



## 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](http://keepbrazosflowing.org)
- Join the Coalition online at [keepbrazosflowing.org/act-now/](http://keepbrazosflowing.org/act-now/)
- Email Gary Basinger at [garyb@eda-bc.com](mailto:garyb@eda-bc.com)
- Call 979.848.0560

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## 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.