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2018-19 General Appropriations Bill

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- 10. Texans Feeding Texans (Surplus Agricultural Product Grant Program). Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy C.1.2, Nutrition Assistance for At-Risk Children and Adults (State), include \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2019 to fund the Texans Feeding Texans (Surplus Agricultural Product Grant Program) to offset the costs of harvesting, gleaning and transporting agricultural products to Texas food banks.
- **12. Boll Weevil Eradication.** Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy B.2.1, Regulate Pesticide Use, include \$4,893,508 in fiscal year 2018 and \$4,892,120 in fiscal year 2019, to be transferred to the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation for efforts to eradicate the boll weevil.

22. Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Cost Recovery Programs.

- a. Fees and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the cost recovery programs shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made in the following program groups, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act:
 - 1) Livestock Export Pens: Direct costs for the Livestock Export Pens (Agriculture Code, Section 146, Subchapter B) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$150,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$150,000 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$0 for fiscal year 2018 and \$0 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3420 and 3795).

25. Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Cost Recovery Programs.

- a. Fees and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the cost recovery programs in the following strategies shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made in the following strategies, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act:
 - 1) Strategy A.1.1, Trade & Economic Development: Direct costs for the Livestock Export Pens (Agriculture Code, Section 146, Subchapter B) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$150,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$150,000 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$0 for fiscal year 2018 and \$0 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3420 and 3795).

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- 2) International and Domestic Trade: Direct costs for the International and Domestic Trade (Agriculture Code, Ch. 12) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$267,542 in fiscal year 2018 and \$267,542 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$31,924 for fiscal year 2018 and \$32,993 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3428, and 3795).
- 3) Plant Health: Direct costs for the Plant Health (Agriculture Code, Ch. 61 & 62) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$1,023,707 in fiscal year 2018 and \$990,362 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$452,474 for fiscal year 2018 and \$463,820 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400 and 3414).
- 4) Egg Quality: Direct costs for the Egg Quality Regulation (Agriculture Code, Ch. 132) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$473,272 in fiscal year 2018 and \$473,272 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$106,944 for fiscal year 2018 and \$111,821 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400 and 3414)
- Handling and Marketing of Perishable Commodities: Direct costs for the Handling and Marketing of Perishable Commodities (Agriculture Code, Ch. 101) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$23,139 in fiscal year 2018 and \$23,139 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$5,941 for fiscal year 2018 and \$6,212 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400 and 3435).
- 6) Grain Warehouse: Direct costs for the Grain Warehouse (Agriculture Code, Ch. 14) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$475,642 in fiscal year 2018 and \$476,776 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are

2) Strategy A.1.2, Promote Texas Agriculture: Direct costs for the International and Domestic Trade (Agriculture Code, Ch. 12) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$267,542 in fiscal year 2018 and \$267,542 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$31,924 for fiscal year 2018 and \$32,993 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3428, and 3795).

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- 3) Strategy B.1.1, Plant Health and Seed Quality: Direct costs for the Plant Health (Agriculture Code, Ch. 61 & 62) cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$1,023,707 in fiscal year 2018 and \$990,362 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$452,474 for fiscal year 2018 and \$463,820 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400 and 3414).
- 4) Strategy B.1.2, Commodity Regulation & Production: Direct costs for the Egg Quality Regulation (Agriculture Code, Ch. 132), Handling and Marketing of Perishable Commodities (Agriculture Code, Ch. 101), and Grain Warehouse (Agriculture Code, Ch. 14) cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$972,053 in fiscal year 2018 and \$973,187 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$209,431 for fiscal year 2018 and \$218,983 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3414, and 3435)
- 5) Strategy B.2.1, Regulated Pesticide Use: Direct costs for the Agricultural Pesticide Regulation (Agriculture Code, Ch. 76), Organic Certification (Agriculture Code, Ch. 18), and Prescribed Burn (Natural Resources Code, Ch. 153) cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$4,911,101 in fiscal year 2018 and \$4,910,394 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$1,098,255 for fiscal year 2018 and \$1,124,591 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3404, 3410, and 3414).
- 6) Strategy B.2.2, Structural Pest Controls: Direct costs for the Structural Pest Control (Occupations Code, Ch. 1951, Subchapter E) cost recovery programs are

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estimated to be \$96,546 for fiscal year 2018 and \$100,950 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400 and 3414).

