



**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARINGS
AND BOARD MEETING**

**OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Of the
PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**To be held at
9:00 AM
Monday, October 19, 2026
Prairielands GCD – Board Room
208 Kimberly Drive
Cleburne, TX 76031**

Notice of Public Hearing on Permit Application(s)

The Prairielands GCD Board of Directors will hold a hearing on the below-listed application(s) for Operating Permit and/or Amendment to Permit. Notice of the Hearing on Permit Applications and/or Permit Amendments was also posted separately in accordance with the District Rules, and Chapter 36, Texas Water Code, no later than 10 days prior to the date of this hearing.

1. Call to order and declare hearing open to the public
2. Roll call
3. Receive a report from the General Manager regarding the following application(s) for an Operating Permit or Permit Amendment, including the General Manager's recommendation to the Board:
 1. Buena Vista Bethel SUD for a proposed amendment to an Operating Permit (OP-22-022-C) for additional groundwater production in the amount of 47,000,000 gallons producing from eight (8) existing wells located within CCN #10898 in Ellis County. OP-22-022-D not to exceed a total permitted authorization of 97,000,000 gallons annually (→2026); Public Water Supply
 2. CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC (Emerald Forest) for a proposed Operating Permit (OP-26-117) for additional groundwater production in the amount of 5,613,000 gallons producing from one (1) existing well PGCD-000730 (32.35708864, -96.95661174) located within CCN #13290 in Ellis County. OP-26-117 not to exceed a total permitted authorization of 11,140,000 gallons annually (2026→2027); Public Water Supply
 3. Fort Worth Trap & Skeet Club for a proposed Operating Permit (OP-26-116) for authorization to drill one (1) new well (PGCD-004028; 32.50014300, -97.43906000)

located at 8605 Roaring Creek Road Joshua, Johnson County; to produce groundwater in an amount not to exceed 500,000 gallons annually (2026→2030); Commercial Use

4. Latham Springs Baptist Encampment for a proposed amendment to an Operating Permit (OP-24-069-A) for additional groundwater production in the amount of 1,000,000 gallons producing from one (1) existing well (PGCD-000508; 31.81775166, -97.27587984) located in Hill County at 134 PR 223, Aquilla. OP-24-069-B not to exceed a total permitted authorization of 3,232,300 gallons annually (2026→2027); Recreational Use/Public Water Supply
4. Receive public comments and/or requests to contest the above-listed application(s) for Operating Permit or Operating Permit amendment.
5. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on the above-listed application(s) for Operating Permit or Operating Permit amendment.
6. Adjourn or continue public hearing in whole or in part.

Regular Board Meeting

The Regular Board Meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m., or upon the adjournment of the Hearing on Permit Applications.

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. Presentation of 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 requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence.
 - a) Minutes of September 21, 2026, Public Hearing on Permit Application(s)
 - b) Minutes of September 21, 2026, Regular Board Meeting
 - c) September 2026 monthly invoices and payment of bills
5. Finance Report – Brian Watts, Comptroller
 - a) Presentation of unaudited financials for the month of September 2026
 - b) Review of cash flow and cash projection for year end 2026
 - c) Presentation of 3rd Quarter Investment Report 2026

6. Discuss amendments to District Rule 5.8 to clarify third-party water loss audit validation requirements, including the use of District-prescribed reporting forms and qualifications and independence standards for validators; consider adoption of Resolution #26-008 authorizing same pending adoption of formal amendments to the District Rules – Brian Sledge
7. Hydrogeologist Report – Wade Oliver, EKI
 - a) Presentation and discussion of updated drought evaluation based on District Rule 5.10 – Wade Oliver
 - b) Discuss and consider possible action to adopt Resolution #26-009 authorizing a percentage increase of groundwater production for calendar year 2026 under Rule 5.10 due to an extreme drought – Kathy Turner Jones
 - c) Update on activities and meetings related to Groundwater Management Area 8 joint planning and the development of desired future conditions – Wade Oliver
 - d) TWDB Groundwater, Science, Research, and Data Collection Grant update, including the status of the Hensell Aquifer Monitoring Well – Wade Oliver
 - e) Other District involved activities – Wade Oliver
8. Update on well registration and permitting activities – Kaylin Garcia, Permitting Director
 - a) Monthly well registration(s) report
 - b) Report on current and 2026 YTD permitted authorization and production
9. Update on well monitoring and field operations – Michael Heath, Field Operations Coordinator
 - a) Overview of field related activities
 - b) Update on quarterly water levels
10. Update on public outreach activities, educational, and conservation efforts – Macy Kendrick, Public Relations/Education Director
 - a) Overview of District involved activities
11. 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, General Manager
 - a) Update on current administrative activities of the District
 - b) Drought Monitoring
 - c) Enforcement

12. 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, 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, threatened or pending claims or litigation against the District, and other legal activities on behalf of the District – Brian Sledge, Legal Counsel, Sledge Law Group, PLLC

13. Open Forum / Discussion of New Business for Future Meeting Agendas

14. 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.

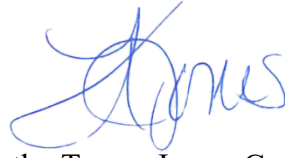
Persons may make comments for or against an application for any type of permit, permit amendment, replacement well, or exception request without the need to request a contested case hearing on the application. However, persons wanting to protest an application involving a permit or permit amendment by requesting a contested case hearing must do so in writing in accordance with District Rule 10.6 that is either received by the District or submitted at the public hearing in person 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 or before 5:00 PM on October 13, 2026, I posted and filed the above notice of meeting(s) and hearing(s) with the Texas Secretary of State, the Johnson, Ellis, Somervell, and Hill counties' clerk offices, 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 at 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.

Prairielands Groundwater Conservation
District

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kathy Turner Jones", is positioned above the printed name.

Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager



Buena Vista Bethel SUD

ATTN: Tabatha Davis
312 S. Oak Branch Rd
Waxahachie, TX 75157

Permit No. OP-22-022-D

OPERATING PERMIT (Production Only)

Date of Hearing: October 19, 2026

Request: 47,000,000 Gallons Annually (2026)

GM Recommendation: 47,000,000 Gallons Annually (2026)

Water Use: Public Water Supply

Location(s): 1840 Old Maypearl Rd, Waxahachie, TX 75167
(32.32639163, -96.93547350)

3713 FM 1446 Waxahachie, TX 75167
(32.35669700, -96.95124400)

3800 Fm 66, Waxahachie, TX 75167
(32.34620956, -96.92973683)

852 Hoyt Rd, Waxahachie, TX 75167
(32.37191991, -96.95548675)

1820 FM 66, Waxahachie, TX 75167
(32.37130142, -96.87874588)

3800 FM 66, Waxahachie, TX 75167
(32.34625510, -96.92953327)

852 Hoyt Rd, Waxahachie, TX 75167
(32.37216700, -96.95540000)

TBD Campbell Rd, Waxahachie, TX 75167
(32.36375000, -96.99855600)

County: Ellis

**Acreage within CCN/
Service Area:** 47,380.38 ac

Existing Well ID(s): PGCD-000661, PGCD-000662, PGCD-000663, PGCD-000664, PGCD-001846, PGCD-002703, PGCD-003471, and PGCD-003472

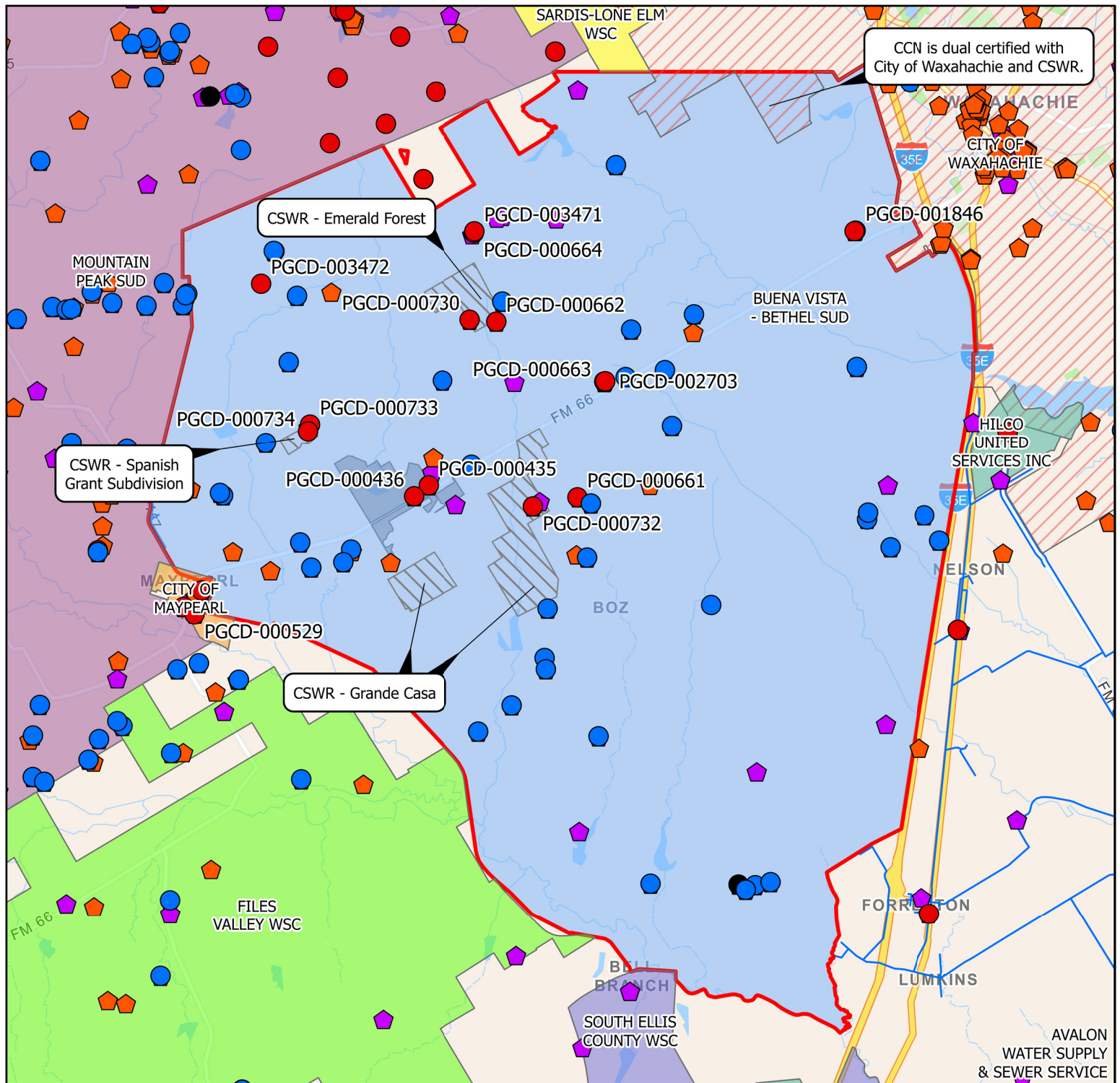
INFORMATION

1. Amend existing Operating Permit to increase permit authorization by 47,000,000 gallons annually for the remaining term of the permit.
2. Applicant currently holds OP-22-022-C, approved on February 10, 2022, for 50,000,000 gallons annually (→2026).
3. **Historic Use Permit Information:** Applicant has a Historic Use Permit (HUP-067), approved October 17, 2023, in the amount of 517,419,500 gallons annually.
4. **System Water Loss:** 17.72%, based on a five-year tolling average for audit years 2021-2025.
5. **Other General Information:** Applicant holds a bounded Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) (#10898), in Ellis County which covers 47,380.38 acres. The City of Waxahachie shares a dual certified area of 604.76 undeveloped acres with the applicant resulting in a deduction of 302.38 acres. Existing permits within the CCN include CSWR-TX UPO (Grande Casa), CSWR-TX UPO (Emerald Forest), CSWR-TX UPO (Spanish Grant Sub), North Texas District Council Assemblies of God (Lakeview Camp) and the City of Maypearl totaling a deduction of 1,368.926 acres. Additional deductions for 59 exempt wells total 118 acres.
6. **District Staff Technical Review and Recommendation:** Buena Vista Bethel SUD is a special utilities district operating eight (8) existing wells located in Ellis County serving potable water approximately 8,218 individuals with 2,461 connections that supply potable water to the primary source of water for the system is self-supplied groundwater for residents in Ellis County. Applicant is requesting an increase of 47,000,000 gallons in their annual permitted authorization to prevent risk of exceeding their permitted authorization as a result in significant population growth.
7. **Groundwater Availability under an Operating Permit:**
 - a. Acreage within CCN/Service Area: 47,380.38
 - b. Less 2 acres for (59) exempt well use*: 118
 - c. Less acreage associated with other permits & Dual certified areas: 1,671.306
 - d. Less HUP claim: 10,348.39
 - e. Less acreage already approved under OP: 1,000
 - f. Available Acreage: 34,242.684 acreage
(34,242.684 x 50,000 = 1,712,134,200 gallons)
8. The permit application is administratively complete.

9. No written opposition was received regarding the proposed permit.

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Based on the technical review and staff recommendations, it would be the General Manager's recommendation for the Board to authorize approval of OP-22-022-D to authorize an additional allocation of 47,000,000 gallons; not to exceed 97,000,000 annually in →2026.



