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LCRA Boating and Water Safety Coordinator Bill Hagy, Cottonwood Shores Mayor Janelle Long, Cottonwood Shores City Administrator Janet Taylor-Carusi, Marble Falls Eagle Scout Joseph Hugunin, Cottonwood Shores City Secretary Sheila Moore, LCRA Board Member John M. Franklin and Cottonwood Shores Councilmember Travis Hockensmith.

Swimmers at the Cottonwood Shores boat ramp and park have an additional safety resource available to them thanks to the collective efforts of the City of Cottonwood Shores, the Central Texas Water Safety Coalition and ambitious local Eagle Scout. Representatives from the City of Cottonwood Shores and LCRA joined Eagle Scout Joseph Hugunin at the boat ramp and park to put into service a new life jacket loaner board. The City of Cottonwood Shores bought the materials for the new life jacket board, which Hugunin, a Marble Falls High School student, constructed as his Eagle Scout Service Project. LCRA stocked the loaner board with more than 20 used life jackets, donated by Sail and Ski centers in Austin and San Antonio. The life jackets will be free for children and adults swimming at the Lake Marble Falls park, located at 3729 Lakeview Drive, to use on the honor system that they return the life jackets back to the loaner board when they leave the park. "I am proud to be a part of this project – the Boy Scouts of America have always valued community service and have done a great job in teaching young men the value of giving back," said Cottonwood Shores Councilmember Travis Hockensmith. "Being an Eagle Scout myself, I volunteered to oversee this project." The City of Cottonwood Shores also is in the process of remodeling the boat ramp with grants from LCRA and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.