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## New Slate of Officers for Sabine River Authority - Texas

### SRA Board Officers for 2017



**Stan Mathews**, President



**Earl Williams**  
Vice President



**David Koonce**  
Secretary/Treasurer



**Cliff Todd**  
Secretary Pro-Tem

(Orange, TX) A new slate of officers was elected for 2017 at the annual Board of Directors meeting of the Sabine River Authority of Texas (SRA) recently held in Rockwall, Texas. Stan Mathews of Pinehurst was elected as Board President. Other elected officers include Vice President Earl Williams of Orange, Secretary/Treasurer David Koonce of Center and Secretary Pro-Tem Cliff Todd of Carthage. Other members of the SRA Board include Past President J.D. Jacobs, Jr. of Rockwall, Sharon Newcomer of Mauriceville, Jeanette Sterner of Holly Lake Ranch, Mac Abney of Marshall and Laurie Woloszyn of Longview.

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President Mathews owns and operates Mathews Jewelers, Inc., established in Orange, Texas in 1984 and -expanded to Beaumont in 2002. Born and raised in Orange as the son of J. L. and Laverne Mathews, he is very active in his community. He has served as Board Member, VP of Economic Development and Life Ambassador for the Greater Orange Area Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Mathews was named 1997 "Small Business Person of the Year." He previously served as a school board member of Little Cypress Mauriceville ISD and as an advisory board member for Memorial Hermann Baptist Orange Hospital. He is a member of the Texas Jewelers Association, a member of the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Lamar University Cardinal Club Board of Directors and a 22-year member of the Orange Rotary Club. In his leisure time, he enjoys golf, fishing and travel. Stan and his wife, Linda, have two children and five grandchildren and reside in Pinehurst, Texas.

The Sabine River Authority of Texas is governed by a nine-member Board of Directors appointed by the Governor of Texas. The Board is responsible for overseeing the development of water resources in the Sabine River Basin. Members of the Board are required to reside within a county situated wholly or partially within the watershed of the Sabine River. They are leaders in their communities dedicated to serve as active participants in the water issues being addressed by the Sabine River Authority of Texas.

Created by the Legislature in 1949, the Sabine River Authority is an official agency of the State of Texas. The Authority was created as a conservation and reclamation district with responsibilities to control, store, preserve, and distribute the waters of the Sabine River and its tributary streams for useful purposes.

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