PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD FLOOD INFRASTRUCTURE FUND FLOOD PROTECTION PLANNING FOR WATERSHEDS – UPPER SABINE RIVER BASIN

The Sabine River Authority (SRA) will hold a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. (CST). on Tuesday December 15th, 2020, at Lake Fork Division Office, 353 PR 5183, Quitman, Texas, 75783, regarding the SRA's application for funding to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) for Flood Infrastructure Funding (FIF). The proposed regional study will analyze impacts and the response to flooding in the Upper Sabine River Basin. The study will develop a comprehensive model for the Upper Sabine River Basin with particular focus on Longview and Kilgore and major tributaries using a consistent and up-to-date methodology that considers Atlas 14 rainfall. Collected data will be used to establish the existing flood risks along the studied streams and develop and distribute information vital to communities within the study area. Materials developed will include inundation maps for the studied streams showing the extent and depth of flooding for the various storm events to be evaluated. Number of structures, miles of roadway and acres of land that are inundated will also be summarized.

The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to provide input regarding the timeline for completion of the project, intended use of funds, project area, scope of work, and the amount of funding available. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact the SRA to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact SRA at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

SRA encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TWDB project and to make their views known at this public hearing. Written and oral comments will be received at the meeting. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Mark Mann, P.E., Director of Engineering Services, by mail at P. O. Box 579 Orange, Texas 77631 or via email at <u>twdbfif@sratx.org</u> Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on December 14th, 2020 to be considered.