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Total Contiguous Acreage of CCN: 47,380.38 ac
 Less 2 acres for 59 exempt wells: 118 ac
 Less HUP-100 (Grande Casa) Permitted Acreage: 670.268 ac
 Less HUP-101/OP-26-117 (Emerald Forest) Permitted Acreage: 222.8 ac
 Less HUP-103 (Spanish Grant Subdivision) Permitted Acreage: 46.55 ac
 Less HUP-056/OP-24-065 Lakeview Camp Permitted Acreage: 410.448 ac
 Less overlap with City of Waxahachie CCN: 302.38 ac
 Less 1/2 of overlap with City of Maypearl (HUP-059) CCN: 18.86 ac
 Total Available Acreage: 45,591.074 ac
 HUP-067/OP-22-022-C (BVBSUD) Permitted Acreage: 11,348.39 ac
 Remaining Available Acreage: 34,242.68 ac

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| ● Non-Exempt Well | CSWR CCN | South Ellis County WSC CCN |
| ● Unknown Well | City of Waxahachie CCN | Hilco United Services CCN |
| ● Exempt Well | Sardis-Lone Elm WSC CCN | Lakeview Camp and Conference Center Property Boundaries |
| ● SDRDB Well | Mountain Peak SUD CCN | PUC FAC200 CCN |
| ● TWDB Well | City of Maypearl CCN | |
| Buena Vista-Bethel SUD CCN | Files Valley WSC CCN | |



Buena Vista-Bethel Special Utility District Operating Permit Map

OP-22-022-D

GIS Analyst: DWB

Date Revised: 10/15/2026



CSWR-TX Utility Operating Company (Emerald Forest)

ATTN: Charlotte Pope
655 Maryville Centre Drive Suite 200
Des Peres, MO 63131

Permit No. OP-26-117

OPERATING PERMIT (Production Only)

Date of Hearing: October 19, 2026

Request: 5,613,000 Gallons Annually (2026→2027)

GM Recommendation: 5,613,000 Gallons Annually (2026→2027)

Water Use: Public Water Supply

Location(s): 113 Pioneer Ct, Waxahachie
(32.35708864, -96.95661174)

County: Ellis

**Acreage within CCN/
Service Area:** 222.80 ac

Well IDs: PGCD-000730

INFORMATION

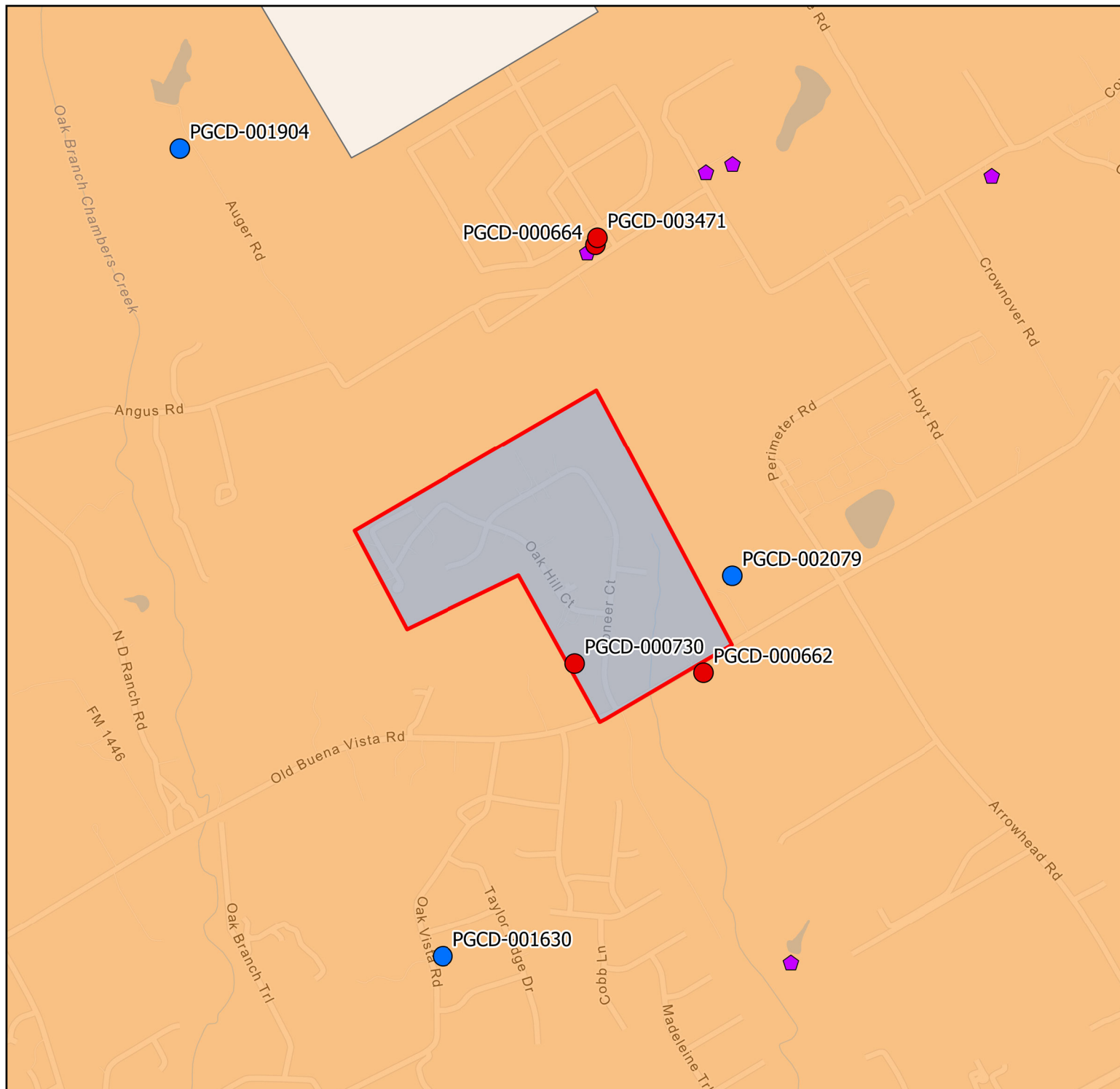
1. Issue an Operating Permit commencing October 19, 2026, with an expiration date of December 31, 2027, to coincide with HUP-101.
2. Applicant is requesting an Operating Permit to increase system production allocation in an amount not to exceed 5,613,000 gallons annually beginning (2026→2030).
3. **Historic Use Permit Information:** Applicant has a Historic Use Permit (HUP-101), approved January 1, 2023, in the amount of 5,527,000 gallons annually.
4. **System Water Loss:** 28.03%, based on a four-year rolling average for audit years 2022-2025. Applicant did not acquire the system until mid-2022 and the prior owner did not provide any historical documentation.
5. Other general information: Applicant holds a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) 13290 in Ellis.

6. **District Staff Technical Review and Recommendation:** Applicant is an investor-owned community water system who owns and operates one existing well that provide potable water to residents of the Emerald Forest subdivision located in Ellis County with approximately 158 individuals and 63 connections. The primary source of water for the system is self-supplied groundwater. Applicant is requesting to increase their annual permitted authorization by 5,613,000 gallons beginning in 2026 to prevent exceeding their Historic Use Permit because of increased demand.
7. Groundwater Availability under an Operating Permit:
 - a. Acreage within CCN/Service Area: 222.80 ac
 - b. Less 2 acres for (0) exempt well use*: 0 ac
 - c. Less acreage associated with other permits: 0 ac
 - d. Less HUP claim acreage: 232 ac
 - e. Available acreage remaining for an Operating Permit: 222.80 ac
(222.80 acres X 50,000 gallons = 11,140,000 GPY)
8. The permit application is administratively complete.
9. No written opposition was received regarding the proposed permit.

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Based on the technical review and staff recommendation, it would be the General Manager's recommendation for the Board to authorize approval of OP-26-117 not to exceed 5,613,000 gallons annually beginning (2026→2027); total combined authorization with HUP pending approval: 11,140,000 gallons annually.

** Per District Rule 5.3(a)(2) for any property with an exempt well under Rule 2.1 that is registered with the District or otherwise known to exist, the lesser of the actual size of the tract where the well is located or (2) acres per exempt well.*



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Total Contiguous Acreage: 222.80 ac
Less HUP-101: 110.54 ac
Total Available Acreage: 112.26 ac

Note: CSWR (Emerald Forest) has an HUP allocation of 5,527,000 gallons (110.54 ac). CSWR is applying to increase their annual allocation an additional 5,613,000 gallons (112.26 ac).

- Non-Exempt Well
- Unknown Well
- Exempt Well
- ◆ SDRDB Well
- ◆ TWDB Well
- Buena Vista - Bethel SUD CCN
- CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company LLC CCN



CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC (Emerald Forest) Operating Permit Map

OP-26-117

GIS Analyst: DWB

Date Revised: 10/2/2026



Fort Worth Trap & Skeet Club

ATTN: Steven Bradbury
PO Box 26679
Benbrook, TX 76126

Permit No. OP-26-116

OPERATING PERMIT (New Well with Production)

Date of Hearing: October 19, 2026

Request: Authorization to drill one (1) new well with production not to exceed 500,000 gallons annually beginning 2026→2030

GM Recommendation: Authorization to drill one (1) new well with production not to exceed 500,000 gallons annually beginning 2026→2030

Water Use: Commercial Use

Location(s): 8605 Roaring Creek Road Joshua, TX
(32.50014300, -97.43906000)

County: Johnson

Contiguous Controlled Acreage: 113.84 ac

PROPOSED NEW WELL INFORMATION

Well ID:	PGCD-004082	Well Driller:	Brawler Ventures
Diameter:	4.5 inches	Capacity:	17.00 GPM
Total Well Depth:	600 feet (Glen Rose)	Minimum Spacing:	Pass

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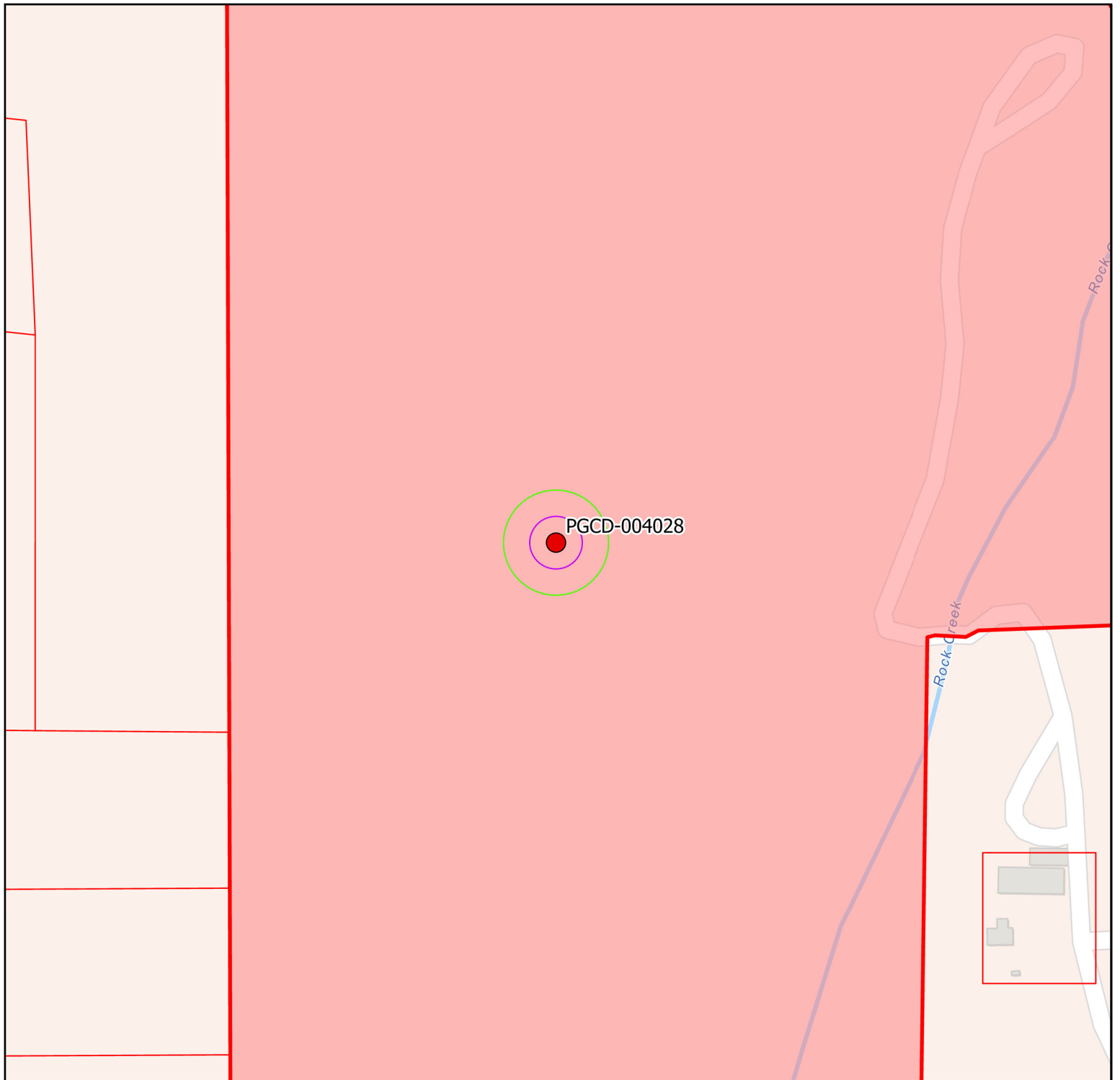
1. Issue an Operating Permit commencing October 19, 2026, with an expiration date of December 31, 2030.
2. Applicant is requesting an Operating Permit to register, drill, and construct one (1) non-exempt well (PGCD-004082) within the boundaries of Applicant's contiguous controlled acreage located in Johnson County; and is requesting 500,000 gallons annually beginning 2026→2030.
3. **Historic Use Permit Information:** None

4. Other General Information: The Applicant owns 113.84 acres located at 8605 Roaring Creek Road in Joshua, Johnson County. The property is located entirely within Johnson County SUD's CCN, with approximately 1.59 acres also overlapping North Whispering Meadows Water's CCN.
5. **District Staff Technical Review and Recommendation:** Applicant is a shooting range seeking authorization for the registration, drilling, and construction of one (1) new well, with groundwater production not to exceed 500,000 gallons annually beginning 2026 through the term of the permit. The groundwater will be used for commercial purposes to supply water for bathrooms. The proposed well will be drilled to a depth of 600 feet and designed to produce up to 17 gallons per minute (GPM). Given the maximum designed production capacity of the well is 17 GPM and is located at least 50 feet from the nearest property line and 100 feet from the nearest well in a like aquifer, the proposed well meets the District's minimum spacing requirements under District Rule 4.3(c).
6. Groundwater Availability under an Operating Permit:
 - a. Contiguous Controlled Acreage: 113.84 ac
 - b. Less 2 acres for exempt well use*: 0 ac
 - c. Less acreage associated with other permits: 1.59 ac
 - d. Less HUP claim acreage: 0 ac
 - e. Available acreage remaining for an Operating Permit: 112.25 ac
(112.25 acres X 50,000 gallons = 5,612,500 GPY)
7. The permit application is administratively complete.
8. No written opposition was received regarding the proposed permit.

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

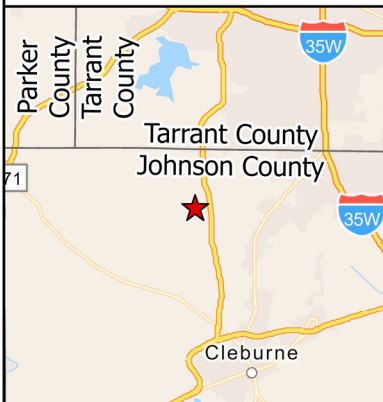
Based on the technical review and staff recommendation, it would be the General Manager's recommendation for the Board to authorize approval of OP-26-116 for the registration, drilling, and construction of one (1) new well; and authorize production not to exceed 500,000 gallons annually (2026→2030).

** Per District Rule 5.3(a)(2) for any property with an exempt well under Rule 2.1 that is registered with the District or otherwise known to exist, the lesser of the actual size of the tract where the well is located or (2) acres per exempt well.*



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Maximum production capacity is 17 gpm. The proposed well meets PGCD spacing requirements described in Rule 4.3 (c).

