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Subject: Region M Draft Population and Municipal Water Demand Projections using the 0.5 migration scenario
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Attachments: [RegionM_PopMun_Projections_TwoScenarios.xlsx](#)

Dear Region M RWPG Members,

Please see attached **draft population and municipal water demand projections** and supporting data using the 0.5 migration scenario. The original WUG population and municipal demand projections using the 1.0 migration scenario sent on January 23, 2023 are also included. Note that the baseline GPCD and the plumbing code savings projections are the same in both scenarios.

Planning groups must choose the population projection for each county, or portion of the county (for counties split between regions), in their region by selecting either the 1.0 migration scenario or the 0.5 migration scenario for all planning decades. If a RWPG chooses to include a combination of migration scenarios (some counties using the 1.0 migration in all decades, other counties using the 0.5 scenario in all decades), it must provide a justification for mixing differing migration rates within the same Regional Water Planning Area. As always, planning groups may propose revisions to the WUG population projections within the county totals and provide supporting data as to why the proposed revision to a WUG projection is more appropriate. Planning groups may also propose revisions to the baseline GPCD and projected plumbing code savings. Please refer to Section 2.2 of the [First Amended General Guidelines for Development of the 2026 Regional Water Plans \(Exhibit C\)](#) for the projection revision criteria that planning groups must follow.

Municipal water demand projections are a function of population, baseline GPCD, and plumbing code savings projections, thus by revising any one of these variables, the associated municipal demand projections will need to be revised accordingly. Please use the municipal demand projections formula provided in the **Region_PopMun_Projections_TwoScenarios Excel workbook**.

The deadline for submitting all requested revisions to draft population and municipal water demand projections is **August 11, 2023**, although regions and their consultants are **strongly encouraged to communicate with the TWDB staff and submit revision requests and supporting documentation as early as possible** to allow adequate time for evaluation and follow up, as needed.

Anticipated timeline for the remaining projections development:

- **July 14, 2023** – Deadline for RWPGs to request revisions to draft non-municipal demand projections.
- **August 11, 2023** – Deadline for RWPGs to request revisions to draft population and municipal demand projections.
- **Fall 2023** – TWDB staff will present all projections to the Board for adoption.

If you have any additional data requests or questions regarding draft projections or supporting data provided, please contact or submit your request to EDA@twdb.texas.gov or your TWDB Regional Water Planner.

This email has been sent to RWPG members, sponsor staff, and technical consultants.

Thank you,

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