TWDB Response to Stakeholder Comments and Questions Northern Carrizo-Wilcox Groundwater Availability Modeling Project TWDB Contract No. 2001-483-377

1. Stakeholder Question: Are we going to be required to use this model knowing that it has problems?

TWDB Response: TWDB rules require that once groundwater availability modeling information is available for an area within a region, that regional water planning group shall incorporate such information in its next planning cycle unless better site-specific information is available (TWDB Rule 357.7(a)(3) relating to Regional Water Plan Development).

Thus, it will be necessary for the regional water planning group to use the Northern Carrizo-Wilcox GAM to determine groundwater availability from the Carrizo-Wilcox aquifer, unless it can demonstrate that better site-specific information is available for that aquifer.