

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED DESIRED FUTURE CONDITIONS AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING

#### OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

of the

PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
To be held
IN PERSON AND REMOTELY VIA AUDIO/VIDEO CONFERENCE

Prairielands GCD – Board Room 208 Kimberly Drive Cleburne, TX 76031

9:00 AM, Monday, February 8, 2021

Notice is hereby given to all interested members of the public that the Board of Directors of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District will hold a public hearing on proposed Desired Future Conditions for the aquifers in the District and a regular public meeting both in person and via audio and video conference call pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.125, and as modified by the Governor of Texas who ordered suspension of various provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, effective March 16, 2020, in accordance with the Texas Disaster Act of 1975. Any member of the public who wishes to participate remotely may do so through the remote access options provided below. The proposed Desired Future Conditions and supporting materials are available at the District's Office at 208 Kimberly Drive, Cleburne, Texas, 76031, and a summary of the proposed DFCs is available on the District's website: www.prairielandsgcd.org.

Click the following link to join by computer, tablet, or smartphone:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89477105491?pwd=NnJTcTl2VkFSZmJEUlQvbVlmYmFuQT09

Meeting ID: 894 7710 5491 Passcode: 151644

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To join by phone only, dial the following 1-346-248-7799 Meeting ID: 894 7710 5491

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## **Public Hearing on Proposed Desired Future Conditions**

The Prairielands GCD Board of Directors will hold a public hearing and accept public comment on proposed Desired Future Conditions.

- 1. Call to Order and Declare Public Hearing Open to the Public
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Receive summary presentation of proposed Desired Future Conditions from the District's consulting hydrogeologist.
- 4. Receive public comment on proposed Desired Future Conditions from any in-person meeting attendees, any virtual attendees via audio/video conference, or by written comments submitted to the District.
- 5. Adjourn public hearing (the public comment period for submission of written comments on the proposed Desired Future Conditions will remain open until 5:00 p.m. on February 14, 2021).

### **Regular Board Meeting**

The Regular Board Meeting will begin upon adjournment of the Public Hearing on Proposed Desired Future Conditions

The Prairielands GCD Board of Directors may discuss, consider, and take all necessary action, including possible expenditure of funds, regarding each of the agenda items below:

- 1. Call to Order and Declare Regular Meeting Open to the Public
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Public Comment (verbal comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)
- 4. Consent Agenda. All items are considered routine and self-explanatory and may be considered and approved by one motion of the Board. There will be no separate discussion of the items unless a Board Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence.
  - a) Minutes of the January 19, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
  - b) Unaudited financial report for the months of January 2021
  - c) January 2021 monthly invoices and payment of bills
- 5. Administrative and Financials Kathy Turner Jones
  - a) Update on current administrative and financial activities of the District
- 6. Update on public outreach activities, educational, and conservation efforts Sinclaire Newby, Public Relations and Education Director
- 7. Update on Groundwater Management Area 8 activities Director Charles Beseda/Kathy Turner Jones

- 8. Report and recommendations from Board's Rules and Bylaws Committee regarding amending the District Rules to allow semi-annual groundwater production reports for certain small, non-exempt well owners; consider adoption of a board resolution authorizing same pending adoption of formal amendments to the District Rules.
- 9. General Manager's Report and Update The General Manager will brief the Board on the following administrative, operational, and regulatory matters of the District and any other items included in the General Manager's written report, which may be discussed, considered, and acted upon by the Board, including authorizing the initiation of, managing, or resolving enforcement action or litigation where applicable Kathy Turner Jones
  - a) Historic Use Permit Applications
- 10. General Counsel's Report The District's legal counsel will brief the Board on pertinent legal issues and developments impacting the District since the last Board meeting, and legal counsel's activities on behalf of the District, including without limitation waste injection well monitoring activities including any protests of injection well applications with the Railroad Commission of Texas or the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, District rules enforcement activities, rules and management plan implementation issues, District permitting issues, groundwater-related legislative activities, joint planning and DFC development activities, developments in groundwater case law and submission of legal briefs, contractual issues related to the District, open government, policy, personnel, and financial issues of the District, and other legal activities on behalf of the District Brian L. Sledge
- 11. Open Forum / Discussion of New Business for Future Meeting Agendas
  - a) Committee Assignments
- 12. Adjourn Regular Meeting

The above agenda schedule represents an estimate of the order for the indicated items and is subject to change at any time. Public hearings and public meetings of the District are available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance to attend a hearing or meeting, please call (817)556-2299 at least 24 hours in advance of the hearing or meeting to coordinate any special physical access arrangements.

At any time during a hearing or meeting of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District Board and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Board may meet in a closed executive session on any of the above agenda items or other lawful items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gifts (§551.073); personnel matters (§551.074); and deliberation regarding security devices (§551.076). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open hearing or meeting.

Persons may make comments for or against an application for any type of permit, permit amendment, replacement well, or exception request without the need to request a contested case hearing on the application. However, persons wanting to protest an application involving a permit or permit amendment by requesting a contested case hearing must do so either in writing or by appearing at the public hearing in person or by videoconference or telephone on the date specified in this notice before the time that the Board takes final action on the application, as set forth more specifically in the District Rules.

#### Certification

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that on February 4, 2021 at or before 5:00 PM, I posted and filed the above notice of meeting(s) and hearing(s) with the Texas Secretary of State, the Johnson County Clerk, and also posted a copy in the front window of the Prairielands GCD office in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public all times and that it will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District