

PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

January 17, 2023

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE DISTRICT RULES

The Board of Directors of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District (“District”) met in special session, open to the public, at 208 Kimberly Dr, Cleburne, TX 76031, within the boundaries of the District on January 17, 2023.

President Charles Beseda presided and called to order the Public Hearing on Amendments to the District Rules at 9:09 AM.

The roll was called of the members of the Board of Directors, to wit:

Charles Beseda
John Curtis
Randy Kirk
Paul Tischler

Maurice Osborn
Brad Daniels
Marty McPherson
Barney McClure

All members of the Board were in attendance, thus constituting a quorum. Also, in attendance at said meeting were Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager; Brian Sledge, General Counsel; District staff; and members of the public. *Copies of the public sign-in sheets list are attached hereto as Exhibit “A” to the January 17, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes.*

President Beseda called on the District’s legal counsel, Brian Sledge, to explain the proposed amendments to the District Rules.

PRESENTATION BY DISTRICT’ LEGAL COUNSEL, SLEDGELAW GROUP, PLLC ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE DISTRICT’S RULES

Mr. Sledge stated the notice of this public hearing on amendments to the District Rules and the proposed amendments themselves had been published, posted, and made available to the public as required by Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code and as required in the District Rules no less than 20 days before the public hearing. *Copies of the published and posted public notices are attached as Exhibit “B” hereto.* He announced no written comments were received and confirmed there would be an opportunity for verbal comments from the public or following the presentation of proposed amendments.

Mr. Sledge explained the proposed amendments new or revised provisions address the amount of “contiguous controlled acreage” at the location of a well, which must be calculated to determine the amount of groundwater that a well owner can be authorized to produce annually

under an Operating Permit from the District. The new rules expand the definition of “contiguous controlled acreage” to include acreage owned by a permit applicant on separate properties divided by a road, utility route, or other type of division specified in the rules, even if the permit applicant does not have the right to produce groundwater from those points. Other amended provisions clarify the method by which a permit applicant calculates contiguous controlled acreage, addressing the unique challenges that sometimes arise for retail public utilities and other political subdivisions seeking permits. These changes take into account existing Historic Use Permits, public water system service areas (CCNs), and other factors that affect the calculation of acreage and ultimately the amount of water authorized to be produced annually under a permit.

Other amendments proposed change the exemptions from permitting, water use fee payment, metering, and reporting requirements based on the date of whether the well was drilled before or after January 1, 2023, the wells production capacity, and the purpose of use of the well. The new rule limits small well capacity exemption to 17.36 gallons for wells that are solely for domestic use, livestock use or poultry use. New agricultural irrigation wells will be subject to the permitting, fee payment, metering, and reporting requirements of the rules.

The proposed amendments include adding a provision stating if the Board or General Manager approve a permit or registration for any well, the General Manager may have the permit or registration recorded in the real property records of the county in which the well is located and any property on which the granting permit or registration was based, if the General Manager believes the public or future purchaser could benefit from the recordation of the record.

Other clarifying amendments included permit amendment requirements for an Operating Permit should any contiguous controlled acreage which is owned or leased by the permittee is sold during the term of a permit and prohibits production in excess of the authorized production amount and clarifying minimum tract size requirements for property on which an existing domestic well is located is eventually subdivided, on or after January 1, 2023, and the property owner wishes to expand the number of residential households being served by the domestic well, the property must be in compliance with the two (2) acre minimum tract size for each residential household on the property.

Mr. Sledge concluded the presentation of proposed amendments by discussing new requirements for open, uncovered, abandoned, or deteriorating wells and the authorization to impose penalties for failure to comply with requirements relating to water meter logs and metering. Additionally, Mr. Sledge noted there are other minor typographical, formatting and non-substantive or clarifying changes.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO DISTRICT RULES

None.

DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ADOPTING RESOLUTION #23-001 APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE DISTRICT’S RULES FOR GROUNDWATER WELLS IN ELLIS, HILL, JOHNSON, AND SOMERVELL COUNTIES, TEXAS, IN THE FORM ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED OR WITH

CHANGES BASED UPON COMMENTS RECEIVED. *Copy of Resolution #23-001 attached hereto as Exhibit "C".*

Director Curtis made a motion to approve Resolution #23-001, approving amendments to the District Rules for groundwater wells in Ellis, Hill, Johnson and Somervell counties, Texas. Director McPherson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by all those who were present.

There being no further discussion, Director McPherson made a motion to adjourn the public hearing. Director Kirk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by all those who were present, and the public hearing to adopt amendments to the District Rules was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023.



Maurice Osborn, Secretary/Treasurer



Exhibit "B"

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8:47 A.M. P.M.

