repair	\$ -	\$ 2,847,000	\$ 2,847,000

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.