- 7) Agricultural Pesticide Regulation: Direct costs for the Agricultural Pesticide Regulation (Agriculture Code, Ch. 76) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$4,582,240 in fiscal year 2018 and \$4,581,533 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$1,029,348 for fiscal year 2018 and \$1,054,001 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400 and 3410).
- Organic Certification: Direct costs for the Organic Certification (Agriculture Code, Ch. 18) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$327,823 in fiscal year 2018 and \$327,823 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$65,760 for fiscal year 2018 and \$67,337 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3404, and 3414).
- 9) Prescribed Burn: Direct costs for the Prescribed Burn (Natural Resources Code, Ch. 153) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$1,038 in fiscal year 2018 and \$1,038 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$3,147 for fiscal year 2018 and \$3,253 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Code: 3400).
- 10) Structural Pest Control: Direct costs for the Structural Pest Control (Occupations Code, Ch. 1951, Subchapter E) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$2,341,419 in fiscal year 2018 and \$2,341,419 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$594,857 for fiscal year 2018 and \$608,241 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Code: 3175).
- Weights & Measures and Metrology: Direct costs for the Weights & Measures and Metrology (Agriculture Code, Ch. 13) cost recovery programs are

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- estimated to be \$2,341,419 in fiscal year 2018 and \$2,341,419 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$594,857 for fiscal year 2018 and \$608,241 for fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Code: 3175).
- 7) Strategy B.3.1, Weights & Measures Device Accuracy: Direct costs for the Weights & Measures (Agriculture Code, Ch. 13) and Metrology (Agriculture Code, Ch. 13) cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$6,275,672 in fiscal year 2018 and \$6,593,649 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$2,299,886 in fiscal year 2018 and \$2,351,655 in fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3402, and 3414).
- 8) Strategy D.1.1, Central Administration: Indirect costs for the cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$2,229,867 in fiscal year 2018 and \$2,233,359 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$819,808 in fiscal year 2018 and \$834,267 in fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3175, 3400, 3402, 3404, 3410, 3414, 3420, 3428, 3435, and 3795).
- 9) Strategy D.1.2, Information Resources: Indirect costs for the cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$1,000,044 in fiscal year 2018 and \$1,001,161 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$353,063 in fiscal year 2018 and \$378,272 in fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3175, 3400, 3402, 3404, 3410, 3414, 3420, 3428, 3435, and 3795).
- 10) Strategy D.1.3, Other Support Services: Indirect costs for the cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$616,411 in fiscal year 2018 and \$616,099 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$138,637 in fiscal year 2018 and \$141,796 in fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3175, 3400, 3402, 3404, 3410, 3414, 3420, 3428, 3435, and 3795).

For informational purposes, total amounts identified for strategies in this subsection total \$19,787,816 in fiscal year 2018 and \$20,077,172 in fiscal year 2019 for direct costs and

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estimated to be \$6,275,672 in fiscal year 2018 and \$6,593,649 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$2,299,886 in fiscal year 2018 and \$2,351,655 in fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3402, and 3414).

12) Indirect Administration: Indirect costs for the cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$3,846,322 in fiscal year 2018 and \$3,850,619 in fiscal year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$1,311,508 in fiscal year 2018 and \$1,354,335 in fiscal year 2019 (Revenue Object Codes: 3175, 3400, 3402, 3404, 3410, 3414, 3420, 3428, 3435, 3770, and 3795).

For informational purposes, total amounts identified for programs in this subsection total \$19,787,816 in fiscal year 2018 and \$20,077,172 in fiscal year 2019 for direct costs and indirect administration and \$5,998,335 in fiscal year 2018 and \$6,154,618 in fiscal year 2019 for "other direct and indirect costs".

These appropriations are contingent upon the Department of Agriculture assessing fees sufficient to generate revenue to cover the General Revenue appropriations for each program as well as the related "other direct and indirect costs". In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections in programs above are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to the affected program to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

- b. TDA shall provide a report to the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Legislative Budget Board no later than the end of the second business week in March and June (for the second and third quarters) and no later than three business days after the end of the fourth quarter detailing the following information at the individual program activity level:
 - 1) The amount of fee generated revenues collected for each of the cost recovery programs no later than the end of the second business week in March and June

indirect administration and \$5,998,335 in fiscal year 2018 and \$6,154,618 in fiscal year 2019 for "other direct and indirect costs".

