

Monday, June 25, 2001, the Sabine County Commissioners' Court met in regular session. The following members of Court were present:

Jack Leath	County Judge
Keith Clark	Commissioner Pct. #1
Lynn Smith	Commissioner Pct. #2
Doyle Dickerson	Commissioner Pct. #3
Gene Nethery	Commissioner Pct. #4
Janice McDaniel	County Clerk

Judge Leath called the meeting to order and Bro. Clarence Howell led the Court in prayer.

Agenda item #1-General Business

Commissioner Clark moved to approve the minutes as written for the June 11th regular session of Court. Commissioner Dickerson seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #3-Line Item Transfers

Commissioner Clark moved to approve the line item transfers for precinct #4. Commissioner Smith seconded. All voted for. Motion carried. See attached copy.

Commissioner Dickerson moved to approve the line item Transfer for the Tax Assessor. Commissioner Smith seconded. All voted for. Motion carried. See attached copy.

Agenda item #4-Resolution Speed Limit Change-Hwy. 83 E & Hwy. 3121 and Agenda item #5-Speed Limit on Farm Roads-County

Judge Leath said he put this item on the agenda at the request of a local citizen.

The Court and Sheriff Maddox discussed changing all the FM roads in the County.

Commissioner Nethery moved to adopt a Resolution asking the Texas Highway Department to consider reducing the speed to 55 MPH on highway 87 N and all FM roads in the County, with the exception of FM 83 W. Commissioner Dickerson seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #7-Sabine County EMS Policy Manual

Commissioner Nethery moved to adopt the EMS Policy Manual.

Commissioner Smith seconded. All voted for. Motion carried. See attached copy.

Agenda item #9-Take Action-Suncrest Sub. -Barbara Arrant Plat Approval

Barbara Arrant presented the Court with plats of Suncrest Subdivision. She also had a letter from the Sabine River Authority and one from Fowler Drilling Co., Inc.

Commissioner Clark moved to approve the plats. Commissioner Smith seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #8-Discuss Historical Buildings-Grants

No action on this item.

Agenda item #11-Truck Purchase-Pct. #4

Commissioner Nethery told the Court that he needs a pickup for errands and also to use around the yard. One of the banks has a reposed one and they are going to take bids on it. He said he would like to put in a bid on it.

Commissioner Smith moved to allow Precinct 4 to put a bid in on this truck. Commissioner Dickerson seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #12-Bid on Trust Property

This property, Pendleton Harbor Lot #21, has already gone the Sheriff sale process. One bid has been received since then. The bid is from KC Production Services, Inc. (KC PSI) in the amount of \$1,700.00.

Judge Leath moved to accept this bid. Commissioner Dickerson seconded. All voted for. Motion carried. See attached copy.

Agenda item #6-Ronnie Raum - U. S. Forest Service

Ronnie Raum, Forest Supervisor for all the East Texas area, met with the Court upon request from Judge Leath. He explained some options on what the Court has come to call the 15 percent money. See attached copies.

Discussion only with no action taken.

Agenda item #10-Public Hearing- Old Hemphill/Milam Road -Take Action 9:00 a.m.

Judge Leath told the people that are here to speak on this item that they are to address the Court only. He said that each one would be given 5 minutes to speak. The legal abandonment of a road is for the Court to unanimously vote to abandon a road. Even though the road may not have been maintained, there was no record found that this road was ever abandoned by the Court.

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Judge Leath read the responses that were received in the mail from Vada Payne, Jerry and Claris Collins and Marla McGee. See attached copies.

Thomas Hamilton addressed the Court. He said he is in favor of this road being reaffirmed as a public road, but not as a County road. No one is asking the County to spend money to open it as a County road. He said he has traveled this road since he was big enough to run around. There were several houses on this road back years ago. We have seen to many of our old public roads closed. He said his brother could not be here tonight but he asked that the Court know that he hauled logs out of there for Mr. Drayton and also had permission to hunt in there.

Norman Bass said he was born in that neighborhood back in 1925. The road was always open back then until this happened. The road went all the way from Hemphill to Milam. The road is still passable if you are careful. He is in favor of reaffirming it as a public road.

Tom Ince said he is in favor of the road remaining a public road. He said he has traveled the road with his father-in-law, Bill Speights.

Janis Speights said she has been married to Bill Speights for 44 years. We have had access to our property on this road until the last year. We do not want the County to spend any money on it. We just want the Court to reaffirm it as a public road so we can have access to our property. She said that she remembers her father-in-law always saying "You never give away mineral rights and always retain access to your property."

Bill Speights read a handout that he presented to the Court. He wished that this was not necessary. See attached copies.

Robert Earl Cunningham told the Court that he does not think this is a public road. He said he bought the first tract from Drayton in the 1960's. He said he has a satellite and other things on the road. He does not want his property torn up. He does not feel that Bill has anything in the road. He got a dozer and pushed the road in.

Mrs. Cunningham said she believes the strokes and heart attacks she has had were caused by the aggravation Bill has caused. She said that Bill got mad because her husband was on his way to the hospital and would not turn around and come back to take the wire down.

Judge Leath said that we are not here to determine land ownership. We are here to determine whether or not this is a historic public road and if the County wants to reaffirm it as such with County maintenance or not.

Commissioner Clark said this is a hard decision. It sounds to him that it is an old public road.

Commissioner Smith said he agrees with Mr. Hamilton that we would not have the problems we have today if some of our old public roads had not been closed. The entire road is a public road and should be maintained at both ends at the discretion of the Commissioner for that precinct.

Commissioner Nethery said people have lost access to property over the years from roads such as this one being abandoned. He is not in favor of giving up any public access to property. He is in favor of maintaining it. Not just this road but any road in the County that we have that gives public access.

Commissioner Smith moved for this Court to reaffirm the entire road as a public road with County maintenance on both ends at the discretion of the Commissioner of the appropriate precinct. Commissioner Clark seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #13-Tourism Proposal

No one is present to present the proposal. This item is deleted.

Court recessed at 9:50 a.m.

Court reconvened at 10:05 a.m.

Agenda item #2-Reports

Commissioner Clark moved to accept the report from the Treasurer, Tax Assessor and Bill Huegel. Commissioner Smith seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #14-Pay Accounts and Salaries

Commissioner Clark moved to pay the accounts and salaries. Commissioner Nethery seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Commissioner Nethery moved to adjourn. Commissioner Dickerson seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Jack Heath COUNTY JUDGE
Keith Clark COMMISSIONER PCT. #1
Lynn Smith COMMISSIONER PCT. #2
Doyle Dickerson COMMISSIONER PCT. #3
R. G. Gussner COMMISSIONER PCT. #4

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ATTEST:

Janice McDaniel COUNTY CLERK

Vendor Detail Ledger (Unpa. Entries - Payment Detail)

GENERAL FUND
Ledger as of: 6/30/01

Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor ID: BEIN BEARD'S INTERNET								
Invoice: S128	Date: 6/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/26/01	Purchase Order:				
INTERNET SERVICES	6310.499			\$14.99				
	<i>Inv: S128 Totals:</i>			<u>\$14.99</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$14.99</u>
	Vendor: BEIN Totals:			<u>\$14.99</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$14.99</u>
Vendor ID: BELL ORGAIN, BELL & TUCKER, L.L.P.								
Invoice: 242-8005708	Date: 6/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/26/01	Purchase Order:				
MATSY L. TOWNSEND	6436.409			\$1,385.40				
	<i>Inv: 242-8005708 Totals:</i>			<u>\$1,385.40</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$1,385.40</u>
	Vendor: BELL Totals:			<u>\$1,385.40</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$1,385.40</u>
Vendor ID: BOSA BOGEL SALES, INC.								
Invoice: 200054	Date: 6/21/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 8/5/01	Purchase Order: 1238				
KITCHEN TOWEL	6310.408			\$27.87				
BATH TOWEL	6310.408			\$22.87				
WASH MOP HEADS	6310.408			\$24.90				
WASH CLAMP MOPHEADS	6310.408			\$10.54				
60 GMY TRASH BAGS	6310.408			\$22.50				
WAX POLISH ALL PURPOSE CLEANER	6310.408			\$37.52				
	<i>Inv: 200054 Totals:</i>			<u>\$146.20</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$146.20</u>
	Vendor: BOSA Totals:			<u>\$146.20</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$146.20</u>
Vendor ID: CELL CELL PAGE, INC.								
Invoice: 10142536	Date: 6/14/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/29/01	Purchase Order:				
REGISTRATION FEES - JULY	6614.409			\$55.60				
	<i>Inv: 10142536 Totals:</i>			<u>\$55.60</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$55.60</u>
	Vendor: CELL Totals:			<u>\$55.60</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$55.60</u>
Vendor ID: CHAB CHILD ABUSE & FORENSIC SERVICE								
Invoice: 01-114	Date: 5/30/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/14/01	Purchase Order:				
FORENSIC SERVICES CASE NO. 4514	6538.435			\$175.00				

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	<i>Inv: 01-114 Totals:</i>	<u>\$175.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$175.00</u>
	Vendor: CHAB Totals:	<u>\$175.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$175.00</u>
Vendor ID: CHCO LAVERNE LUSK, CHEROKEE CO CLERK								
Invoice: 26,230	Date: 6/6/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/21/01	Purchase Order:				
COMMITMENT - AMOS BUCKLEY	6535.426	\$310.00						
	<i>Inv: 26,230 Totals:</i>	<u>\$310.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$310.00</u>
	Vendor: CHCO Totals:	<u>\$310.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$310.00</u>
Vendor ID: CYMAF CYMA FORMS								
Invoice: 275150	Date: 6/7/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/22/01	Purchase Order:				
SHIPPING CHARGES	6310.497	\$12.93						
	<i>Inv: 275150 Totals:</i>	<u>\$12.93</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$12.93</u>
	Vendor: CYMAF Totals:	<u>\$12.93</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$12.93</u>
Vendor ID: DCTR DALLAS COUNTY TREASURER								
Invoice: 24092	Date: 6/8/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/23/01	Purchase Order:				
LOPSY (WILSON)	6614.409	\$539.00						
	<i>Inv: 24092 Totals:</i>	<u>\$539.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$539.00</u>
	Vendor: DCTR Totals:	<u>\$539.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$539.00</u>
Invoice: 24174	Date: 6/8/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/23/01	Purchase Order:				
LOPSY (WILSON)	6610.409	\$1,050.00						
	<i>Inv: 24174 Totals:</i>	<u>\$1,050.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$1,050.00</u>
	Vendor: DCTR Totals:	<u>\$1,589.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$1,589.00</u>
Vendor ID: DEAN DEAN'S MEAT SERVICE								
Invoice: 138106	Date: 5/18/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/2/01	Purchase Order:				
COFFEE WITH FILTERS	6542.560	\$60.10						
	<i>Inv: 138106 Totals:</i>	<u>\$60.10</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$60.10</u>
Invoice: 139543	Date: 6/8/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/23/01	Purchase Order:				
COFFEE WITH FILTERS	6542.560	\$62.14						

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor: DEAN		Inv: 139543 Totals:	\$62.14	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$62.14
Vendor: DEAN Totals:		\$122.24	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$122.24
Vendor ID: DGCW GROVER C. WINSLOW, M.D.,P.A.								
Invoice: 052401	Date: 5/24/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/8/01	Purchase Order:				
ANCE ON ACCOUNT/16661	6543.560		\$300.41					
Inv: 052401 Totals:		\$300.41	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$300.41
Vendor: DGCW Totals:		\$550.41	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$550.41
Vendor ID: DTGS DOUBLETREE GUEST SUITES								
Invoice: 062001	Date: 6/20/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 8/4/01	Purchase Order: 1246				
ANCE MCDANIEL 3 NIGHTS	6470.403		\$479.55					
Inv: 062001 Totals:		\$479.55	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$479.55
Vendor: DTGS Totals:		\$479.55	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$479.55
Vendor ID: EACO TELETOUCH COMMUNICATIONS								
Invoice: 502893	Date: 5/31/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/15/01	Purchase Order:				
NTENANCE AGREEMENT	6501.560		\$160.00					
Inv: 502893 Totals:		\$160.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$160.00
Vendor: EACO Totals:		\$160.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$160.00
Vendor ID: FIUB FIRST USA BANK, NA								
Invoice: 060601	Date: 6/6/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/21/01	Purchase Order:				
ATE FEE	6614.409		\$29.00					
ANCE CHARGE	6614.409		\$2.22					
Inv: 060601 Totals:		\$31.22	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$31.22
Vendor: FIUB Totals:		\$31.22	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$31.22

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor ID: HART HART INTERCIVIC								
Invoice: 92375	Date: 6/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/26/01	Purchase Order:				
MINOR DOCKET LEAVES	6310.450			\$81.00				
LIGHT	6310.450			\$4.88				
	Inv: 92375 Totals:			\$85.88	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$85.88
	Vendor: HART Totals:			\$85.88	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$85.88
Vendor ID: HEBC HEMPHILL BUSINESS CENTER								
Invoice: 050101	Date: 5/1/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/15/01	Purchase Order:				
ENVELOPES	6310.497			\$1.40				
POLY BINDERS	6310.497			\$2.98				
	Inv: 050101 Totals:			\$4.38	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$4.38
Invoice: 1307	Date: 5/7/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/21/01	Purchase Order:				
ACK FILE	6310.497			\$2.99				
	Inv: 1307 Totals:			\$2.99	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$2.99
	Vendor: HEBC Totals:			\$7.37	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$7.37
Vendor ID: HRAU HYATT REGENCY AUSTIN								
Invoice: 13405276	Date: 6/20/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 8/4/01	Purchase Order: 1239				
BARRON EMMONS 13405276	6470.403			\$327.75				
	Inv: 13405276 Totals:			\$327.75	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$327.75
	Vendor: HRAU Totals:			\$327.75	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$327.75
Vendor ID: JACK JACK LEATH								
Invoice: 062101	Date: 6/21/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 8/5/01	Purchase Order:				
40 MILES @ .345	6441.400			\$82.80				
	Inv: 062101 Totals:			\$82.80	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$82.80
	Vendor: JACK Totals:			\$82.80	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$82.80
Vendor ID: JAMC JANICE MCDANIEL								
Invoice: 062001	Date: 6/20/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 8/4/01	Purchase Order:				

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
MILEAGE DIFFERENCE	6470.403	\$70.72						
<i>Inv: 062001 Totals:</i>		<u>\$70.72</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$70.72</u>
Vendor: JAMC Totals:		<u>\$70.72</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$70.72</u>
Vendor ID: LBAU L & B AUTO REPAIR								
Invoice: 052363	Date: 6/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/26/01	Purchase Order:				
WAKE PADS	6451.560	\$63.95						
LABOR	6451.560	\$45.00						
<i>Inv: 052363 Totals:</i>		<u>\$108.95</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$108.95</u>
Vendor: LBAU Totals:		<u>\$108.95</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$108.95</u>
Vendor ID: LUPA LUFKIN PATHOLOGY LAB								
Invoice: A01144	Date: 6/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/26/01	Purchase Order:				
TOPSY (ORANDAY)	6614.409	\$600.00						
TRANSPORTATION FEE	6614.409	\$164.00						
<i>Inv: A01144 Totals:</i>		<u>\$764.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$764.00</u>
Vendor: LUPA Totals:		<u>\$764.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$764.00</u>
Vendor ID: MCGR MCGRAW GRAPHICS								
Invoice: 061301	Date: 6/13/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/28/01	Purchase Order:				
SET MAGNETS FOR CAR	6500.560	\$70.00						
<i>Inv: 061301 Totals:</i>		<u>\$70.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$70.00</u>
Vendor: MCGR Totals:		<u>\$70.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$70.00</u>
Vendor ID: MISA MIKE'S SANITATION								
Invoice: 060101	Date: 6/1/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/16/01	Purchase Order:				
CASH TRAILOR PICKUP	6475.425	\$80.00						
<i>Inv: 060101 Totals:</i>		<u>\$80.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$80.00</u>
Vendor: MISA Totals:		<u>\$80.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$80.00</u>
Vendor ID: PIBO PITNEY BOWES								

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Invoice: 3105047-JN01	Date: 6/14/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/29/01	Purchase Order:					
MENTAL SERVICES	6612.409	\$178.91						
	<i>Inv: 3105047-JN01 Totals:</i>	<u>\$178.91</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$178.91</u>
	Vendor: PIBO Totals:	\$178.91	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$178.91
Vendor ID: POST	POSTMASTER							
Invoice: 310	Date: 6/1/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/16/01	Purchase Order:					
EX RENTAL FEE - 310	6315.409	\$32.00						
	<i>Inv: 310 Totals:</i>	<u>\$32.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$32.00</u>
Invoice: 536	Date: 6/1/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/16/01	Purchase Order:					
EX RENTAL FEES 536	6315.409	\$20.00						
	<i>Inv: 536 Totals:</i>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$20.00</u>
Invoice: 597	Date: 6/1/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/16/01	Purchase Order:					
EX RENTAL FEES 597	6315.409	\$32.00						
	<i>Inv: 597 Totals:</i>	<u>\$32.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$32.00</u>
Invoice: 716	Date: 6/1/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/16/01	Purchase Order:					
EX RENTAL FEES 716	6315.409	\$20.00						
	<i>Inv: 716 Totals:</i>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$20.00</u>
Invoice: 848	Date: 6/1/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/16/01	Purchase Order:					
EX RENTAL FEE 848	6315.560	\$50.00						
	<i>Inv: 848 Totals:</i>	<u>\$50.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$50.00</u>
	Vendor: POST Totals:	\$154.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$154.00
Vendor ID: QUILL CORPORATION	QUILL CORPORATION							
Invoice: 5794359	Date: 6/6/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/21/01	Purchase Order:					
COMPUTER RIBBONS	6310.560	\$86.64						
	<i>Inv: 5794359 Totals:</i>	<u>\$86.64</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$86.64</u>
Invoice: 5859394	Date: 6/8/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/23/01	Purchase Order:					
COMPUTER PAPER	6310.560	\$71.97						
	<i>Inv: 5859394 Totals:</i>	<u>\$71.97</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$71.97</u>

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor: QUCO Totals:		\$158.61	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$158.61
Vendor ID	RFTC	RELIABLE TELEPHONE & ELECTRIC						
Invoice: 3072	Date: 6/8/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/23/01	Purchase Order:				
MATERIALS	6420.457			\$382.35				
HOURS LABOR	6420.457			\$325.00				
SHIPPING	6420.457			\$9.80				
SHIP CHARGE	6420.457			\$35.00				
Inv: 3072 Totals:		\$752.15	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$752.15
Invoice: 3079	Date: 6/14/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/29/01	Purchase Order:				
MATERIALS	6614.409			\$415.00				
LABOR CHARGES	6614.409			\$130.00				
SHIPPING	6614.409			\$10.80				
SHIP CHARGE	6614.409			\$35.00				
Inv: 3079 Totals:		\$590.80	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$590.80
Vendor: RETC Totals:		\$1,342.95	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$1,342.95
Vendor ID	ROSI	ROGERS OFFICE SUPPLY						
Invoice: 3901	Date: 6/5/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/20/01	Purchase Order:				
MANDABLE FOLDERS	6310.455			\$7.00				
Inv: 3901 Totals:		\$7.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$7.00
Invoice: 3903	Date: 6/5/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/20/01	Purchase Order:				
CORD BOOK	6310.560			\$8.25				
Inv: 3903 Totals:		\$8.25	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$8.25
Invoice: 3895	Date: 6/6/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/21/01	Purchase Order:				
NOTE PAD	6310.400			\$9.85				
Inv: 3895 Totals:		\$9.85	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$9.85
Invoice: 3926	Date: 6/7/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/22/01	Purchase Order:				
ROLL 1 PLY CARBON	6310.450			\$10.00				
Inv: 3926 Totals:		\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$10.00

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor ID: ROSU								
Invoice: 4029	Date: 6/14/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/29/01	Purchase Order:				
2 - BOXES LG. BINDER CLIPS	6310.497			\$5.78				
		<i>Inv: 4029 Totals:</i>		\$5.78	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$5.78
		Vendor: ROSU Totals:		\$40.88	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$40.88
Vendor ID: ROYW ROYCE WARR								
Invoice: 062101	Date: 6/21/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 8/5/01	Purchase Order:				
52 MILES @ .28	6425.425			\$210.56				
		<i>Inv: 062101 Totals:</i>		\$210.56	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$210.56
		Vendor: ROYW Totals:		\$210.56	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$210.56
Vendor ID: SASO THE SARGENT-SOWELL CO.								
Invoice: 25-2067180	Date: 2/7/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 3/24/01	Purchase Order: 1000				
BOXES	6540.560		\$512.55	\$512.55	2/26/01	26458	A	
				(\$512.55)	2/26/01	26458	A	\$512.55
				\$512.55	2/26/01	26533	A	(\$512.55)
				(\$512.55)	2/26/01	26533	A	\$512.55
SHIPPING	6540.560		\$21.55	\$21.55	2/26/01	26458	A	
				(\$21.55)	2/26/01	26458	A	\$21.55
				\$21.55	2/26/01	26533	A	(\$21.55)
				(\$21.55)	2/26/01	26533	A	\$21.55
		<i>Inv: 25-2067180 Totals:</i>	\$534.10	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$534.10
Vendor ID: SASO THE SARGENT-SOWELL CO. #2								
Invoice: 25-2067180/#2	Date: 2/7/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 3/24/01	Purchase Order:				
BOXES	6540.560		(\$512.55)					
SHIPPING	6540.560		(\$21.55)					
		<i>Inv: 25-2067180/#2 Totals:</i>	(\$534.10)	\$0.00	\$0.00			(\$534.10)
		Vendor: SASO Totals:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
Vendor ID: SCOC SABINE COUNTY CLERK								
Invoice: 061801	Date: 6/18/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 8/2/01	Purchase Order:				
SHIPPING REIMBURSEMENT	6315.403		\$11.00					
		<i>Inv: 061801 Totals:</i>	\$11.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$11.00

