# **Texas Water Reuse**

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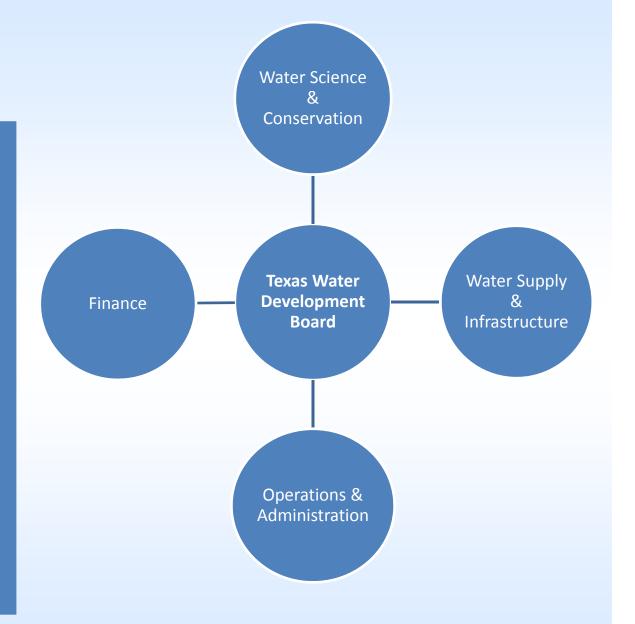
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### **Mission**

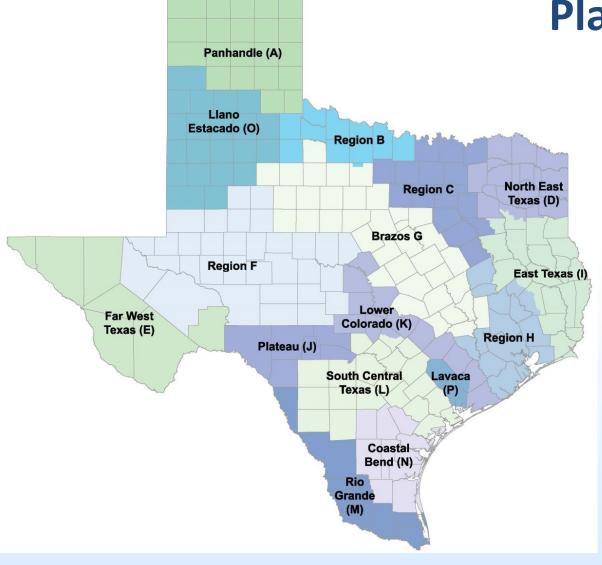
#### To provide

- Leadership,
- Information,
- Education, and
- Support for planning, financial assistance, and outreach

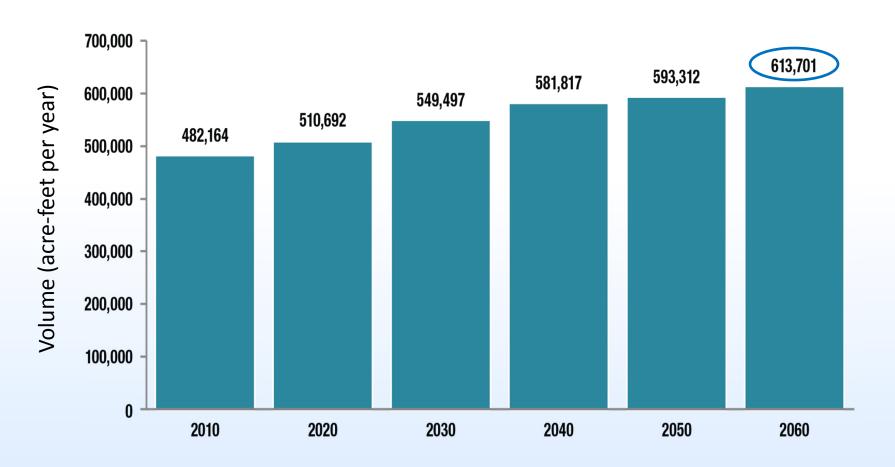
for the conservation and responsible development of water for Texas.



