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### LNVA – Mission Statement

Provide for the present and long term freshwater need of municipal, agricultural & industrial customers,





Protect water quality in the Neches River and Coastal Basin,

### LNVA – Mission Statement

Insure affordability of the water supply,





Enhance economic development in the Authority's jurisdiction.

## **Canal System History**



The Neches Main Canal follows the divide between the Neches Basin and the Neches Trinity Coastal Basin.

# Neches River Basin



## Sam Rayburn Reservoir 1981 Rule Curve



<b>1981 Rule Curve System Requirements</b>		
Zone	Sam Rayburn Reservoir Power Requirements	Discharge Requirement Below Dam (at Evadale)
1	150 hours of generation per month (20 % power operation factor)	Monthly Irrigation & M&I plus 1700 cfs to prevent salt water intrusion
2	75 hours of generation per month (10 % power operation factor)	Monthly Irrigation & M&I plus 1700 cfs to prevent saltwater intrusion
3	75 hours of generation per month from 15 April – 15 October (10 % power operation factor)	Monthly Irrigation & M& I. Salt water barrier assumed installed.
4	75 hours of generation per month from 15 April – 15 October (10 % power operation factor)	Monthly M&I. Shortages declared if discharge fails to meet Zone 3 requirements.

## Neches River Saltwater Barrier Construction

The Temporary Solutions \$800K/installation & rising



# Neches River Saltwater Barrier Construction

The Permanent Solution \$56M



## Neches Basin Yield Analysis

Considering the addition of the Permanent Saltwater Barrier

# Methodology

Model daily hydrologic conditions in the Neches **Basin using RiverWare Rules Based Simulation** Utilize inflow and evaporation data provided by the Reservoir Control Office at the Fort Worth **District US Army Corps of Engineers** Verify historical reservoir performance against model simulation Reduce salinity control flushing requirements with the Permanent Saltwater Barrier in place to determine yield of current system



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### COMPARISON AT SAM RAYBURN RESERVOIR HISTORICAL TO SIMULATED POOL ELEVATIONS

Sam Rayburn Reservoir 1994 to 2000



Sam Rayburn Reservoir



**Conditions of Period of Record Model Analysis:** 

- •LNVA Diversion Request 1,201,876 ac-ft/yr including Salinity Control Requirement of 400 cfs
- •Drought Restrictions: 10% Zone 3 & 30% Zone 4

Pool Elevation (ft)

- •City of Lufkin Diversion 28,000 ac-ft/yr from the conservation pool of Rayburn
- •No upstream reservoirs of water rights detracting from inflows on the Neches or Angelina Rivers.

# Continuing Effort

Add proposed reservoirs on the Neches and Angelina **Rivers upstream of Rayburn and Steinhagen** Add all water rights in the Neches Basin TCEQ list 227 water rights in the Neches Basin Authorized diversions total 4,063,669 ac-ft/yr Authorized diversion above Rayburn 195,759 ac-ft/yr (Columbia) Address flows from the Neches into Sabine Lake TCEQ estimates naturalized discharge of the Neches River average 6,235,000 ac-ft/yr with minimum 1,431,000 ac-ft/yr Annual update to assess water availability based on projected demand and current supply



WatershedData



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

#### http://drought.unl.edu/dm

Released Thursday, March 2, 2006 Author: Brian Fuchs, National Drought Mitigation Center

#### **Modeled Sam Rayburn Pool Elevation**

for Dry Period Hydrologic Pattern with Projected 2006 Demands



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