

HARRIS COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ENGINEER

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Vote of the Court:

		Yes	No	Abstain
December 11, 2019	Judge Hidalgo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Comm. Ellis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Comm. A. Garcia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Honorable County Judge & Commissioners	Comm. Radack	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Comm. Cagle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

SUBJECT: Recommendation that the Office of the County Engineer be authorized to Prepare and Submit a Grant Application to the Texas Water Development Board related to Senate Bill 500 for Lake Houston Dredging

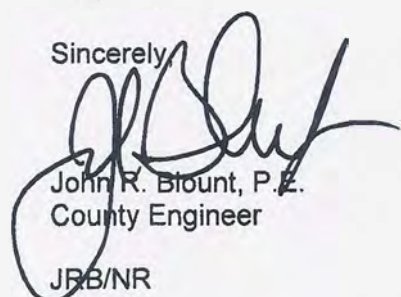
Dear Court Members:

It is recommended that the Office of the County Engineer be authorized to prepare and submit a grant application to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), and for Commissioners Court to approve the attached resolution related to Senate Bill 500 for Lake Houston dredging. Section 75 (c) of the senate bill states "\$30,000,000 may be used only to provide a grant to Harris County to remove accumulated siltation and sediment deposits located at the confluence of the San Jacinto River and Lake Houston."

The approach to completing work under the grant would be for the County to receive the grant funds, make the City of Houston a subrecipient to start immediate dredging, and to develop a long-term plan for keeping the region's raw water supply viable with adequate reservoir capacity. The County would be reimbursed from the grant for administrative and other related expenses incurred.

If authorized, the County will work with the Flood Control District, Budget Office, County Attorney, City of Houston, and the State of Texas, to advance all necessary applications and agreements needed to initiate the dredging activities funded in the 2019 legislative session. Grant awards, if made, will be presented to Commissioners Court for consideration at a future date.

Sincerely,



John R. Blount, P.E.
County Engineer

JRB/NR
Attachment

- cc: Daphne Lemelle, Community Services Development
- Russell Poppe, PE, Flood Control District
- Carol Haddock, PE, City of Houston
- Steve Costello, PE, City of Houston
- Wayne Klotz, PE, CWA

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