# Peak Demand and Water Resource Planning

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# Water Planning Arena

#### **Water Resources**

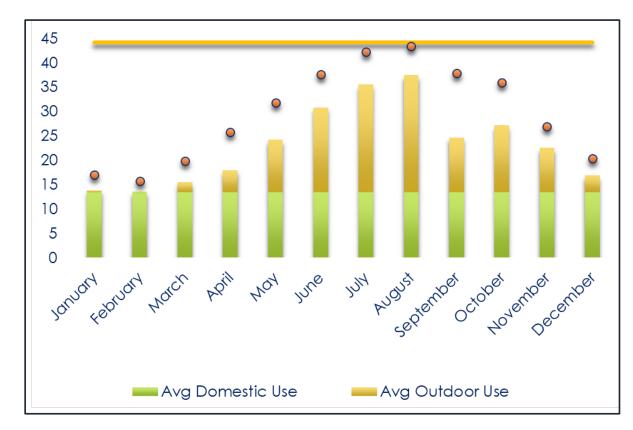
- Surface Water (BRA/LCRA)
- Ground Water
- Conservation
- Infrastructure
  - Lakes (Georgetown, Stillhouse, Belton
  - Pipeline (Stillhouse /Belton)
  - Wells
- State Water Plan
  - Every 5 years
     Region G 2021
     State 2022
  - 50 year horizon

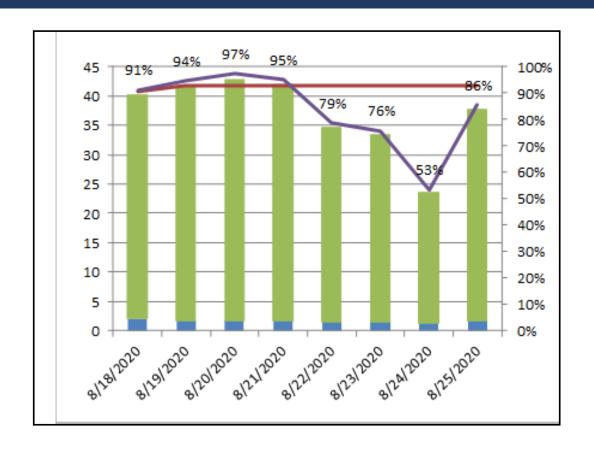
#### **System Capacity**

- Drinking Water
- Conservation
- Infrastructure
  - Plant
  - Pumps
  - Water Lines
  - Storage Tanks
- Water Master Plan
  - Every 4-5 years
    2018, Update to be done this yr
  - 20 year horizon
- Annual CIP