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor: SCOC Totals:		\$11.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$11.00
Vendor ID: SCSD SABINE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.								
Invoice: 061101	Date: 6/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/26/01	Purchase Order:				
REIMBURSEMENT ON TRAVEL	6425.560			\$69.55				
REIMBURSEMENT ON MEALS	6542.560			\$1.07				
Inv: 061101 Totals:		\$70.62	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$70.62
Vendor: SCSD Totals:		\$70.62	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$70.62
Vendor ID: SMAU SMITH'S AUTO SUPPLY								
Invoice: 00000032	Date: 5/1/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/15/01	Purchase Order:				
WAGNER BULBS	6451.560			\$24.00				
BOR	6451.560			\$10.00				
Inv: 00000032 Totals:		\$34.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$34.00
Invoice: 00000013	Date: 5/10/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/24/01	Purchase Order:				
ROCK CYLINDER	6451.560			\$40.26				
BOR	6451.560			\$20.00				
Inv: 00000013 Totals:		\$60.26	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$60.26
Vendor: SMAU Totals:		\$94.26	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$94.26
Vendor ID: SPI W SPEEDY LUBE, TIRE & MUFFLER								
Invoice: 040101	Date: 4/1/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 5/16/01	Purchase Order:				
DISCOUNT	6451.560			(\$31.74)				
Inv: 040101 Totals:		(\$31.74)	\$0.00	\$0.00				(\$31.74)
Invoice: 30791	Date: 4/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 5/26/01	Purchase Order:				
OIL & LUBRICATION	6451.560			\$23.95				
Inv: 30791 Totals:		\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$23.95
Invoice: 30812	Date: 4/12/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 5/27/01	Purchase Order:				
TRANSMISSION SERVICES	6451.560			\$49.95				
Inv: 30812 Totals:		\$49.95	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$49.95

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Invoice: 30978 OIL & LUBRICATION	Date: 4/21/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 6/5/01	Purchase Order:	\$23.95				
	<i>Inv: 30978 Totals:</i>			\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$23.95
Invoice: 31143 OIL & LUBRICATION	Date: 4/30/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 6/14/01	Purchase Order:	\$23.95				
	<i>Inv: 31143 Totals:</i>			\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$23.95
Invoice: 31297 OIL CHANGE	Date: 5/8/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 6/22/01	Purchase Order:	\$23.95				
	<i>Inv: 31297 Totals:</i>			\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$23.95
Invoice: 31300 CHANGE	Date: 5/8/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 6/22/01	Purchase Order:	\$23.95				
	<i>Inv: 31300 Totals:</i>			\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$23.95
Invoice: 31305 CHANGE	Date: 5/8/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 6/22/01	Purchase Order:	\$23.95				
	<i>Inv: 31305 Totals:</i>			\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$23.95
Invoice: 31478 CHANGE	Date: 5/17/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 7/1/01	Purchase Order:	\$25.95				
	<i>Inv: 31478 Totals:</i>			\$25.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$25.95
Invoice: 33783 CHANGE	Date: 5/30/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 7/14/01	Purchase Order:	\$23.95				
	<i>Inv: 33783 Totals:</i>			\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$23.95
Invoice: 33869 CHANGE	Date: 6/4/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 7/19/01	Purchase Order:	\$23.95				
	<i>Inv: 33869 Totals:</i>			\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$23.95
Invoice: 33507 CHANGE	Date: 6/5/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 7/20/01	Purchase Order:	\$23.95				
	<i>Inv: 33507 Totals:</i>			\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$23.95
Invoice: 33565 CHANGE	Date: 6/8/01 Terms: A 6451.560	Due Date: 7/23/01	Purchase Order:	\$25.95				

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
								<u>\$25.95</u>
		Inv: 33565 Totals:	\$25.95	\$0.00				
								<u>\$285.66</u>
		Vendor: SPLW Totals:	\$285.66	\$0.00				
Vendor ID: STEM	STEVE MILLER							
Invoice: 061501	Date: 6/15/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/30/01	Purchase Order:				
10 MILES @ .345	6441.457		\$186.30					<u>\$186.30</u>
		Inv: 061501 Totals:	\$186.30	\$0.00				
								<u>\$186.30</u>
		Vendor: STEM Totals:	\$186.30	\$0.00				
Vendor ID: SYSCO	SYSCO FOOD SERVICE - HOUSTON							
Invoice: 105110844	Date: 5/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/25/01	Purchase Order:				
TOILET TISSUE	6313.560		\$55.53					
KITCHEN TOWEL	6313.560		\$23.39					<u>\$78.92</u>
		Inv: 105110844 Totals:	\$78.92	\$0.00				
Invoice: 105110845	Date: 5/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/25/01	Purchase Order:				
POZ CUPS	6313.560		\$33.78					
DISINFECTANT	6313.560		\$25.16					
POZ HEADS	6313.560		\$16.76					<u>\$75.70</u>
		Inv: 105110845 Totals:	\$75.70	\$0.00				
Invoice: 105110846	Date: 5/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/25/01	Purchase Order:				
GLASS CLEANER	6313.560		\$36.43					
TOILET CLEANSER	6313.560		\$37.07					<u>\$73.50</u>
		Inv: 105110846 Totals:	\$73.50	\$0.00				
Invoice: 105110847	Date: 5/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/25/01	Purchase Order:				
GLASS CLEANER	6313.560		\$36.43					
LIQUID LEMON DISINFECTANT	6313.560		\$40.65					<u>\$77.08</u>
		Inv: 105110847 Totals:	\$77.08	\$0.00				
Invoice: 106010693	Date: 6/1/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 7/16/01	Purchase Order:				
CLOROX BLEACH	6313.560		\$13.01					
COFFEE	6313.560		\$50.63					<u>\$63.64</u>
		Inv: 106010693 Totals:	\$63.64	\$0.00				

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor: 106010694								
Date: 6/1/01 Terms: A Due Date: 7/16/01 Purchase Order:								
NON DIARY CREAMER PACKETS	6313.560	\$16.98						
CHEN TOWELS	6313.560	\$23.39						
QUID LEMON DISINFECTANT	6313.560	\$40.65						
	Inv: 106010694 Totals:	\$81.02	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$81.02
Vendor: 106010695								
Date: 6/1/01 Terms: A Due Date: 7/16/01 Purchase Order:								
158 TRASH LINERS	6313.560	\$77.82						
	Inv: 106010695 Totals:	\$77.82	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$77.82
Vendor: 106010696								
Date: 6/1/01 Terms: A Due Date: 7/16/01 Purchase Order:								
MULTI PURPOSE CLEANER	6313.560	\$38.51						
LAUNDRY DETERGENT	6313.560	\$33.61						
	Inv: 106010696 Totals:	\$72.12	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$72.12
	Vendor: SYSC Totals:	\$599.80	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$599.80
Vendor ID: TAMR TAMMY REEVES								
Invoice: 060601 Date: 6/6/01 Terms: A Due Date: 7/21/01 Purchase Order:								
UNIVERSITY STAMP	6310.499	\$20.00						
	Inv: 060601 Totals:	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$20.00
	Vendor: TAMR Totals:	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$20.00
Vendor ID: TEXA TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES								
Invoice: 061901 Date: 6/19/01 Terms: A Due Date: 8/3/01 Purchase Order:								
UNEMPLOYMENT DEFICIT	6615.409	\$2,562.30						
	Inv: 061901 Totals:	\$2,562.30	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$2,562.30
	Vendor: TEXA Totals:	\$2,562.30	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$2,562.30
Vendor ID: TSGI THE SOFTWARE GROUP, INC.								
Invoice: 28306 Date: 6/11/01 Terms: A Due Date: 7/26/01 Purchase Order:								
SOFTWARE UPDATE SERVICES	6501.455	\$548.00						
	Inv: 28306 Totals:	\$548.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$548.00

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Invoice: 28307	Date: 6/11/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/26/01	Purchase Order:					
JULY - SEPT SOFTWARE SERVICES	6501.457	\$548.00						
	<i>Inv: 28307 Totals:</i>	<u>\$548.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$548.00</u>
Invoice: 28494	Date: 6/11/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 7/26/01	Purchase Order:					
SOFTWARE UPDATE SERVICES	6502.560	\$2,494.00						
	<i>Inv: 28494 Totals:</i>	<u>\$2,494.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$2,494.00</u>
	Vendor: TSGI Totals:	<u><u>\$3,590.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>				<u><u>\$3,590.00</u></u>
	Ledger Totals:	<u><u>\$16,115.86</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>				<u><u>\$16,115.86</u></u>

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor ID: ASCO THE ASSOCIATES								
Invoice: 2638741	Date: 6/10/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/10/01	Purchase Order:				
BASE PAYMENT/JULY	6653.604			\$1,147.21				
	<i>Inv: 2638741 Totals:</i>			\$1,147.21	\$0.00			\$1,147.21
	Vendor: ASCO Totals:			\$1,147.21	\$0.00			\$1,147.21
Vendor ID: BIG4 BIG "4", INC.								
Invoice: 00320668	Date: 6/5/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/5/01	Purchase Order:				
ROAD BASE MATERIAL	6377.603			\$504.00				
	<i>Inv: 00320668 Totals:</i>			\$504.00	\$0.00			\$504.00
	Vendor: BIG4 Totals:			\$504.00	\$0.00			\$504.00
Vendor ID: BSMS BRADSHAW MACHINE SHOP								
Invoice: 012492	Date: 6/4/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/4/01	Purchase Order:				
WHEEL REPAIR FOR TRUCK	6344.602			\$25.00				
	<i>Inv: 012492 Totals:</i>			\$25.00	\$0.00			\$25.00
	Vendor: BSMS Totals:			\$25.00	\$0.00			\$25.00
Vendor ID: FPSS EUGENE PROFFLA SERVICE STAT.								
Invoice: 060901	Date: 6/9/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/9/01	Purchase Order:				
WHEEL REPAIR	6366.602			\$5.00				
	<i>Inv: 060901 Totals:</i>			\$5.00	\$0.00			\$5.00
	Vendor: FPSS Totals:			\$5.00	\$0.00			\$5.00
Vendor ID: ETEX ETEX AGRI SUPERCENTER								
Invoice: IN22963	Date: 6/21/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/21/01	Purchase Order:				
WHEEL	6357.602			\$82.48				
	<i>Inv: IN22963 Totals:</i>			\$82.48	\$0.00			\$82.48
	Vendor: ETEX Totals:			\$82.48	\$0.00			\$82.48

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Vendor ID: GEOB GEO. P. BANE, INC.

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor ID: GEOB								
Invoice: 01034615	Date: 6/8/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/8/01	Purchase Order:				
O-RINGS	6356.604	\$4.88						
O-RINGS	6356.604	\$3.12						
RINGS	6356.604	\$10.24						
WEIGHT OUT	6356.604	\$3.11						
	Inv: 01034615 Totals:	\$21.15	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$21.15
	Vendor: GEOB Totals:	\$21.15	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$21.15
Vendor ID: GMWS								
G-M WATER SUPPLY CORP.								
Invoice: 1262/JUNE	Date: 6/1/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/1/01	Purchase Order:				
WATER BILL - JUNE	6440.602	\$20.10						
	Inv: 1262/JUNE Totals:	\$20.10	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$20.10
	Vendor: GMWS Totals:	\$20.10	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$20.10
Vendor ID: GRAY								
GRAY'S WHOLESALE TIRE								
Invoice: 920427	Date: 6/5/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/5/01	Purchase Order: 1203				
TIRES FOR TRUCK	6365.601	\$155.68						
	Inv: 920427 Totals:	\$155.68	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$155.68
	Vendor: GRAY Totals:	\$155.68	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$155.68
Vendor ID: GRCO								
GRFVEMBERG COMMUNICATIONS, INC								
Invoice: 1173	Date: 6/11/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/11/01	Purchase Order: 1173				
RADIO PROGRAMMING LABOR	6652.603	\$50.00						
CELL LABOR	6652.603	\$55.00						
	Inv: 1173 Totals:	\$105.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$105.00
	Vendor: GRCO Totals:	\$105.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$105.00
Vendor ID: HFSB								
HEMPHILL FEED & STOCK BARN								
Invoice: 122588	Date: 6/4/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/4/01	Purchase Order: 1210				
15X20 RIBBED CULVERTS	6370.604	\$299.97						
15X20 RIBBED CULVERTS	6371.604	\$299.97						
	Inv: 122588 Totals:	\$599.94	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$599.94

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Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Invoice: 122726	Date: 6/5/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 6/5/01	Purchase Order:					
WHEEL	6657.604	\$2.08						
	<i>Inv: 122726 Totals:</i>	<u>\$2.08</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$2.08</u>
Invoice: 122761	Date: 6/5/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 6/5/01	Purchase Order:					
12X20 RIBBED CULVERT	6370.603	\$75.00						
	<i>Inv: 122761 Totals:</i>	<u>\$75.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$75.00</u>
	Vendor: HFSB Totals:	<u><u>\$677.02</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>				<u><u>\$677.02</u></u>
Vendor ID: JTGR J.T. GREENE TRUCK & EQUIPMENT								
Invoice: 1637	Date: 6/12/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 6/12/01	Purchase Order:					
DIATOR REPAIR ON GRADER	6345.601	\$300.00						
	<i>Inv: 1637 Totals:</i>	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$300.00</u>
Invoice: 1638	Date: 6/12/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 6/12/01	Purchase Order: 1226					
CLUTCH	6355.604	\$501.39						
LABOR	6344.604	\$260.00						
	<i>Inv: 1638 Totals:</i>	<u>\$761.39</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$761.39</u>
Invoice: 1632	Date: 6/20/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 6/20/01	Purchase Order:					
CLUTCH ON MACK TRUCK	6344.601	\$40.00						
	<i>Inv: 1632 Totals:</i>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$40.00</u>
	Vendor: JTGR Totals:	<u><u>\$1,101.39</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>				<u><u>\$1,101.39</u></u>
Vendor ID: MCRE MCBRIDE REPAIR SERVICE								
Invoice: 205826	Date: 5/23/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 5/23/01	Purchase Order:					
REMOVED ALTERNATOR	6345.603	\$20.00						
REINSTALLED ALTERNATOR	6345.603	\$65.00						
	<i>Inv: 205826 Totals:</i>	<u>\$85.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$85.00</u>
Invoice: 205828	Date: 5/30/01 Terms: A	Due Date: 5/30/01	Purchase Order: 1217					
REBUILT HYDRAULIC ON GRADER	6345.603	\$150.00						
	<i>Inv: 205828 Totals:</i>	<u>\$150.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$150.00</u>

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ROAD AND BRIDGES

Ledger as of: 6/30/01

Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor: MCRE Totals:		\$235.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$235.00
Vendor ID: RALA	RANDY LADNER							
Invoice: 3123	Date: 6/18/01	Terms: A		Due Date: 6/18/01		Purchase Order: 1237		
ARTS	6355.602			\$25.00				
ABOR	6344.602			\$560.00				
	Inv: 3123 Totals:	\$585.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$585.00
Vendor: RALA Totals:		\$585.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$585.00
Vendor ID: SPLW	SPEEDY LUBE & WASH							
Invoice: 29669	Date: 2/12/01	Terms: A		Due Date: 2/12/01		Purchase Order:		
& LUBE CHANGE	6344.601			\$23.95				
	Inv: 29669 Totals:	\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$23.95
Invoice: 30868	Date: 4/16/01	Terms: A		Due Date: 4/16/01		Purchase Order:		
& LUBE	6344.601			\$23.95				
	Inv: 30868 Totals:	\$23.95	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$23.95
Vendor: SPLW Totals:		\$47.90	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$47.90
Vendor ID: WAGA	WALLER'S GARAGE							
Invoice: 258	Date: 6/13/01	Terms: A		Due Date: 6/13/01		Purchase Order:		
FILTER	6355.604			\$28.54				
FILTER	6355.604			\$27.29				
QUARTS OIL	6340.604			\$27.60				
FOR	6344.604			\$7.50				
	Inv: 2587 Totals:	\$90.93	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$90.93
Vendor: WAGA Totals:		\$90.93	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$90.93
Vendor ID: WICI	WILSON CULVERTS, INC.							
Invoice: 35371	Date: 6/13/01	Terms: A		Due Date: 6/13/01		Purchase Order: 1223		
X 24' 16G CULVERT	6370.602			\$190.08				
	Inv: 35371 Totals:	\$190.08	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$190.08
Invoice: 35372	Date: 6/13/01	Terms: A		Due Date: 6/13/01		Purchase Order: 1222		

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Vendor Detail Ledger (Unpaid Entries - Payment Detail)

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Ledger as of: 6/30/01

Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
1 - 48" X 24' 16G CULVERT	6370.601	\$457.44						
<i>Inv: 35372 Totals:</i>		<u>\$457.44</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$457.44</u>
Invoice: 35374	Date: 6/13/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/13/01	Purchase Order: 1221				
1 - 8 X 24 16G CULVERT	6370.603	\$65.09						
1 - 18 X 24 16G CULVERT	6370.603	\$285.60						
1 - 15 X 24 16G CULVERT	6370.603	\$506.40						
<i>Inv: 35374 Totals:</i>		<u>\$947.09</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$947.09</u>
Invoice: 35416	Date: 6/19/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/19/01	Purchase Order: 1232				
8 X 24 16G CULVERT	6370.603	(\$65.09)						
96" X 24' 16 G CULVERT	6370.603	\$1,452.72						
<i>Inv: 35416 Totals:</i>		<u>\$1,387.63</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$1,387.63</u>
Vendor: WICI Totals:		<u>\$2,982.24</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$2,982.24</u>
Ledger Totals:		\$7,785.10	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$7,785.10

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SABINE COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE 2

Ledger as of: 6/30/01

Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor ID: JTGR J.T. GREENE TRUCK & EQUIPMENT								
Invoice: 1639	Date: 6/14/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/14/01	Purchase Order:				
HYDRAULIC REPAIR SERVICES	6346.606	\$220.00						\$220.00
<i>Inv: 1639 Totals:</i>		<u>\$220.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$220.00</u>
Vendor: JTGR Totals:		<u>\$220.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>				<u>\$220.00</u>
Ledger Totals:		\$220.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$220.00

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Vendor Detail Ledger (Unp. Entries - Payment Detail)

HOTEL/MOTEL TAX

Ledger as of: 6/30/01

Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor ID: SCCC SABINE CO. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE								
Invoice: 061801		Date: 6/18/01	Terms: A	Due Date: 6/18/01	Purchase Order:			
UTILITY BILL - JUNE	6100.58	\$131.62						
TELEPHONE BILL - JUNE	6100.58	\$67.80						
TELEPHONE BILL - JUNE	6100.58	\$143.69						
LONG DISTANCE CHARGES	6100.58	\$3.73						
Inv: 061801 Totals:		\$346.84	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$346.84
Vendor: SCCC Totals:		\$346.84	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$346.84
Ledger Totals:		\$346.84	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$346.84

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SABINE COUNTY EMS

Ledger as of: 6/30/01

Description	Account	Amount	Discount	Amount Paid	Check Date	Check No	Bank	Balance
Vendor ID: CING CINGULAR WIRELESS								
Invoice: 344263185/JUNE	Date: 6/7/01	Terms: NET		Due Date: 6/7/01	Purchase Order:			
CELLULAR PHONE -344263185	6452-325			\$78.39				
	Inv: 344263185/JUNE Totals:			\$78.39	\$0.00			\$0.00
	Vendor: CING Totals:			\$78.39	\$0.00			\$0.00
Vendor ID: JOLK JOHNNY'S LOCK & KEY								
Invoice: 1619	Date: 3/30/01	Terms: NET		Due Date: 3/30/01	Purchase Order:			
KEY	6335-325			\$1.50				
KEYS	6335-325			\$15.00				
	Inv: 1619 Totals:			\$16.50	\$0.00			\$0.00
	Vendor: JOLK Totals:			\$16.50	\$0.00			\$0.00
Vendor ID: NAPH NAPA AUTO PARTS								
Invoice: 221802	Date: 5/7/01	Terms: NET		Due Date: 5/7/01	Purchase Order:			
FILTER	6335-325			\$19.41				
FILTER	6335-325			\$14.27				
	Inv: 221802 Totals:			\$33.68	\$0.00			\$0.00
	Vendor: NAPH Totals:			\$33.68	\$0.00			\$0.00
Vendor ID: WAGA WALLER'S GARAGE								
Invoice: 65401	Date: 6/13/01	Terms: NET		Due Date: 6/13/01	Purchase Order:			
VEHICLE REPAIR SERVICES	6335-325			\$133.52				
	Inv: 65401 Totals:			\$133.52	\$0.00			\$0.00
	Vendor: WAGA Totals:			\$133.52	\$0.00			\$0.00
	Ledger Totals:			\$262.09	\$0.00			\$0.00

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LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS

June 13, 2001

HONORABLE Commissioners Court of Sabine County:

I submit to you for your consideration the following line-item transfers:

From:	General Fund	Tax A/C	Other School	\$ 70.00
To:	General Fund	Tax A/C	Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 70.00

Tammy Reeves

Tammy Reeves, Tax A/C
Department Head

Jack Leuth

Approved: Commissioners Court

Jamie McDaniel

Attest: County Clerk

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Line-Item Transfer

Date: June 25, 2001

Honorable Commissioners' Court of Sabine County:

I submit to you, for your consideration, the following line-item transfers:

	<u>FUND</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>ACCT.</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
From:	Truck Tires	Pct. 4	6365.604	\$2,000.00
To:	Truck Parts	Pct. 4	6355.604	\$2,000.00

Reason: Unusual expense on F-600 flat bed dump truck. New engine required. Replaced clutch on Sterling.