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| ● Non-Exempt Well | Minimum Property Line Spacing (50 feet) |
| ● Unknown Well | Minimum Well Spacing (100 feet) |
| ● Exempt Well | Fort Worth Trap & Skeet Club Property Boundaries |
| ◆ SDRDB Well | Johnson CAD Property Boundaries |
| ◆ TWDB Well | |

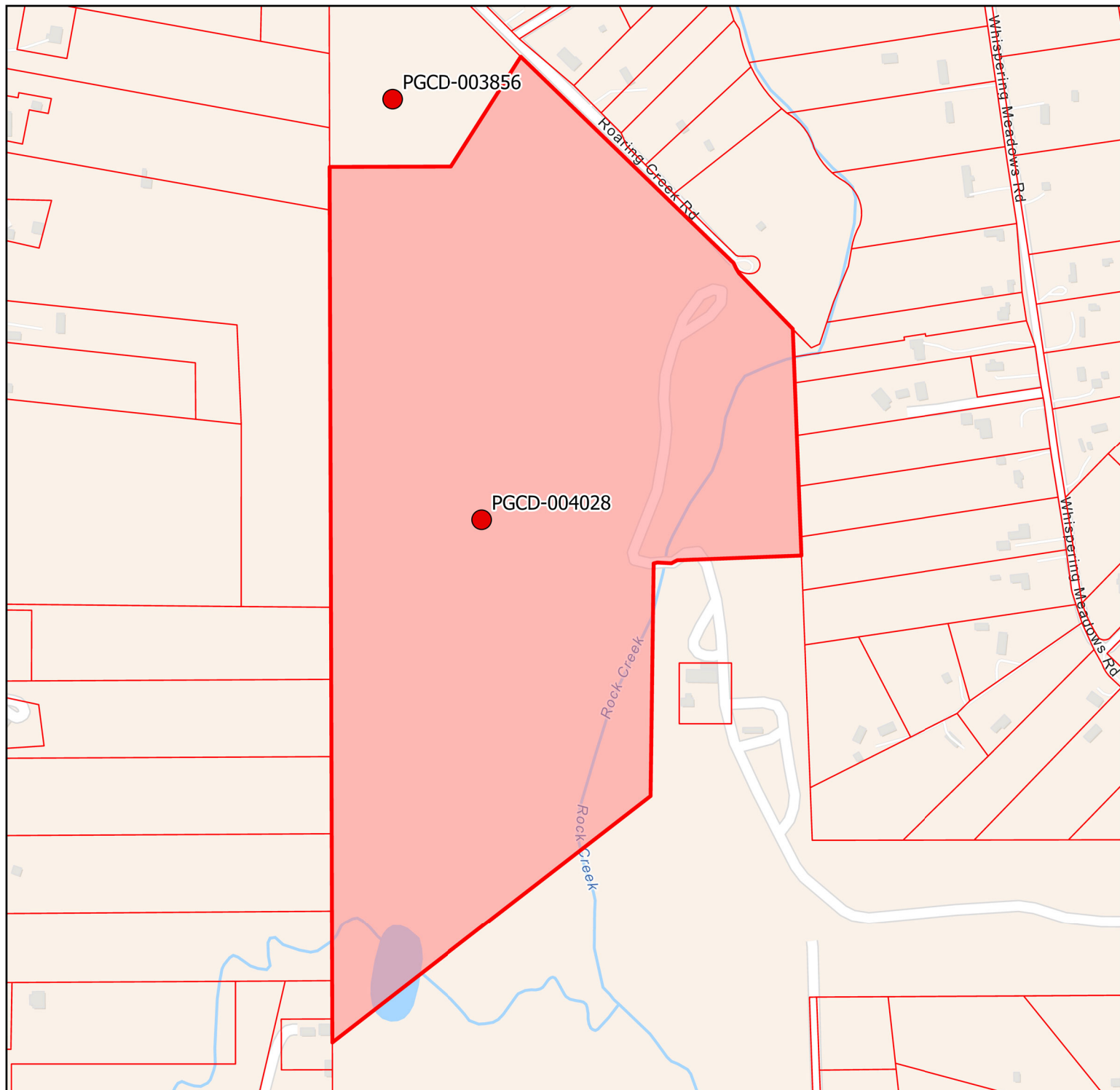


Fort Worth Trap & Skeet Club (PGCD-004028) Spacing Map

OP-26-116

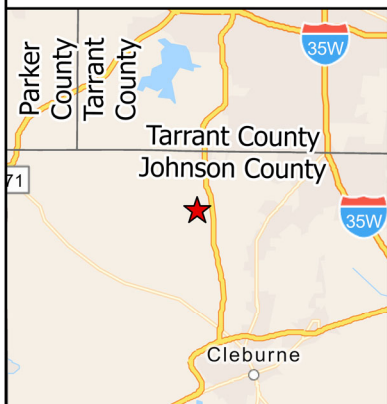
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Total Contiguous Acreage: 113.84 ac

Note: Fort Worth Trap & Skeet Club is applying for authorization to drill one (1) new well (PGCD-004028) located at 8137 FM 1902, Joshua, TX. They are requesting to produce groundwater in an amount not to exceed 500,000 gallons annually for commercial use.

- Non-Exempt Well
- Unknown Well
- Exempt Well
- SDRDB Well
- ◆ TWDB Well
- Fort Worth Trap & Skeet Club Property Boundaries
- Johnson CAD Property Boundaries



Fort Worth Trap & Skeet Club Operating Permit Map

OP-26-116

GIS Analyst: DWB

Date Revised: 9/29/2026



Latham Springs Baptist Encampment

ATTN: Ty Dunlap
134 PR 223
Aquilla, TX 76622

Permit No. OP-24-069-B

OPERATING PERMIT AMENDMENT (Production Only)

Date of Hearing: October 19, 2026

Request: 1,000,000 gallons Annually (2026→2027)

GM Recommendation: 1,000,000 gallons Annually (2026→2027)

Water Use: Recreational/Public Water Supply

County: Hill

Contiguous Controlled Acreage: 459.809 ac

Well ID(s): PGCD-000508

Location: 134 PR 223, Aquilla, TX 76622
(31.81775166, -97.27587984)

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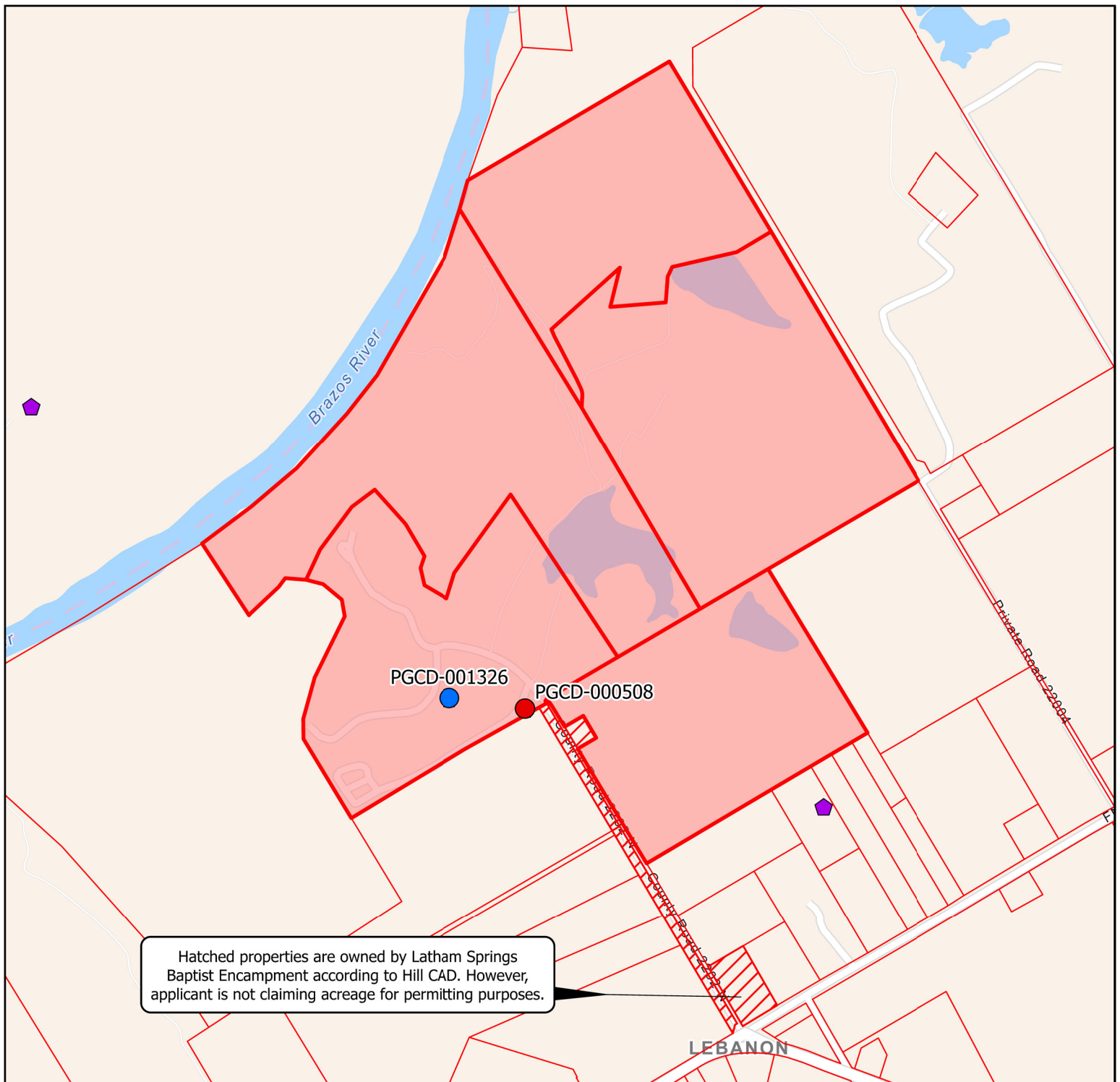
1. Amend existing Operating Permit to increase permit authorization by 1,000,000 gallons annually for the remaining term of the permit.
2. Applicant currently holds OP-24-069-A, approved on November 18, 2024, for 2,232,300 gallons annually (→2027).
3. **Historic Use Permit Information:** Applicant has a Historic Use Permit (HUP-014), approved July 18, 2022, in the amount of 4,767,700 gallons annually.
4. General Information: Applicant owns five contiguous tracts consisting of 459.809 acres within Gholson WSC's CCN, with an interconnect designated for emergency use only.
5. **District Staff Technical Review and Recommendation:** Applicant operates a year-round Christian camp, retreat, and conference center in Hill County, providing lodging, dining, meeting spaces, and outdoor recreational activities. The camp is served by a single water well for recreational and public water supply to the camp and its guests. Applicant is requesting an increase of 1,000,000 gallons in their annual permitted authorization to

prevent risk of exceeding their permitted authorization resulting from increased camp attendance and for anticipated future expansion of service within the camp.

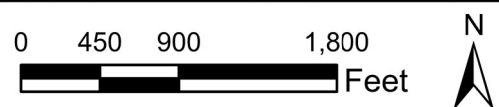
6. Groundwater Availability under an Operating Permit:
 - a. Contiguous controlled acreage: 459.809 ac
 - b. Less 2 acres for (0) exempt well use*: 0 ac
 - c. Groundwater availability (459.809 ac x 50,000 gal) = 22,990,450 gallons
 - d. Less HUP claim: 4,767,700 gallons
 - e. Remaining groundwater available under an Operating Permit:
 $22,990,450 \text{ gal} - 4,767,700 \text{ gal} = 18,222,750 \text{ GPY}$
7. The permit application is administratively complete.
8. No written opposition was received regarding the proposed permit.

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Based on the technical review and staff recommendations, it would be the General Manager's recommendation for the Board to authorize approval of OP-24-069-B to authorize an additional allocation of 1,000,000 gallons; not to exceed 3,232,300 annually in 2026→2027.



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Total Contiguous Acreage: 459.809 ac
 Less HUP-014: 95.354 ac
 Less OP-24-069-A: 44.646 ac
 Total Available Acreage: 319.809 ac

Note: Latham Springs Baptist Encampment is requesting an additional 1,000,000 gallons (20 ac) bringing their current permitted authorization under HUP and OP to 8,000,000 gallons (160 ac). No acreage was deducted for exempt wells due to PGCD-001326 being a District monitor well.

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| ● Non-Exempt Well | Latham Springs Baptist Encampment Properties |
| ● Unknown Well | Additional Properties |
| ● Exempt Well | Hill CAD Property Boundaries |
| ◆ SDRDB Well | |
| ◆ TWDB Well | |



Latham Springs Baptist Encampment Operating Permit Map

OP-24-069-B

GIS Analyst: DWB

Date Revised: 10/5/2026

PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

September 21, 2026

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR OPERATING PERMIT

The Board of Directors of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District (“District”) met in a public hearing within the boundaries of the District at 208 Kimberly Dr, Cleburne, TX 76031, on September 21, 2026.

In the absence of President Beseda, Vice President Tischler assumed the role of Presiding Officer, and called the public hearing to order at 9:01 a.m., announcing the meeting open to the public.

ROLL CALL

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

Charles Beseda
Brad Daniels
Barney McClure
Paul Tischler

John Curtis
Maurice Osborn
Marty McPherson
Gary Farmer

All members of the Board were in attendance with the exception of Director Beseda, thus constituting a quorum of the Board of Directors. Also, in attendance at said meeting were Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager; District staff; and members of the public. Brian Sledge, General Counsel, attended via videoconference. *Copies of the public sign-in sheets are attached hereto as Exhibit “A” to the September 21, 2026, Regular Board Meeting minutes.*

RECEIVE PERMIT HEARING REPORT FROM GENERAL MANAGER, ANY PUBLIC COMMENT(S), REQUESTS TO CONTEST AND CONSIDER GRANTING, DENYING, OR AMENDING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING OPERATING PERMITS:

1. GRBK Edgewood LLC for a proposed Operating Permit (OP-26-115) for authorization to drill one (1) new well (PGCD-004021; 32.42191900, -96.75715200) located at 3931 FM 878, Palmer, Ellis County; to produce groundwater in an amount not to exceed 49,900,000 gallons annually (2026→2030); Non-Agriculture Irrigation
2. Hilco United Services (Lakeshore Water System) for authorization through an Operating Permit (OP-26-114) to amend an existing well registration to substantially alter and increase the maximum designed production capacity from 95 GPM to 140 GPM. The

existing well (PGCD-000715; 32.00850000, -97.38288700) is located within CCN #12998 in Hill County at 132-154 Oak Run, Whitney; Public Water Supply

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT(S) OR REQUESTS TO CONTEST THE ABOVE-LISTED APPLICATIONS FOR OPERATING PERMITS

None.

DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ABOVE-LISTED APPLICATIONS FOR OPERATING PERMITS

Motion was made by Director Curtis to approve applications OP-26-115 and OP-26-114 in accordance with the General Manager's recommendation. Director McClure seconded the motion and the motion carried by all those who were present.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Director McPherson made a motion to adjourn the public hearing. Director Daniels seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The public hearing was adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026.

Maurice Osborn, Secretary/Treasurer

PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

September 21, 2026

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District (the “District” or “Prairielands GCD”) met in a regular board meeting, open to the public, within the boundaries of the District at 208 Kimberly Dr, Cleburne, TX, on September 21, 2026.

CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARE REGULAR MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

In the absence of President Beseda, Vice President Tischler assumed the role of Presiding Officer, and called the public hearing to order at 9:09 a.m., announcing the meeting open to the public.

ROLL CALL

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

Charles Beseda
Brad Daniels
Barney McClure
Paul Tischler

John Curtis
Maurice Osborn
Marty McPherson
Gary Farmer

All members of the Board were in attendance with the exception of Director Beseda, thus constituting a quorum of the Board of Directors. Also, in attendance were Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager; District staff; and members of the public. Brian Sledge, General Counsel, and Wade Oliver, EKI Environment & Water, attended via videoconference. *Copies of the public sign-in sheets are attached hereto as Exhibit “A.”*

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Curtis to approve the consent agenda. Director Farmer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by all those who were present.

FINANCE REPORT – Brian Watts, Comptroller

- a) Presentation of unaudited financials for the month of August 2026. – Mr. Watts presented the unaudited financial statements for the month ending August 30, 2026. He noted that the District's cash balances remain strong and ahead of the prior year. He also reviewed the District's revenues, expenditures, and overall financial condition.

