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City of Dripping Springs Receives \$25,000 Grant for Harrison Ranch Park

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DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS – The City of Dripping Springs will be able to complete a western-themed playscape at Harrison Ranch Park with the help of a \$25,000 Community Development Partnership Program grant that was presented to the City during the January 11th City Council meeting by Heather Richardson with the Lower Colorado River Authority and Tessa Doerhman with the Pedernales Electric Cooperative.

The grant will be used to provide a fun, safe and shaded place for toddlers and young children to play at the 64-acre, multi-use park located on Ranch Road 12, across from Dripping Springs Elementary School.

The project is important to area children, citizens and the many visitors to the park as there currently are no playground facilities located on the parkland.

Constructed to meet national safety standards, the playground equipment will include a large playscape with a slide, climbers, and rocking ponies as well as surfacing materials needed for padding underneath the equipment.

Expressing great appreciation for the grant, Mayor Todd Purcell said “the addition of playground equipment at Harrison Ranch Park will allow families to enjoy a designated area for children while enjoying the natural beauty of the park.”

“This generous grant award gets us much closer to our goal of transforming Harrison Ranch Park into a functioning park with amenities and facilities that will be enjoyed by future generations,” Purcell added.

The community grant is one of a number of grants recently awarded through LCRA’s Community Development Partnership Program. The program provides economic development and community assistance grants to cities, volunteer fire departments, regional development councils and other nonprofit organizations in LCRA’s electric and water service areas as part of LCRA’s effort to give back to the communities it serves. Pedernales Electric Cooperative, Inc. is one of LCRA’s 43 wholesale electric customers and a partner in the grant program.