Department Head



Approved Commissioners' Court



Attest County Clerk

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Line-Item Transfer

Date: June 25, 2001

Honorable Commissioners' Court of Sabine County:

I submit to you, for your consideration, the following line-item transfers:

	<u>FUND</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>ACCT.</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
From:	Part-Time Salaries	Pct. 4	6107.604	\$1,000.00
To:	Travel and Lodging	Pct. 4	6655.604	\$1,000.00

Reason: Due to extra travel required associated with the Legislative Session, Water Development Board and start-up of EMS operation.



Department Head



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Attest County Clerk

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FOWLER DRILLING CO., INC.

P.O. Box 96
Newton, Texas 75966

Phone 409-379-4196
Fax 409-379-4197

June 08, 2001

Sabine County Commissioners Court
Hemphill, Texas 75948

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise that I, John W. Fowler, am a professional water well driller and pump installer. I have been registered with the states of Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas since the year 1972 and have drilled and installed thousands of satisfactory water wells since that time.

For your specific information, it is my professional opinion that it is not a probability, but a definite fact that good and satisfactory water wells can be drilled in SunCrest and The Shores subdivisions on Toledo Bend as I have drilled fantastic wells in both subdivisions. The depth of these wells were: between 70 - 102'

If you would like to confirm the above and personally sample the water from these wells, please advise and I will be happy to supply you with the names and addresses of the property owners.

Sincerely,

FOWLER DRILLING CO., INC.

John W Fowler

John W. Fowler

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MAY 5, 2000

TO: SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

I HAVE DRILLED SEVERAL WELLS IN THE AREA OF THE SHORES AND SUNCREST. WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO FIND GOOD WATER AT ABOUT 85 TO 150 FEET. IF FOR ANY REASON WATER COULD NOT BE FOUND ON A TRACT, WATER COULD BE PUMPED FROM THE LAKE AND TREATED ACCORDING PER SRA REGULATIONS. I DO NOT SEE A PROBLEM WITH OBTAINING WATER AT SUNCREST.

SINCERELY,

Graham Davis

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SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY
of Texas

Toledo Bend Division

Route 1, Box 270
Burkeville, Texas 75932
Phone: (409) 565-2273
Fax: (409) 565-2338



May 1, 2000

Mrs. Barbara Arrant
Texas Realty
HC 53 Box 4829
Hemphill, Texas 75948

Dear Mrs. Arrant:

We have reviewed the plats of Suncrest Subdivision which you recently submitted since most of the lots are approximately one acre or more they automatically meet size requirements for the installation of Private Sewage Facilities.

It is our understanding that the group of half acre lots will be the sites for the location of "Garden" homes which will be served by a common well. Based on the above information and our observation of soil types in the immediate area it is our opinion that conditions are favorable for the installation of sewerage facilities which meet criteria established by The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

Respectfully,

SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY OF TEXAS
Toledo Bend Division

Duane Husband
Assistant Division Manager

DH/lj

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SABINE COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR
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HEMPHILL, TEXAS 75948

ATTN: MS. TAMMY REEVES

JUNE 20, 2001

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Beeper (800) 542-5781

DEAR MS. REEVES,

PURSUANT TO OUR PREVIOUS TELEPHONE CONVERSATION,
I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT A BID OF \$1,700.00 FOR THE
FOLLOWING PROPERTY:

LOT 21 PENDLETON HARBOR
ACCOUNT # 27520-06110-00000

IF THERE IS ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT I
NEED TO PROVIDE OR THINGS I NEED TO DO, PLEASE LET
ME KNOW AT YOUR CONVENIENCE. I HAVE ENCLOSED A
CARD TO HELP YOU CONTACT ME. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
ASSISTANCE.

SINCERELY,



PHILLIP ALLEN

via JJ PO 167

**TAMMY REEVES, RTA
SABINE COUNTY
TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR
P. O. BOX 310 HEMPHILL, TX. 75948
(409) 787-2257 Fax (409) 787-4753**

June 22, 2001

Judge Jack Leath
Sabine County
Hemphill, Tx. 75948

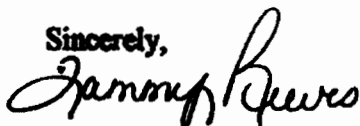
RE: Lot 21 Pendleton Harbor-(Acct.# 27520-06110-00000)
Trust Property

Dear Judge Leath;

Enclosed please find a bid on the above property, which is currently being held in trust. Just as a reminder, a minimum bid is not required on trust properties and the bid must be accepted by all taxing jurisdictions in which the property is located in order for it to be successful. Please add this item to your agenda for the consideration of the commissioners court.

If you require additional information or if I can be of further assistance, please contact me. Please notify me as to the decision of the court. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,



Tammy Reeves, RTA
Sabine County
Tax A/C

Enclosure

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SABINE COUNTY EMS
LEGAL COMPLIANCE PROGRAM
POLICY MANUAL

Part I- Introduction; General Policies and Procedures

1.1. Introduction

Sabine County EMS (the "ambulance service") is committed to the compliance with all state and federal laws governing its operations in the provision of services in the health care arena. The ambulance service has endeavored and will continue to endeavor to adhere to the highest standards of business and professional ethics. Therefore, this policy has been formulated and adopted to evidence and ensure this commitment to our patients, the community, regulatory and law enforcement agencies, and to ourselves.

The Ambulance Service has also established a legal and regulatory Compliance Program in order to ensure that the Ambulance Service's compliance policies are consistently applied. The program is directed by a Compliance committee and Compliance Officer, who are responsible for reviewing the Service's compliance policies and specific compliance situations that may arise.

This Manual includes statements of the Ambulance Service's policy in a number of specific areas. All employees must comply with these policies,

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which define the scope of Ambulance Service employment, and may subject employees to disciplinary action. If a question arises as to whether any action complies with Ambulance Service policies or applicable law, an employee should present that question to that employee's supervisor or to the Ambulance Service Compliance Officer, a member of the Compliance Committee, or to the Administrator of the Service. All employees should review this manual from time to time and become familiar with them to ensure that their actions are consistent with these policies and the Ambulance Service Compliance Program.

This manual deals only generally with some of the more important legal principles that affect the Ambulance Service's operations. Their mention is not intended to minimize the importance of other applicable laws, professional standards, or ethical principles, which may be covered in other Ambulance Service policies. Consequently, any employee who is in doubt as to the propriety of a course of action must promptly communicate with his or her supervisor, or with the Compliance Officer, before taking action.

1.2 Reporting Requirements and Response by Ambulance Service

If at any time any employee becomes aware of any apparent violation of the Ambulance Service's policies, he or she must report it to his or her supervisor or to the Compliance Officer. All persons making such reports are assured that such reports are treated as confidential to the fullest extent possible and will be shared only on a bona fide need-to-know basis. The Ambulance Service will take no adverse action against persons making such reports, regardless of whether the report ultimately proves to be well-founded. If an employee does not report conduct violating the Ambulance

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Service's policies, that employee or professional staff member may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

The effectiveness of the compliance program is largely measured by the Ambulance Service response to such reports of violations. Therefore, the ambulance service shall promptly respond to reports of suspected violations in a manner consistent with these policies, and shall take all reasonable steps to modify the ambulance Service procedures and practices so that the likelihood of a violation recurring is reduced.

1.3 Consequences of Violations

All Ambulance Service employees must carry out their duties for the ambulance in accordance with this policy. Any violation of applicable law, or deviation from appropriate standards, will subject an employee to disciplinary action, which may include oral or written warning, disciplinary probation, suspension, reduction in salary, demotion, or dismissal from employment. These disciplinary actions may apply to individuals who fail to report or investigate concerns that should have been apparent. These disciplinary actions also may apply to an employee's supervisor who directs or approves the employee's improper actions, or is aware of those actions but does not act appropriately to correct them, or who otherwise fails to exercise appropriate supervision.

1.4 Compliance Officer and Compliance Committee

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This manual contains numerous references and instructions relating to the Compliance Officer, The compliance Officer shall be appointed by the Ambulance Administrator from the senior administrative staff of the Ambulance Service. The Administrator may appoint himself or herself as the Compliance Officer. The Compliance Officer should be in a position to influence behavior and Ambulance Service practices, and shall be responsible and accountable for the Ambulance Service compliance activities. Compliance activities should be a major portion of the Compliance Officer's job description and a basis for evaluation of job performance.

The compliance officer shall determine the membership of the compliance Committee, which shall include at least one other member of the senior administrative staff of the Ambulance Service. The compliance committee shall be responsible for the implementation of and continued adherence to the Compliance Program in the Ambulance Service. It shall also periodically review the Compliance Policies and the Ambulance Service Compliance Program in order to ensure that its provisions and the implementation of the program remain current.

1.5 Delegation of Discretionary Authority

An integral part of implementing and/or maintaining compliance with applicable legal standards is reliance on the Ambulance service employees to familiarize themselves with these standards and to act accordingly.

Therefore, it is vital that the Ambulance Service take due care not to delegate substantial discretionary authority to individuals who may have a propensity to engage in illegal activity or fail to follow the concepts embodied in these policies and the compliance Program.

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1.6 MONITORING AND AUDITING SYSTEMS

In implementing its compliance program, the Ambulance Service shall utilize monitoring and auditing systems reasonable designed to detect criminal or improper conduct by its employees. In the case of billing activities, this shall include review of every part of the claims process from patient registration to submission of the claim to Medicare or Medicaid. In other areas, the compliance committee shall work with the relevant departments in developing monitoring and/or auditing systems to ensure continued compliance.

1.7 EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION

The Ambulance service shall ensure that all employees and all other persons who may affect compliance, directly or indirectly have reviewed these policies. Additionally, the Ambulance service, through the compliance committee, shall ensure that all such persons are properly educated on the laws affecting their particular job or activities at the Ambulance service. Such educational programs and participation in the educational process shall be carefully documented. Education and training techniques may include, to the extent necessary; presentations by internal and external experts, oral presentations, videos and testing.

PART II- SUBSTANTIVE COMPLIANCE CONCEPTS

2.1 BILLING AND CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT

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When claiming payment for Ambulance service the Ambulance service has an obligation to its patients, third party payors, and the state and federal governments to exercise diligence, care, and integrity. The right to bill the Medicare and Medicaid programs under the Ambulance service's provider number carries a responsibility that may not be abused. The ambulance service is committed to maintaining the accuracy of every claim it processes and submits. Many people, throughout the service have responsibility for entering charges and procedure codes. Each of these individuals is expected to monitor compliance with applicable billing rules. Any false, inaccurate, or questionable claims should be reported immediately to a supervisor or to the compliance officer.

False billing is a serious offense. Medicare and Medicaid rules prohibit knowingly and willfully making or causing to be made any false statement or representation of a material fact in an application for benefits or payment. It is also unlawful to conceal or fail to disclose the occurrence of an event affecting the right to payment with the intent to secure payment that is not due. Examples of false claims include claiming reimbursement for services that have not been rendered, duplicate claim, "upcoding" to more complex procedures than were actually performed, billing for services rendered in a manner they were not rendered in the manner claimed, inappropriate or inaccurate costs on Ambulance service cost reports, billing for services or items that are not medically necessary, failing to provide medically necessary services or items, and billing excessive charges.

Ambulance service employees and agents who prepare or submit claims should be alert for these and other errors. It is important to remember that

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outside consultants only advise the ambulance service. The final decision on billing questions rests with the ambulance service and the ambulance service remains ultimately responsible for all billing claims submitted. The ambulance service does not permit charging for any Medicaid service at a rate higher than that approved by the state or accepting any payment as a precondition of transporting a Medicaid patient.

The ambulance service carefully follows the Medicare rules on assignment and reassignment of billing rights. If there is any question whether the ambulance service may bill for a particular service the question should be directed to the compliance officer for review. Ambulance service employees should not submit claims for other entities or claims prepared by other entities, including outside consultants, without approval from the compliance officer. Special care should be taken in reviewing these claims, and ambulance service personnel should request documentation from outside entities if necessary to verify the accuracy of the claims.

A provider or supplier who violates the false claims rules is guilty of a felony, and may be subject to fines of up to \$25,000 per offense, imprisonment for up to five years, or both.

Other persons guilty of false claims may face fines of up to \$10,000 per offense, imprisonment for up to one year, or both. In addition to the criminal penalties, the federal false claims act permits substantial civil monetary penalties against any person who submits false claims. The act provides a penalty of triple damages as well as fines up to \$10,000 for each false claim submitted. The person (as well as the ambulance service) may be excluded

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from participating in the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Violations of the assignment and reassignment rules are misdemeanors carrying fines of up to \$2000 and imprisonment of up to six months, or both.

In addition to these federal penalties, state statutes and regulations also impose both civil and criminal penalties for fraudulent Medicaid billing. There is a wide range of prohibited conduct set forth in the Texas Department of Health rules as grounds for fraud referral and administrative sanctions. These include not only fraudulent billing activities, but also such activities as providing false information with respect to a patient's eligibility for coverage under the Medicaid program, failure to provide and maintain quality services to Medicaid recipients, and many other prohibited activities. Civil monetary penalties for violations of these regulations can be substantial, as each fraudulently billed item is considered a separate violation.

In addition to civil monetary penalties, criminal sanctions can be imposed on fraudulent activity within the Medicaid program. Violations of the illegal remuneration and patient referral act is a class A misdemeanor. If a person has previously been convicted of such an offense, a subsequent offense is a felony of the third degree. Additionally, general fraud provisions of the Texas Penal code may have application to alleged fraudulent billing under the Medicaid program. Finally, the Texas Penal Code contains a chapter relating specifically to fraudulent billing activities to health care insurance companies. An offense under that chapter ranges from a class C

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misdemeanor if the value of the claim is less than \$20 to a felony of the first degree if the value of the claim is \$200,000 or more.

Additionally, when separate fraudulent claims are communicated to a health insurance company, the conduct may be considered as one offense and the value of the claims aggregated in determine the classification of offense, thus rendering it a more serious offense.

Numerous other federal laws prohibit false statements or inadequate disclosure to the government and mandate exclusion from the Medicare and Medicaid programs. For instance, neither the Ambulance service nor its agents are permitted to make, or induce others to make, false statements in connection with the Ambulance's Medicare certification. Persons doing so are guilty of a felony and may be subject to fines of up to \$25,000 and imprisonment for up to five years. The ambulance service or individual health care providers will be excluded from the Medicare and Medicaid programs for a least five years if convicted of a Medicare or Medicaid-related crime or any crime relating to patient abuse. Medicare and Medicaid exclusion may result if the ambulance service or a provider is convicted of fraud, theft, embezzlement, or other financial misconduct in connection with any government -financed program.

The Ambulance service promotes full compliance with each of the relevant laws by maintaining a strict policy of integrity and accuracy in all its financial dealings. Each employee, including outside consultants, who is involved in submitting charges, preparing claims, billing, and documenting

services is expected to maintain the highest standards of personal, professional, and institutional responsibility.

2.2 RESPONSE TO INVESTIGATIONS

State and federal agencies have broad legal authority to investigate the Ambulance service and review its records. The Ambulance service will comply with subpoenas and cooperate with governmental investigations to the full extent required by law. The compliance officer is responsible for coordinating the ambulance service's response to investigations and the release of any information.

If an employee receives an investigative demand, subpoena, or search warrant involving the ambulance service, it should be brought immediately to the compliance officer. Do not release or copy any documents without authorization from the compliance officer. If an investigator, agent, or government auditor comes to the ambulance service, contact the compliance officer immediately. In the compliance officer's absence, contact the Administrator. Ask the investigator to wait until the compliance officer or his designee arrives before reviewing any documents or conducting any interviews. The compliance officer or his designee is responsible for assisting with any interviews.

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Employees are not permitted to alter, remove, or destroy documents or records of the ambulance service. This includes paper, tape, and computer records.

2.3 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

Employee's possess sensitive, privileged information about patients and their care. Patients properly expect that this information will be kept confidential. The ambulance service takes very seriously any violation of a patient's confidentiality. Discussing a patient's medical condition, or providing any information about a patient to anyone other than ambulance personnel who need the information and other authorized persons, will have serious consequences for an employee. Employees should not discuss patients outside the service or with their families, including the identity, history, diagnosis, prognosis, treatment, or any other information about the patient. Employees must take due care to not discuss confidential patient information in places where we can be overheard by others—such as corridors, elevators, the cafeteria, other restaurants, and on cellular phones.

The ambulance service is the owner of the medical record which documents patients condition and the services received by the patient at the ambulance service. Medical records are strictly confidential, which means that they may not be released except with the consent of the patient or in other limited circumstances. Special protections apply to mental health records, records of drug and alcohol abuse treatment, and records relating to HIV infection. Medical records should not be physically removed from the ambulance service, altered, or destroyed. Employees who have access to medical

records must preserve their confidentiality and integrity, and no employee is permitted access to the medical record of any patient without a legitimate, service-related reason for so doing. Any unauthorized release of or access to medical records should be reported to a supervisor. From time to time, personnel involved in the maintenance of ambulance medical records may be requested to provide copies of such records through various means, including requests directly from the patient, a family member, an attorney or by subpoena. Texas law has very strict requirements for the release of such information. Failure to adhere to these requirements or releasing such information in the absence of proper authorization or statutory exception could subject the ambulance and the individual employee to civil liability to the patient. Any employee who releases information from any record must familiarize themselves with the statutory requirements for release of information and the general confidentiality provisions under state law. Any questionable circumstance must be brought to the attention of the compliance officer for review and consultation with legal counsel.

The Texas Penal Code also contains provisions prohibiting the unauthorized access of computer systems, which is designed to punish and deter computer crime. In compliance with the law, the service prohibits unauthorized access to its computer system, either directly or by network or telephone. An individual who does not have a legitimate password will be held responsible to know that access is unauthorized. The hospital prohibits the destruction or corruption of electronically stored or processed data. Persons who violate these rules will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

2.4 DISCRIMINATION

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The ambulance and its affiliates are committed to a policy of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity for all qualified applicants and employees, without regard to race, color, sex, religion, age, national origin, ancestry, disability, veteran status or any other illegal criteria. Our policy of non-discrimination extends to the care of patients. Discrimination may also violate state and/or federal anti-discrimination laws and trigger substantial civil penalties. If an employee feels he or she or any patient has been discriminated against or harassed on the basis of his or her race, color, sex, or other protected category, he or she should contact the Administrator so that an investigation may be initiated.

2.5 WASTE DISPOSAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

An ambulance service produces waste of various types. The service is committed to safe and responsible disposal of biomedical waste. Compliance with applicable federal and state environmental regulations requires ongoing monitoring and care. The ambulance uses biohazard labels and biohazard containers for the disposal of infectious or physical dangerous medical or biological waste. Failure to properly dispose of this waste could result in significant penalties to the service.

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United States
Department of
Agriculture

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Forest
Service

National Forests and
Grasslands in Texas
SO

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Lufkin, Texas 75901
(936) 639-8501
TDD# (936) 639-8560

File Code: 6540

Date: May 2, 2001

Honorable Jack H. Leath
County Judge
P.O. Drawer 580
Hemphill, TX 75948

Dear Judge Leath:

Congressman Jim Turner hosted a meeting April 19 in Lufkin for East Texas area county officials and school superintendents to discuss Public Law 106-393, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000. Although several judges and school officials were present, I know some of you were unable to attend. For this reason, I am enclosing the outline for a Powerpoint presentation and a copy of the handout we provided to meeting attendees.