HYDROGEOLOGIST REPORT – Wade Oliver, EKI

- a) Update on activities and meetings related to Groundwater Management Area 8 joint planning and the development of desired future conditions – Mr. Oliver said the GMA 8 meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 29, 2026. He reported that at least one groundwater conservation district received comments regarding the proposed Desired Future Conditions (DFCs), which will be discussed at the meeting.
- b) TWDB Groundwater, Science, Research, and Data Collection Grant update
 - a. Hensell Aquifer Monitoring Well status - Mr. Oliver provided an update on site logistics for the new monitoring well and reported that drilling is now anticipated to begin in December or January. The District is expected to receive at least two weeks' notice prior to mobilization. The drilling process is expected to take approximately three weeks.
- c) Other District involved activities – Mr. Oliver reported that guidelines for hydrogeologic reports are being developed in accordance with the District's newly adopted rule requirements. A preliminary draft has been completed and is ready for review with District staff to finalize the guidelines and ensure they clearly communicate the District's expectations.

Ms. Jones added that because portions of the District are experiencing extreme drought conditions and noted that Rule 5.10 provides for the Board consideration of limited overproduction during extreme drought conditions. She indicated that a committee meeting may be held to review the matter before bringing it to the full Board for consideration.

UPDATE ON WELL REGISTRATION AND PERMITTING ACTIVITIES – Kaylin Garcia, Permitting Director

Ms. Garcia reported that five permittees were notified of the requirement for independent validation of their 2025 system water loss, and the recent rule amendments were communicated to permittees via email. She also noted that 17 permittees are required to submit renewals this year, with six received to date.

Ms. Garcia concluded her report by noting continued activity in well registrations and groundwater production, with production remaining higher than the previous year. She also

reported that two Operating Permits were approved, with approximately 9.8 billion gallons of total permitted annual authorization.

UPDATE ON WELL MONITORING AND FIELD OPERATIONS – Michael Heath, Director of Field Operations

Mr. Heath reported that Field Operations completed numerous meter and GPS verifications during the month, including verification of exempt wells to ensure compliance with spacing requirements. Staff also completed GPS verifications requested by drillers prior to registration, addressed several spacing violations, and performed maintenance on monitoring well equipment to ensure continued data collection.

UPDATE ON PUBLIC OUTREACH ACTIVITIES, EDUCATIONAL, AND CONSERVATION EFFORTS – Macy Kendrick, Public Relations/Education Director

Ms. Kendrick reported that planning is underway for the October Lunch & Learn for local realtors, along with development of educational presentations, and an assessment of equipment needs. She also reported that she and Dillon Bybee hosted a rainwater harvesting workshop for the Ellis County Master Gardeners and participated in the Johnson County 4-H's inaugural "Harvest Fest at the Ballpark". She concluded by highlighting several upcoming outreach and educational events scheduled in October and November.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AND UPDATE – Kathy Turner Jones

Ms. Jones provided an update on the U.S. Drought Monitor and ongoing drought conditions throughout the District. She also reported meeting with the Texas Water Development Board regarding administration of the District's grant, including expectations, deadlines, and reporting requirements. Ms. Jones concluded her report noting that enforcement activities remain on track, with staff continuing to work with permittees toward compliance while maintaining detailed documentation of enforcement efforts and communications.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT — Brian L. Sledge

Mr. Sledge reported that legal matters had been relatively quiet following the adoption of the District's new rules. He also provided updates on recent groundwater litigation and ongoing legislative discussions regarding groundwater permitting and the potential impacts of data centers on water supplies.

OPEN FORUM / DISCUSSION OF NEW BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

Ms. Jones reminded the Board of the need to schedule a Budget and Finance Committee meeting.

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

There being no further business, Director McPherson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Director Farmer. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026.

Maurice Osborn, Secretary/Treasurer

Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District

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Register: 1000 · FFIN Operating Account

From 09/01/2026 through 09/30/2026

Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment	C	Deposit	Balance
09/02/2026	ACH	Beam Smarter Dental...	PAYROLL EXPENSE...	TX05363	668.82	X		-21.20
09/03/2026	ACH	Blue Cross Blue Shield	2000 · Accounts Payable		13,324.40	X		-13,345.60
09/03/2026	ACH	Hartford	2000 · Accounts Payable	Customer #017...	685.00	X		-14,030.60
09/04/2026			1001 · FFIN Money M...	Funds Transfer		X	15,000.00	969.40
09/08/2026	1882	Johnson County Clerk	-split-		259.00	X		710.40
09/09/2026	1883	EKI Environment & ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	Project C50329...	4,867.50	X		-4,157.10
09/09/2026	1884	Harrison Lawn Servi...	2000 · Accounts Payable		300.00	X		-4,457.10
09/09/2026	1885	Hewlett Office Syste...	2000 · Accounts Payable		368.84	X		-4,825.94
09/09/2026	1886	Medical Air Services...	2000 · Accounts Payable	Group B2BPG...	229.00	X		-5,054.94
09/09/2026	1887	NetGenius, Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable		2,745.00	X		-7,799.94
09/09/2026	1888	Sentinel	2000 · Accounts Payable	Customer #118...	74.99	X		-7,874.93
09/09/2026	1889	TWA	2000 · Accounts Payable		1,245.00	X		-9,119.93
09/09/2026	1890	TWA Risk Managem...	2000 · Accounts Payable	Account #1442	7.50	X		-9,127.43
09/09/2026	1891	Waste Connections L...	2000 · Accounts Payable	Account #5190...	115.01	X		-9,242.44
09/09/2026	1892	Wellntel, Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable		322.00	X		-9,564.44
09/10/2026	ACH	US Bank Voyager Fl...	2000 · Accounts Payable		1,193.84	X		-10,758.28
09/11/2026	ACH	AT&T Mobility	2000 · Accounts Payable	Account #2872...	429.90	X		-11,188.18
09/14/2026			1001 · FFIN Money M...	Funds Transfer		X	71,000.00	59,811.82
09/15/2026	ACH	TCDRS	2200 · Retirement Pay...	Pension Contri...	13,999.62	X		45,812.20
09/15/2026	ACH	ICMA-RC (Acct. #3...	2200 · Retirement Pay...		2,307.52	X		43,504.68
09/15/2026	ACH	TASC	PAYROLL EXPENSE...	Flex Plan Fund...	288.75	X		43,215.93
09/15/2026	JE #2026...		PAYROLL EXPENSE...	Direct Deposit	28,736.60	X		14,479.33
09/15/2026	JE #2026...		PAYROLL EXPENSE...	Tax Deposit	11,736.03	X		2,743.30
09/15/2026	JE #2026...		PAYROLL EXPENSE...	July Business S...	81.23	X		2,662.07
09/21/2026	1893	SledgeLaw Group, P...	2000 · Accounts Payable		37,687.80	X		-35,025.73
09/21/2026	1894	Gary Farmer	MEETING/TRAVEL/...		94.24	X		-35,119.97
09/22/2026	1895	City of Cleburne - Ut...	2000 · Accounts Payable	Acct. 32-4510-01	66.33	X		-35,186.30
09/22/2026	1896	City Wide Facility S...	2000 · Accounts Payable	Customer ID 0...	1,133.00	X		-36,319.30
09/22/2026	1897	NetGenius, Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable		2,499.99	X		-38,819.29
09/22/2026	1898	Statewide Plat Service	2000 · Accounts Payable		100.00			-38,919.29
09/22/2026	1899	ESRI, Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	Customer #436...	5,700.00			-44,619.29
09/22/2026	1900	Hill County Clerk	4900 · ADMINISTRA...		37.00	X		-44,656.29
09/22/2026	1901	Johnson County Clerk	-split-		259.00	X		-44,915.29
09/23/2026	ACH	Atmos Energy	2000 · Accounts Payable	Account Numb...	119.48	X		-45,034.77
09/24/2026	ACH	Champion Energy	2000 · Accounts Payable	Acct #1156679	1,094.73	X		-46,129.50
09/24/2026			1001 · FFIN Money M...	Funds Transfer		X	53,000.00	6,870.50
09/25/2026	ACH	TASC	PAYROLL EXPENSE...	Flex Plan Fund...	43.90	X		6,826.60
09/28/2026	ACH	Corporate Payment S...	2000 · Accounts Payable		4,672.22	X		2,154.38
09/29/2026	1902	Classic Chevrolet	2000 · Accounts Payable		649.32	*		1,505.06
09/29/2026			1001 · FFIN Money M...	Funds Transfer		X	44,000.00	45,505.06

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09/30/2026			4900 · ADMINISTRA...	Interest		X	4.79	45,509.85
09/30/2026	ACH	AT&T MAIN	2000 · Accounts Payable	ACCT 831-001...	668.83			44,841.02
09/30/2026	ACH	TASC	PAYROLL EXPENSE...	Flex Plan Fund...	288.75	*		44,552.27
09/30/2026	ACH	ICMA-RC (Acct. #3...	2200 · Retirement Pay...		2,307.52	*		42,244.75
09/30/2026	JE #2026...		PAYROLL EXPENSE...	Direct Deposit	29,504.76	X		12,739.99
09/30/2026	JE #2026...		PAYROLL EXPENSE...	Tax Deposit	11,796.07	X		943.92
09/30/2026	JE #2026...		PAYROLL EXPENSE...	July Business S...	81.23	X		862.69

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Balance Sheet

As of September 30, 2026

	Sep 30, 26
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 · FFIN Operating Account	862.69
1001 · FFIN Money Market Account	326,833.52
1016 · Citizens Nat'l Bank - MMkt	10,263.33
1018 · TexPool Prime	1,613,723.95
1019 · TexPool	869,488.92
1041 · Petty Cash	200.00
Total Checking/Savings	2,821,372.41
Accounts Receivable	
1110 · Accounts Receivable	232,556.31
Total Accounts Receivable	232,556.31
Other Current Assets	
1400 · Prepaid Expenses	10,938.50
1450 · Undeposited Funds	7,782.50
Total Other Current Assets	18,721.00
Total Current Assets	3,072,649.72
Fixed Assets	
1500 · Furniture and Equipment	
1510 · Field Equipment	241,376.27
1595 · Accumulated Depreciation	-379,707.53
1500 · Furniture and Equipment - Other	241,318.90
Total 1500 · Furniture and Equipment	102,987.64
1520 · Vehicles	
1590 · Accumulated Depreciation	-100,294.92
1520 · Vehicles - Other	174,005.00
Total 1520 · Vehicles	73,710.08
1530 · Land	89,446.79
1540 · CIP	0.06
1550 · Buildings	
1585 · Accumulated Depreciation	-362,708.07
1550 · Buildings - Other	3,284,905.88
Total 1550 · Buildings	2,922,197.81
1560 · Improvements	
1596 · Accumulated Depreciation	-24,689.39
1560 · Improvements - Other	134,291.75
Total 1560 · Improvements	109,602.36
1570 · Monitoring Wells	
1597 · Well Monitoring - Accumulated D	-17,131.00
1570 · Monitoring Wells - Other	710,546.00
Total 1570 · Monitoring Wells	693,415.00
Total Fixed Assets	3,991,359.74

Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District

Balance Sheet

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As of September 30, 2026

Accrual Basis

	Sep 30, 26
Other Assets	
1610 · Net Pension Asset	86,271.00
1615 · Deferred Outflows - Pension	12,216.00
1616 · Deferred Outflow - Pension Cont	78,185.26
1617 · Deferred Outflow - Actuarial Ex	39,589.00
1620 · Deferred Inflows - Pension	-32,680.30
1622 · Deferred Inflow - Assumption	-2,787.00
1670 · Amt Prov - Comp Absences	34,972.23
1699 · Amt Prov - Pension	-191,806.96
Total Other Assets	23,959.23
TOTAL ASSETS	7,087,968.69
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 · Accounts Payable	13,118.81
Total Accounts Payable	13,118.81
Credit Cards	
US Bank P-Card Bybee	422.93
US Bank P-Card Garcia	85.99
US Bank P-Card Hodshire	8.69
US Bank P-Card Jones	621.79
US Bank P-Card Kendrick	40.66
US Bank P-Card Sarmiento	118.95
US Bank P-Card Watts	94.29
US Bank P-Card Zent	104.62
Total Credit Cards	1,497.92
Other Current Liabilities	
2010 · Rule 7.4 Liability Accrual	179,724.33
2100 · Payroll Liabilities	1,455.68
2200 · Retirement Payable	15,085.24
2400 · Unearned Production Fees	-1,757.02
2690 · Accrued Payroll	3,370.47
Total Other Current Liabilities	197,878.70
Total Current Liabilities	212,495.43
Long Term Liabilities	
1621 · Deferred Inflow - Investment Ex	-11,013.00
2150 · Compensated Absences	34,972.23
2655 · CNB Mortgage Loan	1,211,653.85
2699 · Amt Prov-CNB Mort Loan	-1,211,653.85
Total Long Term Liabilities	23,959.23
Total Liabilities	236,454.66
Equity	
3000 · Audit Entry Account	-151,902.01
3005 · Nonspendable-Prepaid Expense	11,153.54
3010 · Unassigned Fund Balance	636,141.61
3015 · Board Reserved Fund Balance	1,315,531.00
3016 · Regulatory and Compliance Fund	100,000.00
3017 · Assigned - Budgetary Deficit	-303,169.00
3018 · Reserved-Monitor Well Expansion	175,000.00
3900 · Net Investment-Capital Assets	3,991,359.74
Net Income	1,077,399.15
Total Equity	6,851,514.03
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	7,087,968.69

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Prairieland Groundwater Conservation District
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through September 2026

	Jan - Sep 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION FEES				
4010 · Operating Production Fees	2,396,324.35	2,349,667.00	46,657.35	102.0%
4011 · Overpumpage Production Fees	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
4012 · Compliance Production Fees	66,999.97	75,000.00	-8,000.03	89.3%
4013 · Water Loss Disincentive Fees	91,114.48	65,000.00	26,114.48	140.2%
4040 · Export Fee Funds	621.99	2,000.00	-1,378.01	31.1%
4066 · Production Fee Settlements	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
Total GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION FEES	2,555,060.79	2,508,667.00	46,393.79	101.8%
4500 · APPLICATION FEES				
4005 · Well Registration Fee	77,375.00	100,000.00	-22,625.00	77.4%
4008 · OP Application Fees	22,700.00	30,000.00	-7,300.00	75.7%
4009 · Permit Renewal Fees	0.00	25,050.00	-25,050.00	0.0%
4045 · Exception Fees	1,000.00	3,500.00	-2,500.00	28.6%
4050 · Compliance Order	2,000.00	5,000.00	-3,000.00	40.0%
Total 4500 · APPLICATION FEES	103,075.00	163,550.00	-60,475.00	63.0%
4900 · ADMINISTRATIVE FEES				
4000 · Interest Earned	77,438.15	75,000.00	2,438.15	103.3%
4015 · Late Fee / Violation Fee	23,846.04	25,000.00	-1,153.96	95.4%
4035 · Administrative/Miscellaneous	11,100.00	6,500.00	4,600.00	170.8%
4036 · Recording/Filing Fees	497.90	1,000.00	-502.10	49.8%
4075 · Monthly Payment Surcharge	7,762.95	7,500.00	262.95	103.5%
4090 · Groundwater Availability Study	5,000.00	10,000.00	-5,000.00	50.0%
4100 · Miscellaneous Fees	157.06	1,000.00	-842.94	15.7%
Total 4900 · ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	125,802.10	126,000.00	-197.90	99.8%
4999 · Transfer In from Fund Balance	0.00	184,070.00	-184,070.00	0.0%
Total Income	2,783,937.89	2,982,287.00	-198,349.11	93.3%
Cost of Goods Sold				
4099 · Rule 7.4 Liability Accrual (1	179,724.33	176,225.00	3,499.33	102.0%
Total COGS	179,724.33	176,225.00	3,499.33	102.0%
Gross Profit	2,604,213.56	2,806,062.00	-201,848.44	92.8%
Expense				
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION EXPENSE				
7125 · Mortgage Principal	32,250.03	40,000.00	-7,749.97	80.6%
7130 · Mortgage Interest	45,158.52	63,212.00	-18,053.48	71.4%
Total BUILDING CONSTRUCTION EXPENSE	77,408.55	103,212.00	-25,803.45	75.0%

