

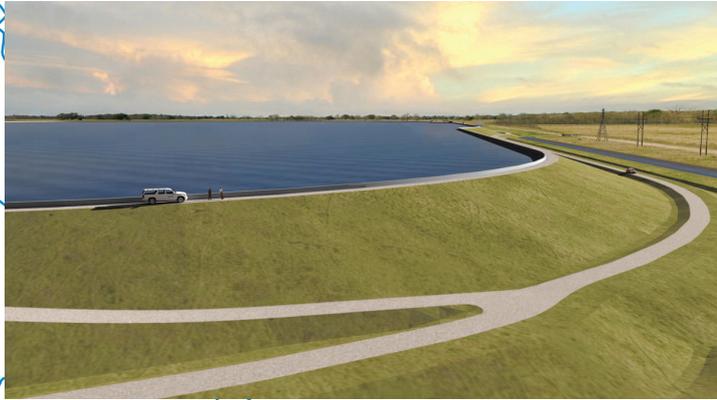
Expanding the Water Supply

The Lower Colorado River Authority is doing more than talking about adding to region's water supply – we are doing it.

LCRA is building the first significant new reservoir in the Colorado River basin in decades. The new J. Scott Arbuckle Reservoir in Wharton County is the first project that will allow LCRA to capture and store significant amounts of water downstream of the Highland Lakes. The new off-channel reservoir is expected to begin operating in late spring 2022.

The reservoir:

- Will benefit the entire basin by reducing the amount of water released from the Highland Lakes to meet downstream demands.
- Can hold up to 40,000 acre-feet, more than lakes Marble Falls, Austin and Lady Bird combined.
- Can be filled and refilled multiple times a year, adding up to 90,000 acre-feet to our region's water supply.
- Can help meet local water demands.



**Artist rendering*

Highland Lakes

Austin

Wharton

Bay City

Matagorda Bay

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Workers build the wave wall at the reservoir



Crews work on the relift pump station and inlet/outlet facility