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Becky Ivey, County Clerk
Johnson County Texas
By AB Deputy

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CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

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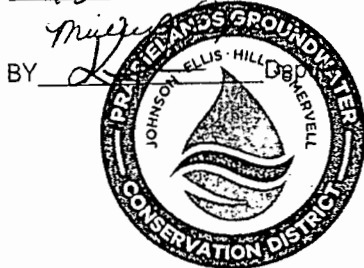
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Nicole Tanner
CLERK COUNTY, HILL COUNTY TEXAS
BY M. Tanner DEPUTY

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Ellis County, Texas
Krystal Valdez, County Clerk
P. O. Box 250
Waxahachie, Texas 75165
(972)825-5070



DATE: 12/15/2022

TIME: 08:54am

REGISTER NO: 38

RECEIVED FROM: Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District

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ITEM DESCRIPTION	CLERK/CAUSE #	QTY	FEE PAID
POSTING FEE		1	\$3.00
TOTAL FEES PAID			\$3.00

ACCOUNT CHARGED _____
ACCT NO: 131
NAME: Prairielands Groundwater Conservation
TOTAL CHARGED: \$3.00
NEW ACCT BALANCE: -\$61.00

Thank You,
Krystal Valdez
County Clerk

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Waxahachie Daily Light
PO Box 877
(972) 937-3310

I, Lisa Drafall, of lawful age, being duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that I am the Regional VP of Sales of Waxahachie Daily Light, a publication that is a "legal newspaper" as that phrase is defined for the city of Waxahachie, for the County of Ellis, in the state of Texas, that this affidavit is Page 1 of 2 with the full text of the sworn-to notice set forth on the pages that follow, and that the attachment hereto contains the correct copy of what was published in said legal newspaper in consecutive issues on the following dates:

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14 Dec 2022

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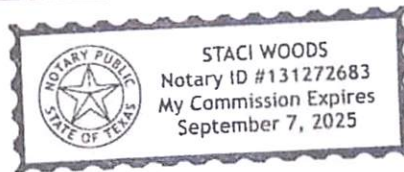
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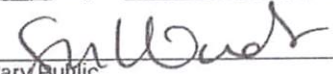
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STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ELLIS



Signed or attested before me on this

22nd day of December, A.D. 2022.


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PUBLIC NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY
FEDERAL EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT
AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for the City of Waxahachie, Ellis County, Texas, Case No. 22-06-1767P. The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) solicits technical information or comments on proposed flood hazard determinations for the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for your community. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. The FIRM and, if applicable, the FIS report have been revised to reflect these flood hazard determinations through issuance of a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), in accordance with Title 44, Part 65 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to adopt or show evidence of having in effect to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. For more information on the proposed flood hazard determinations and information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, please visit FEMA's website at https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/rhm/BFR_Status/bf_main.asp, or call the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-FEMA-MAP (1-877-336-6227).

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Part-Time Municipal
Clerk/Administrative
Assistant

The City of Oak Leaf is hiring for a part-time municipal clerk/administrative assistant position. Applicants must have a minimum education of an associate degree, three years of relevant work experience and be proficient in Microsoft Office with a minimum of 45 wpm typing. The ideal candidate will be a team player skilled in communicating, problem-solving, multi-tasking and organization. For more information or to request an application, contact Ronda Quintana at rquintana@oakleaftx.gov or 972-872-8875. Interviews will start immediately.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Red Oak is accepting Competitive Sealed Bids for Methodist Pump Station Ground Storage Tank (RPP# 2023-01-10) for furnishing all labor, materials, and equipment, and performing all work necessary for the construction of a 1.5-million-gallon concrete ground storage tank, installation of two 2,500 GPM (150 HP) vertical turbine pumps, as well as a chloramine boosting system that injects chlorine and ammonia into the existing and new ground storage tanks on site at the City of Red Oak's existing Methodist Pump Station.

BIDDERS MUST SUBMIT THE COMPLETE ORIGINAL BID PACKET. They will be received by the office of the City Secretary at 200 Lakewood Parkway, Red Oak, Texas 75154 UNTIL 2:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME, TUESDAY, January 10th, 2023, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the aforementioned location for the

PUBLIC NOTICE

products/services listed above.

Plans and project documents can be downloaded from www.publinterpurch.com or obtained from the office of the City Secretary.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF BID

Region 7 ESC is soliciting bids on behalf of 155 education entities & three education service centers in the Region 7 Purchasing Cooperative. Bids are solicited for the following:

