

PKLA Accomplishments/Milestones

Early 1970s- PKLA was formed with a mission of
"providing a voice for the Possum Kingdom Lake
community and to forums for community
involvement with priority to protection of the Lake's
resources"

2009- State House of Representatives Bill 3031,
divestiture of BRA deeded land to property owners

Assembled a team of hydrologists, lawyers, former state regulators, and PKLA directors to file a lawsuit to prevent the BRA from selling additional water from PK.

2014- Signed an unprecedented agreement with BRA that restricts new water sales from PK and gives the PKLA the ability to verify BRA's compliance. This agreement established the basis for the outstanding relationship that the PKLA has with the BRA today.

2017-Hired James Kowis, water rights expert, former TCEQ manager, and hydrologist on retainers to monitor BRA activities to ensure compliance with the PKLA/BRA agreement and to design and oversee water availability modeling of water in PK.

2017-and every year thereafter PKLA met with the
BRA to discuss issues and compliance with the
agreement

April 2017 and April thereafter, BRA reported water sales for the previous year per the agreement

2017- Created new PKLA initiatives LAKE LEVELS (Trust but Verify), WATER AVAILABILITY, COMMUNICATIONS, MEMBERSHIP, POLITICAL OUTREACH, and PROPERTY TAXES/COUNTY SERVICES

2017- Selected Palo Pinto County General Hospital
as the first county service for PKLA scrutiny.

2017- Hired PKLA's second consultant- Jeff Hausler, an expert with many years on hands experience in both for profit and non-profit hospital administration

2017- Met with the president of the hospital board of directors and presented PK's concerns and asked for cooperation in working with PKLA's hospital consultant

2017- Met with the hospital CEO to discuss our concerns, introduce our consultant, and asked for his cooperation

2018- Hospital CEO was terminated by the hospital board.

2018- PKLA's consultant became an advisor to the interim hospital CEO

2018- Kowis and Kennedy executed BRA's water availability models with conservative assumptions about PK inflows to project future PK lake levels.

2018- PKLA member requested PKLA's help in resisting Abilene's placement of its water effluent return into shallow water in a cove with little circulation.

2018- PKLA added water quality as a PKLA initiative.

2018- PKLA requests to be added to TCEQ
notification list of permit applications for effluent
discharge into PK.

2018- PKLA met with a BRA hosted meeting with the TCEQ, TPW, and BRA to discuss the need for additional monitoring of Abilene's effluent into PK.