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State Water Plan & Proposition 6

The population in Texas is expected to grow from 25.1 million to 46 million residents by 2060. As it stands today, we would not have enough water supplies to meet the demands of these new Texans during times of drought. Texas has a state water plan to help solve this issue, but without state-assisted financing, local governmental entities, cities and counties can't implement the projects outlined in the plan without raising taxes. A lack of funding for the State Water Plan could have serious implications for local residents and the business community.

This session, the legislature took a key step to fund our State Water Plan by approving a funding mechanism that will support these water projects – **without increasing taxes.**

The legislation placed Proposition 6 on this November's ballot as a constitutional amendment authorizing the release of \$2 billion from the state's Rainy Day Fund to "kickstart" the funding of water projects. Approval of Proposition 6 will provide this one-time infusion of funds into an account that will be leveraged to fund numerous projects in the State Water Plan.

The [insert organization name] supports Proposition 6 and is part of a grassroots effort to help pass the referendum. To learn more about water issues in the Houston region, or to access information that you or your company can use to help spread the message, go online to houston.org/water.