# 2020 Usage Patterns



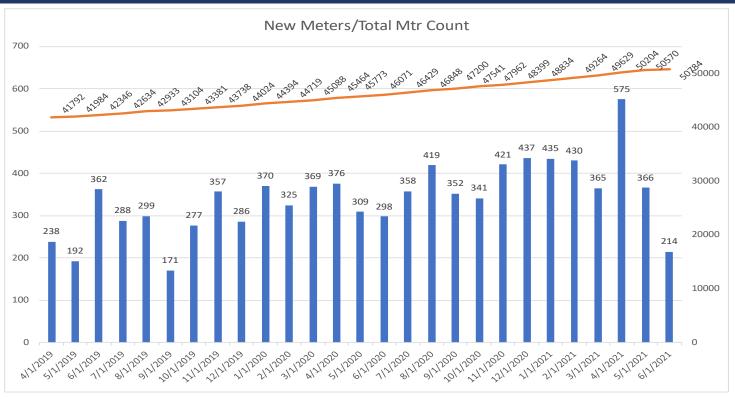


Yearly
Resource Driven

Peak Week
Capacity Driven



# Current Growth (Calendar Yr.)

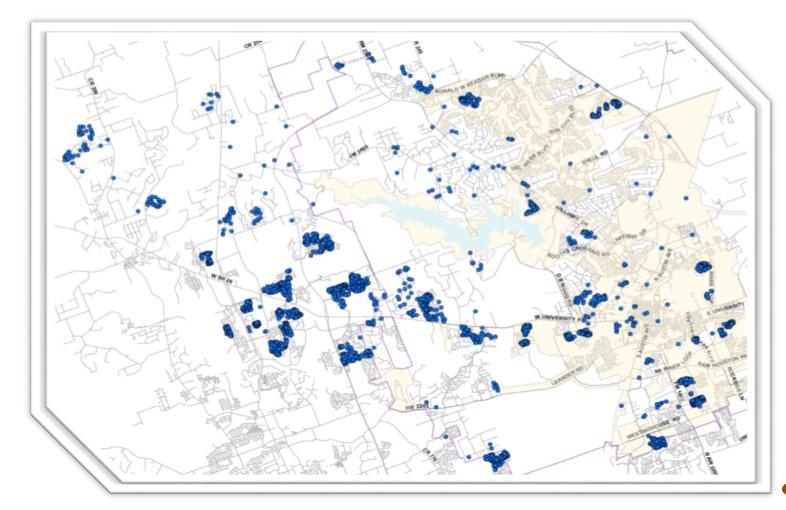


Yearly Total	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 YTD
Meter Count	31,981	34,026	36,148	38,486	40,714	43,908	48,217	50,784
								2,567/
New Meters per year		2,045	2,122	2,338	2,228	3,194	4,309	5,000
Meter Growth		106%	106%	106%	106%	108%	110%	