Bid Category - Bid Submission, Time Central
Commodity Processing, Opens - Jan 9, 2023, 10:00 AM
Commodity Processing, Opens - Jan 11, 2023, 2:00 PM
Catering - Jan 17, 2023, 1:30 PM
Health Supplies - Jan 19, 2023, 1:30 PM
Athletic Trainer/Fieldhouse Equip. & Supplies - Jan 19, 2023, 1:30 PM
Audio Visual Equipment & Supplies - Jan 24, 2023, 1:30 PM
Building Maintenance & Safety Supplies - Feb 7, 2023, 1:30 PM
Cafeteria Equipment & Supplies - Mar 21, 2023, 1:30 PM
Snacks, Beverages, Ala Carte, & Produce - Mar 23, 2023, 1:30 PM
Athletic Equipment & Supplies - Mar 28, 2023, 1:30 PM
General Office Supplies & Furniture - Apr 11, 2023, 1:30 PM
Custodial Supplies - May 23, 2023, 1:30 PM
Classroom Furniture & Supplies - May 25, 2023, 1:30 PM
Musical Instruments/Service, Equip/Supplies - May 30, 2023, 1:30 PM
Electrical Supplies - Jun 1, 2023, 1:30 PM
Plumbing Supplies - Jun 1, 2023, 1:30 PM
Construction, Building & Supplies - Jun 6, 2023, 1:30 PM
Library Books & Supplies - Jun 6, 2023, 1:30 PM
Bread/Milk/Ice Cream/Juice, Closes - May 16, 2023/1:30 PM
Bread/Milk/Ice Cream/Juice, Opens - May 18, 2023/1:30 PM
Food Service, Closes - May 16, 2023/1:30 PM
Food Service, Opens - May 18, 2023/1:30 PM
Copy Paper, Closes - May 16, 2023/1:30 PM
Copy Paper, Opens - May 18, 2023/1:30 PM
Mobile Communication Equip/Supplies - Jul 18, 2023, 1:30 PM
Computer Hardware & Supplies - Jul 18, 2023, 1:30 PM
Network Systems & Supplies - Jul 20, 2023, 1:30 PM
Uniforms: Athletic, Band, Performance, Institutional & Supplies - Jul 20, 2023, 1:30 PM
Printing & Printing Supplies - Jul 25, 2023, 1:30 PM
Vocational Equipment & Supplies - Jul 25, 2023, 1:30 PM
Contracted Services - Aug 1, 2023, 1:30 PM
Educational Activities & Supplies - Aug 8, 2023, 1:30 PM
Paint & Painting Supplies - Sep 19, 2023, 1:30 PM
Copy Machines - Sep 21, 2023, 1:30 PM
Vehicles: All Types: New/Pre-owned, Buy/Lease - Sep 26, 2023, 1:30 PM
Special Education & Supplies - Sep 28, 2023, 1:30 PM
Grounds/Athletic Fields Maintenance, Equipment & Supplies - Oct 10, 2023, 1:30 PM
Computer Software & Supplies - Nov 28, 2023, 1:30 PM
Science Supplies - Nov 28, 2023, 1:30 PM
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Substance & Alcohol Abuse Testing, Closes - Nov 28, 2023, 1:30 PM
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Bid specifications may be accessed at: <https://purchasing.esc7.net>, phone (963) 988-6859 or e-mail purchasing.esc7.net. Hardcopy bids will be opened at the ESC on each opening date and time. Cooperative bids may be awarded to multiple respondents. Factors which must be considered by the Cooperative in making the award of bids include discounts/pricing offered, compliance with terms, net terms provided, free shipping, exclusions of bid, and purchase orders accepted. Electronic bids will be opened online at the ESC on each bid submission date and time. Region 7 reserves the right to make final decisions as to the best interest of the Cooperative and its members.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,
TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF MCKENZIE L. STRINGFIELD ANA MCKENZIE TREES
STUCKER, DECEASED

Case No. 18021
Cause No. 18021
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney does not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after you were served this citation, a default judgment may be taken against you. In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclosures to the other parties of this suit. These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk. Find out more at www.texascourts.org."

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 401st Judicial District Court of Ellis County, Texas, at the Courtroom thereof, in Waxahachie, Texas, by filing a written answer as set forth in said A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of the issuance of this citation, in case number 18021 (filed on 12/07/2022), on the last day of said Court and to yield.

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC DBA MR. COOPER
vs.
MCKENZIE L. STRINGFIELD ANA MCKENZIE TREES STUCKER AND THE HEIRS AT
LAW OF MCKENZIE L. STRINGFIELD ANA MCKENZIE TREES STUCKER,
DECEASED

A brief summary of the nature of this suit is:
The Petitioner seeks to enforce the lien on the property and assert a claim to the property located at 308 Southwest 1st Street, Suite 100, in Waxahachie, Texas 75165 and legally described as:
Being Lot 18, Unit 1 of El Estero Ranch, an Addition to Ellis County, Texas, According To The Plat Recorded in Cabinet B, Slide 214, Plat Records, Ellis County, Texas.
The attorney for the plaintiff is: Gina R. Reid, 12100 Northwest Freeway, Suite 500, Houston, TX 77040
2023, 10:00 AM and given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at Waxahachie, Texas, this 28th day of November

MELANIE REID, Ellis County District Clerk
109 S. Jackson St. Waxahachie,
Texas 75165
By: /s/ Mary Beth, Deputy
669150

CAUSE NO. 18021
CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF MARK WATSON, DECEASED

Case No. 18021
Cause No. 18021
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney does not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after you were served this citation, a default judgment may be taken against you. In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclosures to the other parties of this suit. These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk. Find out more at www.texascourts.org."