Since 1908, 25 percent of all funds received during any fiscal year from user fees and the sale of products from each National Forest have been returned to the county of origin to benefit public schools and roads. Under this new legislation, counties have an opportunity to choose the way they receive these National Forest funds. Counties may take the average of the high-three 25 percent payments they received between the years 1986 and 1999 in place of the 25 percent payment they would receive from Forest revenues from the most recent year. Because Forest revenues were much higher in the past, I expect that most counties will elect to go with the "full payment" (the law's term used to mean the average of the high-three). State treasurers are charged with the responsibility of allocating payments to counties, and the counties have certain responsibilities as well.

One of the requirements for counties that receive a full payment of over \$100,000 is that they reserve at least 15 percent and no more than 20 percent for forestry projects under Title II and/or Title III of the Act. The other 80 to 85 percent will go to the counties for traditional 25 percent uses (schools and roads). If counties do not go through the effort of proposing forestry projects, they will lose the opportunity to use the money locally, as it will automatically go back to the Treasury. This is new to all of us, but as I understand it, it is important that any Title III project tie in closely with the six uses listed under Title III projects on page 2 of the meeting handout (flow chart - "Payments-to-States: P.L. 106-393").

Title II of the Act allows counties to use the reserved full payment funds to pay for projects on the National Forests. Before National Forest projects can be conducted, the legislation requires the Forest Service to organize 15-member Resource Advisory Committees (RACs) that must agree to and recommend projects to the Secretary of Agriculture for approval. The RAC must be composed of five elected officials; five members representing environmental, dispersed



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recreation and archeological interests; and five members representing commercial timber industry, mineral developers and off-road vehicle users. In addition, projects on National Forest lands are subject to all substantive federal resource statues such as National Forest Management Act, National Environmental Policy Act, Endangered Species Act, and National Historical Preservation Act before they can be implemented.

There are two key decisions for you and your Commissioners Court to make. The first decision is whether your county will opt to receive the traditional 25 percent receipts or the full payment and appropriate reserve percentage. You will need to formally notify the Texas State Treasurer before September 30, 2001 of your decision. Although you don't have to notify the State Treasurer for almost five months, we do need to collectively act quickly if you believe your county will use any reserved monies from the full payment option to finance projects on National Forests in 2002. Please notify me by May 18, 2001 if you want to use those reserved monies on National Forest projects as I must nominate 36 individuals by May 31 from whom the Secretary of Agriculture will select the 15 primary and three alternate RAC members. If your county initially choses to use the reserved monies only on Title III (county) projects, no RAC is required.

I appreciate your understanding and patience as we learn how to implement this new legislation. I will work with you so that you can maximize the benefits of the stabilized payments to the constituents we both serve. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me, Betty Jones or Gay Ippolito at (936) 639-8505.

Sincerely,


RONNIE RAUM
Forest Supervisor

Enclosures

Cc: Rangers
State Treasurer
Don Tomczak, R-8
Jerry Huffman

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File

**Secure Rural Schools and Community
Self-Determination Act of 2000
(P.L. 106-393)**

Purposes:

1. Stabilize payments to counties for funding of schools and roads.
2. Invest in and create employment opportunities through projects that improve the maintenance of infrastructure, enhance forest ecosystems, and restore and improve land health and water quality.
3. Improve cooperative relationships.

Definitions:

- *25-percent payment* – Return of 25% of national forest revenues to State for distribution to counties to use for roads and schools.
- *Full payment amount* – The average of the three highest 25-percent payments made to the State between fiscal years 1986 and 1999.

Determination of Full Payment Amount (Sec. 101):

- The US Treasury has calculated the full payment amounts for each State. (Handout provided).
- The State Treasurer has until September 30, 2001 to designate full payment amounts for individual counties.

Payments to States for Use by Counties (Sec. 102):

The US Treasury will pay the States the sum of the amounts elected by each county for either:

- 25-percent payment, or
- Full payment amount.

Counties should notify the State Treasurer's Office of choice of payment. State Treasurer will aggregate all county responses and send them to USDA Forest Service, Washington Office, by September 30, 2001.

Duration of election:

- 25-percent payment – can change to full payment amount in 2 years.
- Full payment amount – must stay with full payment through 2006.

Source of payment funds:

- Forest Service revenues, fees, receipts.
- Any funds in the US Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Expenditure rules:

- *25% payment option* – expend as currently required by 25% payment act.
- *Full payment option, counties over \$100,000* – 80-85% on schools and roads and 15-20% on special projects (Title II, Title III or both).
- *Full payment option, counties under \$100,000* – Not subject to the 15-20% special project requirement, but may elect to do so.

Election of expenditure options:

- By September 30 of each year, counties must designate, through state Treasurer, funding amounts they wish to go to Title II, Title III projects or both.
- If county fails to make election by this date, then 15 percent of full payment amount is returned to US Treasury.

Distribution of Funds:

- Funds for Title II (Federal land projects) are held in US Treasury until expended.
- Funds for Title III (County Projects) are sent to county and held by county until expended.

County Projects – Title III:

Authorized uses:

- Search, Rescue, and Emergency Services (Fed. Land).
- Community Service Work Camps – costs incurred in running community service programs (Fed. Land).
- Easement Purchases– for access to Federal lands and/or conservation easements.
- Forest-Related After-School Educational Programs.
- Fire Prevention Awareness and Fire Planning.
- Urban & Community Forestry projects.

Title III Requirements:

- County shall provide 45-day public comment period on projects, beginning with posting a project description in the publications of public record.
- County shall send notice of projects to Resource Advisory Committee, if one exists.

Title III – Sources for Help on Project Ideas:

- State Forestry Agency
- Cooperative Extension Service
- RC&D Councils
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Forest Service

Special Projects on Federal Lands – Title II:

Authorized Uses:

- Projects that meet resource objectives on Federal land, or on non-Federal land if they enhance resources on Federal land.

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- 50-percent of funds must be used for:
 1. Road maintenance, decommissioning or obliteration; or
 2. Restoration of streams and watersheds.

Title II Requirements:

- Formal written proposals
- A 15-person Resource Advisory Committee, plus 3 replacement members
- Secretary of Agriculture approval
- Compliance with Federal rules (NEPA)
- Detailed monitoring
- Annual report

Title II - Resource Advisory Committees:

Purpose - to improve collaborative relationships and provide advice and recommendations to Forest Service relative to this Act.

Duties:

- Review proposed projects
- Propose projects
- Coordinate with agency officials
- Provide opportunities for public participation

Features:

- Members appointed by Secretary of Agriculture.
- Subject to Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972.
- Designated Federal Officer calls, arranges and adjourns meetings.
- Equal Opportunity practices used in appointments.
- Forest Service will lead recruitment effort.

Membership Information:

- Members appointed by Secretary of Agriculture.
- Members serve 3-year term.
- Chairperson elected among members.
- Members shall reside in state.
- Members will be recruited by May 25, 2001.

Make-up of Members (category 1):

5 persons and 1 replacement representing

- Organized labor
- Developed outdoor recreation, OHV users, or commercial recreation activities
- Energy and mineral development interests
- Commercial timber industry
- Grazing or other land use permittees, and

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Make-up of Members (category 2):

5 persons and 1 replacement representing

- National environmental organizations
- Regional or local environmental organizations
- Dispersed recreation activities
- Archeological or historical interests
- National or regional wild horse and burro interests, and

Make-up of Members (category 3):

5 persons and 1 replacement representing

- State elected officials or their designee
- County or local elected officials
- Indian tribes
- School officials or teachers
- The public at large.

Operation:

- Will meet as necessary to complete business.
- Will need a majority of members present to conduct business.
- Will require approval of majority in each of three RAC categories for project confirmation.
- Will report to the Secretary of Agriculture.
- Will be staff-supported by the Forest Service.

County Veto Right:

The Secretary of Agriculture will not approve a Title II project if the majority of the governing body of a county objects to the use of funds for that project.

P.L. 106-593, Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-determination Act.
(Amounts in \$1000's)

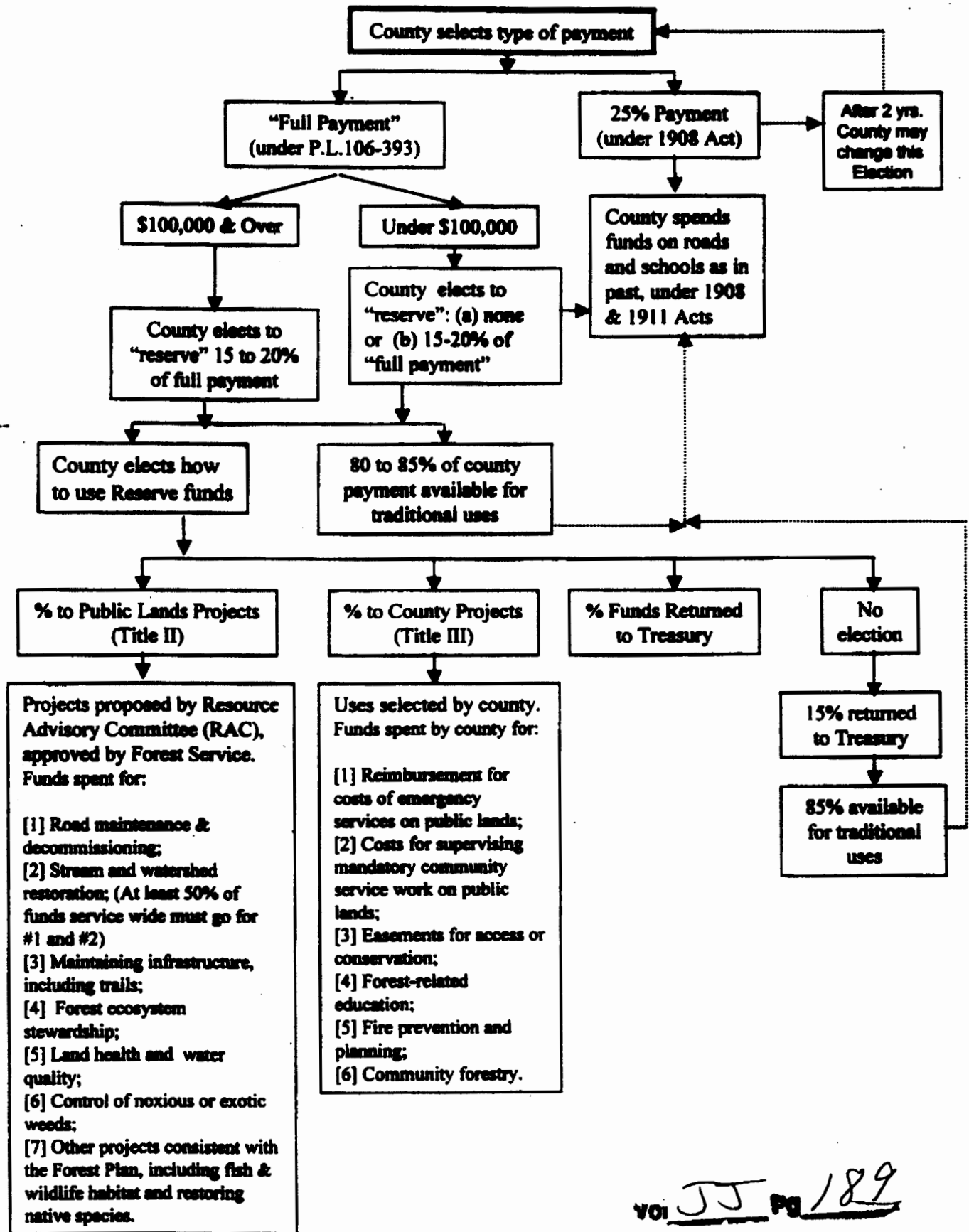
Texas Full payment amount: 4,570.4

County	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	1999	1996-1999	Percent	Percent	Ratio	
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Apples	214.2	378.8	149.8	89.9	169.9	189.9	186.8	312.9	395.6	171.6	179.8	386.8	395.3	87.7	180.6	67.7	100.6	207.2	267.2
Hudson	995.6	889.2	788.7	514.6	582.1	604.8	568.1	713.2	654.2	698.7	1,438.7	299.5	325.2	250.2	653.5	250.2	653.5	928.7	928.7
Jasper	86.6	231.1	66.7	29.3	14.4	34.5	67.8	74.8	78.5	61.8	64.7	67.3	121.9	24.7	67.7	24.7	67.7	92.9	92.9
Montgomery	165.8	181.1	58.1	89.3	89.5	339.2	157.6	288.9	228.4	183.8	279.4	181.3	160.5	204.8	181.3	204.8	181.3	231.8	231.8
Wortham	45.6	62.6	37.7	12.8	15.8	14.8	28.5	33.6	38.9	27.1	28.4	28.5	52.9	18.7	38.2	18.7	38.2	52.9	52.9
Sublim	7.4	6.0	8.5	6.0	8.0	18.8	17.9	18.4	9.4	7.0	5.0	7.1	44.9	18.7	38.2	18.7	38.2	44.9	44.9
San Augustine	434.8	618.2	445.1	362.9	482.6	566.6	964.4	557.8	584.4	375.4	267.4	341.2	2,485.5	18.9	11.6	18.9	11.6	18.9	18.9
San Saba	338.8	447.6	285.8	189.8	138.3	137.2	249.4	259.4	238.1	205.8	288.9	222.7	477.7	508.9	623.7	508.9	623.7	833.3	833.3
San Martin	282.9	188.8	21.8	118.8	112.4	174.3	197.5	142.5	288.8	211.1	255.8	238.3	178.4	168.9	237.8	168.9	237.8	337.8	337.8
Shelby	276.8	264.5	288.5	289.5	281.6	357.2	596.7	164.7	312.3	232.3	312.3	335.8	1,487.7	265.1	265.1	265.1	265.1	323.6	323.6
Trinity	722.5	788.1	588.4	369.2	417.5	290.3	361.9	587.4	649.8	495.6	1,433.4	316.3	59.4	188.2	188.2	188.2	188.2	289.9	289.9
Walton	165.8	115.8	66.1	101.5	181.8	158.8	178.3	328.6	256.3	285.7	318.2	268.7	160.2	238.8	185.8	238.8	185.8	244.6	244.6
Texas	3,681.5	3,753.3	2,785.2	2,015.5	2,391.6	2,391.7	3,513.8	3,495.1	3,599.2	2,803.4	4,137.3	2,244.5	5,620.6	2,388.1	1,326.1	2,388.1	1,326.1	4,570.4	4,570.4

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1 State Average Payment for the High Three Years of the Base Period (State Full Payment Amount)
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 3 Each County's Percent of State Payment over the Base Period
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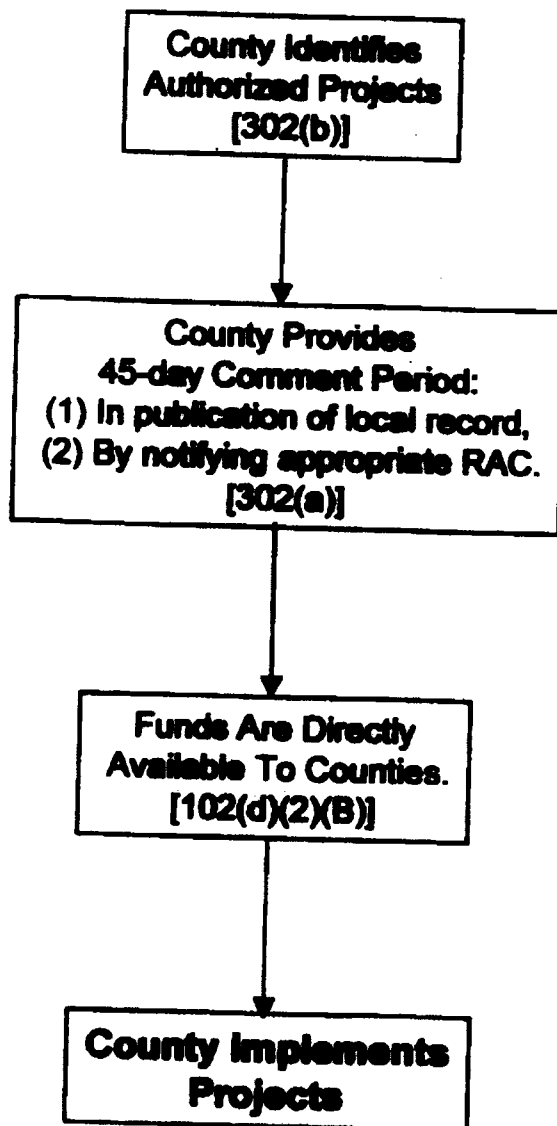
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Title III Projects

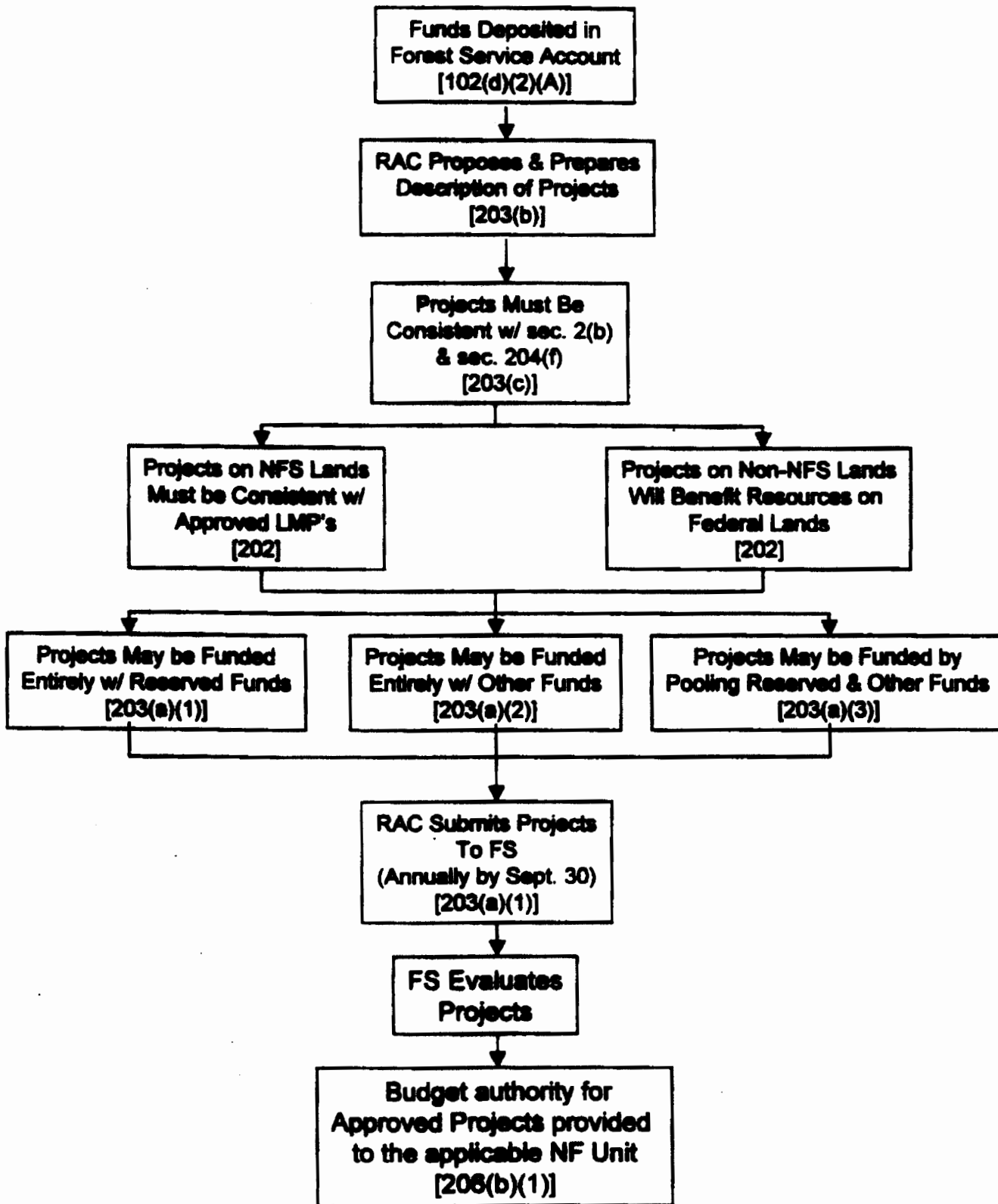
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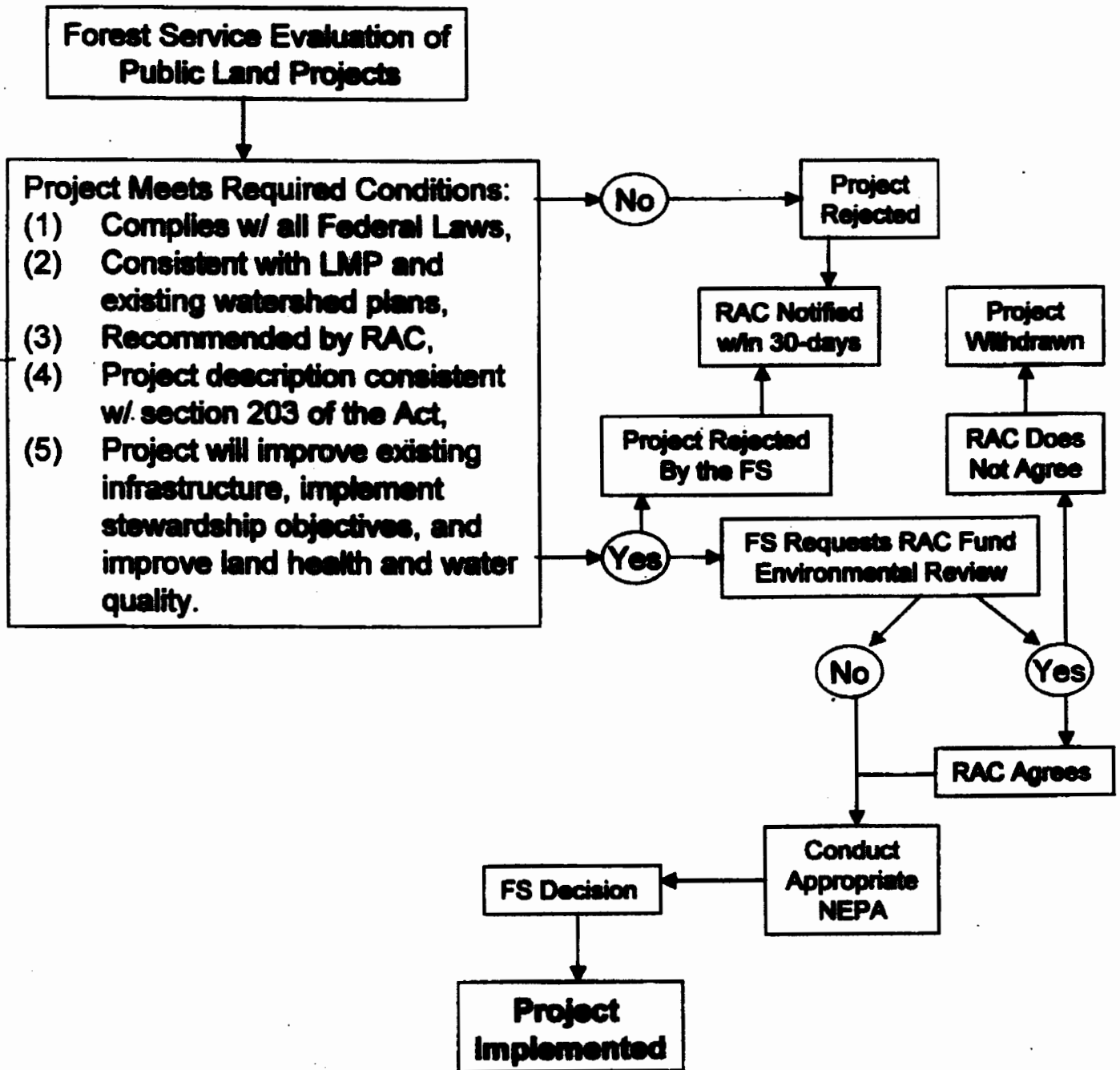
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Title II Project Evaluation

