

To: EAHCP Implementing Committee

From: Nathan Pence, EAHCP Program Manager

Date: November 15, 2016

Re: Statement of Program Finalization

Dear Implementing Committee,

The Regional Water Conservation Program (RWCP) was included in the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan (EAHCP) as an opportunity for permit holders to be provided a mechanism for implementing water conservation to offset their current levels of pumping. The Regional Water Conservation Monitoring Committee is tasked with providing technical input and making specific recommendations regarding program implementation. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide a statement from the Regional Water Conservation Monitoring Committee that the program goals will be achieved prior to the year 2023 (10th year of the EAHCP).

The goal of the RWCP is to conserve 20,000 acre-feet of permitted or exempt Edwards Aquifer water. Of this amount, 10,000 acre-feet will be held by the EAA to remain un-pumped till 2028. EAA staff has assisted in the initiation of several programs including leak detection for Universal City and high-efficiency/low-flow plumbing distribution for the City of Uvalde. At the end of 2015, the EAA and SAWS developed an agreement that satisfied the remaining goal expressed in the EAHCP. The projected savings for all conservation programs are shown in **Table 1** with a total savings of 20,044 acre-feet.

Table 1: RWCP Conservation and Groundwater Trust Totals

| Entity | Program | Water Saved (AF) | Water Committed to Trust (AF) |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Universal City | Leak Detection | 327 | 163.5 |
| City of Uvalde | HE Plumbing Distrib. | 105 ¹ | 52.5 ¹ |
| SAWS | Leak Repair | 19,612 ² | $9,806^{2}$ |
| Totals | | 20,044 | 10,022 |

¹ The City of Uvalde have realized this volume but will provide a total reported savings for the final quarter of 2016 (October-December) in January 2017 that will result in additional savings.

Respectfully,

Nathan Pence EAHCP Program Manager

² The contract enables SAWS to initiate a five-year leak repair program. All savings will not be realized till the year 2020.