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U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR GFM
HOLDINGS TRUST vs.
MARK WATSON AND THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MARK WATSON

A brief summary of the nature of this suit is:
The Petitioner seeks to enforce the lien on the property and assert a claim to the property located at 413 Justice Lane, Waxahachie, TX 75165 and legally described as: All That Certain Lot, Tract Or Part Of Land Known As Lot 28, Block "D" Of Cedar Creek, Phase 11, An Addition To The City Of Waxahachie, Ellis County, Texas, According To The Map Thereof Recorded in Cabinet H, Slide 238, Plat Records, Ellis County, Texas.
The attorney for the plaintiff is: Gina R. Reid, 12100 Northwest Freeway, Suite 500, Houston, TX 77040
2023, 10:00 AM and given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at Waxahachie, Texas, this 28th day of December 2022.

MELANIE REID, Ellis County District Clerk
109 S. Jackson St. Waxahachie,
Texas 75165
By: /s/ Mary Beth, Deputy
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PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

January 17, 2023

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

The Board of Directors 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 regarding water rights within the boundaries of the District, including Ellis, Hill, Johnson, and Somervell Counties, Texas. Prior to its adoption of these amendments, the District's Board of Directors ("Board") adopted permanent District Rules on December 17, 2018, and has subsequently amended the District Rules. The proposed amendments to the District Rules include: (1) revising the definition of "nonagricultural controlled acreage" to include acreage on separate properties developed by a publicly owned road, highway, utility or pipeline route, a stream or other watercourse, or long and narrow easement or strip of property if the properties would otherwise share a common border and constitute contiguous controlled acreage, subject to certain restrictions related to well spacing; (2) changing the exemptions from the permitting, water use fee payment, metering, and reporting requirements of the rules based on whether the well was drilled before or after January 1, 2023, the production capacity of the well, and the purpose of use of the well; (3) providing that, for purposes of calculating the maximum annual amount of groundwater that may be produced under an Operating Permit—including an Operating Permit for a natural public utility—the contiguous controlled acreage associated with a well from which, after multiplying by the production allowable, must be subtracted all annual groundwater production authorization recognized under any Historic Use Permit or pending application for a Historic Use Permit only includes that contiguous controlled acreage that was associated with the Historic Use Permit or pending application as of December 31, 2018—the close of the existing and historic use period; (4) clarifying that any additional contiguous controlled acreage that was acquired on or after January 1, 2019, may be multiplied by the production allowable without the need to submit the production authorization recognized under a Historic Use Permit or pending application for a Historic Use Permit; (5) clarifying that reductions to production amounts authorized under a retail public utility's Operating Permit will be made by the District upon receipt of the permit to account for any reduction in contiguous controlled acreage in the utility's CCN or corporate boundaries that is not owned or leased by the permittee for the right to produce groundwater; (6) clarifying that a permit amendment is required for any Operating Permit if any contiguous controlled acreage owned or leased by the permittee is sold during the term of a permit, and prohibiting production in excess of the production authorization as based on the reduced amount of contiguous controlled acreage; (7) clarifying the method for determining the maximum controlled contiguous acreage that may be assigned to an Operating Permit for a retail public utility that is a political subdivision in situations where the boundaries of the utility's CCN and its corporate boundaries are not coterminous; (8) providing requirements for calculating the maximum contiguous controlled acreage within the corporate boundaries of a political subdivision where a retail public utility's CCN wholly or partially overlaps the political subdivision's corporate boundaries; (9) making it a minor violation of the District rules to fail to provide water meter logs within ten (10) days upon written request by the District; (10) making it a major violation to operate a well that is required to be metered without a meter that complies with the requirements of the rules; (11) prohibiting open, uncovered, abandoned, or deteriorating wells and creating violations related to same; and (12) other minor clarifying or nonsubstantive changes.

This hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the District office located at 208 Kimberly Drive, Cleburne, TX 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 the District office at 208 Kimberly Drive, Cleburne, TX 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 period 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 kenneth@prairielandsdist.org, is available for reviewing or downloading at www.prairielandsdist.org, and may be reviewed, requested, or obtained in person at the District office located at 208 Kimberly Drive, Cleburne, TX 76031. For more information, contact the District's General Manager, Kathy Turner Jones, at (817) 556-2299.

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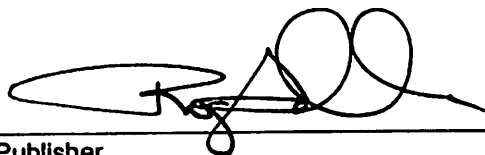
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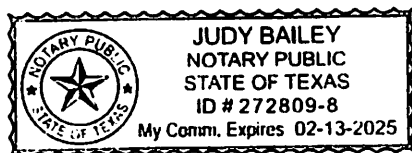
December 12, 2022

By

Publisher



Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of December, 2022.