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FIELD / TECHNICAL EXPENSE				
7050 - Field Equipment-New	4,312.65	8,050.00	-3,737.35	53.6%
7051 - Field Equipment-Repair & Main	0.00	3,450.00	-3,450.00	0.0%
7060 - Vehicle Expense - Fuel	6,553.06	12,000.00	-5,446.94	54.6%
7115 - Monitor Wells - Equip (NEW)	11,375.05	17,500.00	-6,124.95	65.0%
7116 - Monitor Wells - Repair & Main	1,969.25	9,200.00	-7,230.75	21.4%
7215 - Field Supplies	6,153.87	10,000.00	-3,846.13	61.5%
7235 - FT Travel / Training / Educ	2,633.36	8,000.00	-5,366.64	32.9%
7280 - Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	8,142.81	8,500.00	-357.19	95.8%
7285 - GIS Software	5,700.00	9,300.00	-3,600.00	61.3%
8545 - Special Projects	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00	0.0%
8555 - Water Meter Calibration	690.00	2,000.00	-1,310.00	34.5%
Total FIELD / TECHNICAL EXPENSE	47,530.05	90,500.00	-42,969.95	52.5%
INSURANCE EXPENSE				
7045 - Errors & Omissions	2,648.00	2,500.00	148.00	105.9%
7075 - Insurance - Property	8,242.00	16,000.00	-7,758.00	51.5%
7085 - Liability/Bonds/Other	3,431.00	3,500.00	-69.00	98.0%
7275 - Vehicle Insurance	10,884.50	9,500.00	1,384.50	114.6%
Total INSURANCE EXPENSE	25,205.50	31,500.00	-6,294.50	80.0%
LEGAL				
6020 - General Counsel	90,409.75	160,000.00	-69,590.25	56.5%
6030 - Injection Well Monitoring	7,447.00	2,000.00	5,447.00	372.4%
6035 - Legislative - Gov't. Relations	18,761.82	50,000.00	-31,238.18	37.5%
6036 - Outside Counsel	0.00	100,000.00	-100,000.00	0.0%
Total LEGAL	116,618.57	312,000.00	-195,381.43	37.4%
MEETING/TRAVEL/TRAINING EXPENSE				
7103 - Board Member / Travel Expense	4,873.98	12,000.00	-7,126.02	40.6%
7104 - Manager Meeting/Travel Expense	7,737.09	15,000.00	-7,262.91	51.6%
7105 - Mileage Reimbursement	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
7240 - Staff Meeting / Travel Expense	2,416.84	6,000.00	-3,583.16	40.3%
7241 - Staff PG Licensing & Meeting	1,902.80	6,000.00	-4,097.20	31.7%
Total MEETING/TRAVEL/TRAINING EXPENSE	16,930.71	40,000.00	-23,069.29	42.3%
OFFICE/OCCUPANCY EXPENSE				
7020 - Building Repair & Maintenance	7,807.40	10,000.00	-2,192.60	78.1%
7025 - Custodial Services	10,370.74	18,000.00	-7,629.26	57.6%
7026 - Internet / Managed IT Service	24,705.00	33,000.00	-8,295.00	74.9%
7080 - Lawn Maintenance	7,062.33	6,500.00	562.33	108.7%
7135 - Office Equipment	4,639.97	12,000.00	-7,360.03	38.7%
7138 - Printing	992.20	5,000.00	-4,007.80	19.8%
7210 - Computer Software	3,704.69	6,000.00	-2,295.31	61.7%
7220 - Office Supplies	4,820.90	7,000.00	-2,179.10	68.9%
7221 - Kitchen Supplies	1,030.97	1,000.00	30.97	103.1%
7225 - Postage Expense	814.90	2,500.00	-1,685.10	32.6%
7245 - Utilities	9,901.06	13,500.00	-3,598.94	73.3%

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Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through September 2026

	Jan - Sep 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget	
7246 · Telephone	11,112.18	13,000.00	-1,887.82	85.5%	
7247 · Waste Disposal	1,035.09	2,000.00	-964.91	51.8%	
7248 · Security/Alarm	1,204.91	1,650.00	-445.09	73.0%	
7290 · Website / Hosting	1,200.00	4,000.00	-2,800.00	30.0%	
Total OFFICE/OCCUPANCY EXPENSE	90,402.34	135,150.00	-44,747.66		66.9%
OPERATING EXPENSE					
7010 · Awards & Recognition	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%	
7015 · Bank Charges	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%	
7040 · Dues/Subscriptions	5,304.00	10,000.00	-4,696.00	53.0%	
7110 · Misc.	223.98	2,500.00	-2,276.02	9.0%	
7160 · Public Hearing Notices	16,792.88	10,000.00	6,792.88	167.9%	
7999 · Contingency	0.00	100,000.00	-100,000.00	0.0%	
Total OPERATING EXPENSE	22,320.86	124,000.00	-101,679.14		18.0%
PAYROLL EXPENSE					
7011 · Salaries & Wages	705,248.09	1,005,000.00	-299,751.91	70.2%	
7012 · Payroll Taxes	51,788.40	76,928.00	-25,139.60	67.3%	
7013 · Cell Phone Allowance	450.00	600.00	-150.00	75.0%	
7055 · FSA - Flex System	130.16	1,500.00	-1,369.84	8.7%	
7070 · Health Insurance	124,468.95	200,476.00	-76,007.05	62.1%	
7072 · Texas Workforce Commission	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%	
7200 · Retirement	74,401.18	106,996.00	-32,594.82	69.5%	
Total PAYROLL EXPENSE	956,486.78	1,392,500.00	-436,013.22		68.7%
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXPENSE					
7065 · GMA 8 / Administrative	8,931.69	35,000.00	-26,068.31	25.5%	
8025 · Payroll Service / Fees	1,424.20	2,200.00	-775.80	64.7%	
8505 · Audit Fee	16,750.00	16,500.00	250.00	101.5%	
8530 · Hydro-Geologist/Tech					
8530.10 · General Consulting	84,591.16	175,000.00	-90,408.84	48.3%	
Total 8530 · Hydro-Geologist/Tech	84,591.16	175,000.00	-90,408.84	48.3%	
8535 · UIC Injection Well - Prof.	400.00	1,000.00	-600.00	40.0%	
8536 · Database Management					
8536.10 · Annual Hosting	6,500.00	6,500.00	0.00	100.0%	
8536.20 · Updates & Maintenance	15,900.00	29,000.00	-13,100.00	54.8%	
Total 8536 · Database Management	22,400.00	35,500.00	-13,100.00	63.1%	
Total PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXPENSE	134,497.05	265,200.00	-130,702.95		50.7%
PUBLIC RELATIONS / EDUC EXPENSE					
7030 · Conservation Demonstration	476.39	3,000.00	-2,523.61	15.9%	
7170 · Adver/Publicity/Sponsorships	11,812.84	15,000.00	-3,187.16	78.8%	
7171 · Texas 4H Water Ambassador Prog	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	100.0%	
7175 · Conservation/Educ Trailer	1,400.64	18,000.00	-16,599.36	7.8%	
7181 · Curriculum	15,257.44	31,500.00	-16,242.56	48.4%	
7182 · Rainwater Demonstration Proj	0.00	40,000.00	-40,000.00	0.0%	
7183 · Rainwater Harvesting Grant	330.00	5,000.00	-4,670.00	6.6%	
7230 · Vehicle Fuel & Maintenance	788.60	3,500.00	-2,711.40	22.5%	

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Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through September 2026

	Jan - Sep 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
8511 - PR Travel / Training / Educ	815.12	5,000.00	-4,184.88	16.3%
8512 - Public Relations - Misc.	1,331.21	3,000.00	-1,668.79	44.4%
Total PUBLIC RELATIONS / EDUC EXPENSE	37,212.24	129,000.00	-91,787.76	28.8%
VEHICLE EXPENSE				
8560 - Fuel	1,610.58	3,000.00	-1,389.42	53.7%
8565 - Vehicle Maintenance	591.18	5,000.00	-4,408.82	11.8%
Total VEHICLE EXPENSE	2,201.76	8,000.00	-5,798.24	27.5%
Total Expense	1,526,814.41	2,631,062.00	-1,104,247.59	58.0%
Net Ordinary Income	1,077,399.15	175,000.00	902,399.15	615.7%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Expense				
CAPITAL PROJECTS				
9510 - Well Monitoring Expansion	0.00	175,000.00	-175,000.00	0.0%
Total CAPITAL PROJECTS	0.00	175,000.00	-175,000.00	0.0%
Total Other Expense	0.00	175,000.00	-175,000.00	0.0%
Net Other Income	0.00	-175,000.00	175,000.00	0.0%
Net Income	1,077,399.15	0.00	1,077,399.15	100.0%

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Prairieland Groundwater Conservation District

Profit & Loss YTD Comparison

September 2026

	Sep 26	Jan - Sep 26
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION FEES		
4010 · Operating Production Fees	368,626.12	2,396,324.35
4012 · Compliance Production Fees	12,250.00	66,999.97
4013 · Water Loss Disincentive Fees	21,453.64	91,114.48
4040 · Export Fee Funds	0.00	621.99
Total GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION FEES	402,329.76	2,555,060.79
4500 · APPLICATION FEES		
4005 · Well Registration Fee	10,875.00	77,375.00
4008 · OP Application Fees	4,100.00	22,700.00
4045 · Exception Fees	0.00	1,000.00
4050 · Compliance Order	0.00	2,000.00
Total 4500 · APPLICATION FEES	14,975.00	103,075.00
4900 · ADMINISTRATIVE FEES		
4000 · Interest Earned	8,427.54	77,438.15
4015 · Late Fee / Violation Fee	1,250.00	23,846.04
4035 · Administrative/Miscellaneous	550.00	11,100.00
4036 · Recording/Filing Fees	234.00	497.90
4075 · Monthly Payment Surcharge	777.86	7,762.95
4090 · Groundwater Availability Study	0.00	5,000.00
4100 · Miscellaneous Fees	0.00	157.06
Total 4900 · ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	11,239.40	125,802.10
Total Income	428,544.16	2,783,937.89
Cost of Goods Sold		
4099 · Rule 7.4 Liability Accrual (1	27,646.96	179,724.33
Total COGS	27,646.96	179,724.33
Gross Profit	400,897.20	2,604,213.56
Expense		
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION EXPENSE		
7125 · Mortgage Principal	6,159.31	32,250.03
7130 · Mortgage Interest	2,441.64	45,158.52
Total BUILDING CONSTRUCTION EXPENSE	8,600.95	77,408.55
FIELD / TECHNICAL EXPENSE		
7050 · Field Equipment-New	0.00	4,312.65
7060 · Vehicle Expense - Fuel	550.84	6,553.06
7115 · Monitor Wells - Equip (NEW)	0.00	11,375.05
7116 · Monitor Wells - Repair & Main	206.59	1,969.25
7215 · Field Supplies	19.62	6,153.87
7235 · FT Travel / Training / Educ	536.53	2,633.36
7280 · Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	689.32	8,142.81
7285 · GIS Software	5,700.00	5,700.00
8555 · Water Meter Calibration	0.00	690.00
Total FIELD / TECHNICAL EXPENSE	7,702.90	47,530.05
INSURANCE EXPENSE		
7045 · Errors & Omissions	0.00	2,648.00
7075 · Insurance - Property	0.00	8,242.00
7085 · Liability/Bonds/Other	0.00	3,431.00
7275 · Vehicle Insurance	7.50	10,884.50
Total INSURANCE EXPENSE	7.50	25,205.50

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Prairieland Groundwater Conservation District
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September 2026

	Sep 26	Jan - Sep 26
LEGAL		
6020 · General Counsel	15,231.66	90,409.75
6030 · Injection Well Monitoring	172.50	7,447.00
6035 · Legislative - Gov't. Relations	1,268.39	18,761.82
Total LEGAL	16,672.55	116,618.57
MEETING/TRAVEL/TRAINING EXPENSE		
7103 · Board Member / Travel Expense	152.48	4,873.98
7104 · Manager Meeting/Travel Expense	837.65	7,737.09
7240 · Staff Meeting / Travel Expense	629.11	2,416.84
7241 · Staff PG Licensing & Meeting	731.11	1,902.80
Total MEETING/TRAVEL/TRAINING EXPENSE	2,350.35	16,930.71
OFFICE/OCCUPANCY EXPENSE		
7020 · Building Repair & Maintenance	1,811.00	7,807.40
7025 · Custodial Services	1,133.00	10,370.74
7026 · Internet / Managed IT Service	2,745.00	24,705.00
7080 · Lawn Maintenance	679.93	7,062.33
7135 · Office Equipment	2,499.99	4,639.97
7138 · Printing	0.00	992.20
7210 · Computer Software	464.15	3,704.69
7220 · Office Supplies	349.10	4,820.90
7221 · Kitchen Supplies	0.00	1,030.97
7225 · Postage Expense	0.00	814.90
7245 · Utilities	1,219.93	9,901.06
7246 · Telephone	1,255.91	11,112.18
7247 · Waste Disposal	115.01	1,035.09
7248 · Security/Alarm	74.99	1,204.91
7290 · Website / Hosting	0.00	1,200.00
Total OFFICE/OCCUPANCY EXPENSE	12,348.01	90,402.34
OPERATING EXPENSE		
7040 · Dues/Subscriptions	1,296.94	5,304.00
7110 · Misc.	0.00	223.98
7160 · Public Hearing Notices	0.00	16,792.88
Total OPERATING EXPENSE	1,296.94	22,320.86
PAYROLL EXPENSE		
7011 · Salaries & Wages	86,944.00	705,248.09
7012 · Payroll Taxes	6,426.84	51,788.40
7013 · Cell Phone Allowance	50.00	450.00
7055 · FSA - Flex System	43.90	130.16
7070 · Health Insurance	13,124.15	124,468.95
7200 · Retirement	9,220.10	74,401.18
Total PAYROLL EXPENSE	115,808.99	956,486.78
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXPENSE		
7065 · GMA 8 / Administrative	59.51	8,931.69
8025 · Payroll Service / Fees	162.46	1,424.20
8505 · Audit Fee	0.00	16,750.00
8530 · Hydro-Geologist/Tech		
8530.10 · General Consulting	7,936.50	84,591.16
Total 8530 · Hydro-Geologist/Tech	7,936.50	84,591.16
8535 · UIC Injection Well - Prof.	0.00	400.00
8536 · Database Management		
8536.10 · Annual Hosting	0.00	6,500.00
8536.20 · Updates & Maintenance	0.00	15,900.00
Total 8536 · Database Management	0.00	22,400.00
Total PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXPENSE	8,158.47	134,497.05