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These appropriations are contingent upon the Department of Agriculture (TDA) assessing fees sufficient to generate revenue to cover the General Revenue appropriations for each strategy as well as the related "other direct and indirect costs". In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections in strategies above are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to the affected strategy to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

- b. TDA shall provide a report to the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Legislative Budget Board no later than the end of the second business week in March and June (for the second and third quarters) and no later than three business days after the end of the fourth quarter detailing the following information at both the strategy level and individual program activity level:
 - 1) The amount of fee generated revenues collected for each of the cost recovery programs no later than the end of the second business week in March and June (for the second and third quarters) and no later than three business days after the end of the fourth quarter. This information shall be provided in both strategy level detail and individual program detail;
 - 2) A projection of the revenues for each cost recovery program TDA estimates it will collect by the end of the respective fiscal year. This information shall be provided in both strategy level detail and individual program detail;
 - 3) A detailed explanation of the causes and effects of the current and anticipated fluctuations in revenue collections
 - 4) The amount of expenditures for each of the cost recovery programs; and

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(for the second and third quarters) and no later than three business days after the end of the fourth quarter. This information shall be provided in individual program detail;

- 2) A projection of the revenues for each cost recovery program TDA estimates it will collect by the end of the respective fiscal year. This information shall be provided in individual program detail;
- 3) A detailed explanation of the causes and effects of the current and anticipated fluctuations in revenue collections:
- 4) The amount of expenditures for each of the cost recovery programs; and
- 5) Any fee changes made during the fiscal year and the anticipated revenue impacts of those changes.

In the event that reported expenditures exceed revenues collected for any cost recovery program, the Legislative Budget Board may direct the Comptroller of Public Accounts to reduce the appropriation authority provided above to the affected program by an amount specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

c. Also, contingent on the generation of such revenue required above to fund TDA's cost recovery programs and related "other direct and indirect costs" TDA's "Number of Full-Time Equivalents" includes 248.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2018 and 248.2 FTEs in fiscal year 2019. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may reduce the FTE cap provided by this Act to reflect the number of FTEs funded by the amount of revenue expected to be available

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5) Any fee changes made during the fiscal year and the anticipated revenue impacts of those changes.

In the event that reported expenditures exceed revenues collected for any cost recovery program, the Legislative Budget Board may direct the Comptroller of Public Accounts to reduce the appropriation authority provided above to the affected strategy by an amount specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

c. Also, contingent on the generation of such revenue required above to fund TDA's cost recovery programs and related "other direct and indirect costs" TDA's "Number of Full-Time Equivalents" includes 248.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2018 and 248.2 FTEs in fiscal year 2019. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may reduce the FTE cap provided by this Act to reflect the number of FTEs funded by the amount of revenue expected to be available.

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- **23. Fuel Quality Program Appropriated Receipts.** The Appropriated Receipts appropriated above in the Fuel Quality program fees collected for testing, inspection, or performance of other services related to motor fuel pursuant to Texas Agriculture Code, §17.104 may not exceed \$1,225,643 in fiscal year 2018 and \$1,214,309 in fiscal year 2019.
- **24. Metrology Lab.** Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in the Metrology program include \$1,929,000 in fiscal year 2018, to be used on HVAC system repairs for the Metrology Laboratory in Giddings, Texas.
- **24. Surplus Agricultural Product Grant Program Serving Low Income Students.** Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy C.1.2, Nutrition Assistance for at-Risk Children and Adults, include \$592,588 each fiscal year to fund the Surplus Agricultural Grant program serving low income students and their families.
- **Texans Feeding Texans (Home Delivered Meals Grant Program).** Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy C.1.2, Nutrition Assistance for at-Risk Children and Adults, include \$9,175,856 each fiscal year to fund the Texans Feeding Texans (Home Delivered Meals Grant Program) to defray the costs of providing home-delivered meals to homebound elderly and disabled Texans. The Department of Agriculture may award grants to organizations providing this service that have also received matching funds from the county where meals are served.

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27. Appropriation Restriction on Feral Hog Abatement Using Toxic Substances. None of the funds appropriated to the Department of Agriculture in this Act may be used for the implementation of warfarin on feral hogs.