Judy Bailey
Notary Public, Hill County, Texas
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Richard S. Reinhardt, Jr.
Planning Official

Cleburne Times Review
108 S. Anglin St.
Cleburne, TX. 76031
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COUNTY OF JOHNSON

Before me on this day personally appeared Becky Dahn, the Major Accounts Sales Manager of the Cleburne Times Review, which is a newspaper of general circulation in the town of Cleburne, Texas and throughout Johnson County, Texas.

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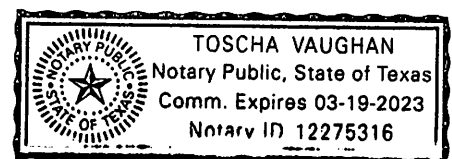
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Becky Dahn, Major Accounts Sales Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 5 day of January, 2023.

Toscha Vaughan

Notary Public in and for Johnson County, Texas



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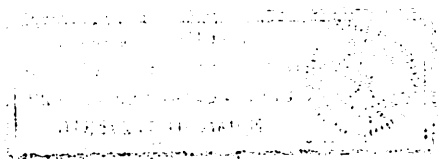
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**PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
JANUARY 17, 2023**

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

That the Board of Directors 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. Prior to its adoption of these amendments, the District's Board of Directors ("Board") adopted permanent District Rules on December 17, 2018, and has subsequently amended them. The proposed amendments to the District Rules include: 1) revising the definition of "contiguous controlled acreage" to include acreage on separate property, road, highway, utility or pipeline route, a stream or other watercourse, or other long and narrow easement or strip of property if the properties would otherwise share a common border and constitute contiguous controlled acreage, subject to certain restrictions relating to well spacing; 2) changing the exemptions from the permitting, water use fee payment, metering, and reporting requirements of the rules based on whether the well was drilled before or after January 1, 2023, the production capacity of the well, and the purpose of use of the well; 3) providing that, for purposes of calculating the maximum annual amount of groundwater production allowable, must be that may be produced under an Operating Permit—including an Operating Permit for a retail public utility—the contiguous controlled acreage associated with a well from which, after multiplying by the production allowable, must be subtracted all annual groundwater production authorization recognized under any Historic Use Permit or pending application for a Historic Use permit only includes that contiguous controlled acreage that was associated with the Historic Use Permit or pending application as of December 31, 2018—the close of the existing and historic use period; 4) clarifying that any additional contiguous controlled acreage that was acquired on or after January 1, 2019, may be multiplied by the production allowable without the need to subtract the production authorization recognized under a Historic Use Permit or pending application for a Historic Use Permit; 5) clarifying that reductions in production amounts authorized under a retail public utility's Operating Permit will be made by the District upon renewal of the permit to account for any reduction in contiguous controlled acreage in the utility's CCN or corporate boundaries that is not owned or leased by the permittee for the right to produce groundwater; 6) clarifying that a permit amendment is required for any Operating Permit if any contiguous controlled acreage owned or leased by the permittee is sold during the term of a permit, and prohibiting production in excess of the production authorization as based on the maximum controlled contiguous acreage; 7) clarifying the method for determining the maximum controlled contiguous acreage that may be assigned to an Operating Permit for a retail public utility that is a political subdivision in situations where the boundaries of the utility's CCN and its corporate boundaries are not contiguous controlled acreage.

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**CITATION - PUBLICATION - CIVIL
(PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION)
CAUSE NO. DC-C202200160**

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:

"You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two (42) days after the date of issuance of this citation and original petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclosures to the other parties of the suit. These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk. Find out more at texaslawhelp.org."

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CARL R. SWAN, DECEASED. NO KNOWN ADDRESS
DEFENDANT - GREETINGS:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Original Petition at or before 10:00 a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two (42) days after the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday, the 13TH day of JANUARY, 2023, before the Honorable 413TH DISTRICT COURT of Johnson County, Texas, at the Guinn Justice Center of said County, to answer said original petition, filed on the 4TH DAY OF MAY, 2022, in this case, numbered DC-C202200160, on the docket of said court, and styled:

ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, INC. V. CARL SWAN, AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF CYNTHIA A. SWAN, DECEASED

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows:

day or continued where appropriate. The hearing posted in this notice may be held from day to day.

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, is available for reviewing or downloading at www.prairielandsgcd.org, and may be reviewed, inspected, or obtained in person at the District office located at 208 Kimberly Drive, Cleburne, TX 76031. For more information, contact the District's General Manager, Kathy Turner Jones, at (817) 556-2299.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To satisfy the owner's storage lien, KO Storage LLC will sell at public lien sale on December 28, 2022. The personal property in the below-listed units, which may include but are not limited to: Household goods, boxes/totes/bags, clothing, bedding, tools and toys. The public sale of these items will begin at 10AM on December 21, 2022 and end at 10AM on December 28, 2022. The public sale will take place on www.storagetreasures.com.

