



## News Release

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### Record Hottest June for Central Texas History

Austin, Texas - July 28, 2008 - Central Texas has experienced record heat and dry conditions over the last 90 days with 32 of the last 81 days (May 1 - July 20) at or above 100 degrees. The U.S. Drought Monitor denotes exceptional drought conditions across Central Texas.

Numerous factors contributed to one of the hottest months in history for Central Texas. The accumulation of the high June sun with less than usual cloud cover (solar radiation) and unusual southeast wind (desiccation) increased soil moisture evaporative loss. The average daily high for June 2008 was 99.4 degrees, with the average 24 hour temperature reaching 87.4 degrees.

May and June are typically the wettest months of the year leaving much of the area well below normal rainfall. These conditions stretch the capacity of most irrigation systems leading to stressed appearance in the landscape plants and accentuate distribution coverage issues.

The data cutoff for Drought Monitor maps is Tuesday at 7 a.m. Eastern Standard Time. The maps, which are based on analysis of the data, are released each Thursday at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time.

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#### **About Acequia, LP**

Acequia has been providing water-saving irrigation-management solutions to commercial property owners since 2001. Acequia developed its advanced proprietary software to provide irrigation scheduling based on real-time environmental data transmitted continuously across the Internet from every control unit to the company's central server for analysis and action.

The selection of our company name has tremendous meaning and history which we feel reflects who we are and how we want to be viewed by our partners. "Acequia" is a term brought to this country via old Spain derived from the formalization of irrigation practices prior to the conquest of the Americas. During this period, Acequia referred to water stewards or overseers assigned to assure that colonies were established in accordance with sound environmental principals. Additional information can be found at [www.acequia.com](http://www.acequia.com) or 512-637-5172.