

Commissioner Matt Gray
Montgomery County Precinct 4



23628 Roberts Road
New Caney, TX 77357

April 4, 2023

The Honorable Dade Phelan
P.O. Box 2910
Austin, Texas 78768

Re: Lake Houston Spillway Dam Improvement Project

Dear Speaker Phelan:

As Commissioner of Montgomery County Precinct 4, I am writing to support the request for additional funding from the state for the Lake Houston Spillway Dam Improvement Project.

Since Hurricane Harvey, the Lake Houston communities, including New Caney and Porter, have been working together for a coordinated solution to flood mitigation. The Lake Houston Dam Spillway Improvement Project is an integral part of that solution, serving as a flood control device in addition to a water reservoir.

Our office has been making strides to address the much needed drainage improvements to East Montgomery County. I have started Montgomery County Precinct 4's first drainage study, which will identify flood-prone areas and assist in developing maintenance level projects throughout the precinct. In addition to our local flood resiliency efforts, this permanent solution of improving the Lake Houston Spillway will greatly reduce the risk of flooding our community's homes and businesses.

I appreciate the state legislature's consideration and assistance in securing the funding for the Lake Houston Spillway Dam.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Gray", is written over a blue horizontal line.

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"After all the very highest and most fundamental work of good citizenship is to leave the next generation in right shape..." - Teddy Roosevelt