KO Storage of Cleburne, 791 E. Katherine P. Raines Rd, Cleburne TX 76031, (952) 314-7121

Time: 10:00AM CST

716, Davidson, Kyle, 035, Trussell, Megan, 1141/1180, Hamil, Jim, 034, Cuevas, Betsabe, 419, Brunson, Brittany

Public sale terms, rules, and regulations will be made available on www.storagetreasures.com. All sales are subject to cancellation. We reserve the right to refuse any bid. Payment must be by credit/debit card, we do not accept checks or cash. Buyers must secure the units with their own personal locks. To claim tax-exempt status, original RESALE certificates for each space purchased is required. By KO Storage LLC, 10301 Wayzata Blvd, Minnetonka, MN 55305. (952)-314-7121.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

of property to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale to be held on-line at storagetreasures.com. Facility located at 938 N. Hwy 174, Rio Vista Texas, 76093. Bidding will open on December 13, 2022 @ 12pm and conclude on December 27, 2022 @ 9 am. Clean up deposit is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw property at any time before the conclusion of the sale. Unit items sold as-is to highest bidder. Property includes the contents of space of the following tenants, all spaces contain household items unless otherwise noted. Jennifer Starks: home décor. Tyler Watkins: boxes. Shrona White: home décor, boxes.

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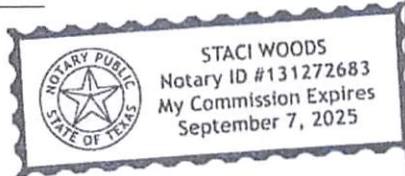
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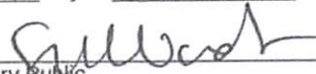
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STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SOMERVELL



Signed or attested before me on this

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The City of Glen Rose City
Council will meet on January
10, 2023 to conduct
Public Hearings on:

• Request by VRE Glen
Rose 2.0, LLC for annex-
ation and a B-2 (General
Commercial) zoning
designation for a 1.321
acres situated in the Mil-
lam County School, Abst:
136, being a portion of
certain 4.58 acre tract of
land described in deed to
VRE GLEN ROSE 2.0,
LLC Instrument Number
20222651, Official Public
Records Somervell County

PUBLIC NOTICE

Texas, and being located
on the south side of High-
way 67 adjacent to and
east of the VRE Glen Rose
7 Eleven Addition.

• Proposed annexation by
Woodcrest Cattle and Land
Limited Partnership of a
0.18-acre tract in the Mil-
lam County School Land
Survey, Abst. No. 136, be-
ing a portion of the tract
described as Tract Two
to Woodcrest Cattle and
Land Limited Partnership
by a deed recorded as Doc-
ument Number 20141198,
Official Public Records,
Somervell County, Texas,
and being located at the
far northwest end of Mesa
Drive.

All of the public hearings
will be held at City Hall
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PLAINLANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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January 17, 2023

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Committee: Board of Directors

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Agenda: PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Exhibit "C"

RESOLUTION #23-001

**PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS
TO THE DISTRICT RULES**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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WHEREAS, the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District (the “District”) was created as a groundwater conservation district by the 81st Texas Legislature under the authority of article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution, and in accordance with Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code by the Act of May 31, 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., ch. 1208, 2009 Tex. Gen. Laws 3859, codified as Chapter 8855 of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code (the “District Act”);

WHEREAS, the District is a governmental agency and a body politic and corporate;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) adopted permanent rules (“Rules”) during a properly called and noticed public meeting on December 17, 2018, in accordance with Sections 36.101 and 36.1071(f) of the Texas Water Code, which authorize the District to make and enforce rules;

WHEREAS, the Board subsequently adopted amendments to the Rules during properly called and noticed public hearings on October 21, 2019, November 16, 2020, December 20, 2021, and July 18, 2022, and such Rules will continue to be amended by the Board from time to time as necessary or appropriate after proper notice and public hearing;

WHEREAS, the District proposes the following amendments to the Rules: 1) revising the definition of “contiguous controlled acreage” to include acreage on separate properties divided by a publicly owned road, highway, utility or pipeline route, a stream or other watercourse, or other long and narrow easement or strip of property if the properties would otherwise share a common border and constitute contiguous controlled acreage, subject to certain restrictions related to well spacing; 2) changing the exemptions from the permitting, water use fee payment, metering, and reporting requirements of the rules based on when the well was drilled, the production capacity of the well, and the purpose of use of the well; 3) providing that, for purposes of calculating the maximum annual amount of groundwater that may be produced under an Operating Permit—including an Operating Permit for a retail public utility—the contiguous

