

# Evangeline Groundwater Project Update

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# Evangeline Groundwater Project Overview

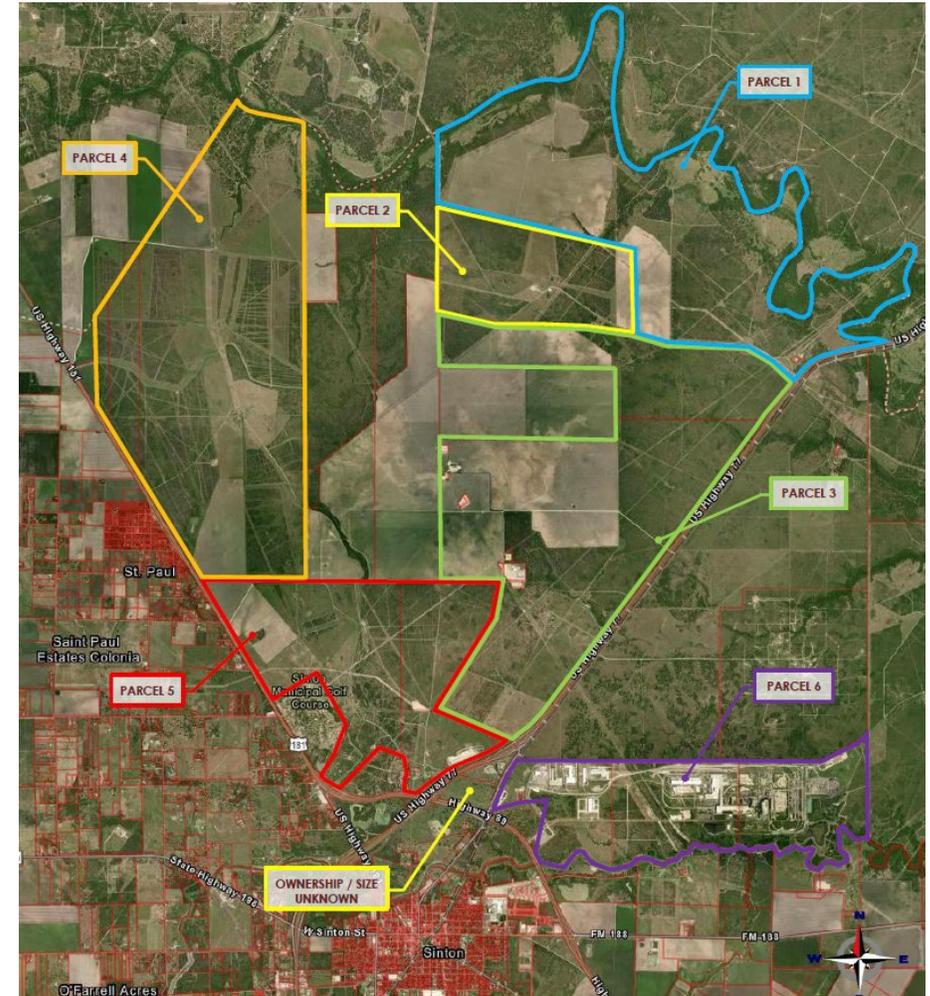


- Located north of Sinton, Texas, in San Patricio County
- Located within the San Patricio Groundwater Conservation District (SPGCD)
- Evangeline/Laguna LP (Evangeline) has groundwater rights for 22,789 acres of land, owned by different entities
- Evangeline groundwater rights equate to approximately 28,486 acre-feet annually, or 24 million gallons a day (MGD)