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Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District
Profit & Loss YTD Comparison
September 2026

	Sep 26	Jan - Sep 26
PUBLIC RELATIONS / EDUC EXPENSE		
7030 · Conservation Demonstration	55.93	476.39
7170 · Adver/Publicity/Sponsorships	150.00	11,812.84
7171 · Texas 4H Water Ambassador Prog	0.00	5,000.00
7175 · Conservation/Educ Trailer	0.00	1,400.64
7181 · Curriculum	0.00	15,257.44
7183 · Rainwater Harvesting Grant	0.00	330.00
7230 · Vehicle Fuel & Maintenance	23.89	788.60
8511 · PR Travel / Training / Educ	439.11	815.12
8512 · Public Relations - Misc.	126.65	1,331.21
Total PUBLIC RELATIONS / EDUC EXPENSE	795.58	37,212.24
VEHICLE EXPENSE		
8560 · Fuel	-39.80	1,610.58
8565 · Vehicle Maintenance	90.00	591.18
Total VEHICLE EXPENSE	50.20	2,201.76
Total Expense	173,792.44	1,526,814.41
Net Ordinary Income	227,104.76	1,077,399.15
Net Income	227,104.76	1,077,399.15

Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District
Reconciliation Summary
1016 · Citizens Nat'l Bank - MMkt, Period Ending 09/30/2026

	Sep 30, 26	
Beginning Balance		18,862.06
Cleared Transactions		
Checks and Payments - 1 item	-8,600.95	
Deposits and Credits - 1 item	2.22	
Total Cleared Transactions	-8,598.73	
Cleared Balance		10,263.33
Register Balance as of 09/30/2026		10,263.33
Ending Balance		10,263.33

Prairieland Groundwater Conservation District
Reconciliation Summary
1001 · FFIN Money Market Account, Period Ending 09/30/2026

	Sep 30, 26
Beginning Balance	322,796.76
Cleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 4 items	-183,000.00
Deposits and Credits - 24 items	187,036.76
Total Cleared Transactions	4,036.76
Cleared Balance	326,833.52
Register Balance as of 09/30/2026	326,833.52
Ending Balance	326,833.52

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Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District
Reconciliation Summary
1000 · FFIN Operating Account, Period Ending 09/30/2026

	<u>Sep 30, 26</u>
Beginning Balance	17,567.73
Cleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 40 items	-177,359.72
Deposits and Credits - 5 items	183,004.79
Total Cleared Transactions	<u>5,645.07</u>
Cleared Balance	<u><u>23,212.80</u></u>
Uncleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 23 items	<u>-22,350.11</u>
Total Uncleared Transactions	<u>-22,350.11</u>
Register Balance as of 09/30/2026	<u><u>862.69</u></u>
Ending Balance	862.69

Prairiелands Groundwater Conservation District
Reconciliation Summary
1041 · Petty Cash, Period Ending 09/30/2026

	Sep 30, 26
Beginning Balance	200.00
Cleared Balance	200.00
Register Balance as of 09/30/2026	200.00
Ending Balance	200.00

Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District
Reconciliation Summary
1018 · TexPool Prime, Period Ending 09/30/2026

	Sep 30, 26
Beginning Balance	1,608,563.82
Cleared Transactions	
Deposits and Credits - 1 item	5,160.13
Total Cleared Transactions	5,160.13
Cleared Balance	1,613,723.95
Register Balance as of 09/30/2026	1,613,723.95
Ending Balance	1,613,723.95

Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District
Reconciliation Summary
1019 · TexPool, Period Ending 09/30/2026

	Sep 30, 26	
Beginning Balance		866,810.89
Cleared Transactions		
Deposits and Credits - 1 item	2,678.03	
Total Cleared Transactions	2,678.03	
Cleared Balance		869,488.92
Register Balance as of 09/30/2026		869,488.92
Ending Balance		869,488.92

Priarielands Groundwater Conservation District
Schedule of Cash Flow and Cash Forecast
Thru December, 31, 2026



	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated
	5/31/2026	6/30/2026	7/31/2026	8/31/2026	9/30/2026	10/31/2026	11/30/2026	12/31/2026
<u>Beginning Cash Balances</u>								
CNB-Money Market	52,977.60	44,504.64	36,017.57	27,443.09	18,862.06	10,263.33	-	-
FFIN-Operating	(21,746.79)	1,485.76	1,501.23	1,025.11	647.62	862.69	-	-
FFIN-Money Market	497,000.79	348,596.17	348,492.36	487,540.02	322,796.76	326,833.52	-	-
TexPool-Prime	1,588,125.61	1,593,220.66	1,598,192.19	1,603,357.19	1,608,563.82	1,613,723.95	-	-
TexPool	856,232.81	858,868.24	861,442.68	864,111.96	866,810.89	869,488.92	-	-
Total Available Cash	<u>\$ 2,972,590.02</u>	<u>\$ 2,846,675.47</u>	<u>\$ 2,845,646.03</u>	<u>\$ 2,983,477.37</u>	<u>\$ 2,817,681.15</u>	<u>\$ 2,821,172.41</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Monthly Cash Inflow:	29,030.93	165,069.85	309,189.26	38,841.54	199,960.62	345,000.00	225,000.00	500,000.00
Monthly Cash Outflow:	(154,945.48)	(166,099.29)	(171,357.92)	(204,637.76)	(196,469.36)	(200,000.00)	(395,000.00)	(250,000.00)
Net Monthly Cash Flow:	<u>\$ (125,914.55)</u>	<u>\$ (1,029.44)</u>	<u>\$ 137,831.34</u>	<u>\$ (165,796.22)</u>	<u>\$ 3,491.26</u>	<u>\$ 145,000.00</u>	<u>\$ (170,000.00)</u>	<u>\$ 250,000.00</u>
<u>Ending Cash Balances</u>								
CNB-Money Market	44,504.64	36,017.57	27,443.09	18,862.06	10,263.33			
FFIN-Operating	1,485.76	1,501.23	1,025.11	647.62	862.69			
FFIN-Money Market	348,596.17	348,492.36	487,540.02	322,796.76	326,833.52			
TexPool-Prime	1,593,220.66	1,598,192.19	1,603,357.19	1,608,563.82	1,613,723.95			
TexPool	858,868.24	861,442.68	864,111.96	866,810.89	869,488.92			
Total Available Cash	<u>\$ 2,846,675.47</u>	<u>\$ 2,845,646.03</u>	<u>\$ 2,983,477.37</u>	<u>\$ 2,817,681.15</u>	<u>\$ 2,821,172.41</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,046,172.41</u>
Rule 7.4 Refund Projection	7.50%							
Projected Rule 7.4 Refund Amt	\$ 114,984.88	\$ 141,093.06	\$ 150,979.57	\$ 152,077.37	\$ 179,724.33			\$ 185,000.00
Reserve	\$ 1,315,531.00	\$ 1,315,531.00	\$ 1,315,531.00	\$ 1,315,531.00	\$ 1,315,531.00			\$ 1,315,531.00
Regulatory & Compliance Fund	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00			\$ 100,000.00
Monitor Well Program	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 175,000.00			\$ 175,000.00
Unrestricted	<u>\$ 1,141,159.59</u>	<u>\$ 1,114,021.97</u>	<u>\$ 1,241,966.80</u>	<u>\$ 1,075,072.78</u>	<u>\$ 1,050,917.08</u>			<u>\$ 1,270,641.41</u>
	<u>\$ 2,846,675.47</u>	<u>\$ 2,845,646.03</u>	<u>\$ 2,983,477.37</u>	<u>\$ 2,817,681.15</u>	<u>\$ 2,821,172.41</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,046,172.41</u>

PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

INVESTMENT REPORT, AUTHORIZATION, AND REVIEW

PREPARED FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2026 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

CHECKING & MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS

INVESTMENT	RATE	BEGINNING VALUE FOR PERIOD			GAIN (LOSS) TO MARKET VALUE	DEPOSITS OR WITHDRAWALS	ENDING VALUE FOR PERIOD**		
		BOOK	N.A.V.	MARKET			BOOK	N.A.V.	MARKET
MM 30118034	0.90%	\$36,017.57	100%	\$36,017.57	-	(\$25,754.24)	\$10,263.33	100%	\$10,263.33
MM 41110156134	2.50%	\$348,492.36	100%	\$348,492.36	-	(\$21,658.84)	\$326,833.52	100%	\$326,833.52
CK 41110156126	0.20%	\$1,501.23	100%	\$1,501.23	-	(\$638.54)	\$862.69	100%	\$862.69

** The above investments are all held in cash accounts. As such, the Weighted Average Stated Maturity is zero since the funds have total liquidity at all times.

TEXPOOL (See the attached disclosures)

INVESTMENT	AVG DAILY YIELD	BEGINNING VALUE FOR PERIOD			GAIN (LOSS) TO MARKET VALUE	DEPOSITS OR WITHDRAWALS	ENDING VALUE FOR PERIOD**		
		BOOK	N.A.V.	MARKET			BOOK	N.A.V.	MARKET
Texpool Prime	4.0042%	\$1,598,192.19	100%	\$1,598,192.19	-	\$15,531.76	\$1,613,723.95	100%	\$1,613,723.95
Texpool	3.8706%	\$861,442.68	100%	\$861,442.68	-	\$8,046.24	\$869,488.92	100%	\$869,488.92

The Securities pledged, along with FDIC Insurance coverage, are sufficient to cover the District's cash deposits and investments, if applicable, for all of the District's Funds.

All District investments are in compliance with PGCD Investment Policy strategies.

The Money Market Account represents an interest bearing checking account with First Financial Bank, in which the Bank has pledged \$2,015,000 in securities held by their custodian, Frost National Bank as security for any amount above FDIC Insurance limits.

SUMMARY OF FDIC COVERAGE

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK INTEREST ACCOUNTS:	Total deposits as of 9/30/2026: \$10,263.33. FDIC Coverage is \$250,000.
FIRST FINANCIAL MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	Total deposits as of 9/30/2026: \$326,833.52. FDIC Coverage is \$250,000, plus pledged securities of \$2,015,000.
FIRST FINANCIAL OPERATING ACCOUNT	Total deposits as of 9/30/2026: \$862.69 FDIC Coverage is \$250,000.00.

Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager

Maurice Osborn, Secretary/Treasurer



Reportfolio

First Financial Bankshares, Abilene, TX

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Safekeeping

Code	Cusip	Description	Pool	Moody	Original Face	Pledged	Pledged	Pledged	Pledged
Location	Trans#	Maturity	Coupon	StdPoor	Pledged Percent	Original Face Value	Par Value	Book Value	Market Value
		FAS 115							
FNBK1	432164JR3	HILLSBORO TX INDEP SCH DIST		Aaa	\$940,000.00	\$440,000.00	\$440,000.00	\$462,943.87	\$411,966.59
	549569202004141	8/15/2038	4.000		46.81%				
FROST NATIONAL BANK		AFS							
FNBK1	785751SW9	SACHSE TX		Aa1	\$1,575,000.00	\$1,575,000.00	\$1,575,000.00	\$1,577,410.31	\$1,418,841.90
	719483202410071	2/15/2042	4.000	AA+	100.00%				
FROST NATIONAL BANK		AFS							
<u>2 Muni Tax Exempt - Fixed Rate</u>						<u>\$2,015,000.00</u>	<u>\$2,015,000.00</u>	<u>\$2,040,354.18</u>	<u>\$1,830,808.49</u>
<u>Total Pledged</u>	<u>2 To: PLCD</u>	<u>PRAIRIELANDS GCD</u>				<u>\$2,015,000.00</u>	<u>\$2,015,000.00</u>	<u>\$2,040,354.18</u>	<u>\$1,830,808.49</u>
		\$0.00	Munis with Maturity Under 2 Years		\$0.00	Other securities with Stated Maturity Under 2 Years			
		\$2,015,000.00	Munis with Maturity Over 2 Years		\$0.00	Other securities with Stated Maturity Over 2 Years			

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TexPool Prime			590		USD 15,428,064,219.25		43		81		4.0042 %		4.00 %			

Disclosures

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Daily net yield: Calculated by taking the pool's net investment income divided by shares outstanding to determine the daily dividend factor. The daily dividend factor is multiplied by 365 and then by 100 to derive a percentage. This yield may include short-term capital gains.

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AGENDA ITEM:

6. Discuss amendments to District Rule 5.8 to clarify third-party water loss audit validation requirements, including the use of District-prescribed reporting forms and qualifications and independence standards for validators; consider adoption of Resolution #26-008 authorizing same pending adoption of formal amendments to the District Rules – Brian Sledge

DATE: October 19, 2026

BACKGROUND:

As the District began receiving and reviewing water loss audits submitted by retail public utilities, staff identified significant discrepancies in some of the reported data, raising concerns about the accuracy and reliability of the audits. To address these concerns, the Board adopted amendments to District Rule 5.8 in August of this year requiring independent validation of water loss audits.

Under the current rules, validation must be performed by an individual who is both a Texas-licensed professional engineer and a water loss audit validator certified under Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) requirements. At the time the requirement was adopted, staff understood that obtaining TWDB certification would be relatively accessible. However, subsequent implementation efforts revealed limited training opportunities and a relatively small number of individuals who possess both qualifications, creating challenges for retail public utilities seeking to comply.

To address these challenges, the proposed resolution would establish the Board's intent to revise the qualification requirements to allow independent validation by either a Texas-licensed professional engineer or a TWDB-certified water loss audit validator. This approach is intended to provide greater flexibility for retail public utilities while maintaining independent review to improve the accuracy and reliability of submitted water loss audits.

The proposed resolution would authorize the District to accept water loss audit validations performed by either a Texas-licensed professional engineer or a TWDB-certified water loss audit validator, pending adoption of corresponding amendments to District Rule 5.8. The resolution would also address the use of District-prescribed reporting forms and validator independence requirements. These changes are intended to provide greater flexibility for retail public utilities while maintaining independent validation to improve the accuracy and reliability of submitted water loss audits.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: It is the General Manager's recommendation that the Board approve Resolution No. 26-008 authorizing the revised third-party water loss audit validation requirements, including alternative validator qualifications, District-prescribed reporting forms, and independence standards, pending adoption of corresponding amendments to District Rule 5.8.

RESOLUTION NO #26-008

RESOLUTION TO CLARIFY THIRD-PARTY WATER LOSS AUDIT VALIDATION REQUIREMENTS PENDING ADOPTION OF FORMAL AMENDMENTS TO THE DISTRICT RULES

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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WHEREAS, 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 (“District Rules” or “Rules”) during a properly called and noticed public meeting on December 17, 2018, and adopted amendments to the Rules on October 21, 2019, November 16, 2020, December 20, 2021, July 18, 2022, January 17, 2023, September 18, 2023, April 21, 2025, and August 17, 2026 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, current District Rule 5.8(f) requires retail public utilities to submit water loss audit validations certified and sealed by a professional engineer licensed in Texas who is also a certified water loss audit validator under Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) requirements;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that requiring a validator to possess both qualifications has created challenges for retail public utilities due to limited certification training opportunities and the relatively small number of individuals in Texas who hold both qualifications

WHEREAS, the Board finds that providing alternative qualifications for third-party validators would improve accessibility for retail public utilities while maintaining independent validation to support the accuracy and reliability of submitted water loss audits;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it reasonable and in the public interest to authorize the District to accept water loss audit validations performed by either a Texas-licensed professional engineer or a water loss audit validator certified under TWDB requirements, pending formal amendments to District Rule 5.8(f); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District met in a public meeting, noticed properly in accordance with applicable law, and considered clarifying third-party water loss audit validation requirements.

