



**TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVES
\$25,345,000 IN LOANS TO THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE
TO FINANCE WASTEWATER SERVICE**

AUSTIN – (April 19, 2012) – The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) today approved by resolution loans in the amount of \$25,345,000, to the City of Brownsville (Cameron County), consisting of a \$24,505,000 grant and a loan of \$840,000 from the Economically Distressed Areas Program.

The City of Brownsville will use these funds for the construction phase of a first-time municipal wastewater system to serve an estimated 3,605 residents in the FM 511-802 colonia. The project area is approximately 6.5 miles east northeast of downtown Brownsville and lies within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City.

The TWDB is the state agency charged with collecting and disseminating water-related data, assisting with regional planning and preparing the State Water Plan for the development of the state's water resources. The TWDB administers cost-effective financial programs for the construction of water supply, wastewater treatment, flood control, and agricultural water conservation projects.