

**Edwards Aquifer Authority
2026 Proposed Operating Budget**

Fund Summary: General and Habitat Conservation Plan

	GENERAL	EAHCP	TOTAL
Aquifer Management Fees, per Acre-Foot:			
Non-Agricultural (AMF/Program AMF)	\$ 62.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 97.00
Agricultural	\$ 2.00	\$ -	\$ 2.00
REVENUES			
Aquifer Management Fees	\$ 21,647,610	\$ -	\$ 21,647,610
Program Aquifer Management Fees	-	12,220,425	12,220,425
Aquifer Management Fee (Agricultural)	145,000	-	145,000
Interest	290,871	167,916	458,787
Miscellaneous	25,000	486,000	511,000
Subtotal Revenues	22,108,481	12,874,341	34,982,822
EXPENSES			
Salaries & Wages	10,688,269	507,381	11,195,650
Employee Benefits	4,160,111	203,272	4,363,383
Professional Technical Services	5,481,159	19,009,550	24,490,709
Property Services	2,907,787	18,000	2,925,787
Supplies	766,280	8,500	774,780
Other Services	1,039,815	60,000	1,099,815
Other Expenses	462,980	-	462,980
Capital	1,822,000	-	1,822,000
Subtotal Expenses	27,328,402	19,806,703	47,135,104
Net Income (Loss) Before Depreciation	\$ (5,219,921)	\$ (6,932,362)	\$ (12,152,282)
Net Asset Designations:			
Projected Operating Reserve, January 1, 2026	\$ 22,374,685	\$ 10,333,323	\$ 32,708,008
Net Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	(5,219,921)	(6,932,362)	(12,152,282)
Projected Operating Reserve, December 31, 2026	\$ 17,154,764	\$ 3,400,961	\$ 20,555,726
<i>Estimated % of Expenses</i>	62.8%		
Designated Operating Reserve:			
Abandoned Well Closure Assistance	489,311	-	489,311
Conservation/Aquifer Protection	2,455,305	-	2,455,305
Habitat Conservation Plan		3,400,961	3,400,961
Designated Operating Reserve Balance	\$ 2,944,616	\$ 3,400,961	\$ 6,345,578
<i>Estimated % of Expenses</i>	10.8%		
Undesignated Operating Reserve Balance	\$ 14,210,148	\$ -	\$ 14,210,148
<i>Estimated % of Expenses</i>	52.0%		

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Expense Classification	Account Description	2026 Proposed Budget	Proposed Amendments	2026 Proposed Budget AMENDED
Salaries & Wages		\$ 507,381		\$ 507,381
Salaries & Wages Total		507,381	-	507,381
Employee Benefits				
Program Administration	Allowances	3,600		3,600
	Dental Insurance	1,832		1,832
	Employer FICA & Medicare	38,815		38,815
	Health Insurance	72,793		72,793
	Life & AD&D Insurance	2,192		2,192
	LT Disability Insurance	1,421		1,421
	Medical Reimbursement	25,000		25,000
	Pension Expense	-		-
	Retirement Contributions	56,269		56,269
	State Unemployment Tax	1,350		1,350
Employee Benefits Total		203,272	-	203,272
Professional Technical Services				
<u>Program Administration</u>	Contractual Professional Services	739,979	(81,500)	658,479
<u>Springflow Protection</u>	SAWS ASR Leasing	5,651,894		5,651,894
	SAWS ASR O&M	-		-
	VISPO	8,654,550		8,654,550
<u>San Marcos Springs</u>	Biological Monitoring	371,929		371,929
	Education	50,000	(50,000)	-
	Household Hazardous Waste Program	30,000		30,000
	LID/BMP Management	-	100,000	100,000
	Litter Control/Floating Vegetation	70,400		70,400
	Management - Key Public Rec Areas	65,000		65,000
	Non-Native Animal Species Control	16,200		16,200
	Non-Native Plant Spec Control	225,000		225,000
	Prohibition of Hazardous Materials Route	-	50,000	50,000
	Restoration - Riparian Zones	40,000		40,000
	TX Wild Rice Enh/Restoration	20,000		20,000
	Water Quality Monitoring	30,000		30,000
<u>Comal Springs</u>	Aquatic Vegetation Restoration	50,000		50,000
	Biological Monitoring	383,845		383,845
	Decaying Vegetation Removal	15,000		15,000
	Gill Parasite Control	10,000		10,000
	Household Hazardous Waste Program	40,385		40,385
	LID/BMP Management	100,000	572,110	672,110
	Litter Control/Floating Vegetation	40,000		40,000
	Non-Native Animal Species Control	40,000		40,000
	Old Channel Restoration	100,000		100,000
	Restoration - Riparian Zones	50,000		50,000
	Riparian Impr - Riffle Beetle	10,000		10,000
	Water Quality Monitoring	30,000		30,000
<u>Applied Research</u>	Applied Research	240,000		240,000
<u>Refugia</u>	NFHTC Refugia	1,344,758		1,344,758
Professional Technical Services Total		18,418,940	590,610	19,009,550

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Property Services				
<u>Program Administration</u>	Hosting, SAAS and Support Agreements	2,000		2,000
	Non-Capital Assets	6,000		6,000
<u>Applied Research</u>	Non-Capital Assets	10,000		10,000
Property Services Total		18,000	-	18,000
Supplies				
<u>Program Administration</u>	Memberships	2,000		2,000
	Office Supplies	1,500		1,500
<u>San Marcos Springs</u>	Field Supplies	2,500		2,500
<u>Comal Springs</u>	Field Supplies	2,500		2,500
Supplies Total		8,500	-	8,500
Other Services				
<u>Program Administration</u>	Conferences, Seminars & Training	22,000		22,000
	Meeting Expenses	25,000	5,000	30,000
	Printing	8,000		8,000
Other Services Total		55,000	5,000	60,000
Grand Total		\$ 19,211,092	\$ 595,610	\$ 19,806,703