Who Are We?

The Lower Brazos River Coalition (LBRC) is a grassroots partnership of concerned individuals, organizations, municipalities, ranchers and farmers, environmentalists and conservationists, businesses and industries, seeking fair and effective Brazos River water supply management.

Why Were We Created?

The LBRC exists to ensure that Texas properly develops and manages the river’s limited resources for the benefit of all — including downstream local communities, agricultural needs, business and industry, energy concerns, sportsmen, wildlife habitat and critical environmental flows.

How Can I Support the LBRC?

- Learn about the Lower Brazos River Coalition at keepbrazosflowing.org
- Join the Coalition online at keepbrazosflowing.org/act-now/
- Email Gary Basinger at garyb@eda-bc.com
- Call 979.848.0560
NEEDS

- The Brazos River sustains communities, schools, counties, agriculture, the environment, businesses and industries along its 840 miles — the longest river inside Texas.

- Water demands in Regions G and H of the State Water Plan, which cover the Brazos River Basin, are projected to increase by 38% and 37%, respectively — twice the statewide average.

- Recurring drought and large populations in Regions G and H require regional water planners, providers and users to work cooperatively to develop long-term water supplies.

- Competition for water is growing as new demands by recreational and environmental interests vie with established rights of municipal, industrial and agricultural users.

- All water users along the river must recognize the authority of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality’s (TCEQ) Watermaster Program for the Brazos River to ensure a sound water rights system.

SOLUTIONS

- The Lower Brazos River Coalition (LBRC) was formed to provide a collective voice for downstream interests in the State’s Regional Water Planning process as competition for water increases.

- The LBRC represents a wide range of stakeholders in the lower Brazos River Basin who are concerned about fair management of surface water and associated alluvial waters.

- The LBRC is a Task Force of The Economic Development Alliance for Brazoria County.

GOALS

- Keep a base amount of water flowing down the entire length of the Brazos River that meets municipal, agricultural and industrial needs.

- Support and promote the TCEQ Watermaster Program for the Brazos River in its efforts to allocate this finite resource.

- Seek responsible, balanced management of river water and flood control — based on science, sound engineering and state law.

- Ensure proper management of water resources for downstream communities, businesses, industries — as well as wildlife habitat and critical environmental flows.

- Encourage more water conservation, enforceable drought management, and enhanced water supplies throughout the Brazos River Basin.

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