# Regional Water Planning Areas

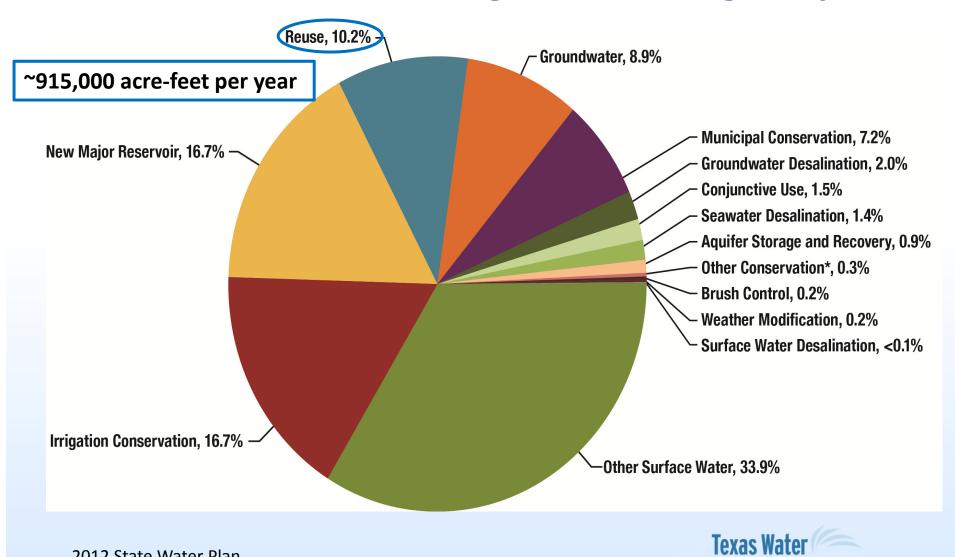


# Projected Existing Water Supplies by 2060



## **Recommended Water Management Strategies by 2060**

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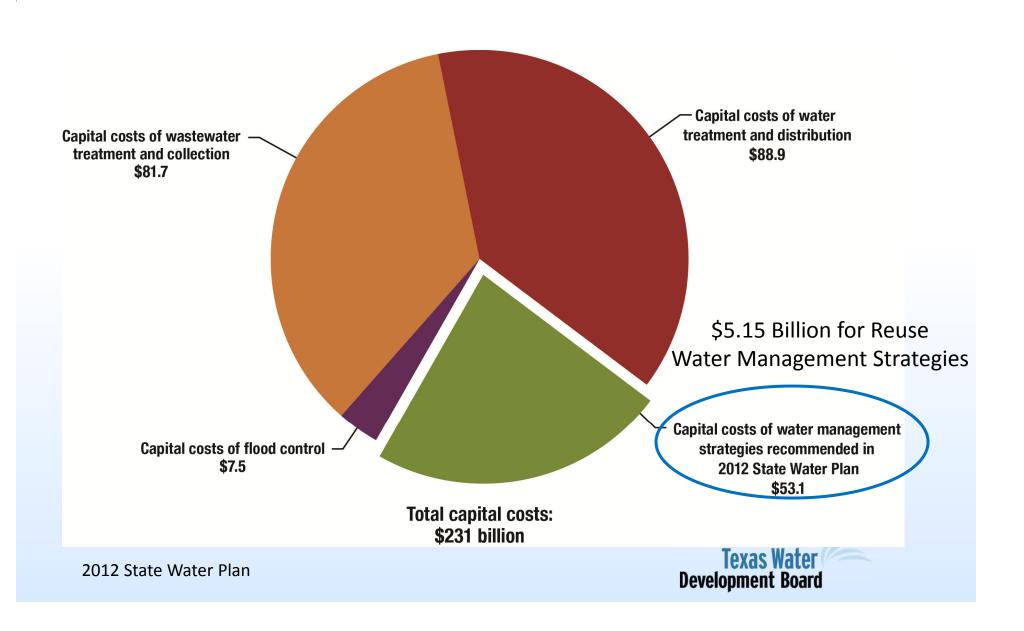


2012 State Water Plan

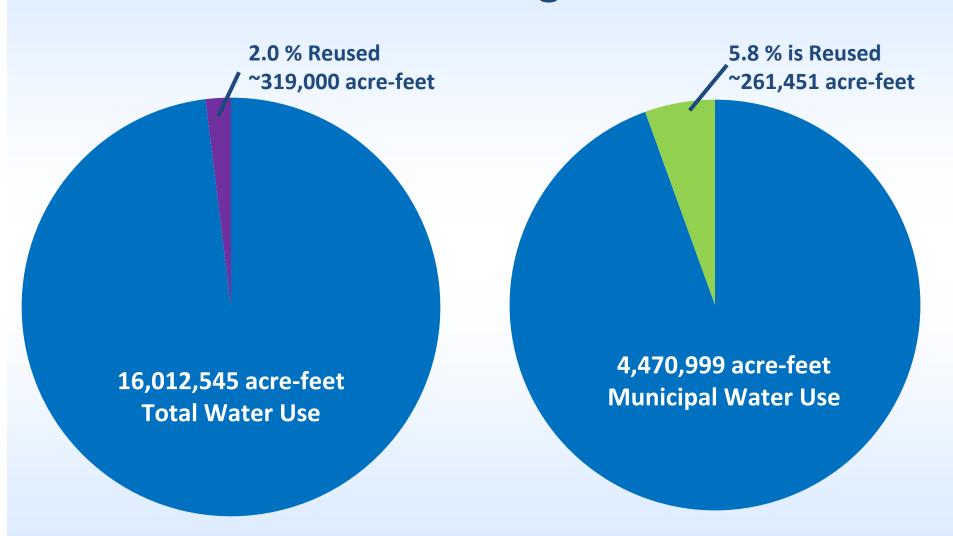
# Reuse - Recommended Water Management Strategy

