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**BCRUA Project Team to Meet with Volente Residents Concerning
Deep-Water Intake in Lake Travis**

Brushy Creek Regional Utility Authority Water Supply Project consultants will meet with Volente-area residents to discuss public involvement during the upcoming re-evaluation of potential sites for a deep-water intake in Lake Travis.

The meeting will be from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, November 15, 2007, at the Volente Fire Hall, 15406 F.M. 2769. The meeting will include a presentation followed by an opportunity for attendees to ask questions and offer input.

BCRUA consultants will be evaluating a total of seven sites, and four intake technologies will be studied for each area, yielding 28 possible combinations. Issues to be evaluated at each site with each technology include environmental, homeowner and construction impacts, required easements and permits, cost, and other criteria that will be determined in the earliest phase of the study. Each criterion will be scored and weighted during the course of the study.

The types of intake technologies expected to be evaluated include:

1. Micro-tunneled lake-tap intake and pump station (similar to Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA)'s intake on Canyon Reservoir)
2. Micro-tunneled lake-tap intake connected by a deep tunnel to a remote pump station
3. Platform-tower intake and pump station (similar to Brazos River Authority (BRA)'s intake on Stillhouse Hollow Reservoir)
4. Inclined pump intake (similar to Round Rock's intake on Lake Georgetown).

Volente citizens will be invited to attend working meetings to observe and comment on the study as it proceeds. Although a specific schedule has not been determined, it's expected the study will be complete by mid-spring of 2008.

The deep-water intake is part of a \$350 million water supply system being planned by the partnering cities of Round Rock, Cedar Park, and Leander. The system will also include a raw water pipeline along the Trails End Road right of way, a new treatment plant in Cedar Park, and treated water transmission lines. The system will meet the needs of residents in the three cities for the next 40-50 years. Those who'd like more information on the project are encouraged to visit the project website www.bcrua.org or call the hotline at (512) 684-3200.

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