(P.L. 106-393)



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FEES COLLECTED IN MAY, 2001

JEFF COX, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT #1, PLACE #1	2,619.83
STEVE MILLER, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT #2, PLACE #1	6,150.82
TANYA WALKER, DISTRICT CLERK	4,666.25
JANICE MCDANIEL, COUNTY CLERK	9,217.06

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FINANCIAL REPORT
June 22, 2001

FUND	BALANCE 5/25/01	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	BALANCE 6/22/01
GENERAL	965,710.52	153,159.54	296,103.47	822,766.59
CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLANNING	20.00	10.00	2.00	28.00
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTRATIVE	1.00	0.00	0.10	0.90
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS CONTINUING EDUCATION	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
LAW ENFORCEMENT MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE	0.50	0.50	0.05	0.95
COMPENSATION TO VICTIMS OF CRIME	2,734.31	2,392.66	273.44	4,853.53
GENERAL REVENUE	0.00	2.50	0.00	2.50
ARREST FEES	798.96	700.81	0.00	1,499.77
JUDICIAL AND COURT PERSONNEL TRAINING	306.89	284.31	30.69	560.51
OPERATOR'S AND CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATION	0.00	5.00	0.00	5.00
BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RECORD MANAGEMENT FEE	17,457.00	410.00	0.00	17,867.00
COURTHOUSE SECURITY	15,506.73	854.47	0.00	16,361.20
LIBRARY	4,666.41	510.00	0.00	5,176.41
CONSOLIDATED COURT COST	3,092.23	2,797.48	309.23	5,580.48
FUGITIVE APPREHENSION	779.77	705.80	77.98	1,407.59
JUVENILE CRIME AND DELINQUENCY	28.76	45.30	3.88	70.18
CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES INDIGENT	146.00	139.00	7.30	277.70
TIME PAYMENT	217.98	192.52	217.98	192.52
BALANCE AS OF 06/22/01				876,651.83

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FINANCIAL REPORT
June 22, 2001

FUND	BALANCE 5/25/01	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	BALANCE 5/25/01
ROAD & BRIDGE #1	275,436.04	22,290.85	17,000.04	280,726.85
ROAD & BRIDGE #2	324,211.93	22,671.65	36,262.92	310,620.66
ROAD & BRIDGE #3	213,101.68	22,395.86	20,805.30	214,692.24
ROAD & BRIDGE #4	265,465.29	26,191.48	28,824.52	262,832.25
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL #1	1,978.00	0.00	44.94	1,933.06
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL #2	1,219.45	0.00	647.67	571.78
BALANCE AS OF 06/22/01				1,071,376.84

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FINANCIAL REPORT
June 22, 2001

FUND	BALANCE 5/25/01	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	BALANCE 5/25/01
DEBT SERVICE	7.91	0.03	0.00	7.94
RECORD RETENTIONS	22,545.43	1,730.78	0.00	24,276.21
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX	202,196.38	1,032.17	748.79	202,479.76
SABINE COUNTY WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SABINE COUNTY EMS	15,672.42	52,752.93	39,396.83	29,028.52
SABINE COUNTY FIRST TIME WATER SERVICE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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June 15, 2001

U.S. Forest Check	125,977.72
Schools	62,988.86
To be divided among commissioners	62,988.86

Road & Bridge Funds:

Road & Bridge #1	15,117.32
Road & Bridge #2	15,117.32
Road & Bridge #3	15,117.33
Road & Bridge #4	17,636.89
Total	62,988.86

Schools:

Hemphill Independent School District	43,611.40
West Sabine Independent School District	12,636.52
Brookeland Independent School District	5,283.56
Shelbyville Independent School District	1,457.38
Total	62,988.86

This represents mineral receipts from September 1999 thru August 2000 from the National Forest System lands.

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June 15, 2001

Total U.S. Forest check = 62,988.86

Total area county = 572.24 square miles

Hemphill area = 396.20 square miles

$$\text{Hemphill} = \frac{396.20}{572.24} \times \frac{62,988.86}{1} = \frac{24,956,186.33}{572.24} = 43,611.40$$

West Sabine area = 114.80 square miles

$$\text{West Sabine} = \frac{114.80}{572.24} \times \frac{62,988.86}{1} = \frac{7,231,121.13}{572.24} = 12,636.52$$

Brookeland area = 48.00 square miles

$$\text{Brookeland} = \frac{48.00}{572.24} \times \frac{62,988.86}{1} = \frac{3,023,465.28}{572.24} = 5,283.56$$

Shelbyville = 13.24 square miles

$$\text{Shelbyville} = \frac{13.24}{572.24} \times \frac{62,988.86}{1} = \frac{833,972.50}{572.24} = 1,457.38$$

This represents mineral receipts from September 1999 thru August 2000 from the National Forest System lands.

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TAMMY REEVES, RTA
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SABINE COUNTY TAX OFFICE MONTHLY REPORT OF
SABINE COUNTY COLLECTIONS
May 2001

	Monthly	Year-to-Date	Balance Due
2000 COLLECTIONS:			
County Tax Levy		\$1,193,058.98	117,228.77
Supplements	533.11	11,186.07	117,753.88
Adjustments	(620.21)	(13,642.90)	117,133.67
Early Pmt. Disc.		(18,404.01)	
Refund Pmt. Disc.	.90	15.54	117,134.57
Refunds	29.31	531.22	117,163.88
Current Del.	(16,516.06)	(82,260.03)	100,647.82
Collections		(989,837.05)	
Penalty & Interest	2,146.77	6,460.23	

15% Additional Penalty

Percentage of 2000 taxes collected: 91.55%

DELINQUENT COLLECTIONS:

Balance Due		\$209,287.30	179,703.63
Supplements	130.05	543.89	179,833.68
Adjustments	(221.77)	(2,962.65)	179,611.91
Del. Collections	(2,801.30)	(30,864.17)	176,810.61
Refund Disc.		15.89	
Refund P&I		(9.65)	
Refunds		554.43	
Penalty & Interest	1,962.81	12,326.43	
15% Additional Penalty	714.77	6,377.52	

Note: All year-to-date totals are cumulative from October 1, 2000. The beginning balance of delinquents is base tax only. It does not reflect the penalty & interest, therefore, the ending balance is base tax only.

I hereby certify with my official seal of office that the above figures are true and correct records of the delinquent adjustments made through the Sabine County Tax Office.

June 5, 2001



Tammy Reeves
 Sabine County Tax A/C

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SABINE COUNTY TAX OFFICE MONTHLY REPORT OF
SABINE COUNTY STATE COLLECTIONS
May 2001

	Monthly	Year-to-Date	Balance Due
Balance Due		\$ 467.29	468.85
Supplements	.94	.94	461.79
Adjustments		(2.44)	
Del. Collections	(6.76)	(10.76)	455.03
Penalty & Interest	17.44	27.53	
15% Additional Penalty	3.63	5.74	

Refunds

Note: All year-to-date totals are cumulative from October 1, 2000. The beginning balance of delinquents is base tax only. It does not reflect the penalty & interest, therefore, the ending balance is base tax only.

I hereby certify with my official seal of office that the above figures are true and correct records of collections and adjustments made through the Sabine County Tax Office.

June 5, 2001

County Tax A/C



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TAMMY REEVES, RTA
SABINE COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR

Monthly Report of Fees Collected by Tammy Reeves, Tax Assessor & Collector for Sabine County, Sabine County Hospital District, City of Pineland, Hemphill ISD and West Sabine ISD.

May 2001

COUNTY FEES:	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS TO COUNTY	DISBURSEMENTS TO OTHER AGENCY
AD VALOREM	18,662.83	18,633.52	29.31
DEL. AD VALOREM	2,808.06	2,808.06	-0-
AD VALOREM P & I	2,698.65	1,980.25	718.40
HOSPITAL	5,479.67	54.79	5,424.88
DEL. HOSPITAL	882.64	8.83	873.81
HOSPITAL P & I	949.05	7.00	941.95
HISD	50,893.79	508.94	50,384.85
DEL. HISD	6,847.90	68.48	6,779.42
HISD P & I	6,355.28	46.33	6,308.95
PINELAND CITY	701.68	-0-	701.68
DEL. PINELAND CITY	431.58	-0-	431.58
PINELAND CITY P & I	287.16	-0-	287.16
WEST SABINE ISD	6,421.29	-0-	6,421.29
DEL. WEST SABINE	1,447.00	-0-	1,447.00
WEST SABINE P & I	1,205.63	-0-	1,205.63
HEMPHILL CED	210.71	2.11	208.60
HEMPHILL CED P & I	307.84	2.40	305.44
WEST SABINE CED	-0-	-0-	-0-
WEST SABINE CED P & I	-0-	-0-	-0-
TAX CERTIFICATES	1,460.00	730.00	730.00
COPIES	-0-	-0-	-0-
NSF FEES	-0-	-0-	-0-
COUNTY ALCOHOL	64.00	64.00	-0-
COUNTY OTHER	280.16	-0-	212.33
BOAT & MOTOR REG.	3,190.00	319.00	2,871.00
COUNTY INTEREST	135.62	135.62	-0-
TOTALS:	111,720.54	25,369.33	86,283.28

DEALER TAXES:

SPECIAL DEALER INV.	68.54	-0-	-0-
DEALER INTEREST	1.94	-0-	-0-
TOTALS:	70.48	-0-	-0-

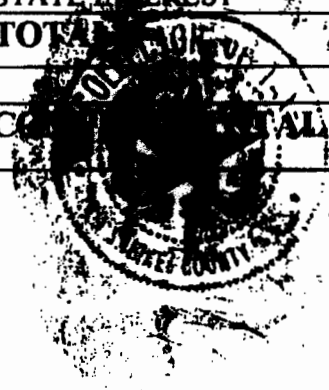
SALES TAX FEES:

BOAT & MTR. SALES TAX	4,313.51	215.68	4,097.83
MOTOR VEH. SALES TAX	24,884.41	-0-	24,884.41
TOTALS:	53,196.28	215.68	28,982.24

STATE FEES:

REGISTRATION	42,593.06	19,918.51	18,573.90
ROAD & BRIDGE	8,610.00	7,488.40	231.60
TITLE APPLICATIONS	1,521.00	585.00	936.00
YOUNG FARMERS	220.00	-0-	220.00
STATE ALCOHOL	202.00	-0-	-0-
STATE INTEREST	50.22	50.22	-0-
TOTALS:	29,197.92	28,042.13	19,961.50

COUNTY TOTAL	194,185.22	53,627.14	135,227.02
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East Texas Regional Water Planning Group
Region I
Meeting
June 5, 2001

Other Region Reports

Region H (Houston) is very close to getting their plan accepted

Region I status

The Region I report has been accepted by the TWDB. It was considered one of the best prepared and is the fourth to be accepted.

Standing Committee

The technical committee for Region I is to get involved with the ground water modeling activities. The ground water modeling of the aquifers is now progressing. The south and central Carrizo Wilcox study has been started. The northern portion of the study will be started soon. The gulf coast and upper gulf coast aquifer studies are also ongoing. The concept model for the Carrizo Wilcox will be completed by the end of June 2001. This will define what data is needed and what they will produce. The Carrizo Wilcox study is scheduled to be completed by 2004.

The plan for modeling the gulf coast aquifer will take maximum advantage of the information and modeling which has been conducted by the Houston Galveston area subsidence district. The existing model will be expanded to cover the entire aquifer. (South Sabine is the only water system in the county which uses this aquifer).

One of the limiting factors in the production of these models is that there are only a few consultants capable of performing the work.

Senate Bill 2 legislative update.

A synopsis of the Senate Bill 2 was presented and is attached. The wording to remove the Jr. Water rights was dropped. Emphasis in the bill which was placed on the River Authorities. An advisory council was established called the Texas Water Advisory Council. It consisted of State Agencies as well as representatives from the legislature and the public. Its purpose is to make recommendations.

The bill also requires that the TWDB modeling of the aquifers be completed by October 2004.

A requirement that water pipelines owned by water companies and other groups which can be used to convey water must be reported to the TWDB. At the present time the TWDB has no information on water pipelines.

The regional planning groups are to examine financing needed to implement their water management strategies and to identify how the local governmental agencies will pay for these projects as well as the role the state should have in the financing.

Ground Water districts are the preferred method of ground water management. The bill prohibits the establishment of a "shell" district.

The bill provides for penalties for violation of groundwater conservation district rules. The penalties are up to \$10,00 per day per violation.

As a part of the bill 16 ground water districts were ratified.

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The bill also creates a water infrastructure financing. This fund is for financing the projects identified by the regional planning groups. Some of this financing is targeted for rural and disadvantaged communities. (See Page 13 of the attachment).

Region I funding

The budget for the next phase of the Region I planning activity will start in October 2001. The anticipated budget is \$150K. As with the past funding of the study, counties will be requested to support the effort. A letter to the counties will be prepared and sent soon. The purpose of the letter is to inform the counties of the funding needs in time for inclusion in the county budgets. The state will be providing funding for the travel, overnight accommodations and publications which is included in the budget estimate. A one time allocation will be requested. The study period will be 5 years.

National Wildlife Foundation comments on Region I Plan

The NWF questioned the lake Eastex project. However they also complimented the plan in that it was one of two in the state which touched on Environmental needs.

Public Meeting

There will be public meetings held in Woodville and Jacksonville concerning the scope of the next planning cycle. The meetings will be held in Woodville July 11th and in Jacksonville on July 12. After the meetings the new scope of work will be prepared and is to be completed by August 8, 2001.

Interim Projects

The state has funded an interim project for the region to improve the data used for the planning process. Accordingly a request for information will be sent to the Water Supply Companies by mid June. Meetings with the companies will be held in July and a draft report is to be prepared by September. Sabine county is one of the counties which will be a part of this interim study. (In order for these studies to be effective and to ensure the availability of funding to accomplish the projects, good data is required).

As a result of the good working relationship and the quality of the plan prepared by the consultant, Schaumburg and Polk Inc. will receive a sole source RFP for the next planning cycle effort.

Respectfully Submitted,


W. F. Heugel

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Senate Bill 2
SENATOR J.E. "BUSTER" BROWN

Relating to the development and management of the water resources of the state, including the ratification of the creation of certain groundwater conservation districts; providing penalties.

ARTICLE 1. TEXAS WATER ADVISORY COUNCIL

Creates the 13 Member Texas Water Advisory Council
(New Article 9, Water Code)

- Council Members: TNRCC, TWDB, TPWD, TDA, GLO, 3 State Representatives, 2 Senators & 3 Public Members (1 each to represent groundwater management, surface water management, and the environmental community)
- The Water Advisory Council will provide focus and recommendations on state water issues, including but not limited to:
 - furtherance of key tenets of SB 2;
 - promoting flexibility and incentives for water desalination, brush control, regionalization of water projects, weather modification and public private partnerships relating to water projects;
 - encouraging the use of supplemental environmental projects for water infrastructure needs;
 - offering advice for development of prioritization criteria for TWDB to consider in funding of projects recommended in the State Water Plan
 - promoting adequate financing for surface water and groundwater projects;
 - ensuring commonality of technical data and information developed by participating state agencies in order to provide for seamless transition between water planning and water permitting;
 - encouraging the enhancement and coordination of state, interstate and international efforts to improve environmental quality and living conditions along Texas' borders;
- Water Advisory Council may not:
 - promulgate rules;
 - regulate water use, water quality, or any other aspect of water

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- resource management;
 - plan or construct water resource projects, or have such projects planned or constructed;
 - grant or loan any funds for the construction of water resource projects;
 - establish water resource management standards or otherwise usurp the authority of or infringe upon the duties, responsibilities, or powers of local, regional or state water management entities, including groundwater districts, river authorities and compacts, regional water planning groups, or member agencies of the Texas Water Advisory Council; or
 - consider or discuss any specific permit, project or recommendation for a project, until the permit for the project has been issued by the state and all motions for rehearing have been overruled.
- Water Advisory Council to Submit Report and Recommendations to the Legislature
 - Water Advisory Council will provide a forum for state-level analysis of river authorities:
 - On a five-year review cycle, each river authority will present its annual self-assessment report to the Advisory Council.
 - The authority will report to the Council its self assessment of its performance associated with the following:
 - How the authority is achieving its stated mission and goals, and identification of any barriers that exist in achieving such goals;
 - how the authority is providing service to its customers, including mechanisms the authority provides to encourage input from the public and its customers;
 - how the authority is addressing issues raised by its most recent management audit, if the audit is required by TNRCC rules, including its administrative policies; and
 - the authority's role in the regional water planning process.
 - The authority's report to the council shall include recommendations to the council, relating to:

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- any inter-regional issues the authority has identified as problematic and any potential solutions to those issues; and
- solutions to any barriers the authority determines is interfering with the successful implementation of the approved regional water plan or state water plan.
- The TNRCC shall expand the applicability of its rules (currently 30 TAC, Chapter 292) to include all 30 of the entities named in SB 2, rather than just the 20 entities currently identified in these rules.
- SB 2 provides definition for "conjunctive use" to mean the combined use of groundwater and surface water sources that optimizes the beneficial characteristics of each source of water. (Article 9, Water Code)

ARTICLE 2. SURFACE WATER AND GROUNDWATER CONJUNCTIVE MANAGEMENT; REGULATORY INCENTIVES

- Defines "river basin" as a river or coastal basin as designated by the TWDB, which does not include water originating in bays or arms of the Gulf of Mexico. This clarifies that movement of desalinated ocean or bay water, by definition, could not be considered an interbasin transfer. (§11.002, Water Code)
- Provides definitions of "agriculture," "agricultural uses" and "nursery grower." These definitions include the meanings of some terms now being deleted such as "irrigation," "stock raising" and "crop or livestock production," as well as of additional activities such as confined animal feeding operations, the cultivation of plants in containers, viticulture (wine making), and leaving land idle for certain purposes, including crop or livestock rotations. The definitions apply to wholesale nursery growers, and not to retail nursery and home and garden centers. (§11.002, Water Code)
- Includes "agricultural uses" (and strikes "irrigation") in the list of purposes for which water may be appropriated, and moves agricultural uses up to same category as industrial uses. (§11.023, Water Code)
- In list of preferences for the appropriation of water, SB 2 replaces

