

RESOLUTION

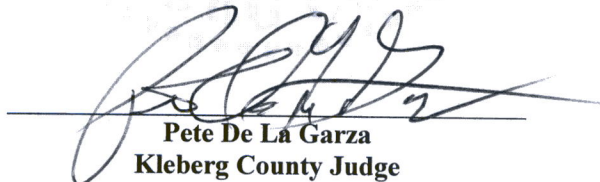
BAY AND ESTUARY INFLOWS

- WHEREAS,** freshwater inflows to the Baffin Bay / Upper Laguna Madre Complex are important to commercial and recreational fisherman, bird watchers and other citizens living and working in and surrounding areas; and
- WHEREAS,** the sport fishing industry makes a tremendous contribution to the economy of the Kleberg County area through the tourism it attracts; and
- WHEREAS,** the commercial fishing industry provides many jobs in the Kleberg County area and supplies fresh fish to local restaurants and markets around the area; and
- WHEREAS,** the sport and commercial fishing industries, bird watching and other nature-related tourism activities help support a variety of businesses in the Kleberg County area, including hotels and restaurants, tour guide operators, marinas and boat dealers, fishing equipment and supply outlets and bait dealers and fish houses; and
- WHEREAS,** sport and commercial fishing and other tourism industries can be harmed by the failure to ensure that sufficient freshwater flows reach the Baffin Bay / Upper Laguna Madre Complex; and
- WHEREAS,** in light of the foregoing, it is important for our governing body to speak out strongly in favor of the Texas Legislature taking steps to protect freshwater inflows, while preserving the integrity of the surface water for human consumption.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Kleberg County Commissioners' Court that:

We respectfully urge Governor Rick Perry, Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst, Senator Eddie Lucio, State Representative Juan Escobar to develop and enact legislation to protect freshwater inflows.

Passed and Approved on this the 10th day of January, 2005.



Pete De La Garza
Kleberg County Judge





David Rosse, Commissioner, Pct 1


Joe Hinojosa, Commissioner, Pct 2


Roy Cantu, Commissioner, Pct 3


Romeo Lomas, Commissioner, Pct 4

ATTEST: 
Leo Alarcon, County Clerk