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**Edwards Aquifer Authority Hosts Information Session
for Public Office Candidates**

San Antonio, TX – On Thursday, March 20, 2025, the Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) hosted its first information session for public office candidates. Candidates from all eight counties that span across the EAA jurisdiction were invited to attend, learn about current EAA initiatives, and gain insights from EAA’s leadership team. A total of 42 candidates attended the event.

EAA General Manager, Roland Ruiz, began the session with an overview of the agency’s mission, which is to manage, enhance, and protect the Edwards Aquifer. Then, he segued into the Q&A portion where attendees asked questions to the panel of EAA executives, including Marc Friberg Deputy General Manager; Mark Hamilton Executive Director of Aquifer Management Services; Michael De La Garza Executive Director of Communications and Development; Larry Jackson Executive Director of External and Regulatory Affairs; Felix Marquez Executive Director of Administration and Financial Services, and Chad Furl Chief Science Officer for the Threatened and Endangered Species Department.

About The EAA

The EAA regulates the portion of the Balcones Fault Zone Edwards Aquifer – a jurisdictional area that provides water to two-and-one-half million people and covers more than 8,000 square miles across eight counties. These include all of Uvalde, Medina, and Bexar counties as well as parts of Atascosa, Caldwell, Guadalupe, Comal, and Hays counties. For 28 years the Edwards Aquifer Authority has carried out its mission of managing, enhancing, and protecting the Edwards Aquifer. For more information, please visit www.edwardsaquifer.org.