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WHEREAS, after proper publication of the proposed amendments to the Rules and public notice of a hearing on the consideration of the same in accordance with the requirements of Sections 36.101(d) and (e) of the Texas Water Code, the Board held a rulemaking public hearing on January 17, 2023, where the Board received and considered all oral and written comments received from the public and from the directors, staff, and professional consultants of the District on the proposed amendments to the District Rules;

WHEREAS, after taking up and considering the proposed amendments to the Rules, the Board adopted the same during the public hearing of the Board on January 17, 2023;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the proposed amendments to the Rules should be effective retroactively, on January 1, 2023, for the benefit of the public and District staff in having a simpler reference date in the future with regard to explaining certain dates and deadlines under

the rules as amended; provided, however, notwithstanding the proposed amendments, (1) an administratively complete application for a well registration or permit that was received by the District on or before January 17, 2023, will be processed under the Rules as they existed on the date received; (2) no action or failure to act that occurred between January 1 and January 17, 2023, and that constitutes a violation of the Rules under the proposed amendments but did not constitute a violation of the Rules prior to the proposed amendments will be considered a violation of the Rules; and (3) the former Rules are continued in effect for those purposes;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it reasonable and consistent with the purposes of the Rules to clarify the definition of “contiguous controlled acreage” to include acreage on separate properties that has been divided by a road, highway, pipeline route, stream or other watercourse, or other long and narrow easement or strip of property if the properties would otherwise share a common border and constitute contiguous controlled acreage;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it appropriate to clarify the definition of the word “transfer,” in the context of production authorization, to indicate a transfer only of the right to make withdrawals of groundwater for beneficial use without a change in ownership of a registration or permit associated with a well;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to revise the exemptions from the permitting, water use fee payment, metering, and reporting requirements of the Rules to more closely align with the statutory exemptions set forth in Section 36.117(b), Water Code, specifically, limiting the small capacity exemption—17.36 gallons per minute—for new wells to wells used solely for domestic use, livestock use, or poultry use, which are the same exempt purposes of use in the statute. Eliminating the exemption for small capacity wells used for other purposes, such as commercial or business purposes, and eliminating the exemption for new agricultural wells, which in many instances are large capacity wells that use a substantial amount of groundwater, is necessary in order to bring such wells and their groundwater production under the groundwater management regulations of the District so that all landowners are treated fairly under the Rules, and to aid the District in preventing attempts by persons to circumvent the application of the Rules by drilling multiple small wells to supply water for a commercial or other non-exempt purpose of use in lieu of drilling one larger well;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it appropriate that the General Manager is given the discretion to have an approved well registration or permit recorded in the real property records of the applicable county in order to better inform purchasers of interests in real property in the District about a water well registration or permit that may impact them;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it appropriate to clarify that the District will reduce the production authorization for a retail public utility under an Operating Permit when such permit

comes up for renewal to account for any reduction in contiguous controlled acreage in the utility's CCN or corporate boundaries that is not owned or leased by the permittee for the right to produce groundwater, as set forth under the Rules, to assist in making sure permit holders are aware that this will happen;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that, in order to promote accurate accounting and management of groundwater pumping and to avoid "double dipping" or sanctioning the unauthorized use of groundwater from property that constituted "contiguous controlled acreage" when a permit was issued but that is no longer owned or leased, it is appropriate to clarify in the Rules that all Operating Permit holders must obtain a permit amendment if any contiguous controlled acreage owned or leased by the permittee for the right to produce groundwater and associated with the Operating Permit is sold or otherwise no longer owned or leased by the permittee at any time during the term of the permit to account for the reduced amount of contiguous controlled acreage, and to prevent groundwater production by the permittee from the acreage no longer owned or leased by the permittee;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it appropriate to clarify that, in the context of the Rules, the word "change" is preferable to describe a change in the ownership of a well, whereas the word "transfer" is appropriate when referring to a transfer of production authorization, and finds that applying these terms consistently throughout the Rules serves to alleviate confusion;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to promote the intent of the Rules by clarifying that two acres is the minimum tract size required for each household served by a well, regardless of whether it is a new well or an existing well that is on property that is subdivided and begins to serve more than one household. The Board has determined that no less than two acres of land over an aquifer is needed to support the typical amount of water used by a single household;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to clarify in the Rules the calculation of the maximum annual amount of groundwater that may be produced under an Operating Permit; that the contiguous controlled acreage associated with a well from which, after multiplying by the production allowable, must be subtracted all annual groundwater production authorization recognized under any Historic Use Permit or pending application for a Historic Use Permit only includes that contiguous controlled acreage that was associated with the Historic Use Permit or pending application as of December 31, 2018, the close of the existing and historic use period. Any additional contiguous controlled acreage that was acquired on or after January 1, 2019, by purchase, lease, expansion of a CCN or corporate boundary of a retail public utility, or otherwise may be multiplied by the production allowable without the need to subtract the production authorization recognized under a Historic Use Permit or pending application; provided, however, that all groundwater production authorized under any other Operating Permit for any well or well

