



## PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING November 16, 2020

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** to all interested persons in Ellis, Hill, Johnson, and Somervell Counties, Texas:

That the Board of Directors (“Board”) of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District (“District”) will hold a public hearing, accept public comment, and may act to adopt amendments to the District Rules regulating water wells within the boundaries of the District, including Ellis, Hill, Johnson, and Somervell Counties, Texas. The proposed amendments to the District Rules address a number of issues, including without limitation the following: 1) ending the early payment incentive for water use fees that was established in the District’s original Temporary Rules, as well as water use payment exemptions for certain flushing requirements required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and for emergency purposes, in favor of an annual refund on conserved water under a permit; 2) authorizing the Board to establish certain administrative fees presently set forth in the rules instead by resolution; 3) clarifying hearings procedures on applications for exceptions to well spacing and minimum tract size requirements; 4) clarifying methods for calculating well spacing requirements; 5) making minor typographical, formatting, and clarifying corrections to the transfer of well ownership rules, the definition of “maximum historic use,” and other rules; and 6) other non-substantive clarifying and conforming changes.

This hearing will be held on Monday, November 16, 2020, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the District office located at 208 Kimberly Dr, Cleburne, Texas 76031. Any person who desires to appear at the hearing and present comment or other information on the proposed adoption of amendments to the District Rules may do so in person, by legal representative, or both. Comments may be presented verbally or in written form. Limits may be placed on the amount of time that each person is allowed to present verbal comments. Persons interested in submitting written comments on the proposed amendments may do so by sending any such comments to 208 Kimberly Dr., Cleburne, Texas 76031. The Board may act to adopt the amendments to the rules as proposed or with additional changes based upon comments and discussion at the hearing. The hearing posted in this notice may be recessed from day to day or continued where appropriate.

The public hearing is available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance to attend the hearing, please contact the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District at (817) 556-2299 at least 24 hours in advance of the hearing.

A copy of the proposed amendments to the District Rules may be requested by email at [kjones@prairielandsgcd.org](mailto:kjones@prairielandsgcd.org), is available for reviewing or downloading at [www.prairielandsgcd.org](http://www.prairielandsgcd.org), and may be reviewed, inspected, or obtained in person at the District office located at 208 Kimberly Dr, Cleburne, Texas 76031. For more information, contact the District’s General Manager, Kathy Turner Jones, at (817) 556-2299.