- ~1.5 million acre-feet of reuse water in 2060
- Reuse as water management strategy
  - 13 regional water planning groups (except A, J, and P)
- Recommended water management strategy
  - 12 regional water planning groups (except A,D, J, and P)
- Alternative water management strategy
  - 4 regional water planning groups (includes B,C,D, F)

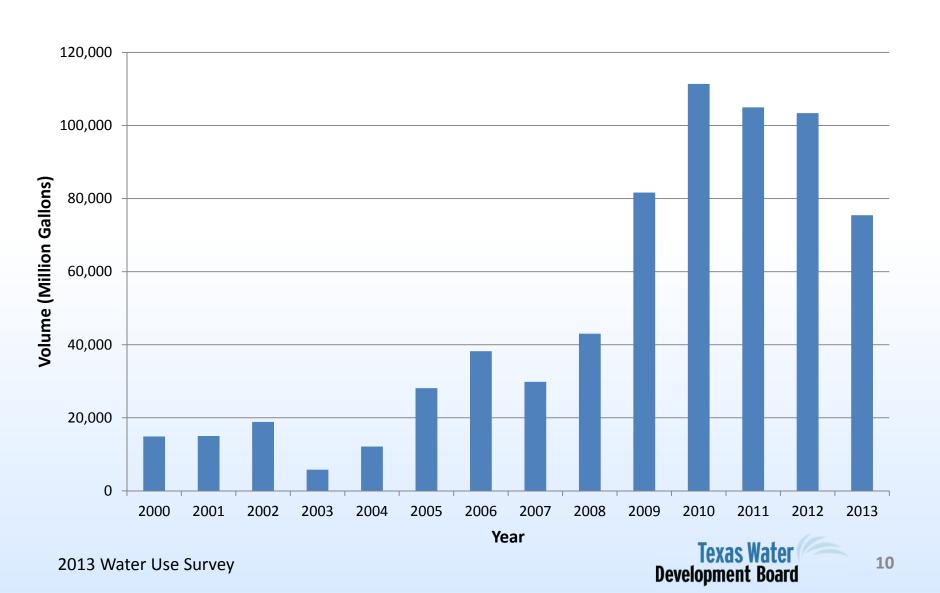
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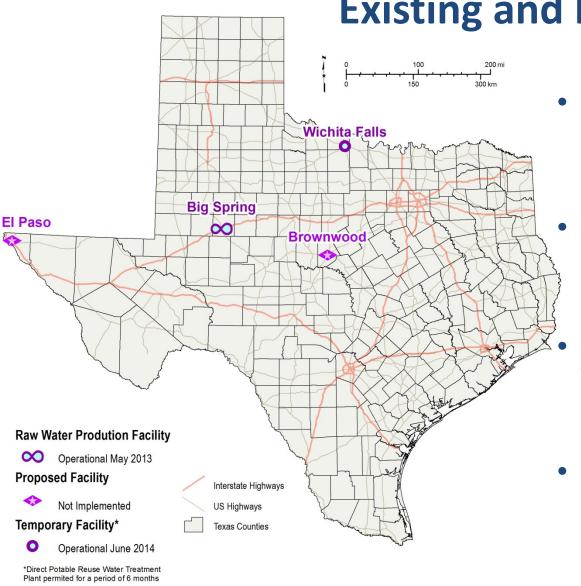
### Water Usage in Texas



#### **Reuse in Texas**



# Direct Potable Water Reuse Existing and Proposed Facilities



- Raw Water Production Facility
  - Operating since May 2013
- Direct Potable Reuse Project
  - Operating since July 2014 (emergency project)
- Advanced Purified Water Treatment
  - Completed piloting protocol
- Direct potable reuse project
  - Awaiting city council approval

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#### **Water Reuse Research**

#### **Evaluating the Potential for Direct Potable Reuse**

- Contaminants of Concern
- Water quality performance targets
- Water quality characterization
- Source control
- Treatment technologies
- Environmental buffers
- Quantitative relative risk assessment
- Pilot protocols
- Regulatory summary
- Public awareness and outreach



# Testing Water Quality in a Municipal Wastewater Effluent Treated to Drinking Water Standards

- Quarterly sampling
  - Chemicals of Emerging Concern
  - Microbial pathogens
- Develop correlations for surrogates compounds
- Guidance document for monitoring at direct potable reuse facilities





#### **Brazos River Demonstration Wetland**

 Engineered wetland constructed in Waco, Texas to evaluate how endocrine disrupting compounds can be reduced from treated wastewater effluent.



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#### **Innovative Water Technologies**

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