Establishment of an Irrigation Technology Center within the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Cooperative Extension

During its March, 2002 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the concept paper to establish an Irrigation Technology Center within the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Cooperative Extension. The establishment of an Irrigation Technology Center will provide for coordinated statewide irrigation programs and associated facilities for education, testing and applied research, efficient water use and conservation, profitable irrigated crop production, and quality urban landscapes.

Resources and personnel within the Experiment Station and Texas Cooperative Extension will be redirected to initiate the Center’s programs. To complement existing resources, funding will be solicited from local organizations, state and federal sources, industry, municipalities, and groups and individuals. Activities under consideration include expanded contracts and grants, congressional and state initiatives, as well as a capital campaign effort.

Proposal attached as reflected in Exhibit ______.

Respectfully submitted,

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Agenda Item No. ____

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Subject: Establishment of an Irrigation Technology Center

The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Cooperative Extension request approval of an Irrigation Technology Center, as documented in Exhibit _____. I affirm that the Center is in compliance with System Policy and Guidelines.

I recommend the adoption of the following Minute Order:

“The Irrigation Technology Center is hereby established as an organizational part of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Cooperative Extension that is administered within the Texas Water Resources Institute, effective May 24, 2002.”

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Attachment

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