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- 27. Litigation Expenses for the Rio Grande Compact Commission. Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy E.1.4, Rio Grande River Compact, include \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 in unobligated and unexpended balances estimated to be remaining from the \$5,000,000 appropriation made by the Eighty-fourth Legislature for the purpose of covering expenses incurred by the Rio Grande Compact Commission relating to investigations and legal expenses resulting from litigation between the State of Texas and the State of New Mexico over the equitable distribution of water according to the Rio Grande Compact. Any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining from this appropriation as of August 31, 2018, are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2018 in the same strategy for the same purpose.
- 27. Litigation Expenses for the Rio Grande Compact Commission.
 - a) Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy E.1.4, Rio Grande River Compact, include \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2018 in unobligated and unexpended balances estimated to be remaining from the \$5,000,000 appropriation made by the Eighty-fourth Legislature for the purpose of covering expenses incurred by the Rio Grande Compact Commission relating to investigations and legal expenses resulting from litigation between the State of Texas and the State of New Mexico over the equitable distribution of water according to the Rio Grande Compact.

Also included in amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy E.1.4, Rio Grande River Compact, is an additional \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2018.

Any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining from appropriations in Strategy E.1.4, Rio Grande River Compact as of August 31, 2018, are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2018 in the same strategy for the same purpose.

b) Excluding \$199,996 each fiscal year for administrative costs and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 for initial litigation expenses, amounts referenced above, including any unobligated and unexpended balances, in subsection (a) may not be expended without the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) may request to expend the funds in incremental funding amounts of \$1,000,000. The commission shall request the funds in a format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board that provides information regarding the purposes and the projected impact of expenditures. A request submitted under this provision shall be considered to be approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval within 30 business days after the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the request. Additional information requested by the Legislative Budget Board regarding a request submitted by the commission pursuant to this rider shall be provided in a timely manner. Notwithstanding any provision to the

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c) It is the intent of the legislature, to the extent permitted by federal and state law, that funds appropriated above in Strategy E.1.4, Rio Grande River Compact, be utilized to ensure that all costs related to the litigation between the State of Texas and the State of New Mexico over the equitable distribution of water according to the Rio Grande Compact, estimated to be \$16,500,000, be recovered and deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund.

contrary, the Legislative Budget Board may suspend the approval of a request at any

time pending the receipt of additional information requested of TCEQ.

- 30. Authorization: Transfer of Fund Balance. Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1105, or similar legislation, relating to the transfer of existing balances and revenues from the General Revenue-Dedicated Used Oil Recycling Fund No. 146 to the General Revenue-Dedicated Water Resource Management Account No. 153 and the abolishment of the General Revenue-Dedicated Used Oil Recycling Fund No. 146, by the Eighty-Fifth Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, the entire fund balance and revenues of the General Revenue-Dedicated Used Oil Recycling Fund No. 146 are transferred to the General Revenue-Dedicated Water Resource Management Account No. 153.
- 31. Contingency for SB 26. Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 26, or similar legislation, relating to the creation of a Governmental Alternative Fuel Fleet Grant Program, Clean Transportation Zone for the Texas Alternative Fueling Facilities Program, and Light Duty Motor Vehicle Purchase or Lease Incentive Program to be administered by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, and in addition to amounts appropriated above, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is

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appropriated out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP)		
Account No. 5071 \$	in each fiscal year of the 2018-19 biennium to implement	
the provisions of the legislation.		

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- 16. Alamo and Alamo Complex Master Plan and Preservation, Maintenance, and Operations.
 - a. Pursuant to Natural Resources Code, §31.454, the amounts included above of \$4,253,991 in each fiscal year from the General Revenue-Dedicated Alamo Complex Account No. 5152 are appropriated in Strategy A.3.1, Preserve and Maintain the Alamo and Alamo Complex, for the purposes authorized in Natural Resources Code, Chapter 31, Subchapter I.
 - b. Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Preserve and Maintain the Alamo and Alamo Complex, include General Revenue funds of \$37,522,600 in fiscal year 2018 and \$241,336 in fiscal year 2019 to implement the Master Plan for the Alamo and the Alamo Complex and for the preservation, maintenance, and operation of the Alamo and Alamo Complex. Any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2018 from the General Revenue appropriations governed by this subsection are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018. Appropriations governed by this subsection may not be transferred or used for any other purposes.
- 17. Transfer Authority. Notwithstanding limitations on appropriation transfers contained in the General Provisions of this Act, the General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board is authorized to direct agency resources within the General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board, and transfer such amounts appropriated above between strategy line items within each of Goal A: Enhance State Assets; Goal B: Protect the Coastal Environment; Goal C: Veterans' Land Board (VLB); and Goal D: Community Development and Revitalization.
- **20. Closure of Rollover Pass.** Amounts appropriated in Strategy B.1.2, Coastal Erosion Control Grants, include \$2,036,258 from General Revenue in fiscal year 2018 for the purpose of closing