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"irrigation" with "agricultural uses," and moves "agricultural uses" up from being third on the list to being second, and equal to "industrial uses," on the list. (§11.024, Water Code)

- SB 2 makes no changes to existing law relating to the junior rights status of interbasin transfers.
- Clarifies that a permit exemption for domestic and livestock reservoir applies to the impoundment of 200 acre-feet on average in any 12-month period. Also, extends that exemption to 200 acre-foot impoundments for private fish and wildlife purposes. (§11.142, Water Code)
- Clarifies that the cancellation of a permit for inaction does not apply to a permit for construction of a reservoir designed for the storage of more than 50,000 acre-feet of water. (§11.146, Water Code)
- Clarifies TNRCC's responsibility, when considering permits within 200 miles of the coast, to consider bays and estuaries studies by the TPWD and other state agencies. (§11.147(b), Water Code)
- Expands exemptions from cancellation of water rights for nonuse to include water rights to meet long-term public water supply, electric generation needs, long-term water planning, or if the water right was obtained due to construction of a reservoir funded, in whole or in part, by the holder of the right. (§11.173, Water Code)
- Requires TWDB, in coordination with the regional water planning groups and the groundwater districts, to obtain or develop groundwater availability models for major and minor aquifers, and provide the models to groundwater conservation districts and regional water planning groups. Such modeling of major aquifers shall be completed no later than October 1, 2004. Makes the TWDB's currently voluntary water use survey mandatory, in order to increase its effectiveness in projecting future water use and to recognize outstanding water conservation efforts. Failure to return survey would make an entity ineligible for TWDB funding and/or TNRCC permitting. SB 2 allows survey responses to be exempt from open records requirements, if such an exemption is requested in writing by the survey respondent. Survey requirements to not apply to use of water supplied by windmills for domestic and livestock uses. (§16.012, Water Code)

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- Authorizes the TWDB, in preparing the state water plan, to provide a statewide perspective and policy analysis of all of the 16 regional water plans, in addition to incorporating the approved regional water plans. Requires TWDB guidance principles for the regional water planning groups to include provisions for the protection of agriculture and the natural resources of the state. Clarifies that a legislative designation of "a river or stream segment of unique ecological value" means only that a state agency or city may not finance reservoir construction in a stream segment so designated. (§16.051, Water Code)
- Currently in Texas, there is no reporting requirement for, and no central registry of information on the location of existing water pipelines. SB 2 requires the TWDB to, by rule, require holders of water rights permits, groundwater export permits, retail public water suppliers, wholesale water providers and irrigation districts to report to the TWDB information on certain water pipelines and other facilities that can be used for water conveyance. Requires regional plans to include this information on water conveyance facilities, including but not limited to currently used and abandoned oil, gas and water pipelines. Also requires regional plans to describe the impact of proposed water projects on water quality, and the impact of the plan on unique river and stream segments if the regional water planning group or the legislature determines that a site of unique ecological value exists. (§16.053, Water Code)
- SB 2 adds the following to the list of issues the TWDB must determine before approving a regional water plan:
 - plan includes water conservation practices and drought management measures;
 - plan is consistent with long-term protection of the state's water resources, agricultural resources, and natural resources. (§16.053, Water Code)
- Provides a process for conflict resolution between a groundwater conservation district management plan and the regional water plan. Also, requires regional water planning groups to examine the financing needed to implement their water management strategies and projects and to report to the TWDB by June 1, 2002, how local governments and political subdivisions propose to pay for these projects, and what role the state should have in such financing, with particular attention to the increased level of state participation. (§16.053, Water Code)

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- Requires local water planning efforts to consider the implementation of a desalination program, if practicable. Allows a groundwater district, or any other political subdivision to provide new information that a regional water planning group must consider for a possible amendment of the regional water plan. If the entity requesting a change is dissatisfied with the decision of the regional planning group, it can request the TWDB to review the decision and consider changing the state approved regional plan. Also, adds to Chapter 16, Water Code, language already found in Chapter 35, providing that groundwater districts are the state's preferred method of managing groundwater. (§16.054, Water Code)
- Transfers responsibility from the TNRCC to the TWDB for the designation of groundwater management areas (GMAs). Directs the TNRCC to complete any GMA designations that are, by 9/1/01, already underway within the TNRCC. Requires the TWDB to designate groundwater management areas for major and minor aquifers across the state by September 2003, and TNRCC to complete designations of priority groundwater management areas (PGMAs) by September 2005. (§§ 35.004 and 35.007, Water Code)
- Streamlines the process for creating groundwater districts in Priority Groundwater Management Areas (PGMAs), encourages new district boundaries to be based on designated Groundwater Management Areas and PGMAs and authorizes greater flexibility in district creation if standard Chapter 36 district is not appropriate. Requires the TNRCC to determine whether creation of a district is feasible as part of its considerations in designating a PGMA. (§§35.008, 35.009, 35.012, 35.013, 35.018 Water Code)
- Defines "river basin," "agriculture," "agricultural use," "conjunctive use" and "nursery grower" in Chapter 36, Water Code. (§36.001, Water Code)
- Provides that groundwater districts are the preferred method of groundwater management through rules developed, adopted and promulgated by a district in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 36. (§36.0015, Water Code)
- SB 2 provides a very streamlined process for groundwater conservation district creation, upon petition of landowners to the TNRCC. Ensures that this process will not be used to create shell districts, however, by requiring that districts created through this expedited process must have all of the

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powers and responsibilities of a standard Chapter 36 district. TNRCC may not certify a petition to create a district if it finds the proposed is not adequately funded or if the boundaries do not provide for effective management. (§36.015, Water Code)

- In response to the recent court case in West Texas, clarifies that groundwater districts may regulate spacing and production of wells based on tract size and distance from property lines. Also, expands the issues for which groundwater districts are authorized to make and enforce rules to include protection of groundwater quality. (South Plains LaMesa Railroad, Ltd. v. High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1) (§§36.002, 36.101, 36.116 Water Code)
- Provides that the penalties for violation of groundwater conservation district rules will be sufficient to ensure adherence to district rules. Penalties are set at up to \$10,000 per day per violation. (§36.102, Water Code)
- Removes the existing law requirement that future groundwater district plans must be consistent with the regional water plan in place at the time the groundwater district's plan is being developed. Directs the districts to develop their management plans using the districts' best available data, and to forward those plans to the regional water planning group for consideration in their planning process. (§36.1071, Water Code)
- Adds the following management goals that groundwater districts' management plans must address:
 - addressing drought conditions, and
 - addressing conservation. (§36.1071, Water Code)
- Provides a process for appeal of a groundwater district management plan if it is in conflict with the state water plan, and provides a process for resolution of such conflicts. (§36.1072, Water Code)
- SB 2 substantially increases the joint planning responsibilities of groundwater districts that share a management area.
 - Districts may jointly contract for studies or for projects, including aquifer recharge, brush control, desalination, weather modification, regionalization and treatment or conveyance facilities;
 - a district, with good cause, may petition for a TNRCC inquiry into a neighboring district if the other district refused to join in the joint

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planning process or if the depletion rate exceeds the rate of depletion projected in adopted regional plan or in the groundwater districts' management plan. (§36.108, Water Code)

- SB 2 includes the groundwater district permit exemption language agreed upon by the Consensus Groundwater Stakeholders group. Maintains districts' ability to exempt wells on a district-by-district basis, and allows for an export fee to be assessed on any water withdrawn from exempted wells, if that water is transported for use outside the district.
 - Amends exemptions provisions relating to existing permit exemptions for oil and gas production, mining operations and wells for less than 25,000 gallons per day if for domestic or livestock or poultry uses:
 - Oil and Gas production exemptions -- limits existing district permit exemptions to only water supply wells that are (1) on the drilling rig site; (2) supplying a rig that is currently drilling or exploring; and (3) the responsibility of the person holding the drilling permit.
 - Mining operations exemptions -- clarifies that existing mining exemptions still apply for water being produced for "mining purposes" and for any use of that water in addition to mining purposes; but district permit requirements would apply for any water produced in addition to the water withdrawn for mining purposes;
 - Exemptions for wells producing less than 25,000 gallons per day if for domestic or livestock or poultry uses -- limits this exemption to wells on tracts of land larger than 10 acres. This addresses the concern that a current exemption from district permit requirements is beginning to have unintended consequences. Historically, the types of wells targeted by this exemption were traditional livestock and rural domestic wells. Now, however, farms and ranches are being subdivided into ranchettes and housing developments. These wells, by definition being exempted as domestic wells, are now viewed by some as potentially posing a threat to the groundwater resources and to the remaining neighboring rural and agricultural users. (§36.117, Water Code)
- Clarifies authority of groundwater districts relating to the transfer of

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groundwater out of district:

- **district rules can require permit amendment in order to transfer groundwater**
- **districts can not regulate exporters more restrictively than in-district users**
- **application procedures and fee must be equal to and/or combined with fee and procedures for in-district application**
- **allows district to assess an export surcharge, using one of the following methods: (1) a fee negotiated between the district and the exporter; (2) a rate not to exceed the equivalent of the tax rate per \$100 valuation for each 1000 gallons transferred or 2.5 cents per 1000 gallons of water; or (3) for a fee-based district, a 50% export surcharge in addition to the district's production fee;**
- **prohibits denial of a well permit based on the intention to export**
- **provides that the term for the authorization to transfer water from a groundwater conservation district must be at least 30 years, unless otherwise negotiated by the parties. SB 2 clarifies that if other existing permitted users are subject to periodic reevaluation of amount of allowed production (such as a five-year permit renewal process) to accommodate changing conditions of the aquifer --- then a 30-year export permit term would also be subject to such a periodic reevaluation of permitted amount, if additional factors warrant.**
- **export permit renewal decision must be objective, scientifically based decision that applies the same standards to all wells in the district**
- **revenues from export fee can not be used to prohibit exports, but may be used for expenses relating to enforcement of the district's rules;**
- **export provisions apply only to transfer of water that is permitted after September 1, 1997;**
- **a district shall not adopt rules expressly prohibiting the export of groundwater.**

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- in applying these export provisions, a district must be fair, impartial, and nondiscriminatory. (§36.122, Water Code)
- SB 2 authorizes groundwater districts to assess production fees -- to be based on the amount of groundwater authorized to be withdrawn or on the amount actually withdrawn. Districts may assess production fees instead of, or in addition to, any taxes levied by the district. Production fees shall not exceed:
 - one dollar per acre foot per annum for agricultural use or
 - ten dollars per acre foot per annum for water used for any other purpose.
 - Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District, the Guadalupe County Underground Water Conservation District and the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District are limited to annual production fees of \$1 per acre foot per year for agricultural use and 17 cents per 1000 gallons for water used for other purposes.
- Certain districts are exempted from the production fee language
 - Edwards Aquifer Authority
 - Fort Bend Subsidence District
 - Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District
 - Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
 - Any property tax based district created before September 1, 1999, unless otherwise authorized by special law
- Any district may assess a production fee for any water produced from a well exempt from district permitting requirements, if that water is subsequently sold to another person. (§36.205, Water Code)
- District fees may not be used to purchase groundwater rights unless the purchased rights are acquired for conservation purposes and are permanently held in trust not to be produced. (§36.206, Water Code)
- SB 2 strengthens the TNRCC's enforcement mechanisms for failure of a groundwater district to participate to conduct joint planning to ensure compatible management of their underlying aquifer:
 - Authorizes the TNRCC to enforce the joint management if one of the districts fails to adopt rules or if the resource is not adequately protected due to a district's failure to enforce the rules.

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- Deletes language allowing the TNRCC to remove a district's taxing authority and replaces it with language allowing the TNRCC to request the attorney general to place a non-performing district into receivership.
- Provides for appointment of a receiver. (§§36.3011, 36.303 and 36.3035, Water Code)
- Provides that the Dallas County Utility Reclamation District is defined as a municipal corporation and political subdivision for the purposes of the electric deregulation bill (SB 7) enacted by the 76th Legislature. (§51.149, Water Code)
- Amends Utility Code to provide that a government-operated utility may not disclose information related to volume of use or billing information if such nondisclosure is requested by the user. This provision does not apply to a utility if the utility's primary source of water is a sole-source designated aquifer. (§182.052, Utilities Code)
- Amends enabling statute of the Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) to:
 - Add the new definitions for agriculture, agricultural uses and nursery grower to the enabling legislation of the Edwards Aquifer Authority;
 - cap fees for agricultural uses of water in the EAA at \$2.00 per acre foot;
 - authorize the EAA to contract for injection or artificial recharge only if provision is made to protect and maintain the quality of groundwater in the receiving portion of the aquifer and the water used is from the Edwards aquifer or the water is recharged through a natural recharge feature.
- Amends the enabling statute of the North Harris /county Water Authority to allow them to establish rates and classification of fee and rate payers and to authorize the board to exempt certain wells from fees.

ARTICLE 3. DISTRICT RATIFICATIONS AND CREATIONS

- Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District
- Crossroads Groundwater Conservation District
- Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District
- Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation District

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- Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District
- McMullen Groundwater Conservation District
- Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District
- Kimble County Groundwater Conservation District
- Red Sands Groundwater Conservation District
- Refugio Groundwater Conservation District
- Southeast Trinity Groundwater Conservation District
- Texana Groundwater Conservation District
- Tri-County Groundwater Conservation District
- Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District
- Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District
- Mid-East Texas Groundwater Conservation District

ARTICLE 4. WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING
 (New Subchapter O, Chapter 15, Water Code)

Creates the Water Infrastructure Fund, as a fund in the state treasury, to be administered by the TWDB, to provide funding for the implementation of water projects recommended through the state and regional water planning process.

- Fund consists of money from:
 - appropriations from the legislature;
 - any source of revenue the legislature may dedicate for deposit to the water infrastructure fund;
 - repayments of loans made from the water infrastructure fund;
 - interest earned on money credited to the fund and depository interest allocable to the water infrastructure fund held at the state treasury;
 - and
 - proceeds from the sale of any political subdivisions bonds or obligations held in the water infrastructure fund and not otherwise pledged.
- Outline of Water Infrastructure Fund Structure and Incentives:
 - Will make financial incentives available for all entities in order to facilitate the implementation of strategies recommended in the State Water Plan to meet need.
 - Fund will target critical gaps in existing financial assistance programs in Texas, including:
 - Current Funding Gap -- Rural and small community projects often cannot access financial assistance and/or cannot qualify

- for market rate lending.
- **SB 2 SOLUTION** -- All financial assistance will receive some level of subsidy, and small, rural or disadvantaged communities could be eligible for deep subsidies including low interest loan, zero interest loans, and loan forgiveness or grants.
- **Current Funding Gap** -- Current programs lack any financial assistance for activities between planning and construction.
- **SB 2 SOLUTION** -- Fund will provide bridge funding for preconstruction activities, with incentives such as deferred payments until construction begins.
- **Current Funding Gap** -- Lack of incentives for regionalization of water projects.
- **SB 2 SOLUTION** -- Fund will encourage regional projects to meet all area needs through direct financial incentives, including matching disparate timing of needs of the potential participants.
- **Public Private Partnerships** -- Funds may be provided to counties, municipalities, river authorities, and districts to provide incentives to public and private water systems and individuals for the conservation and development of water supply.
- Fund must accommodate a wide range of applicant categories and levels of sophistication, project size and complexity, and financial capacity and need.
- **Creates the Rural Water Assistance Fund (New Subchapter P, Chapter 15, Water Code)**
 - Creates the rural water assistance fund, to be administered by the TWDB.
 - Fund will provide financial assistance to smaller, rural water suppliers at lower cost that is currently available, and will ensure the public outreach and technical assistance critical for these smaller rural water systems to succeed.
 - Will specifically assist small systems in participating in regional water projects.
 - Defines "rural political subdivision" and allows such an entity to partner with the Texas Department of Agriculture or the Texas

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Department of Housing and Community Affairs to submit a joint application for financial assistance from the rural water assistance fund.

- Fund consists of appropriations, loan repayments and TWDB general obligation bond proceeds.
 - Will require only an initial "start-up" appropriation of \$6 million, which will be sufficient to administer loans during the first biennium and to "buy down" loan rates to 5% for all applicants for 30 year loans.
 - Fund will be operated in a manner that will provide for repayment of the state bonds, thereby requiring the only outlay of the state to be the general revenue appropriated initially.
 - Under existing TWDB policies, the initial \$6 million should provide over \$16 million in loans in the upcoming biennium, saving local citizens a projected \$357,850 annually for 30 years.
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- Defines "regionalization" in Section 15.001, Water Code.
 - Expands use of existing TWDB grant funding to include construction, acquisition, improvement or enlargement of projects involving desalination, brush control or weather modification. (§15.002, Water Code)
 - Expand use of existing TWDB loan funding to include brush control, weather modification, regionalization, desalination, and projects providing regional water quality enhancement services as defined by TWDB rule, including regional conveyance systems. (§15.102, Water Code)
 - Public Private Partnerships
 - Make political subdivisions eligible for loans under the TWDB's agricultural water conservation bond program.
 - Expand TWDB's agricultural water conservation bond program to include brush control and precipitation enhancement.
 - Provide financial incentives for public private partnerships involving nonpoint source pollution control and estuary management projects.
 - Expand property tax exemption for water conservation initiatives to include desalination projects or brush control projects.

ARTICLE 5. JOINT COMMITTEE ON WATER RESOURCES

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- The Committee shall conduct an interim study and make recommendations regarding:
 - increasing the efficient use of existing water resources;
 - developing sufficient long-term financing strategies;
 - improving existing water conveyance systems;
 - water marketing
 - determining the appropriate role of environmental and wildlife concerns in water permitting and water development; and
 - protection of the natural condition of beds and banks of the state-owned watercourses.

- Joint Committee has 6 Members
 - Chairs of the Senate and the House Committees on Natural Resources
 - 2 Senators appointed by the Lt. Governor
 - 2 Representatives appointed by the Speaker

- The Joint Committee may call and hold hearings, and shall:
 - meet at least annually with the TNRCC and the TWDB, and
 - consider information relating to
 - encouraging the effective development of water marketing and water movement;
 - prioritizing the use of state funds for financing the development and conservation of water resources, and
 - measures for encouraging donation of water rights, for protecting instream uses.

ARTICLE 6. RULEMAKING PROCEDURES FOR THE EDWARDS AQUIFER AUTHORITY (EAA)

- Provides that the EAA is no longer subject to the Administrative Procedures and Texas Register Act but is subject to open meetings and open records requirements. Sets out additional requirements for the EAA, including requirement for a contested case hearing on a permit application if a person with a related justiciable interest requests the hearing.

ARTICLE 7. LIMITED LIABILITY FOR AQUATIC

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HERBICIDE APPLICATION

- Defines "commercially licensed aquatic herbicide applicator," and caps liability at \$2 million for each occurrence of personal injury, property damage, or death resulting directly or indirectly from the application of aquatic herbicide in compliance with contracts, law, and the license terms or permit. Liability cap does not apply under certain, specified circumstances. (§26.050, Water Code)

ARTICLE 8. CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS (CAFOs)

- Defines "sole-source surface drinking water supply" and "protection zone," and requires a TNRCC permit for construction of a CAFO within a protection zone. (§26.0286, Water Code)

ARTICLE 9. REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC UTILITY

- Allows a city to request the TNRCC to revoke the certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) of a public utility if it finds that the utility has never provided, is no longer providing, or has failed to provide continuous and adequate service, or if the utility has been grossly or continuously mismanaged or grossly or continuously noncompliant with state law or TNRCC rules. If the CCN is revoked, the city must operate the utility and request TNRCC approval to acquire the utility at fair market value. (§13.2541, Water Code)

ARTICLE 10. WATER UTILITY SYSTEMS

- Amends multiple provisions in Chapter 13, Water Code, relating to requirements for water utilities regarding rate making, billing procedures, disclosure of related interests, regional consolidation of rates. (§§13.137, 13.144, 13.145, 13.182, 13.183, 13.187, and 13.343, Water Code)

ARTICLE 11. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- Provides that property subject to a permit or a plat in one city's extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) may not be subjected to new or additional

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water pollution regulations if the property is transferred to another city's ETJ. (§26.177, Water Code)

- Prohibits a local government, except for the Edwards Aquifer Authority, from adopting regulations or ordinances that impose standards for underground petroleum storage tanks, since there is a unified and statewide program for groundwater and surface water protection relating to underground storage tanks. (§26.359, Water Code)
- Prohibits the TNRCC from authorizing injection wells into or through the Edwards Aquifer. (§27.051, Water Code)
- Updates statute that provides a population bracket to exempt certain water wells from district regulation. (§36.121, Water Code)

ARTICLE 12. NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

- Modifies the enabling statute of the authority regarding the authority's contractual powers.