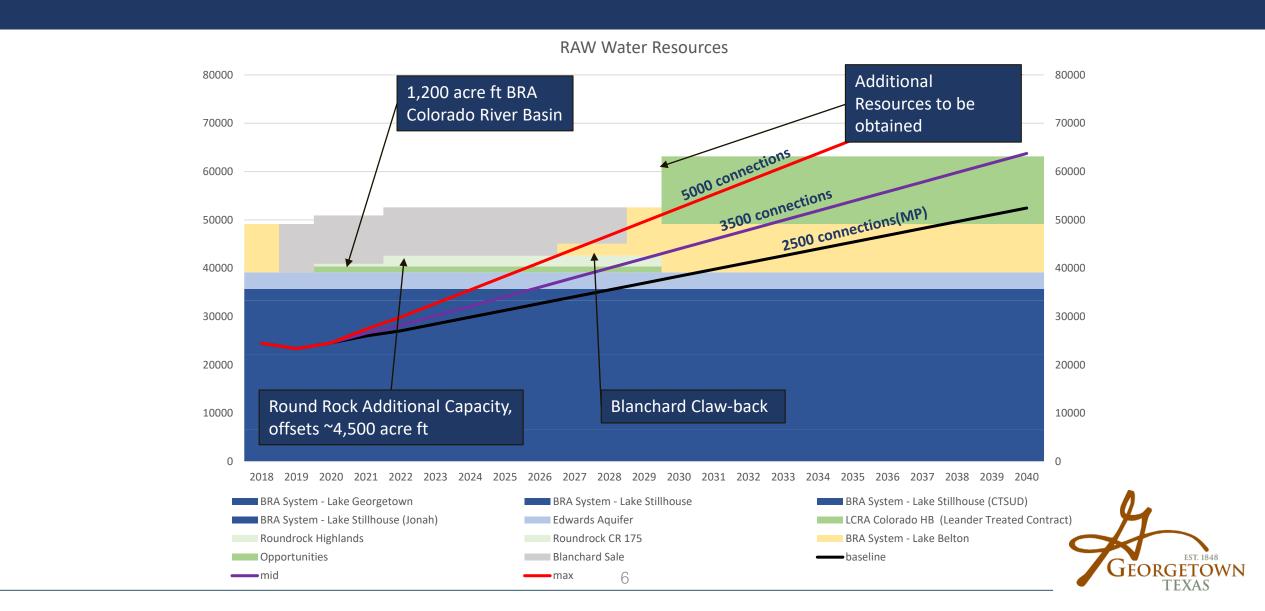
#### **Growth Areas**

New Meters in 2020 only

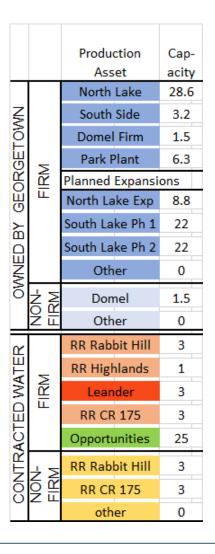


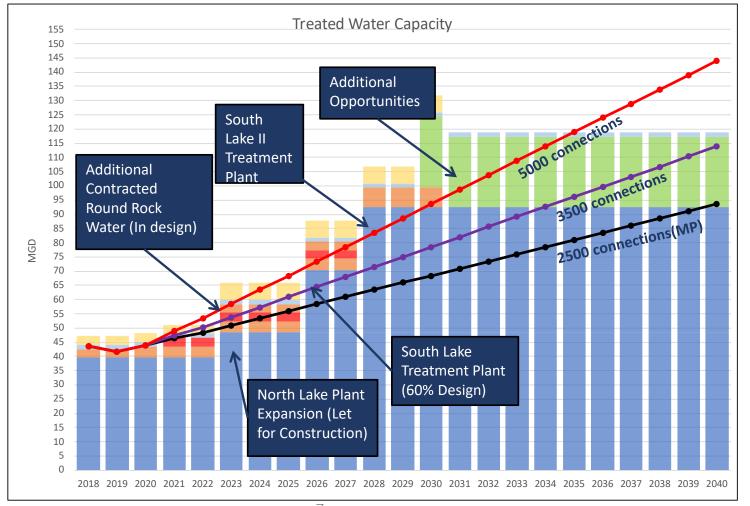


## Resource Projections



# Treated Water Capacity







# Water Planning Existing

#### Current Resources and Capacity

- Water Treatment Capacity Owned
   – 44 mgd / 39.5 mgd
  - Lake WTP 28.6mgd
  - Park WTP 6.2mgd
  - Southside WTP 3.2mgd
  - Domel WTP 3.0mgd firm at 1.5 mgd
  - Round Rock Interconnection 3.0 mgd currently being renewed
    - (Additional 3mgd available w/ infrastructure improvements) non-firm

#### Contracted Supply - 7 mgd

- Round Rock Highlands 1 mgd (Firm/Max Day) 10 year contract
- Round Rock CR 175 3 mgd (Firm/Max Day) 8 year contract
  - Effective in 2022 CIP Project Required.
- Leander Interconnection 3 mgd
  - CIP project Currently under award to the contractor



7 year contract

# **Opportunities**

- Conservation
- Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR)
- Outside Water Purveyors
- CCN area Transfers
- Contract with Neighboring utilities



#### **Conservation Strategies**

- Enforcement of Wrong day and water waste ordinances
  - 2020 Cases 1131 Total
  - 2021 Cases 460 to date
- Rebates and Incentives (\$300,000 Annual Rebate Budget)

Rebate Type	Number of Rebates (FY20)	Amount (FY20)	Number of Rebates (FY21)	Amount (FY21) as of Jan 2021
Irrigation Checkup	2,328	\$174,600	444	\$33,300
Smart/Weather Based Controller	141	\$15,962	28	\$4,368
Spray-to-Drip Conversion	31	\$4,361	9	\$1,154
Multi-Stream Nozzle Zone Conversion	114	\$15,962	23	\$3,308
Rain Barrel	14	\$350	4	\$100
Xeriscaping Conversion (Added in FY2021)	-		0	\$0
	2,628	\$211,235	508	\$42,230



### Summer 2021

- Operations
  - Leander 3MGD resources to be online at the end of Summer
  - New 980 PS online
- Drought Contingency Plan
  - Triggers based on three conditions
    - Resource
      - Lake Levels
      - Total Volume (Lake Georgetown/Stillhouse combined)
    - Capacity Triggers
    - System Failure

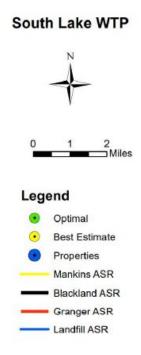
- Entered Into Phase 1 in 2019/2020
  - Time of day restrictions on outdoor watering

