



FACT SHEET

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GENERAL MANAGER:

Roland Ruiz.

MISSION:

The Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) manages, enhances, and protects the Edwards Aquifer system.

HISTORY:

Created in 1993 by the Texas Legislature's passage of the EAA Act. Began operations on June 28, 1996, succeeding the former Edwards Underground Water District.

2016 OPERATING BUDGET:

The 2016 budget supports two major programmatic areas: a General Fund of \$16.1 million in projected expenses, supported by revenues generated through the assessment of a general aquifer management fee of \$40 per acre-foot; and an EAHCP Fund of \$18.3 million in projected expenses, supported by revenues generated through the assessment of a \$44 per acre-foot program aquifer management fee. Combined, this makes for a \$34.4 million comprehensive budget funded by a combined aquifer management fee of \$84 per acre-foot, which is unchanged from the 2012 rate.

JURISDICTION:

All of Uvalde, Medina, and Bexar counties and portions of Atascosa, Comal, Guadalupe, Caldwell, and Hays counties.

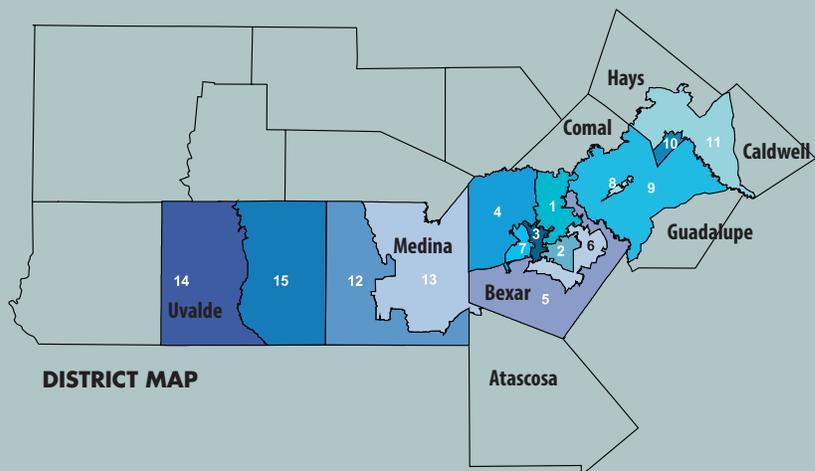
PERMITTED WITHDRAWALS:

572,000 acre-feet of groundwater withdrawal permits are currently authorized for municipal, industrial, and irrigation purposes. This permitted amount does not include withdrawals from exempt wells.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE:

The EAA is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and is governed by a 17 member board of directors. Fifteen of the board positions are elected by popular vote from single-member districts and two are appointed—one on an alternating basis by the Commissioners Courts of Medina and Uvalde counties, and the other by the South Central Texas Water Advisory Committee (SCTWAC). SCTWAC advises the EAA's board of directors on downstream water rights and issues.

The EAA is a member of the Texas Water Development Board Region L Planning Group.



DISTRICT MAP