ARTICLE 13. REPORTS, REPEALER; TRANSITION; VALIDATION; EFFECTIVE DATE

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SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: WILLIAM A. SPEIGHTS

HOME ADDRESS: Rt. 1 Box 1826 B
HEMPHILL, TX 75948

HOME TELEPHONE: 409-787-2102

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: SELF EMPLOYED

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: _____

Do you represent any particular group or organization? No

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? _____

HEMPHILL/MILAM ROAD AS A PUBLIC ROAD

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)

FOR

Signature: William A. Speights

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NAME: JANIS P. SPEIGHTS

HOME ADDRESS: RT. 1 Box 1826B

HEMPHILL, Tx 75948

HOME TELEPHONE: 409-787-2102

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: —

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: —

Do you represent any particular group or organization? No

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Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? —

HEMPHILL/MILAM ROAD AS A PUBLIC ROAD

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

FOR

Signature: *Janis P. Speights*

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NAME: Tom W. Ince

HOME ADDRESS: RT. 5 Box 2090
Hemphill, TX 75948

HOME TELEPHONE: 409 787-3069

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: Hemphill T.S.D. Tax Office

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: 409 787-2777

Do you represent any particular group or organization? No

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

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HEMPHILL/MILAM ROAD AS A PUBLIC ROAD

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

FOR

Signature: Tom W. Ince

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Public Participation Form

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NAME: NORMAN BASS

HOME ADDRESS: HC 53-Box 3025
HEMPHILL, TX 75948

HOME TELEPHONE: 409-787-3845

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: _____

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: _____

Do you represent any particular group or organization? No

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

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HEMPHILL/MILAM ROAD AS A PUBLIC ROAD

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

FOR

Signature: Norman Bass

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SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: Thomas J. Hamilton

HOME ADDRESS: RT. 5 Box 6022

HOME TELEPHONE: (409) 787-2845

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: Retired

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: _____

Do you represent any particular group or organization? _____

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? _____

Hemphill / MILAM ROAD AS A PUBLIC ROAD

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

FOR

Signature: Thomas J. Hamilton

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PUBLIC NOTICE

A public hearing of the Sabine County Commissioners' Court has been called by Jack Leath, Judge, Sabine County, Texas to hear testimony for and against the affirmation of the "Old Hemphill/Milam Road" as a public road. The hearing is scheduled for June 25, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. All interested parties are requested to file a public participation form with the County Clerk before the scheduled hearing.

**Janice McDaniel
Sabine County Clerk of Court**

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De Bess Probert

June 8, 2001

Robert Earl Cumbalgham
Hempill, Texas

Re: Closed Road

Dear Mr. Cumbalgham:

I have been asked to review the legal implications of Sabine County Commissioners' Court attempting to create or open a county road across your property. As I understand it, at one time there was a road on your property, but that road has not been used by anyone for over 40 years and has been fenced and enclosed that entire time. I also understand that there is no record or other evidence that Sabine County ever acquired ownership to that road by condemnation, purchase, court judgment or formal recorded dedication, only that the public may have used the property as a road at one time.

The first observation I have is that there appears to be no legal authority under which Sabine County Commissioners' Court can obtain public use of the road except through its eminent domain authority. That is, the Commissioners' Court must condemn the road under the appropriate provisions of the Texas Transportation Code and pay damages to all affected property owners in accordance with the Texas Property Code. In this case all affected property owners will have all rights provided by law, including legal notice and an opportunity to contest in court any decision by the Sabine Commissioners' Court. The Commissioners' Court would also be responsible for building the road and maintaining it.

In my opinion, the reason that Sabine County cannot just "re-open" the road, as is indicated on the Notice of Meeting of Commissioners' Court of Sabine County Texas, is that there is no evidence it ever was a county road. I understand that some citizens may testify that he or she traveled the road as a child and that it was generally used by the public back then. However, in the best case for the county, that would simply denote the road as one dedicated to public use by the property owner at that time, or what is known as a "common law dedication." "Common law" dedication of roadways was abolished by the Texas Legislature in 1981. Therefore, this would be insufficient to establish a public right to your property.

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Additionally, even if it were a dedicated county road, as some citizen may so testify, it has long since been abandoned. Section 251.057 of the Texas Transportation Code provides that a county road is abandoned when its use has become so infrequent that one or more property owners have enclosed the road with a fence continuously for at least 20 years. That seems to be the case here.

If Sabine County Commissioners' Court desires to open a county road across your property, it certainly has that general authority. However, the Texas Transportation Code and Texas Property Code set out specific guidelines that must be followed in doing so. For example, for the county to establish a new road, it must receive an application signed by eight property owners in the precinct, and specific beginning and ending points of the proposed road must be set out in the application. And there are other ways in which the county may address this issue.

But, as I mentioned before, in any case where the county wants to establish any classification of new road, the affected property owners such as yourself have a right to legal notice (not just an agenda published at the courthouse) and an opportunity to oppose during this process. Ultimately, you may have the issues determined by a District Court.

This sets out my legal opinions based only on information I have gathered so far. As I learn more facts, my opinion may change. But in summary, I do not see how the county can open a road on your property without legal due process as set out in the law. If you decide you need to contest any action by the county, I can refer you to several qualified attorneys in your area that can represent you and protect your interests.

If you have any questions, or wish more information, please let me know.

Very Truly Yours,

Jack Eason Withers
Jack Eason Withers

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SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: Claris Collins

HOME ADDRESS: 1640 Phil
Vidor, Tx 77662

HOME TELEPHONE: 409 769 6420

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: Bridge City ISD

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: 409 735 1501

Do you represent any particular group or organization? no

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? _____

Public Hearing on Old Hemphill / Milan Road

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

Against

Signature: Claris Collins

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Opening this old road would be a total waste of money. The traffic load on Hwy 87 is not great enough to warrant another road parallel to + only 1/4 - 1 mi from it. There is no need for an evacuation route + it doesn't bypass town to relieve the "city" traffic. Who would benefit from this project?? Those of us who have property down there do not mind using the present road + Hwy 87. Sabine Co - the state could better use the money especially the courts - there are plenty of worse problems there.

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Collins

I can't imagine why anyone would have such
an agenda, as to ask for this outrageous, needless project.
Please vote against this project, & better use your
tax dollars — help your schools & your young people. They
are your future. Thanks
Clara Collins

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Lynn Smith Precinct
Doyle Dickerson Precinct
Gene Nethery Precinct

SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Public Participation Form

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NAME: JERRY Collins
HOME ADDRESS: 1640 Phil
Vidor, TX 77662
HOME TELEPHONE: 409-769-6420
PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: JERRY'S
EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: 409-745-1111

Do you represent any particular group or organization? NO

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? RE: Public
Hearing on old Hemphill / Milam Road

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

Against

Signature: [Signature]

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OVER
Letter

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J. Collins

Dear Sirs

I do not know what you expect to accomplish by doing this. Only to Satisfy one Property owner, as you will incur many expenses in Reference to this. You will build the Road to State guidelines as this was a State Road & not a County Road & as you well know you took without any of our permission, possession of the old County Road from Draton Spight to old Mable Bragg place - & your maintain is constantly having to Repair that Road also you should look & see how much unwanted assistance you have had to spend, because of your Arrogance. Look at the cost of Rock (that we never asked for) nor did you reimburse us for all the Rock we put on this Road - I believe you owe us. Fix the Road if you will but believe me you will maintain it



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Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: VAOA PAYNE

HOME ADDRESS: 710 Hwy 96 South
SILSBEE, TX, 77656

HOME TELEPHONE: 409-385-2599

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: VAOA'S TRAVEL TRAILERS

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: 409-385-4796

Do you represent any particular group or organization? No

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address?

RE = PUBLIC HEARING = Old Hemphill / Milan Road

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

AGAINST - -

Signature:

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6-12-01

To = SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

I Respectfully Request That The Old Hemphill, Milan Road Remain Closed. This Road Has Been Closed For Over 40 Yrs. As A Land Owner Who Owns Property Adjoining The Old Road, I feel That There is No Need For This Road. It Was Closed As There Was ~~Extra~~ Expense To Keep It Up. And There Was No Need As Hwy 87 is Very Near. You Can Actually See Hwy 87 From The Old Road I feel This Would Be An Extra Expense To The County With No Benefit. I Want It Left Closed. It Would Cost Several Thousands Of Dollars To Rebuild A Paved Culvert On A Bridge.

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PART OF THIS ROAD HAS LARGE
 DITCHES AND ONE CREEK CROSSING
 THE OLD ROAD. I CAN SEE NO
 BENEFIT TO ANYONE. THE ROAD RIGHT
 OF WAY WAS ABANDONED. AS FAR AS
 I AM CONCERNED THERE IS NO RIGHT
 OF WAY NOW. THE COUNTY ABANDONED
 IT COMPLETELY IN THE 1960'S. IF YOU
 DO OPEN IT THEN THERE WILL BE A
 LARGE EXPENSE TO KEEP IT UP.

THANKS FOR CONSIDERING MY
 FEELINGS ON THIS MATTER.

X Vada Yegre
 X Esther L Yegre



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Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: MARLA MCGEE

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 871

Hemphill, Tx 75948

HOME TELEPHONE: 409-787-2854

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: Big 4, Inc.

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: 409-787-2733

Do you represent any particular group or organization? NO

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? _____

"Hemphill/Milam Road" 6-25-01 9:00 a.m.

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

against

Signature: Marla McGee

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FAX (409) 787-20

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Sabine County Clerk
Attn: Janice McDaniel
P.O. Box 580
Hemphill, Texas 75948

Re: Public Hearing on old Hemphill/Milam Road

Dear Ms.McDaniel.

A public hearing is scheduled for the Sabine County Commissioners' Court to hear testimony for and against the affirmation of the old "Hemphill/Milam Road" as a public road on June 25, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. I do not approve for the court to make a public road from Hemphill to Milam through a number of landowners' property. The cost for the county would be completely unnecessary. This seems to be a personal problem between two landowners over access to individual property. I feel this should be worked out between private landowners and not involve county officials. I will be glad to help in any way possible. Please contact me for any further assistance needed.

Thank you,

Marla A. McGee 6/14/01

Marla A. McGee
P.O. Box 871
Hemphill, Tx 75948
(409) 787-2733 day
(409) 787-2854 evening

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March 26, 2001

To: Commissioners Court of Sabine County

From: William A. Speights

I request that the County reaffirm that the old Hemphill to Milam road as it passes adjacent to the property owned by Robert Earl Cunningham is indeed a County or Public road. This road is now known as Milam Street as it heads north from Hemphill starting on the north side of the Hemphill High School football stadium.

I also request that the County resume maintenance on approximately 400 feet of this road that passes adjacent to the Cunningham property.

William A. Speights

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June 25, 2001

1. My Father , Drayton Speights acquired a track of land in 1939 and the old Milam road passed through this land with the road being the legal access to this property. Our family owns the land underlying the road and has used the road on a regular and continuous basis for over 60 years. My grandfather lived on the property and used this road to get to and from Hemphill. Your packet has a map of Hemphill showing the location of "Old Milam Street" as it leaves Hemphill at the caution light and goes by the school and out past the city limits. There is also a copy of a 1949 Forest Service map showing the entire road with the road ending as it terminates into highway 87 North on the south side of Palo Gaucho creek.. There is a copy of the recorded field notes to our timber farm and it describes the road as being in its present location on the south side of our property as it passes adjacent to property owned by Robert Earl Cunningham. The notes identify a local road, course north, as it goes out the north side.

2. Around 1960, my Father sold three lots on the west side of the old Milam road and one lot on the east side of the old Milam road to Robert Earl Cunningham and one lot on the east side of the road to William J. Smith. In the late 1970's he sold another lot on the east side of the road to the parents of Robert Earl Cunningham and this lot was later deeded by them to their three grandchildren. Drayton Speights retained land ownership of the road itself and the land is still owned by our family. All of these people plus our family and many others used the public road.

3. The road was known as a public road and on a lot on the east side of the road Mr. Cunningham operated a transmission repair business serving the general public. The County maintained the road and the general public used the road. We continued to use the road for general access and to haul logs on since we operated a timber farm that the road passes through.

4. In 1939, the Rural Electric Cooperative built its first electric line to Hemphill and it was built along the old Milam road since it provided good access. Part of the line still exists along this road and Deep East Texas still maintains a right of way easement.

5. In November of 1995, this court held a hearing concerning the north portion of this road, which is about one mile in length and unanimously reaffirmed it as a "Public Road" and resumed County maintenance as a class C road. The minutes state that no record could be found that any part of the entire road had ever been abandoned. A copy of the minutes of that hearing is in your packet and is on record. The hearing did not consider the south portion which is about 2.2 miles in length from where it is currently maintained to the location of the caution light in Hemphill. The distance from the caution light to Mr. Cunningham's transmission shop is about 1.2 miles.

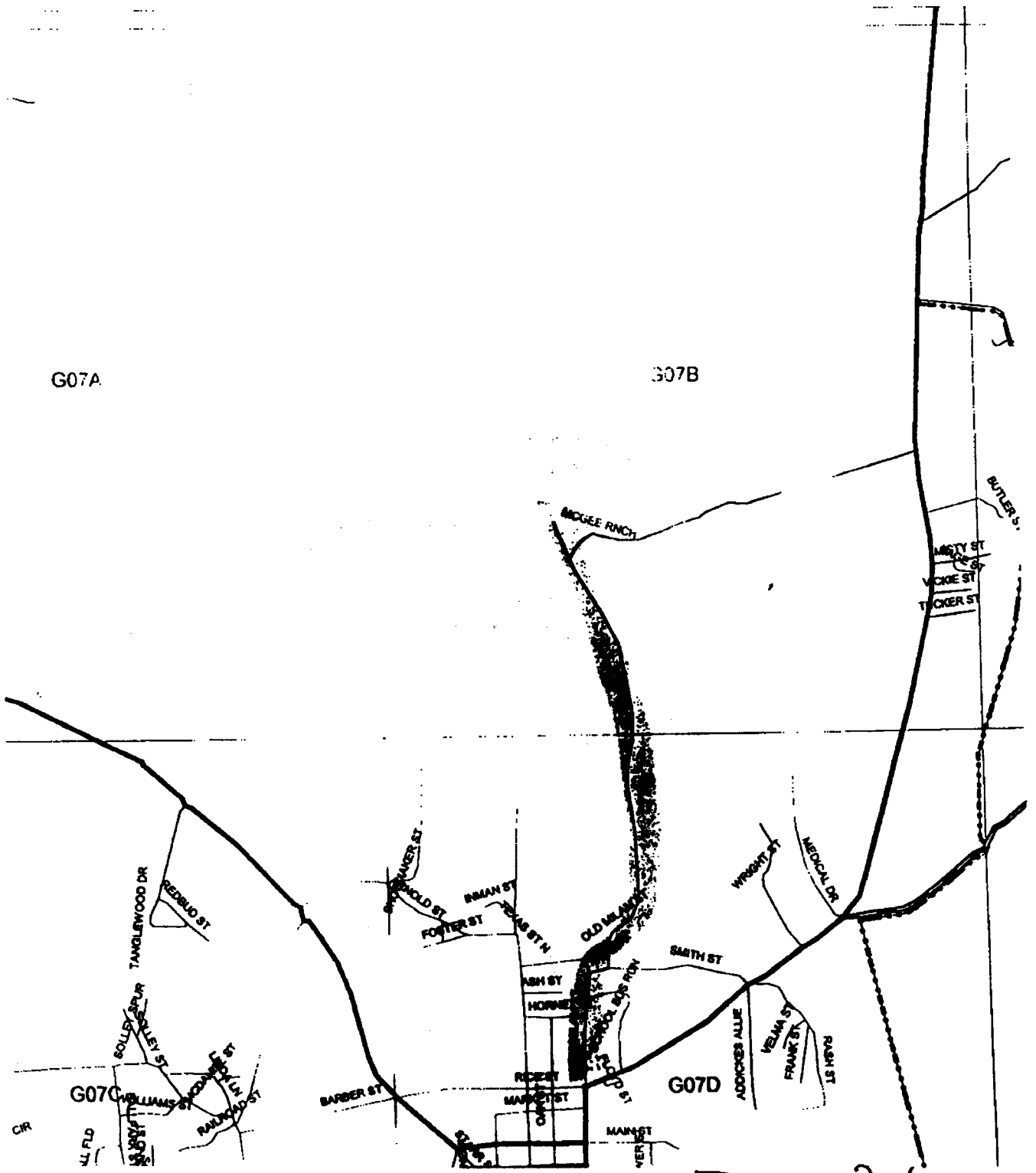
6. A copy of my original request for a hearing is in your packet and I am still asking the court to reaffirm the road a "Public Road" as it passes adjacent to the Cunningham land and to resume maintenance on that portion (about 400 feet). Mr. Cunningham has recently blocked the road. I request that he be ordered to remove all materials and items blocking the road that would prevent it from being maintained as a class C road. Thank you again. I have asked four people to comment on the public use of the road as it passes adjacent to property owned by Robert Earl Cunningham.

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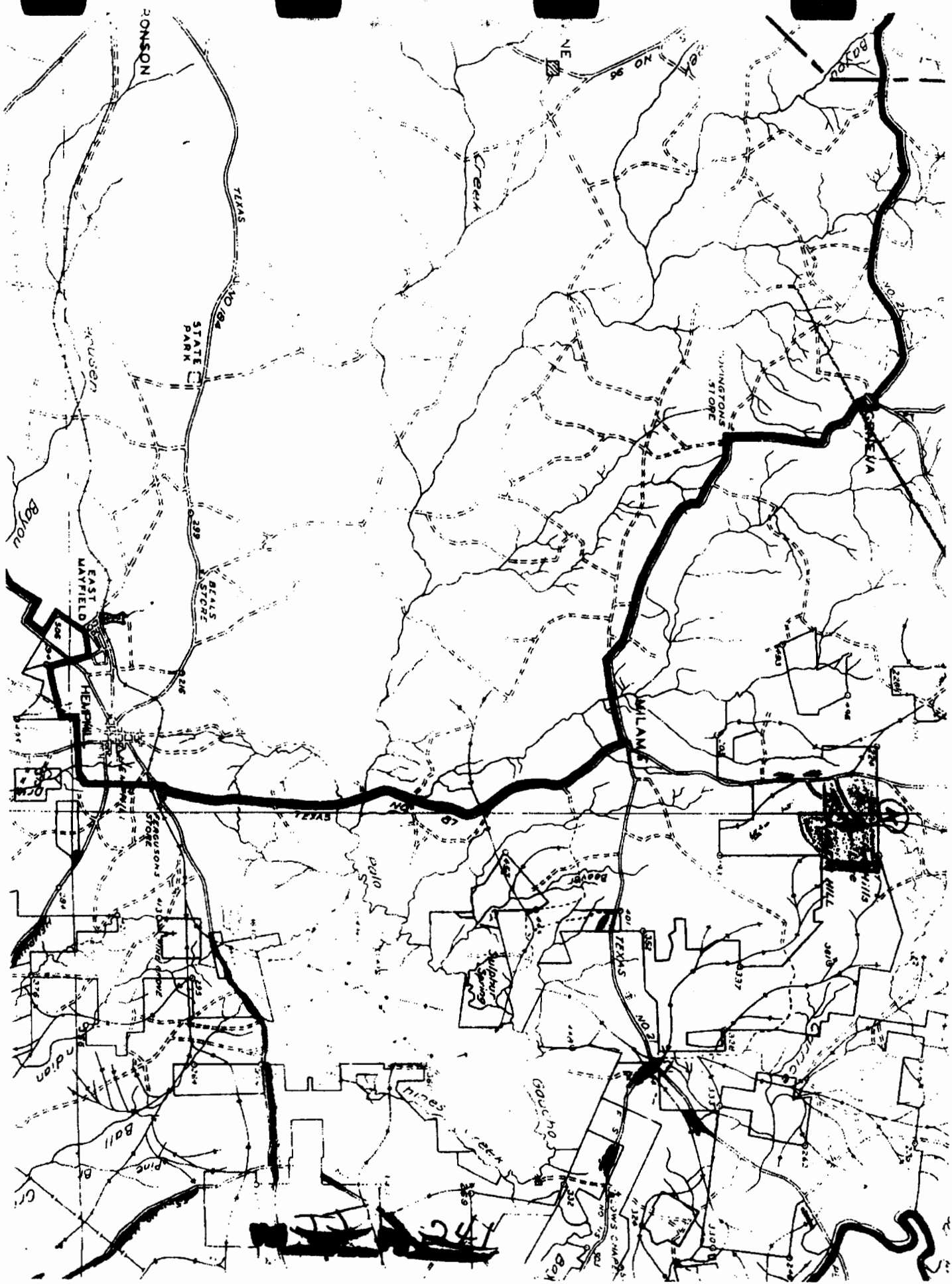