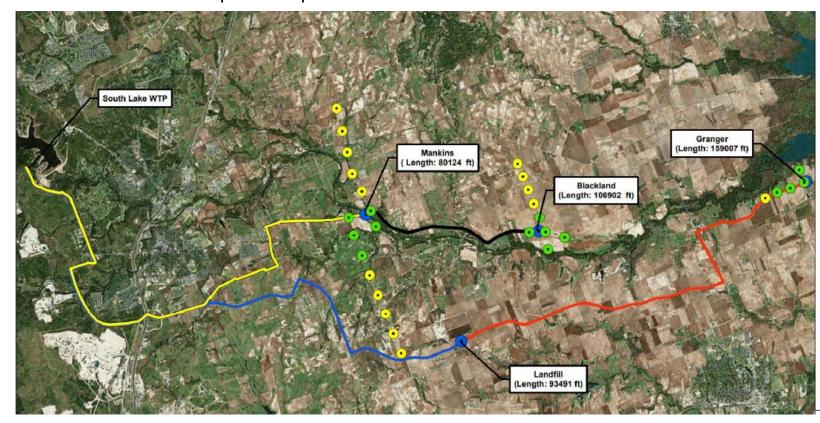
Stage	Lake Level	Volume	Treatment Capacity		
Phase 1	770ft	162,752 ac/ft	85%		
Phase 2	765ft	105,001 ac/ft	90%		
Phase 3		52,501 ac/ft	95%		
Phase 4	Major system failure, or contamination of the water supply				



# **Aquifer Storage and Recovery**

- ASR Ongoing Study (Ph 3 FY 2022)
  - Storage of off peak treated flows (peaking)
  - Storage of water from the flood pool (peaking/raw capacity)
  - Storage of water from eastern water purveyors (peak/raw capacity)
  - 50-90 million of capital expenditures







# **Summary ASR and Next Steps**

Phase 3

Address geologic uncertainties, Seismic Analysis \$2,275/mile

Pilot Drilling

Strategic importance of Pipelines needed

Testing of Well at BRA Granger

Water Quality Analysis

> Strategy recommendation within the next 18 months



#### **Groundwater Resources to Date**

- August 2020 MOU Brazos River Authority, Georgetown, Round Rock to evaluate water resource options to meet future needs in Williamson County
- September November 2020 Brazos River Authority contracted a groundwater subject matter expert to evaluate the proposals
- December 2020 Additional detail was requested from each proposer
- February 2021 Proposers presented their proposed resource to the group
- Proposals
  - Epcor USA Inc.
    - Up to 44,800 AF/YR
    - Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District
  - o Gatehouse Water, LLC
    - Up to 37,600 AF/YR
    - Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District
  - Recharge Water, LP
    - Up to 46,000 AF/YR
    - Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District



#### **Groundwater Resources to Date**

#### General Observations on Proposals

- Simsboro Formation of the Carrizo-Wilcox aquifer
- Aquifer characteristics are supportive of a large project
- All proposals are feasible; however, each involve some degree of permitting risk

#### Next Steps

- Continue discussions with selected provider(s) regarding specific terms of a contract to determine appropriate contracting options and strategy
- Evaluate timing, volume, term, phasing, delivery points
- Regional Approach required
- BRA conducting due diligence and permitting discussions
- Recommendation for next steps and potential agreements/MOU with the BRA within the next 18 months



#### **CCN Transfers**

#### Divest the CCN area where capable

- Rural is easier than urban or existing development
- Neighboring community outreach Jarrell, Liberty Hill, Florence, Leander all express resource challenges
- Current Efforts
  - Jarrell-Schwertner At the PUC for review
  - Liberty Hill (study by LH)
  - Kempner (contested at the PUC Pulled)
  - Killeen is evaluating their ETJ area in conjunction with BCWCID #1



# **Next Steps**

- Master Plan Update to address growth with an emphasis on resource development
- Expedited Capital Projects
- Continue to work with Brazos River Authority and City of Round Rock on Regional Water Solutions
- Determine Feasibility of ASR
- Continue to work with Neighboring Communities



# Questions?

