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TO: Mayors, County Judges, Water Districts, Regional Water Planning Groups, County Clerk's Office, Water Rights Holders and Interested Entities

FROM: Rio Grande (M) Regional Water Planning Group

DATE: December 21, 2016

SUBJECT: **Notice of Application for Regional Water Planning Grant Funding for the Completion of the Fifth Cycle of Regional Water Planning**

The Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) as the designated political subdivision approved by the **Rio Grande (M) Regional Water Planning Group (RGRWPG)** is providing notice that it will submit an application for financial assistance to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) on behalf of Region M by 12:00 pm (noon) February 21, 2017. This application is seeking grant funding to carry out planning activities to develop the 2021 **Region M** Regional Water Plan as part of the state's Fifth Cycle (2017-2021) of Regional Water Planning. The RGRWPG was established under the provisions of Texas Senate Bill 1 to develop a regional water plan for the Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Area (RGRWPA), which includes the following counties: Cameron, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Maverick, Starr, Webb, Willacy and Zapata.

Copies of the grant application will be available for review no later than February 10, 2017 at the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) office or online at www.lrgvdc.org and the Region M website at www.riograndewaterplan.org. Written comments from the public regarding this application must be submitted to LRGVDC and TWDB no later than March 1, 2017. Comments can be submitted as follows:

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