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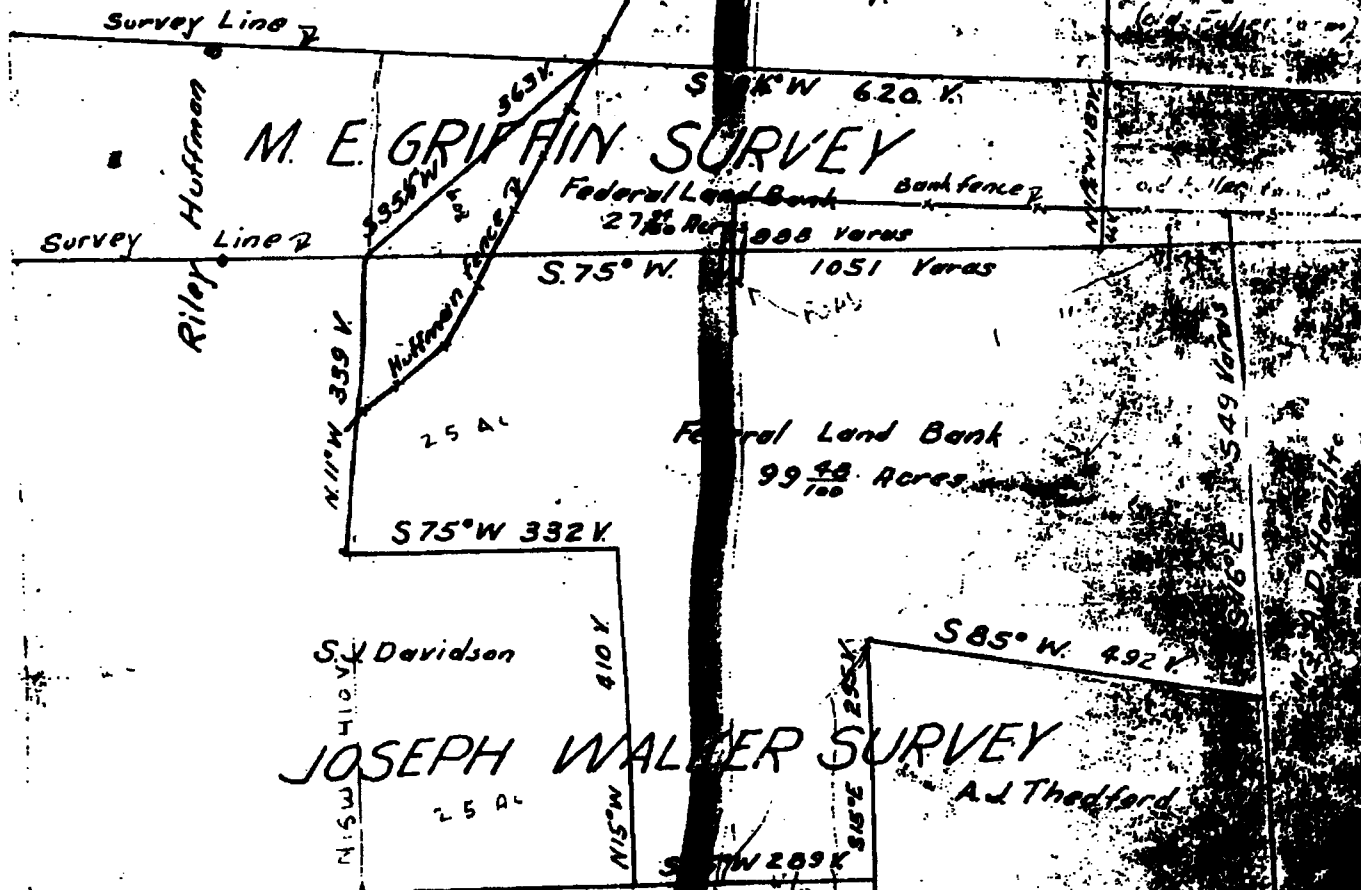


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JOHN S. LANE SURVEY

G.W. Diphink



M. E. GRIFFIN SURVEY

Federal Land Bank Bank fence

27 1/2 Acres 1000 Varas

S. 75° W. 1051 Varas

Federal Land Bank

99 48/100 Acres

S 75° W 332 Y

S. Davidson

JOSEPH WALKER SURVEY

A. J. Thedford

S 77° W 289 Y

E. P. Pudgett

Scale: 1" = 200 Varas

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Declination



... OF SABINE) Field notes of a survey of 127.42 acres of land, being 99.48 acres out of the Joseph Walker Survey, Abstract No. 57 and 27.94 acres out of the K. E. Griffin Survey, Abstract No. ... and being situated one and one-half miles north of Hemphill the County Site of said Sabine County ... Said survey being made for the Federal Land Bank of Houston, Texas.

TRACT

Beginning at the northwest corner of said 99.48 acre tract, in the north boundary line of the Joseph Walker Survey, same being the south boundary line of the K. E. Griffin Survey, said corner being situated inside of an enclosure owned by Riley Huffman, said point being also the southwest corner of the aforementioned 27.94 acre tract, set a pine knot stake for corner from which a Hickory 6" in dia brs N. 81 E. 2 vrs and a Sweet Gum 5" in dia brs S. 22 E. 9.4 vrs. ... distance N. 75 E. with the North boundary line of the Joseph Walker survey, same being the south boundary line of the K. E. Griffin Survey, at 151 vrs crossed Riley Huffman's fence, course N. 15 E. ... vrs crossed local road, course North, at 288 vrs passed the southeast corner of the said 27.94 tract, at 976 vrs crossed a large branch, course North, at 1051 vrs to the north east corner of ... tract, in the boundary line between the Joseph Walker and K. E. Griffin Surveys, a pine stump for ... from which a Pine 22" in dia brs N. 31 E. 7.5 vrs and a Pine 7" in dia brs S. 84 E. 5.5 vrs. ... being the northwest corner of Mrs A. D. Hamilton tract on said Walker Survey. ... distance S. 16 E. with the East boundary line of this tract, same being the west boundary line of said ... tract, at 549 vrs to a stake for corner, being the northeast corner of the A. J. Thedford ... in the west boundary line of said Hamilton tract, from which a Sweet Gum 7" in dia brs S. 11 E. ... and a Do. 4" in dia brs S. 58 W. 1.8 vrs. ... distance S. 85 W. with the north boundary line of said Thedford tract, same being one of the south ... of this tract, at 492 vrs to a stake for corner being the northwest corner of said Thedford ... and being also an interior southeast corner of this tract from which a Beech brs N. 37 E. 9 vrs ... Sweet Gum 5" in dia brs S. 14 W. 3 vrs. ... distance S. 15 E. with the west boundary line of said Thedford tract same being one of the east bo ... lines of this tract, at 15 vrs crossed a small branch, course west, at 295 vrs to a stake for ... of said Thedford line, same being the Northeast corner of a tract of land owned by E. P. ... and being also the most southerly southeast corner of this tract, from which a Pec Oak brs ... vrs and a Pine brs N. 62 W. 6 vrs. ... distance S. 75 W. with the north boundary line of said Padgett tract same being the most south ... boundary line of this tract, at 99 vrs crossed a large branch, course north, at 214 vrs ... small branch course northeast, [redacted] at 289 vrs to a stake ... being the southeast corner of a 25 acre tract owned by S. J. Davidson, being also the most ... southwest corner of this tract, from which a Beech 13" in dia brs N. 57 E. 4.3 vrs and a Do. ... brs S. 56 W. 3 vrs. ... distance S. 15 W. with the east boundary line of said Davidson tract, same being one of the west ... lines of this tract, at 419 vrs to a stake for corner from which a Post Oak brs South 1/10 ... the northeast corner of ... being an interior southwest corner of this

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a public road and appears to him that it would have to be considered the same.

Judge Hyden moved that in accordance with the statutes of this state particularly those of the road and bridge act of Texas, that the Court reaffirm: The road d [REDACTED]

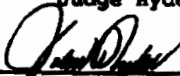

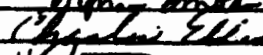



[REDACTED] be so [REDACTED] court. Commissioner Will Smith seconded. [REDACTED] Motion carried. This to the SW corner of Ms. DuVal's property. Where the road continues in a Northerly direction, that is a private road and is not considered part of this one.

Commissioner Clark moved that Arvin Easley be allowed to put up a gate and or cattleguard on the public road if it is necessary but not to be locked.

Judge Hyden amended the motion by adding; that only one cattleguard/gate is authorized by this Court and it is to be located at a point where the Speights road crosses the West line of Mr. Arvin Easley's property. Commissioner Ellison seconded. All voted for the amendment. Amendment carries. All voted for the motion as amended. Motion carries.

The DuVal's stated that they plan to repair and maintain their fence and the Easley's and the Collins will maintain their fence.

Judge Hyden stated that Court is adjourned.

	COUNTY JUDGE
	COMMISSIONER PCT. #1
	COMMISSIONER PCT. #2
	COMMISSIONER PCT. #3
	COMMISSIONER PCT. #4
	COUNTY CLERK

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Smith regarding various transactions that occurred over time that would relate to this road.

Exhibit #7-Preliminary Survey of Virginia May DuVal's 34.75 acre tract out of the John S. Lane survey A-29.

Exhibit #8-Copy of page of notes titled "Helpful Notes" prepared and written by Verleen Smith.

Judge Hyden stated that at no point has there been testimony or is it a matter of record that the County owns and holds title to that property. That case, it is a public road not a County road. Those that own property on either side of the road would own property to the middle of the road. The Commissioners' Court could reaffirm the existence of that road. In that situation, the Court would not even have to consider section 2.006 of the Road and Bridge Act, which refers to the neighborhood road act. The County can abandon the road or any portion of it. If it is a public road, anyone has a right to travel that road and they can't be restricted.

Court recessed at 2:50 p.m.

Court reconvened at 3:03 p.m.

Judge Hyden ask Commissioner Keith Clark if he remembered being on the road when he worked for the former Commissioner, Rob Smith and his reply was yes. Twice to his knowledge but he doesn't remember to what point he graded the road.

The Court told the parties present and participating in this Court proceeding that they are very appreciative of their respective and conciliatory mannerism in these proceedings.

Judge Hyden stated that in the testimony given, that the road in question, otherwise known as the Speights road, has existed for at least 60 years. There appears at some point that the Commissioners' Court, although it can not be documented and has not been found in the records, that a portion of that has been abandoned. That portion which would lie from Ms. DuVal's SW corner to Hemphill was abandoned. The Court leaves it open for further study and review as to whether that was done officially and properly.

with that portion of the road, it comes every clear to him that the road has existed for a long, long period of time. At least 50 years. That being the case, it has been acquired through prescriptive rights. That it did in fact serve a public purpose and would to this day serve a public purpose. That portion of the road from Ms. DuVal's SW corner to highway 87, there has been no testimony to the point that would established that fact that it has been fenced for a continuous period of 20 or more years nor has there been a gate across the road which locked it for a period of 20 or more years. Nor has the Court taken official action to abandon the road. Lacking one of those three, it continues to be

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sister mow the grass and other work on the farm. She remembers that there was a gate or cable across this road at the same location as the cattle guard. This has been for at least 19 or 20 years. The gate was locked at times, but not all the time. The road past Mr. Drayton Speights place was not County maintained. It was maintained by Mann Williams for her father or by her father himself. She believes that her father and Mr. Lonnie Smith had an agreement allowing them to go up and down the road. But when the road was closed on this end, it was closed on the other end as well. When she got the deed to her property, she had to have ingress and egress.

The Court recognizes Arvin Easley.

Arvin Easley, Rt. 1 Box 1823, Hemphill, Tx..

Mr. Easley said that he does not wish to step on anyone's toes or cause any problems. He thinks that these people should have access to their property but not the general public to have access. The postal service will not put him a mailbox in front of his home because the property is private. He stated that he is willing to give Ms. DuVal ingress and egress and they will be reliable for their family and the ones giving the ingress and egress would be reliable for their family.

Ms. DuVal ask that Mr. Carl O. Birdwell, registered public surveyor, be called.

The Court recognizes Mr. Birdwell.

Carl O. Birdwell, Rt. 1 Box 564, San Augustine, Tx., registered surveyor for about 12 years, registration #4343.

Mr. Birdwell stated that he has done a preliminary survey of property belonging to Virginia May DuVal, 34.75 acre tract, out of the John S. Lane survey abstract #29. In doing research for this survey, the deeds from way back refer to the road that leads from Hemphill to the D. B. Speights place. Mr. Burl Youngblood did the survey for the Collins and he called it to be an old public road.

The following items were accepted for exhibits: See attached copies.

Exhibit #1-Copy of letter dated 9-27-1988 on Louisiana Pacific Corporation Letterhead and signed by Nelson Pate.

Exhibit #2-Copy of warranty deed with vendors lien executed and filed on 11-23-1963 and recorded on 11-30-1963 from C. A. Bragg and wife, Mable to Lonnie L. Smith and wife, Verleen.

Exhibit #3-Copy of title policy to the same portion of property issued to Lonnie L. Smith and wife, Verleen, dated 11-30-1963 and signed by J. H. Minton.

Exhibit #4-Copy of offer to Sale to Toledo Bend Dam and Reservoir Project and identified as tract #2146-portion of a 33 acre tract of land out of the John S. Lane survey.

Exhibit #5-Copy of release of Vendors Lien dated 3-26-1966 from C. A. Bragg and wife, Mable to Lonnie L. Smith and wife, Verleen.

Exhibit #6-Copy of a letter to Mr. Clark from and signed by Verleen

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The Court recognizes Mr. Roy N. Wood.

Roy N. Wood, Rt. 4 Box 149A, Beaumont, Tx. 77705, first cousin to Ms. DuVal. He stated that to his knowledge the road has been open since around 1930. He has traveled the road at different times over the years. There has been a cattle guard on it and a gate, but the gate was not locked. The road was closed south of the property in concern years ago. There was traffic on the roads when they would be visiting with Ms. Bragg.

The Court recognizes Mr. Walter DuVal.

Walter DuVal, 1417 Reveille Dr., Ponca City, Ok., husband of Ms. DuVal. He recalls visiting with his wife's aunt, Ms. Mable Bragg and doesn't recall any obstruction on the road.

The Court recognizes Judge Thomas Hamilton.

Thomas Hamilton, P. O. Box 1648, Hemphill, Tx. 75948. He stated that he is 69 years old and was raised on the north edge of Hemphill. He recalls that back in the wagon days there was a lot of wagons turned off by the Speights and came through by the old depot. Also about 8 years ago, he had occasion to be on the road and there was evidence that the Commissioner at that time, Rob Smith, had bladed at least part of the road. There was a gate located approximately 50 yards past Mr. Speights house. There was not a lock on the gate and the road had been maintained past the gate.

The Court recognizes Homer Day, Jr..

Homer Day, Jr., P. O. Box 643, Port Arthur, Tx.. He stated that he was a friend of Ms. DuVal's father and he would come up with him to his property occasionally which is the property in concern. This was around 1973 until about 1979. He doesn't recall a gate on the road and he thought it was a public road.

Court recognizes Donnie Vrooman.

Donald Thomas Vrooman, P. O. Box 1740, Hemphill, Tx.. Mr. Vrooman stated that he is neither for or against. He is for giving them a right-of-way to their property. He stated that Mr. Arron Collins maintained the road and that he never thought the road was a public or County road past Mr. Speights old home place.

Court recognizes Ms. Verleen Smith.

Verleen Smith, 218 N. 3rd. St., Nederland, Tx., Mother of Ms. DuVal. She stated that she has traveled the road since 1930. She has an owners title policy to the her property issued by Minton and Payne Abstract Company that she received when the property was purchased. There is no mention of any restrictions on the road stated on the owners title policy.

The Court recognizes Kay Vrooman.

Jennifer Kay Collin Vrooman, P. O. Box 1740, Hemphill, Tx.. Ms. Vrooman stated that she has lived at her present location, which is on the road in question, for 3 years. But, she has been back and forth on the road all her life. Ms. Vrooman stated that since she was 15 years old, she and her step brother and step

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has paid taxes on it. They plan to build a home on this land and have not had any trouble in years past getting to the property.

Judge Hyden recognized Mr. Easley at this time.

Mr. Arvin Easley stated that the only reason that he does not want the road to be public is concerning the people that will be going in and out that doesn't belong down there. He said that he had told Ms. DuVal's Mother that she could come across that land, that he offered her a way in and she can still have it. She can come across it any time she gets ready. Close the gates to be sure the cows do not get out. Twenty years from now her grandchildren can come across it, but it will be up to them to renew whatever is agreed on. She would not accept that. As far as it being open to the public, he does not think everybody should be allowed to just drive around and shoot cows. He has just had 3 cows shot. Whatever the Court does will be fine with him.

Ms. DuVal ask Judge Hyden to call those who are speaking on behalf of the petition.

The Court recognizes William A. (Billy) Speights.

Mr. Speights, Rt. 1 Box 1826B, Hemphill, Tx., is speaking for the road to be open. He has always thought of the road as a County road up until the last couple of years. People tended to come and go freely. When he was growing up, the school bus went up and down the road. He has never been notified by the County that the road will be closed by the County. There has been a stop-gap placed on the road to keep cattle in. He personally knows that the road has been open and used by the public for 59 years and the road is to his knowledge in the same place as it has always been. In speaking with his father, Drayton Speights, he told him that there was an Ollifant petition back in the 30's that closed the road south of the property in concern today. To his knowledge, there was never a locked gate or fence across the road for a period of 20 years. He thinks that it is only fair that everyone have access to the road.

The Court recognizes Nancy Childers.

Nancy Smith Childers, 218 N. Bird St., Nederland, Tx. 77627. Ms. Childers is a sister to Ms. DuVal. Their aunt, Mrs. Mable Bragg, owned the property before she sold it to their parents. She has been traveling the road all of her life and she does not ever recall a gate or fence across the road. She feels it would be unfair to close the road.

Judge Hyden told the Court and public present that this petition has been filed under 2 sections of the road and bridge act. Section 2.006 and section 2.003. Section 2.003 concerns determine if the road was ever used as a public road. If so, then it is still a public road unless the Commissioners' Court abandon the road by official action or a fence or locked gate has been across the road for a period of at least 20 years. He ask that each one giving testimony concern themselves with this.

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November 30, 1995, the Sabine County Commissioners' Court met in a special called meeting. The following members were present:

John L. Hyden	County Judge
Keith Clark	Commissioner Pct. #1
Lynn Smith	Commissioner Pct. #2
Charles Ellison	Commissioner Pct. #3
Will Smith, Sr.	Commissioner Pct. #4
Janice McDaniel	County Clerk

Judge Hyden called the meeting to order and stated that notice has been duly posted.

Judge Thomas Hamilton led the Court in prayer.

Agenda item #1-Speights Road

Judge Hyden stated that the Court has been served with a petition requesting a hearing on this matter. An order setting hearing has been filed with the Clerk. Notice has been given in proper form according to the statutes. All adjacent and adjoining land owners were notified or an attempt by certified mail has been made. The following people were notified by certified mail by the Clerk:

Kay Collins Vrooman; Lillian (Bee) Collins; Debra Collins Lane;
Vera Collins Payne; Jean Collins Easley; D. B. Speights;
Billy Speights; Ms. Verleen Smith; Jerry Aaron Collins
The letter to Jerry Aaron Collins, 1640 Phil, Vidor, Tx. 77662, was returned by the Post Office as return to sender.

The following people have turned in a public participation form to the Clerk: See attached copies.

FOR	AGAINST
William A. (Billy) Speights	Arvin Eugene Easley
Nancy Childers	Donny Vrooman
Roy N. Wood	
Walter J. DuVal	Neutral
Thomas J. Hamilton	Kay Vrooman
Homer Day, Jr.	
Verleen Smith	

Petitioner, Virginia May DuVal, is present. Also present to give testimony concerning the road is Carl O. Birdwell, registered land surveyor. See attached copy of petition.

Judge Hyden swore in all the people that will be giving testimony.

Judge Hyden moved that the rule be waived as to the limit of six participants. Commissioner Clark seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Judge Hyden stated that the Court recognized Ms. DuVal at this time.

Ms. DuVal stated that she is asking the Court to consider her position. Her Mother purchased the property over 30 years ago and

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Jack H. Leath, County Judge

Commissioners

Keith Clark	Precinct #1
Lynn Smith	Precinct #2
Doyle Dickerson	Precinct #3
Gene Nethery	Precinct #4

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: The Farm to Market and State Highways in Sabine County are generally narrow and crooked and:

WHEREAS: Sabine County has at tremendous amount of Boat and R.V. Traffic on these State Roads and:

WHEREAS many accidents occur on these roads, some with fatalities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sabine County Commissioners Court unanimously request the Texas Department of Transportation to lower the speed limit to 55 mph on all Highways in Sabine County except Highways 21-103-96 and 83 west of Hemphill.



Jack Leath Sabine County Judge



Keith Clark, Commissioner Pct#1



Lynn Smith, Commissioner Pct#2



Doyle Dickerson, Commissioner Pct#3



R. Gene Nethery, Commissioner Pct#4

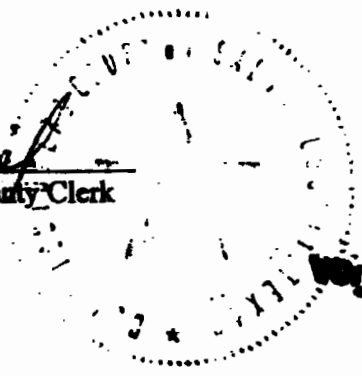


I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THESE DOCUMENTS WERE FILED AND DULY RECORDED IN THE COMMISSIONER COURT MINUTES OF SABINE COUNTY, TEXAS.

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JANICE MCDANIEL COUNTY CLERK
BY Louise Carl
Deputy



Janice McDaniel, Sabine County Clerk



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