16. Alamo and Alamo Complex Preservation, Maintenance, and Operations. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Preserve and Maintain Alamo Complex, is \$4,932,289 in fiscal year 2018 and \$4,932,289 in fiscal year 2019 out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Alamo Complex Account No. 5152. In addition to these amounts appropriated above and pursuant to Natural Resources Code, \$31.454, all remaining balances each fiscal year (estimated to be \$0) and amounts deposited into the General Revenue-Dedicated Alamo Complex Account No. 5152 each fiscal year above the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate (estimated to be \$0), are appropriated above to the General Land Office and Veteran's Land Board in Strategy A.3.1, Preserve and Maintain Alamo Complex for the purposes authorized in Natural Resources Code, Chapter 31, Subchapter I.

17. Transfer Authority. Notwithstanding limitations on appropriation transfers contained in the General Provisions of this Act, the General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board, is authorized to direct agency resources within the General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board, and transfer such amounts appropriated above between strategy line items between Strategies D.1.1, Rebuild Housing and D.1.2, Rebuild Infrastructure, for disaster recovery functions.

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Rollover Pass on the Bolivar Peninsula. Any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2018 in appropriations made to the General Land Office Veterans' Land Board are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018.

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- **Border Security.** Amounts appropriated above include \$5,284,138 out of the Unclaimed Refunds of Motorboat Fuel Tax, and 49.0 FTEs in each fiscal year in Strategy C.1.1, Enforcement Programs, for the purposes of enhancing border security. This amount includes \$4,305,178 each fiscal year for operations and \$978,960 each fiscal year for capital transportation items.
- 36. Northern Bobwhite Quail Interagency Contract. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Wildlife Conservation, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department shall use \$1,000,000 each fiscal year from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 to contract with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service for the following purposes: develop educational resources and programs to reestablish growth of quail populations based on research-proven best management practices; investigations into the impact of parasites and toxins on quail populations; diagnostic tests for diseases impacting quail populations, genomic sequencing and bioinformatics studies; field tests to study how health factors interact with environmental factors to impact quail populations; and develop a centralized data repository of research findings.

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- 14. Contingency Appropriation. Contingent upon the enactment of legislation by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, redirecting the deposit of revenues generated by the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax, authorized in Utilities Code, Section 122.051, to the Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155, appropriations made above to the Railroad Commission out of the Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 are increased by \$22,000,000 each fiscal year.
- Safety, \$3,118,950 in fiscal year 2018 and \$3,118,949 in fiscal year 2019 from General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155, for the purposes of assisting inspectors to focus on ensuring oil field and pipeline safety and regulatory compliance and supporting a commitment to inspect all onshore wells at least every five years and offshore and bay wells every two years, is contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 300, or similar legislation relating to the continuation and functions of the Railroad Commission, by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, and the Railroad Commission assessing fees sufficient to generate \$3,653,850 in fiscal year 2018 and \$3,653,849 in fiscal year 2019 from additional fees authorized in Senate Bill 300, or similar legislation, in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate. In the event that actual or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.
- **Operational Stability Funding.** In addition to amounts appropriated above, \$13,825,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$13,825,000 in fiscal year 2019 in General Revenue is appropriated to the Railroad Commission from revenues generated by the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax, authorized in Utilities Code, Section 122.051. Notwithstanding limitations on appropriation transfers

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contained in the General Provisions of this Act, the Railroad Commission is authorized to transfer funding appropriated in this rider between strategy line items.

- **15. Appropriation: Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account Fees.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above, the Railroad Commission is appropriated any fees deposited in the Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 in excess of amounts indicated in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.
- 17. Salary Funding. Revenues deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund from the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax, authorized in Utilities Code, Section 122.051, in the amounts of \$6,000,000 each fiscal year are appropriated to the Railroad Commission in addition to the amounts appropriated above to fund salary costs. Notwithstanding limitations on appropriation transfers contained in the General Provisions of this Act, the Railroad Commission is authorized to transfer funding appropriated in this rider between strategy line items for the sole purpose of salary funding.

