

**TWDB PUBLIC MEETING  
2007 STATE WATER PLAN  
SEPTEMBER 20, 2006**

The Region C planning area has been and continues to be one of the most dynamic growth centers in Texas. This growth has been sustained by good planning and the subsequent implementation of these plans over the last 50 years in order to provide critical infrastructure including a safe, high-quality water supply for individuals, businesses and industry.

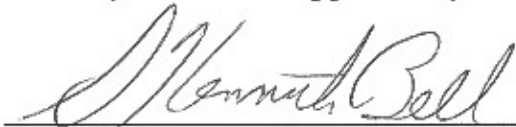
If we are to continue to meet the water supply needs of our current and projected population and attract and grow business, it is critical that a comprehensive plan be adopted.

Those living and working in this area of Texas are becoming more aware of the limited availability of water and the challenges faced in developing new supplies. In response to area conservation efforts, including implementation of the Texas Water Development Board's Water IQ Conservation Program, which was first launched in Texas by the North Texas Municipal Water District, we have begun to see results and recognition by the general public that the wise and efficient use of our precious water supplies is the right thing to do.

While we look forward to continued improvements in area-wide conservation efforts, we also recognize that conservation alone cannot meet the projected growth needs of this area.

We must keep all of the water management tools in our planning; therefore, as President of the Board of the North Texas Municipal Water District, I wish to express the Board's support of the Region C Water Plan as incorporated in the draft 2007 State Water Plan and ask that the TWDB adopt the Plan as prepared at their meeting in Austin on November 14, 2006.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

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Ken Bell, President of the Board of Directors  
North Texas Municipal Water District