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## Key Dates

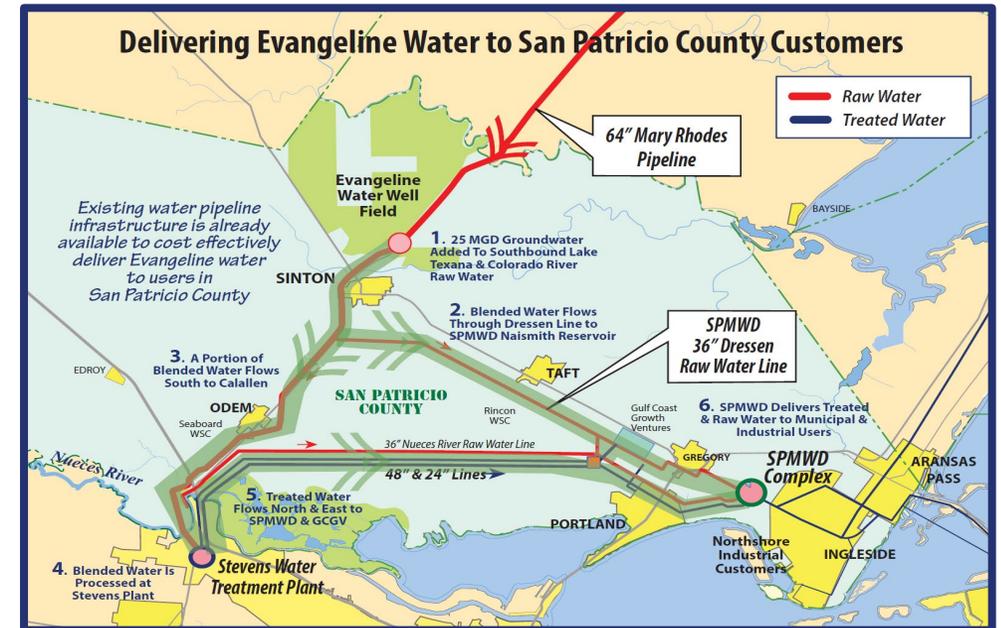
- SPGCD issued a production permit for 24 million gallons per day (MGD) on May 16, 2019, which was renewed on January 21, 2025
- August 12, 2025, Council directs City staff to prepare a purchase agreement for water rights
- September 23, 2025, Council approves negotiated term sheet for fee simple groundwater rights, which forms the basis of a final contract
- September 23, 2025, Council authorizes Master Services Agreement (MSA) with Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc. to conduct preliminary design work



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- October 21, 2025, Council approves an ordinance authorizing the execution of a Groundwater Rights Purchase and Sale Agreement with Evangeline/Laguna, LP in the amount of \$169,491,700; and execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with City of Sinton; an agreement with Saint Paul Water Supply Cooperation
- November 24, 2025, City held a Public Information Session at the San Patricio County Fairground in Sinton, with more than 80 people in attendance



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- December 11, 2025, Evangeline submits applications for drilling and transport permits to the SPGCD electronically; December 12, 2025, applications submitted in person
- January 16, 2026, SPGCD determines that drilling and transport permit applications are administratively complete
- February 6, 2026, SPGCD approved the process to secure an administrative law judge to conduct a preliminary hearing
- February 2026, City staff anticipates bringing contract amendments for construction services and equipment purchases to Council for consideration
- 60% design is expected to be completed by mid-March 2026

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## Next Steps

- Work with Seller to prepare for Preliminary Hearing
- Continue working towards further discussion with Sinton and Saint Paul WSC to discuss interlocal agreements
- Continue design and prepare for procurement work packages
- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) permit:
  - February 4, City staff met with TECQ to discuss required permits for this project

# Evangeline Groundwater Project Production Delivery

- Based on the design work, preconstruction services, and input from Garney, a partial delivery of 4 MGD was estimated to be achieved by November 2026
- Depending on the results of negotiations and the preliminary hearing, the estimated water delivery date may need to be adjusted

2026 Project Delivery of Additional Water (MGD)												
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Total
										4	1	5

2027 Project Delivery of Additional Water (MGD)												
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Total
2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	16

2028 Project Delivery of Additional Water (MGD)												
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Total
2	1											3



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