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

1. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated into this resolution.
2. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the District to accept water loss audit validations performed by either a professional engineer licensed in the State of Texas or a water loss audit validator certified under Texas Water Development Board requirements, pending adoption of corresponding amendments to District Rule 5.8(f).
3. Water loss audit validations accepted pursuant to this resolution shall continue to be performed by an independent third-party validator. This resolution modifies only the alternative professional qualification requirements for validators and does not eliminate other applicable requirements of District Rule 5.8.
4. in coordination with District legal counsel, to initiate the process for adopting amendments to the District Rules consistent with this resolution as soon as practicable, but no later than December 31, 2027
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption and shall remain in effect pending adoption of corresponding amendments to the District Rules, unless otherwise modified or rescinded by the Board.
6. 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.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 19th day of October, 2026.

PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

By: _____
Charles Beseda, Board President

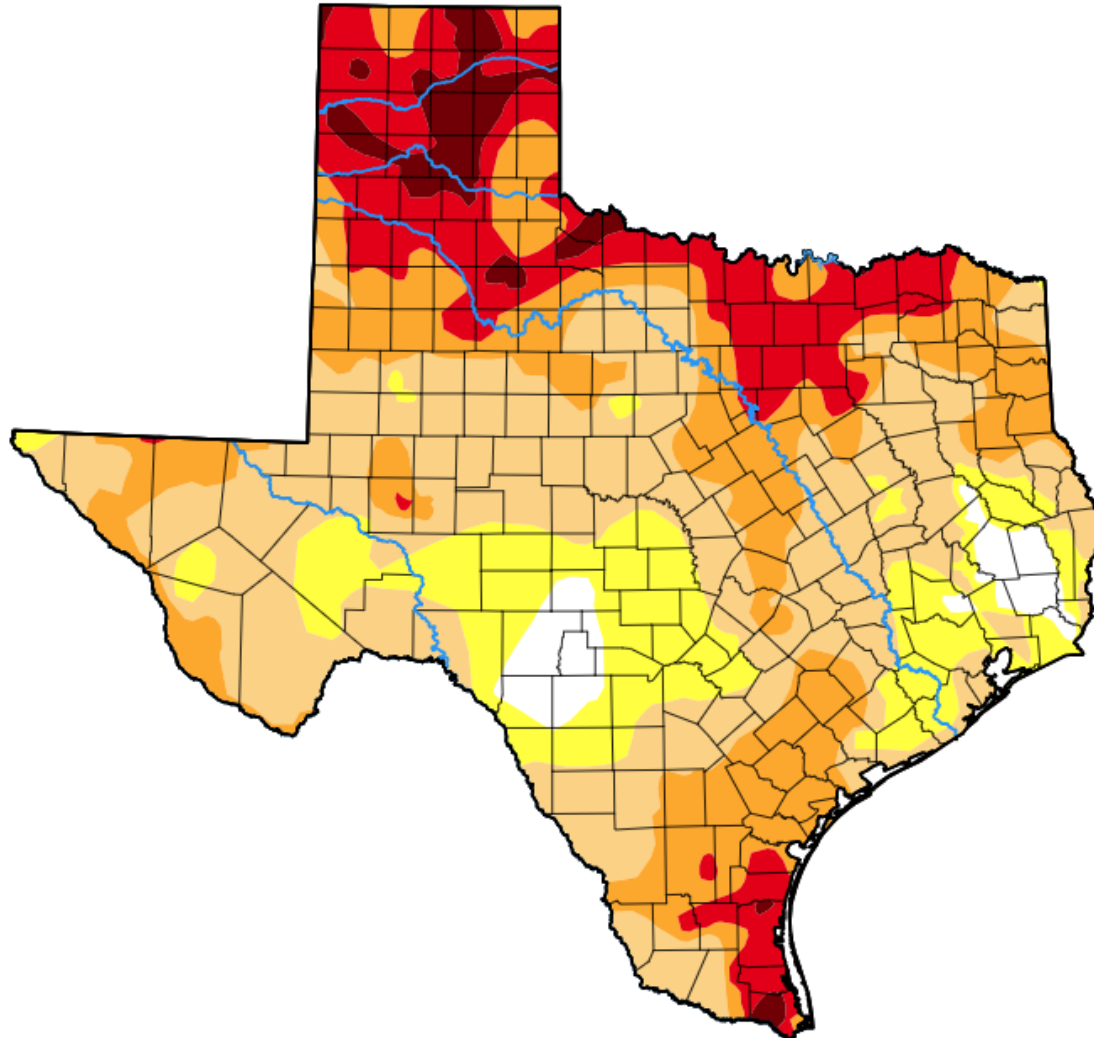
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Maurice Osborn, Secretary/Treasurer



HYDROGEOLOGIST UPDATE

PRAIRIELANDS GCD

DROUGHT STATUS



Map released: Thurs. September 17, 2026

Data valid: September 15, 2026 at 8 a.m. EDT

Intensity

- None
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
- D1 (Moderate Drought)
- D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)
- No Data

Authors

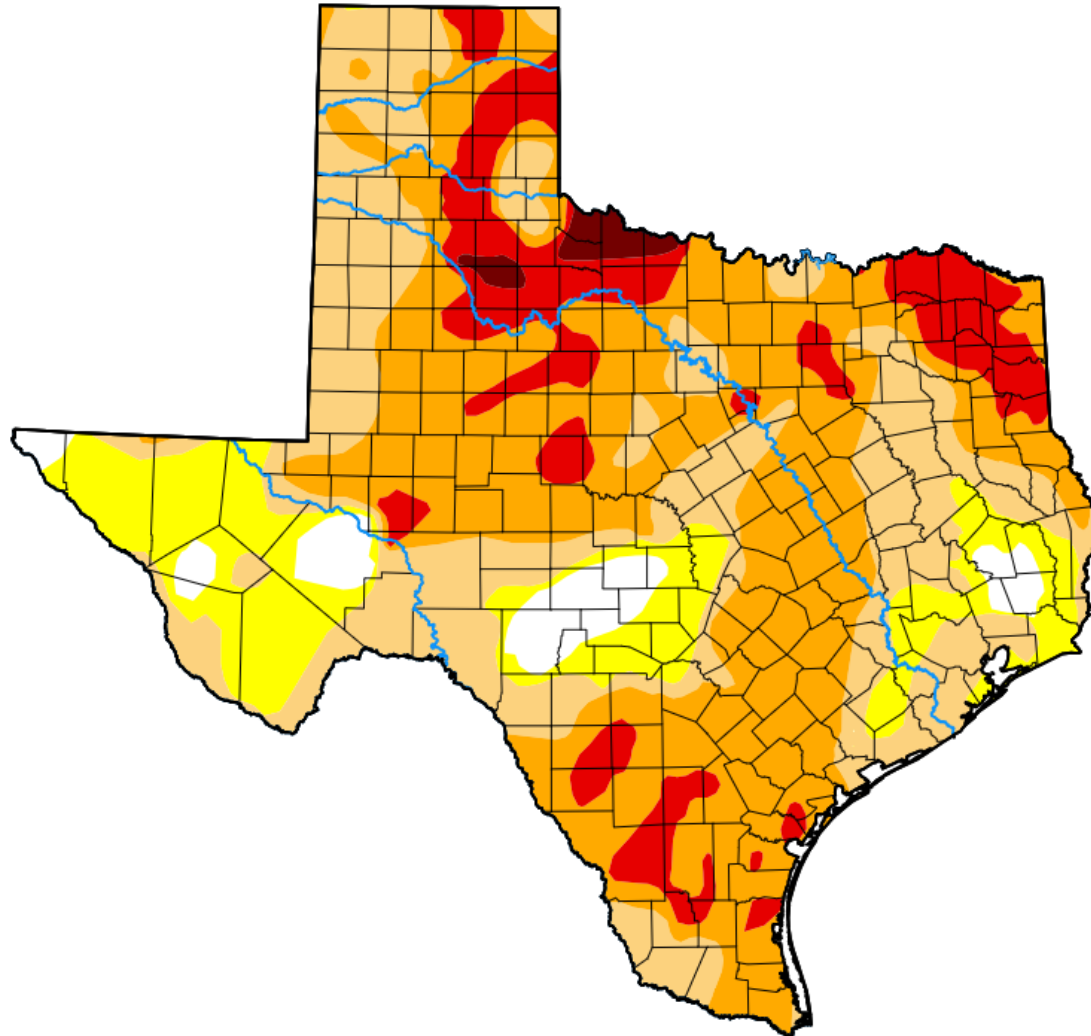
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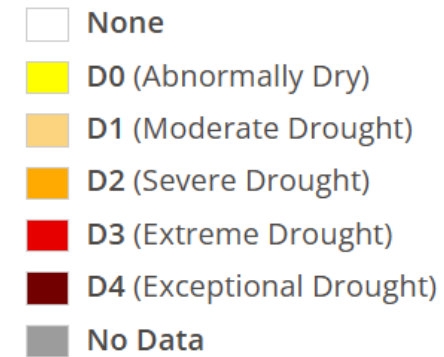
DROUGHT STATUS



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Data valid: October 6, 2026 at 8 a.m. EDT

Intensity



Authors

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DISTRICT RULES — EXTREME DROUGHT

Rule 5.10 Board Authorization to Increase Groundwater Production during Periods of Extreme Drought or other Emergency Conditions

- (a) In any calendar year in which any part of the District has been designated as in “extreme drought” or worse under the U.S. Drought Monitor, the Board by resolution may authorize an increase in production for all permittees that allows each permittee to overproduce their permit by a certain percentage designated by the Board.
- (b) In setting the percentage, the Board shall consider the difference in sum of the total amount of groundwater produced in the District in each of the previous five (5) years and the sum of the Modeled Available Groundwater amounts for each of those years, and shall not set a percentage that would authorize total additional groundwater production in an amount higher than the difference, so as to support achievement of the Desired Future Conditions adopted by the District under § 36.108, Texas Water Code.
- (c) As applied to permittees required by law or TCEQ rules to have a drought contingency plan related to the well or well system covered by the permit, the Board in adopting the resolution shall limit eligibility to produce additional groundwater to those permittees that have implemented their drought contingency plans during the calendar year of the resolution, including implementation of mandatory water use restrictions by a permittee that is a retail public water system.

RULE 5.10 (B) — OVERPRODUCTION PERCENTAGE

Estimated Pumping in Prairielands GCD (acre-feet)

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Livestock	535	538	548	535	521	501	530	530
Agriculture	3,507	4,019	2,910	3,167	3,313	3,010	3,193	3,165
Domestic	501	535	580	632	683	752	819	868
Other Exempt Wells	83	92	103	118	158	129	130	131
Total Exempt Use	4,626	5,184	4,141	4,452	4,675	4,392	4,672	4,694
Reported Well Production	18,484	18,678	19,680	19,308	22,354	21,429	20,666	20,148
Total Production	23,110	23,862	23,821	23,759	27,029	25,820	25,338	24,841
MAG	26,663	26,663	26,733	26,733	26,775	26,775	26,775	26,775
MAG minus Estimated Production	3,553	2,801	2,912	2,974	-254	955	1,437	1,934

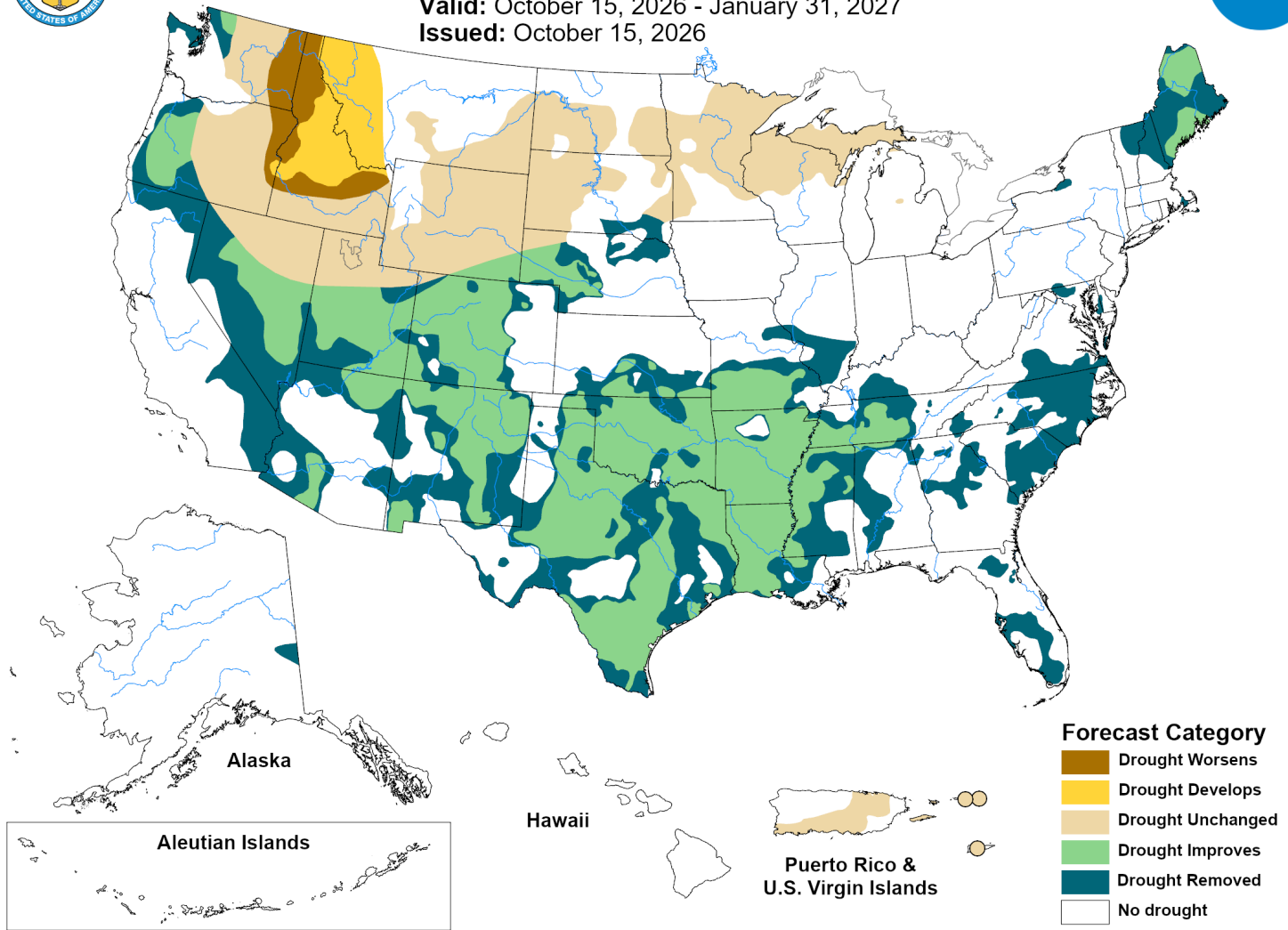
- 7,046 AF — MAG minus estimated production over the last five years (2021-2025)