system located on such additional contiguous controlled acreage, as well as an estimate of production by exempt wells located on such additional contiguous controlled acreage, shall be subtracted out as provided by the Rules. This clarification to the Rules was made so that the District and landowners in the future will be able to determine which acreage was associated with a Historic Use Permit for purposes of determining what additional acreage can be purchased or leased for the right to produce groundwater under an Operating Permit without the requirement that groundwater production recognized under a Historic Use Permit be subtracted from it; and the Board has determined that the fairest and most appropriate date for ascertaining that is the date of the end of the existing and historic use period, which was the last date for which a landowner could claim historic use on a property;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to clarify the maximum contiguous controlled acreage that may be assigned to an Operating Permit for a retail public utility that is a political subdivision for a well located within the corporate boundaries or CCN of the utility to account for situations where the utility has both a CCN and corporate boundaries that are not coterminous;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary in calculating the maximum contiguous controlled acreage within the corporate boundaries of a political subdivision as described in the preceding paragraph to account for situations where a retail public utility's CCN wholly or partially overlaps the political subdivision's corporate boundaries. In such situations, the overlapping acreage not assigned to the permits of individual landowners within those boundaries will not be counted toward the political subdivision's maximum contiguous controlled acreage, but will be assigned to the CCN holder in accordance with the Rules;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to provide a more reasonable calculation for the amount of contiguous controlled acreage recognized in an Operating Permit for a retail public utility by providing a more realistic value of acreage used for agricultural irrigation purposes to be subtracted in the calculation to account for its water use and avoid double dipping of groundwater production by the retail public utility that is already being produced by the agricultural user;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it appropriate to clarify that for situations in which a retail public utility has multiple CCNs for which the boundaries are not otherwise contiguous, but such CCNs are connected by a common water transmission or distribution system, the CCNs are considered to be contiguous for purposes of the Rules;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to include in the Rules a prohibition against deteriorated or abandoned wells in conformity with Chapter 1901 of the Texas Occupations Code and the related rules of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation; that such wells must be capped or plugged as appropriate in order to protect the aquifer from pollution, which

constitutes the waste of groundwater, and that failure to do so in accordance with the Rules is a major violation of the Rules and subjects the well owner or operator to civil penalties. Consistent with these changes, the Board finds it appropriate to clarify that uncovered wells must be closed or capped in accordance with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation rules, and that in addition to incurring civil penalties for the failure to do so, the well owner or operator shall be required to close or cap the well by the District;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it appropriate to make an administrative change that is more practical and less obtrusive for both the District and well owners by requiring well owners to provide meter reading logs to the District within 10 days of receiving a written request from the District rather than District staff going onto the property of the well owner to inspect the meter reading log, and finds it reasonable to categorize the failure to submit meter reading logs as required as a minor violation of the Rules;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that operating a well that is required to be metered without a meter that complies with the requirements of the Rules constitutes a major violation of the Rules;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that making minor clarifying, typographical, formatting, or non-substantive edits to the Rules makes the Rules more user-friendly, lessens the possibility for confusion, misinterpretation, or misapplication of the Rules, and improves the efficiency of District processes, and finds that the proposed amendments to the Rules include such minor clarifying, typographical, formatting, and non-substantive edits that will benefit the public and the District staff in implementation of the Rules;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the proposed amendments to the Rules, attached hereto as "Attachment A," are each and all merited and necessary to support the District's efforts in managing the groundwater resources within the boundaries of the District in a manner consistent with the requirements of Chapter 36, Water Code, and the District Act, and that each proposed amendment to the Rules is supportable under the laws of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that all provisions of the Rules as amended are duly authorized by the powers and duties granted to the District under the District Act and Texas Water Code Chapter 36.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT THAT:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.

2. The Board of Directors hereby approves and adopts the proposed amendments to the District Rules.
3. The District Rules as amended and included with this resolution as "Attachment A" are the Rules of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District, adopted pursuant to the requirements of Section 36.101 of the Texas Water Code.
4. The attached amendments to the District Rules take effect January 1, 2023, subject to the provisions set forth in the above recitals regarding applications received and actions or failures to act between January 1 and January 17, 2023.
5. The District's Board, its officers, District staff, and legal counsel are further authorized to take any and all actions necessary to implement this resolution.
6. The District's General Manager and legal counsel are further authorized to make any typographical corrections, formatting, conforming, or other nonsubstantive changes to the District Rules as amended by the adoption of this resolution.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of January, 2023.

**PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT**

By: Charles Beseda
Charles Beseda, President

ATTEST: I, Maurice Osborn, certify that I am Secretary/Treasurer of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, and that the resolutions on this document are a correct copy of the resolutions adopted at a public hearing of the District Board of Directors duly and properly called and held on January 17, 2023. Said resolution appears in the minutes of this meeting and has not been rescinded or modified.

Maurice Osborn
Maurice Osborn, Secretary/Treasurer

