

CWA Executive Director, Gary N. Oradat, appeared before the February 26 TWDB Work Group, to brief the Group on the Luce Bayou Interbasin Transfer Project. CWA was also represented by John J. Baldwin, CWA Chief Financial Officer. The City of Houston Department of Public Works was represented by Jeff Taylor, Deputy Director for Public Utilities, Susan Bandy, Deputy Director for Resource Management, and Andy Icken, Deputy Director for Planning. The North Harris County Regional Water Authority was represented by Paul Nelson, Planning Coordinator. Mr. Mike Reedy, Project Director for TCB INC, assisted in the presentation to the Group.

The purpose of the presentation was to provide the current status of this \$ 250 million project, and to initiate the first steps for securing a low-interest loan from the State.

The presentation was well received, and conversation will continue between CWA, the City of Houston, and representatives of the Texas Water Development Board. It is hoped that the loan will be secured in October 2007.