

**Memorandum of Understanding  
Invasive Aquatic Plant Control  
at  
Sam Rayburn Reservoir, Jasper, Texas**

This Memorandum of Understanding is made and entered into this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, between the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Lower Neches Valley Authority, and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

**ARTICLE I: BACKGROUND, PURPOSE, AND OBJECTIVES**

The Lower Neches Valley Authority (LNVA), Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Ft. Worth District, Sam Rayburn Reservoir Project (COE), have agreed to work in cooperation, where appropriate, for the control of invasive aquatic vegetation at Sam Rayburn Reservoir; Jasper, Texas. This will enable LNVA and TPWD to assist with management/control efforts of invasive species on COE property.

**ARTICLE II: RESPONSIBILITIES**

Lower Neches Valley Authority Agrees to:

- 1) Designate a Coordinator to work with the Sam Rayburn Project point of contact (POC) and liaison with other agencies/organizations (primarily TPWD) in control of invasive aquatic vegetation, including input in drafting a management plan to begin a systematic approach to controlling vegetation.
- 2) Subject to annual appropriations of funds by its Board of Directors, budget for short-and long-term control of invasive aquatic vegetation to reduce negative impact to industrial water supply, native ecosystems, fish and wildlife habitat and recreation on COE lands at Sam Rayburn Reservoir, and provide other assistance as resources are made available to aid in this control.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Agrees to:

- 1) Designate a Coordinator to work with the Sam Rayburn Project point of contact (POC) and liaison with other agencies/organizations (primarily LNVA) in control of invasive aquatic vegetation, including being the lead agency in drafting a management plan to begin a systematic approach to controlling such vegetation.
- 2) Provide expertise and yearly biological evaluation of control, and provide other assistance as resources are made available to aid in this control.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Ft. Worth District, Sam Rayburn Project, Agrees to:

- 1) Work with the Lower Neches Valley Authority, and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department point of contact (POC) to draft a management plan to begin a systematic approach to controlling invasive aquatic vegetation.
- 2) Subject to annual appropriations of funds by Congress, budget for short-and long-term control of invasive aquatic vegetation to reduce negative impact to water supply to LNVA, electric power generation to Southwestern Power Administration, fish and wildlife habitat, and recreation at Sam Rayburn Reservoir and contribute equipment and personnel as available to aid in this control.
- 3) Provide public with information regarding control methods and locations via telephone calls, website, pamphlets, lake maps, etc.

### ARTICLE III: CONDITIONS

This proposal serves as an agreement between the Lower Neches Valley Authority, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Ft. Worth District, Sam Rayburn Reservoir Project (COE). Each party agrees to abide by the terms and conditions stated herein.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

This MOU becomes effective with the following signatures and remains in effect until modified or terminated by either party. By entering this MOU, no Governmental Entity waives its governmental immunity.



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LNVA Representative  
Scott Hall  
General Manager

Date 3-16-10



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Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Representative  
Gary Saul  
Acting Director, Inland Fisheries

Date 3-9-10



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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Ft. Worth District  
Lake Manager, Sam Rayburn Reservoir  
David La Rue

Date 3-29-10



## LOWER NECHES VALLEY AUTHORITY

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March 19, 2010

Mr. David La Rue  
Lake Manager, Sam Rayburn Reservoir  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Fort Worth District  
Route 3, Box 486  
Jasper, TX 75951

RE: Memorandum of Understanding  
Invasive Aquatic Plant Control at  
Sam Rayburn Reservoir  
Jasper, Texas

Dear Mr. La Rue:

Enclosed are three (3) originals of the Memorandum of Understanding between Lower Neches Valley Authority, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fort Worth District, regarding invasive aquatic plant control at Sam Rayburn Reservoir in Jasper, Texas. Please sign the enclosed MOU's and return two (2) to LNVA.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Hall".

Scott Hall, P.E.  
General Manager

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Enclosures