

Attachment 8
Letters of Support

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Robert D. Johnston
Anderson County Judge

Ms. Stephanie Griffin
Halff Associates
4000 Fossil Creek Blvd.
Fort Worth, TX 76137

RE: Support for the Proposed Trinity River Authority Flood Infrastructure Fund Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin

Dear Ms. Griffin:

This is a letter of support for the Trinity River Authority (TRA) proposed Flood Infrastructure Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin. TRA has determined that the watershed in which the proposed project is located is within the jurisdiction of Anderson County. Our community would like to provide constructive input to TRA as the project develops and changes and will work cooperatively for the management of the Trinity River Watershed.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Johnston
Anderson County Judge

Jim L. Lovell, County Judge
401 E. Goliad, Suite 201
Crockett, TX 75835



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**County of Houston
Office of the County Judge**

June 1, 2020

Trinity River Authority
P.O. Box 60
Arlington, TX 76004

RE: Support for the Proposed Trinity River Authority Flood Infrastructure Fund Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin

Dear To Whom It May Concern:

This is a letter of support for the Trinity River Authority (TRA) proposed Flood Infrastructure Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin. TRA has determined that the watershed in which the proposed project is located is within the jurisdiction of Houston County. Our community would like to provide constructive input to TRA as the project develops and changes and will work cooperatively for the management of the Trinity River Watershed.

Sincerely,


Jim Lovell
County Judge



LEON COUNTY, TEXAS

COUNTY JUDGE

BYRON RYDER

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June 9, 2020

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TRA/office of the
General Manager

J. Kevin Ward
General Manager
Trinity River Authority
P.O. Box 60
Arlington, TX 76004

RE: Support for the Proposed Trinity River Authority Flood Infrastructure Fund Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin

Dear Mr. Ward:

This is a letter of support for the Trinity River Authority (TRA) proposed Flood Infrastructure Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin. TRA has determined that the watershed in which the proposed project is located is within the jurisdiction of Leon County. Our community would like to provide constructive input to TRA as the project develops and changes and will work cooperatively for the management of the Trinity River Watershed.

Sincerely,

Byron Ryder
Leon County Judge

CC: Amy Stelter
Governmental Relations Manager
5300 South Collins
Arlington, Texas 76018



A.J. Leago

MADISON COUNTY JUDGE

103 West Trinity • Suite 113 • Madisonville, Tx. 77864-1990
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May 29, 2020

Stephanie Griffin
Halff Associates
4000 Fossil Creek Blvd.
Fort Worth, TX

VIA EMAIL: sgriffin@halff.com

RE: Support for the Proposed Trinity River Authority Flood Infrastructure Fund Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin

Dear Ms. Griffin:

This is a letter of support for the Trinity River Authority (TRA) proposed Flood Infrastructure Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin. TRA has determined that the watershed in which the proposed project is located within the jurisdiction of Madison County, Texas. Our community would like to provide constructive input to TRA as the project develops and changes and will work cooperatively for the management of the Trinity River Watershed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tony Leago".

Tony Leago
Madison County Judge



City of Madisonville

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Phone (936) 348-2748 • FAX (936) 348-3815

June 3, 2020

Ms. Amy Stelter
Governmental Relations Manager
Trinity River Authority
P.O. Box 60
Arlington, Texas 76004

RE: Support for the Proposed Trinity River Authority Flood Infrastructure Fund Grant Application for the Middle Trinity river Basin

Dear Ms. Stelter:

This is a letter of support for the Trinity river Authority (TRA) proposed Flood Infrastructure Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin. TRA has determined that the watershed in which the proposed project is located is within the jurisdiction of the City of Madisonville. Our community would like to provide constructive input to TRA as the project develops and changes and will work cooperatively for the management of the Trinity River Watershed.

Sincerely,

William Parten
Mayor



City of Onalaska
P.O. Box 880 • Onalaska, Texas 77360

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**TRA/office of the
General Manager**

June 1, 2020

Amy M. Stelter
Government Relations Manager
Trinity River Authority
P. O. Box 60
Arlington, Texas 76004

Dear Ms. Stelter:

This letter is to express support for the Trinity River Authority (TRA) proposed Flood Infrastructure Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin. TRA has demonstrated the proposed watershed in which the proposed project is located is within the territorial jurisdiction of the City Of Onalaska, Polk County, Texas. The City Of Onalaska, Polk County, Texas would appreciate the opportunity to provide constructive input to TRA as this project is being developed and will work in a cooperative manner for the comprehensive management of the Trinity River Watershed.

Regards,

B. Milton Choate
Mayor

CC:
Stephanie Griffin
Half Associates
4000 Fossil Creek Blvd.
Ft. Worth, Texas 76137



SYDNEY MURPHY
COUNTY JUDGE

June 1, 2020

Amy Stelter
Governmental Relations Manager
Trinity River Authority
P.O. Box 60
Arlington, TX 76004

RE: Support for the Proposed Trinity River Authority Flood Infrastructure Fund Grant Application
for the Middle Trinity River Basin

Dear Ms. Stelter:

This is a letter of support for the Trinity River Authority (TRA) proposed Flood Infrastructure Grant Application for the Middle Trinity River Basin. TRA has determined that the watershed in which the proposed project is located is within the jurisdiction of [Community Name]. Our community would like to provide constructive input to TRA as the project develops and changes and will work cooperatively for the management of the Trinity River Watershed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sydney Murphy".

Sydney Murphy
Polk County Judge



CHARLES SCHWERTNER

STATE SENATOR • DISTRICT 5

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June 9, 2020

Mr. J. Kevin Ward
General Manager
Trinity River Authority of Texas
5300 South Collins
Arlington, Texas 76018

Dear Mr. Ward,

I write today in support of the Trinity River Authority's (TRA) application for a Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) Grant for the Middle Trinity River Basin.

The planning area includes several counties that I represent in the Texas Senate, including portions of Anderson, Freestone, Grimes, Houston, Leon, Madison, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity and Walker counties located in the Middle Trinity River basin. If approved for the grant funding, the study will update and supplement existing data for the Middle Trinity River Basin from Anderson County to just upstream of Lake Livingston. The end goal is that the data developed will inform flood planning and investigate potential flood mitigation options within the study area.

Communities in the Middle Trinity River Basin have experienced significant floods over the last 40 years. Recently, eight floods occurred during a 13-month period in 2015 and 2016, inundating lowland areas, ranch land, and roadways. In 2019, long-lasting inundation caused damage to the agricultural industry within the study area. The flooding in this area is complex and there is not a recent, comprehensive flood study of the area to understand the flood risks and options for mitigation.

I support the TRA's application for this funding to ensure updated information is available to better plan for and mitigate damage in the future. Thank you for your service to the state. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (512) 463-0105.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "C. Schwertner".

Charles Schwertner
State Senator

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