

Surge Valve Cooperative Application Form

c/o Harlingen Irrigation District, 301 E. Pierce Ave., Harlingen, TX 78550.

Question? Call Heather Stock, HID, at 956.423.7015.

Please complete this application and sign and date the reverse. Submit via:

email to hstock@hidcc1.org **OR** mail to or drop by at the above address **OR** fax to 956. 423.4671.

Applications will be accepted in order of receipt.

CONTACT INFORMATION
Name
Address
Telephone
Email
IRRIGATION INFORMATION
Crop(s) on which the surge valves will be used
Have you grown this crop before? Is yes, when?
If possible, please estimate prior total irrigation water use.
Location of field to be irrigated* and number of acres.
Irrigation district servicing the field.
Do you have a meter or access to one? If yes, what type?
SURGE VALVE EXPERIENCE
Have you used surge valves before? If yes, on what crops?
How would you characterize your experience?
How did you hear about the Surge Valve Coop?

**Surge valves may be used on more than one field. The Coop would appreciate receiving information on water usage for all fields serviced with Coop valves, but requires reporting on only one crop, preferably the most water-intensive.*

LAST BUT NOT LEAST

I confirm that I will attend the training workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2013.

Surge Valve Cooperative Terms of Participation

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1. The Surge Valve Cooperative ("Coop") is open to growers within the six-county jurisdiction of the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority who use water from the Rio Grande for irrigation.
2. The Coop is limited to 32 producers. A waiting list will be maintained in case of cancellations or additional funding.
3. Applications will be accepted in the order they are received; incomplete applications will not be considered.
4. Each successful applicant may purchase up to two surge valves at the discounted rate of \$350 per surge valve.
5. **Selected cooperators must make payment via cash or check** (written to the order of the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority) before receiving their surge valves.
6. To receive the discounted price, cooperators must attend a free one-day training session in the use of surge valves at the Rio Grande Center for Ag Water Efficiency located next to the HID river pumping plant. The next training opportunity is Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2013, 8:30 to 11 am.
7. Cooperators also must comply with U.S. Bureau of Reclamation grant requirements for metering water use and providing that information to the HID project manager.
8. Twenty percent of cooperators will be selected for additional in-field analysis by Texas A&M specialists.
9. Cooperators who participate in a follow-up meeting to discuss their experiences using the surge valves will receive a \$50 cash rebate per surge valve. Follow-up meetings will be scheduled for mid-September 2014 and will last approximately 2 to 3 hours.

By applying for the Surge Valve Cooperative, I agree to abide by the above terms of participation. I also authorize the use of any photographs or recordings containing my image or voice made during the progress of the Cooperative.

Signature

Date

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE.

The Surge Valve Cooperative is made possible by a WaterSMART grant from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority. Matching funds and in-kind services are provided by the RGRWA and by the Texas Project for Ag Water Efficiency, directed and managed by the Harlingen Irrigation District with funding from the Texas Water Development Board.

