

**Situation:** In March 8, 2012, an Interlocal Agreement was signed between the City of Austin and the Village of Volente releasing the area between the 671-foot MSL contour line to approximately the center of Lake Travis and adjacent to the Village of Volente from Austin's ETJ to Volente's ETJ (extraterritorial jurisdiction).

**Proposal:** The Village of Volente is proposing to annex this portion of the shoreline and the water of Lake Travis comprising approximately 637 acres. This would bring this area both on land and over the water into the Village of Volente's jurisdiction. It would not change the ownership of any property.

**What Services would Volente provide to this area:**

1. Police protection per Volente's ordinances (Interlocal with City of Jonestown and the TCSO patrol that we do now)
2. Fire Protection and Emergency Medical services
3. Animal control
4. Inspection services in conjunction with building permits if and when issued. (not on marinas LCRA has the jurisdiction)
5. Land use and water quality regulations over both existing uses and possible future usage by both commercial and other governmental agencies.

**Items to consider:**

Due to the extended drought in Central Texas there is a considerable amount of exposed shoreline land around Lake Travis below the 671' level. As the current Village boundary is the 671' level, this exposed area and the water surface were left with no clear control or enforcement. Within the Village of Volente this area would now be governed by Village ordinances except where LCRA has jurisdiction.

The LCRA would continue to have full responsibility for and enforcement responsibility for regulations concerning docks and marinas, as both are currently covered in the LCRA Highland Lakes Watershed Ordinance.

This annexation would provide the means by which Lake Travis Party Boat owners would have a consistent set of policies and standards governing their behavior in loading and unloading, as well as on the water activities, including noise abatement.

Volente will continue to work with the Travis County Sherriff's department and with the City of Jonestown's water based police force to ensure compliance with laws and ordinances on the water of Lake Travis.

Finally, as other governmental agencies may possibly begin to construct a deep water intake on the shores of land inside our village, this annexation will allow the Village to exert jurisdiction over noise, health and safety, and adjacent property protection.