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10. Carrizo Cane Eradication. Amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Water Conservation and Enhancement, include \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2019 out of the General Revenue Fund for the eradication of Carrizo Cane.

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24. Demonstration Projects for Alternative Water Supplies. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.2, Water Resources Planning, the Water Development Board shall allocate \$1,000,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2018 to fund grants for demonstration projects or feasibility studies to prove up certain aquifer storage and recovery projects or any other demonstration projects or feasibility studies that will create new water supplies or otherwise increase the availability of water through use of innovative storage approaches that improve operational efficiencies. Such projects should be targeted to provide cost-effective and long-term regional water supplies that can be made available within a region to help meet the various competing demands for water, including those of agricultural, industrial, municipal and others.

The Water Development Board shall award the grants through a competitive process to Groundwater Conservation Districts and stipulate that such districts require grant applicants and/or their partner organizations to provide matching funds. Any unexpended balances remaining in this appropriation as of August 31, 2018 are appropriated to the Water Development Board for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018.

- 24. Quantifying and Installing Water Conservation Strategies. Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Water Conservation Education and Assistance, include \$127,860 out of the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2018-19 biennium to be used for the purpose of meeting the municipal water conservation goals of the 2017 State Water Plan. The Water Development Board shall use the funds to develop and manage a provider contract to deliver the most effective and accurate process by which to measure water conservation statewide. The Water Development Board, by region, should quantify and install, on a pro rata basis, sufficient municipal water conservation strategies to meet the goals of the 2017 State Water Plan.
- 25. Quantifying and Installing Water Conservation Strategies. Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Water Conservation Education and Assistance, include \$127,860 out of the General Revenue Fund in 2018 to be used for the purpose of meeting the municipal water conservation goals of the 2017 State Water Plan. The Water Development Board shall use the funds to develop and manage a provider contract to deliver the most effective and accurate process by which to measure water conservation statewide. The Water Development Board, by region, should quantify and install, on a pro rata basis, sufficient municipal water conservation strategies to meet the goals of the 2017 State Water Plan.

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- **25. Regional Drainage and Water Assistance.** General Revenue appropriations above in each fiscal year in Goal A, Water Resources Planning, Goal B, Water Project Financing, and Goal C, Non-Self Supporting G.O. Debt Service, and any unobligated and unexpended balances from appropriations from the General Revenue Fund in the strategies in those goals may be used by the Water Development Board to provide grant funding to the Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 to implement a flood control project authorized and designated by the US Army Corps of Engineers (Raymondville Drain). The aggregate amount of funding to be provided for this purpose from all strategies shall not exceed \$10,000,000 in each fiscal year of the 2018-19 biennium.
- **29. Hybrid Cloud Services.** Notwithstanding Sec. 14.03 Limitation on Expenditures Capital Budget, the Water Development Board may expend funds from available appropriations above in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 to migrate to the Hybrid Cloud Services environment offered through Data Center Services.
- Flood Funding. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.4.1, Perform Community Assistance Pursuant to NFIP, is \$850,000 each fiscal year of the biennium in General Revenue and \$3,050,000 each fiscal year out of Floodplain Management Fund No. 330 for flood preparedness and safety activities.

26. Regional Drainage and Water Assistance. General Revenue appropriations above in each fiscal year in Goal A, Water Resources Planning, Goal B, Water Project Financing, and Goal C, Non-Self Supporting G.O. Debt Service, and any unobligated and unexpended balances from appropriations from the General Revenue Fund in the strategies in those goals may be used by the Water Development Board to provide grant funding to the Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 to implement the Delta Region Water Management Project or a flood control project authorized and designated by the US Army Corps of Engineers (Raymondville Drain). The aggregate amount of funding to be provided for this purpose from all strategies shall not exceed \$10,000,000 in each fiscal year of the 2018-19 biennium.

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Sec. 2. Contract Cost Containment. Pursuant to Article IX Section 17.10 Contract Cost Containment, appropriations made above to the agencies in Article VI are reduced by \$1,884,925 in General Revenue in 2018 and \$1,884,925 in General Revenue in 2019 and \$2,194,825 in General Revenue Dedicated in 2018 and \$2,194,825 in General Revenue Dedicated in 2019.

Note: Riders with only Strategy and Program name differences are not included in rider comparison packet.