The State of Texas has empowered the San Antonio River Authority (River Authority) to preserve, protect and manage the resources and environment of the San Antonio River and its tributaries. Our district spans Bexar, Goliad, Karnes and Wilson counties, yet our concern for the quality and quantity of water extends our focus beyond these boundaries, as factors outside the district contribute to the health and well-being of the river and our communities. Through the knowledge and skill of professional and technical staff, we continue to develop and sustain the expertise needed to fulfill our service mission.

UTILITY SERVICES

The River Authority is a full-service water and wastewater utility provider within its district. The River Authority recognizes that communities are finding it increasingly difficult to meet their water and wastewater needs: as a result, the River Authority offers the following services to partnering communities:

- Wholesale and retail wastewater service
- Construction, operation and maintenance of centralized water distribution and wastewater collection systems
- Emergency and routine water and wastewater treatment system
- Quality training programs
- Development, sale and implementation of re-use water or irrigation systems

By partnering with the River Authority, communities in Bexar, Wilson, Karnes and Goliad counties get the assistance they need in meeting both their current and future needs, such as developing alternative water supplies, increasing capacities, replacing deteriorating infrastructure, making treatment facility improvements and interpreting and complying with changing and increasingly stringent rules and regulations.

The River Authority began providing wastewater utility services in 1966, and has five permitted active wastewater treatment plants (WWTP) (Salitrillo, Upper Martinez, Martinez II, Martinez IV, First Responders Academy) which have a combined capacity of over 11.82 million gallons per day (MGD). These plants utilize the latest technology to produce a high quality effluent and to preserve the ecosystems into which the effluent is returned.