SEASONAL OUTLOOK



Seasonal Drought Outlook

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Issued: October 15, 2026

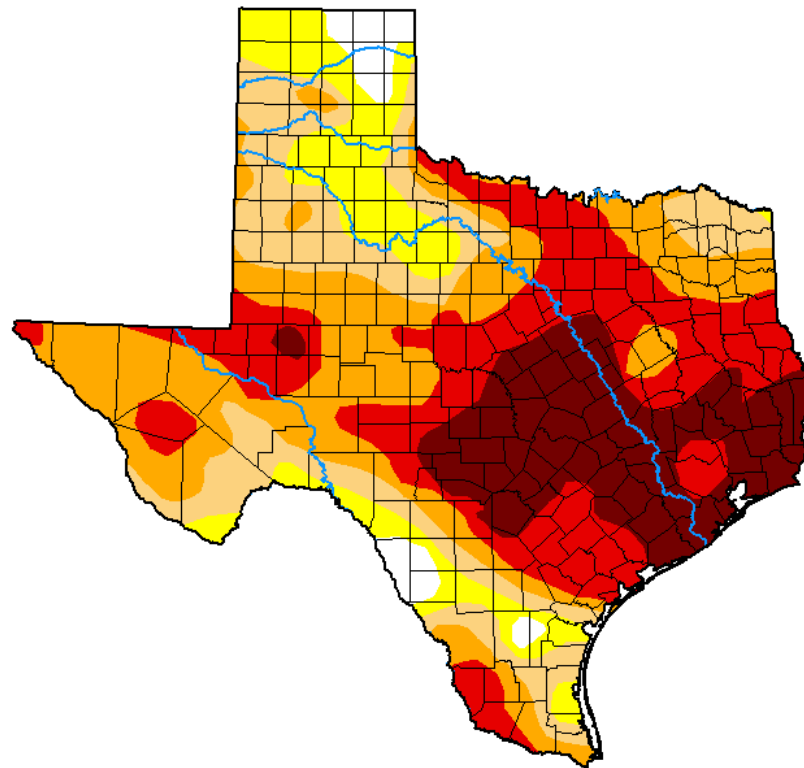


QUESTIONS

SEPTEMBER 2023 DROUGHT CONDITIONS

U.S. Drought Monitor
Texas

September 12, 2023
(Released Thursday, Sep. 14, 2023)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Intensity:

-  None
-  D0 Abnormally Dry
-  D1 Moderate Drought
-  D2 Severe Drought
-  D3 Extreme Drought
-  D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

Author:

Brad Pugh
CPC/NOAA



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DROUGHT INTENSITY KEY

Category	Examples of historically observed impacts
D0	Grass fires increase
	Planting is postponed; forage germination is stunted; hay cutting is reduced
	Producers begin supplemental feeding for livestock
	Surface water levels decline
D1	Dryland crops are stunted
	Early cattle sales begin
	Stock tanks, creeks, streams are low; voluntary water restrictions are requested
	Wildfire frequency increases
D2	Hydroelectric power is compromised; well water use increases; mandatory water restrictions are implemented
	Pasture conditions are very poor
	Soil is hard, hindering planting; crop yields decrease
	Wildfire danger is severe; burn bans are implemented
	Wildlife moves into populated areas

DROUGHT INTENSITY KEY (CONT.)

D3

Increased risk of large wildfires is noted

Many sectors experience financial burden

Need for supplemental feed, nutrients, protein, and water for livestock increases; herds are sold

Row and forage crops fail to germinate; decreased yields for irrigated crops and very large yield reduction for dryland crops are reported

Severe fish, plant, and wildlife loss reported

Soil has large cracks; soil moisture is very low; dust and sand storms occur

Water sanitation is a concern; reservoir levels drop significantly; surface water is nearly dry; river flow is very low; salinity increases in bays and estuaries

D4

Boat ramps are closed; obstacles are exposed in water bodies; water levels are at or near historic lows

Culling continues; producers wean calves early and liquidate herds due to importation of hay and water expenses

Devastating algae blooms occur; water quality is very poor

Exceptional and widespread crop loss is reported; rangeland is dead; producers are not planting fields

Exceptional water shortages are noted across surface water sources; water table is declining

Extreme sensitivity to fire danger; firework restrictions are implemented

Seafood, forestry, tourism, and agriculture sectors report significant financial loss

Widespread tree mortality is reported; most wildlife species' health and population are suffering



Permitting Report
Kaylin Garcia
October 19, 2026

Permitting Activities

- Annual Water Use Fees Notices sent to all permittees
- Reminder emails went out to those Permittees who have not yet submitted their renewal applications

Monthly Well Registration(s) Report

Well Registration Information

September 1 – September 30: 27 Well Registrations

Ellis County: 2

- 1 New (Exempt)
- 1 New (Non-exempt)

Hill County: 2

- 2 New (Exempt)

Johnson County: 23

- 18 New (Exempt)
- 1 New (Non-exempt)
- 2 Replacement (Exempt)
- 1 Existing FBS (Exempt)
- 1 Existing (Exempt)

Somervell County: 0

Well Registrations - 5 Year Running Comparison

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Totals
New	255	263	151	205	157	1031
Exempt	251	253	138	185	150	977
Non-Exempt	4	10	13	20	7	54
Replacement	6	9	15	9	10	49
Exempt	5	9	14	8	9	45
Non-Exempt	1	0	1	1	1	4
Grand Total	261	272	166	214	167	1080



Permitting Report
Kaylin Garcia
October 19, 2026

Monthly Permit(s) Report

2026 Year to Date Water Usage By County (Gallons)

2026 Year to Date Water Usage						
	First Quarter	Second Quarter	July	August	September*	Total
Ellis County	708,668,822	687,564,784	368,855,819	438,891,607	392,946,142	2,596,927,174
Hill County	322,462,100	348,470,525	160,584,991	167,177,958	147,744,505	1,146,440,079
Johnson County	378,962,025	405,737,942	195,217,609	230,091,819	214,401,632	1,424,411,027
Somervell County	46,271,647	62,667,890	25,523,663	38,207,018	37,822,947	210,493,165
Total	1,456,364,594	1,504,441,141	750,182,082	874,368,402	792,915,226	5,378,271,445
<i>7 of 207 have not reported</i>						

2025 – 2026 Production Comparison (Gallons)

Month	2025 Production	2026 Production
First Quarter	1,362,266,289	1,456,364,594
Second Quarter	1,549,316,866	1,504,441,141
July	622,458,691	750,182,082
August	713,920,440	874,368,402
September*	688,985,977	792,915,226
Total	4,936,948,263	5,378,271,445

7 of 207 have not reported

2026 Production up 8.21% from 2025

2026 Year to Date Permitted Authorization

Permit Type	Number of Permits	Permitted Authorization (gallons)
Historic	161	8,706,937,346
Operating	90	1,168,649,209
Pending	2	6,113,000
Amendment	2	48,000,000
Total	253	9,929,699,555



Field Operations Report

Michael Heath

October 19, 2026

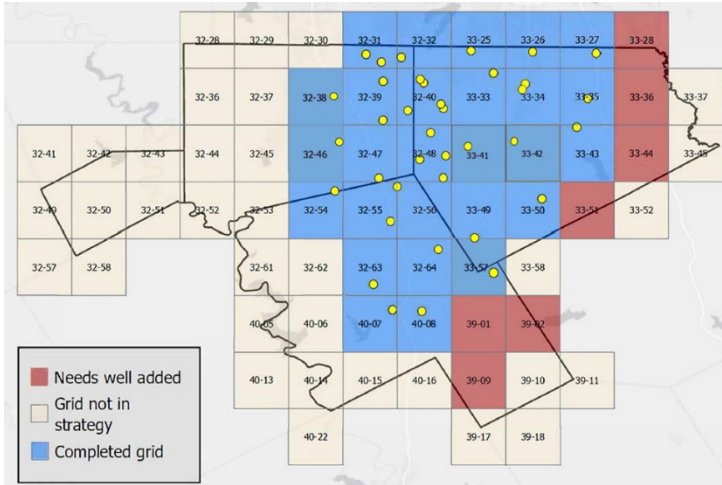
Field Activities Update:

- Conducted 17 meter verifications on permitted wells to confirm accurate reporting, proper installation, and functionality.
- Verified six non-exempt, unpermitted wells to ensure they are not in operation and that District tags remain visible and legible.
- As part of a database cleanup effort, staff identified discrepancies in exempt well location records and began field verification in 2025. In 2026, staff identified more significant discrepancies, including wells drilled several hundred feet from approved locations, potentially affecting well-to-well spacing compliance. This month, staff verified GPS coordinates for 40 exempt wells, resulting in corrections to multiple records in the State well tracking system and District database. Given the number of existing wells requiring verification, this will remain an ongoing effort to improve record accuracy and support compliance with District spacing requirements.
- Field staff completed seven requested GPS location verifications prior to finalizing well registrations.
- Addressed concerns regarding a geotechnical company drilling a piezometer in Ellis County without the required drilling license. Coordinated with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) to clarify applicable state requirements and ensure compliance with well drilling regulations.
- The District's Hensell monitoring well is tentatively scheduled for drilling around the end of December 2026 or early 2027.

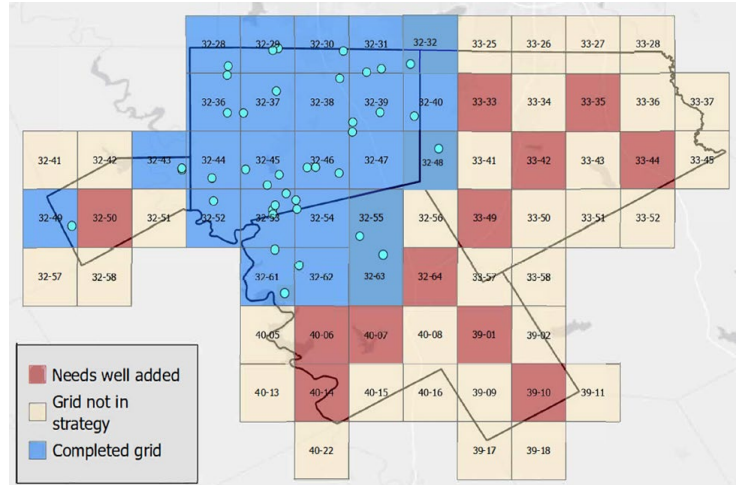
2026 Expansion Strategy Goals

Aquifer	Quadrants Completed YTD	Anticipated # of Quadrants Completed by End of 2026	Need Quadrants to Meet 2026 Goals	Total # of Quadrants in Monitoring Network	Total # of Quadrants Remaining	Percent Complete YTD
Woodbine	27	24	0	35	8	77%
Paluxy	23	21	0	36	13	64%
Glen Rose	17	4	0	40	23	43%
Hensell	11	10	0	36	25	31%
Hosston	45	47	2	50	5	90%
Twin Mountains	11	9	0	13	2	85%
Total	134			210	76	63.8%

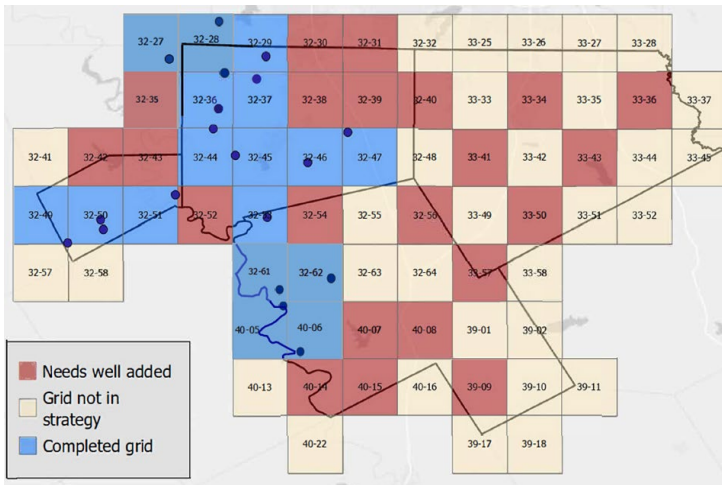
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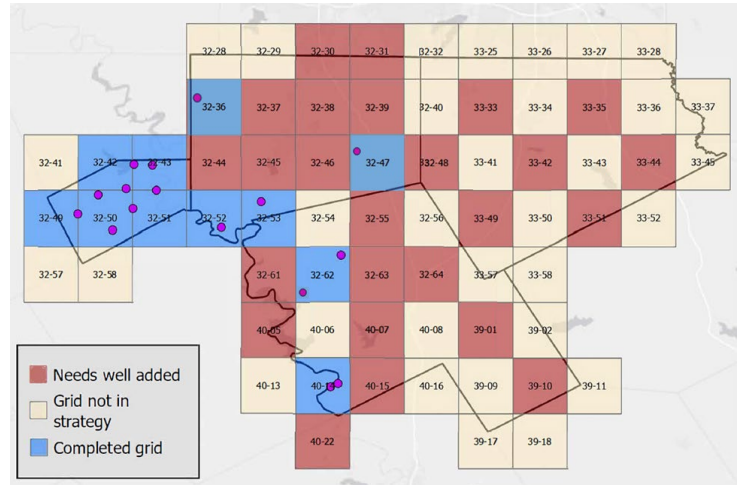
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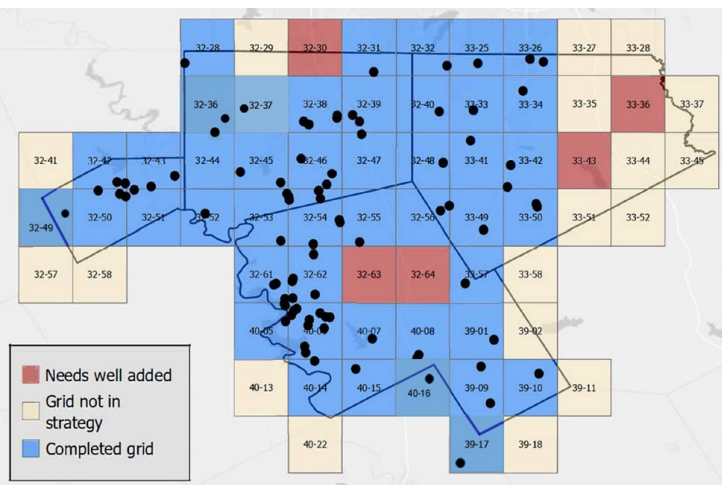
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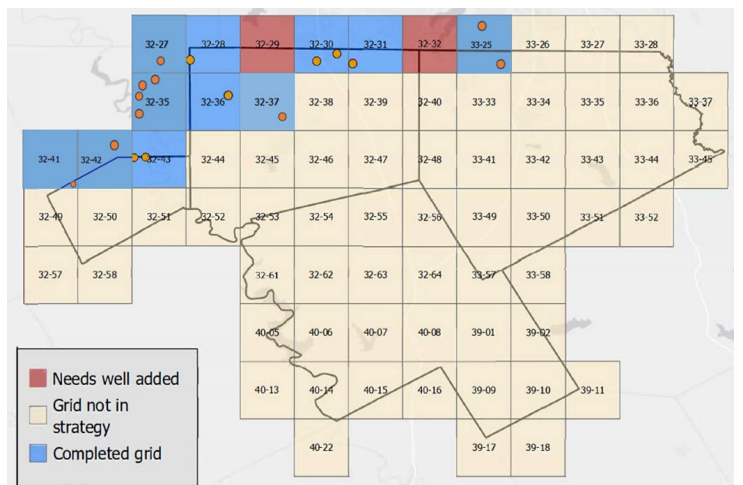
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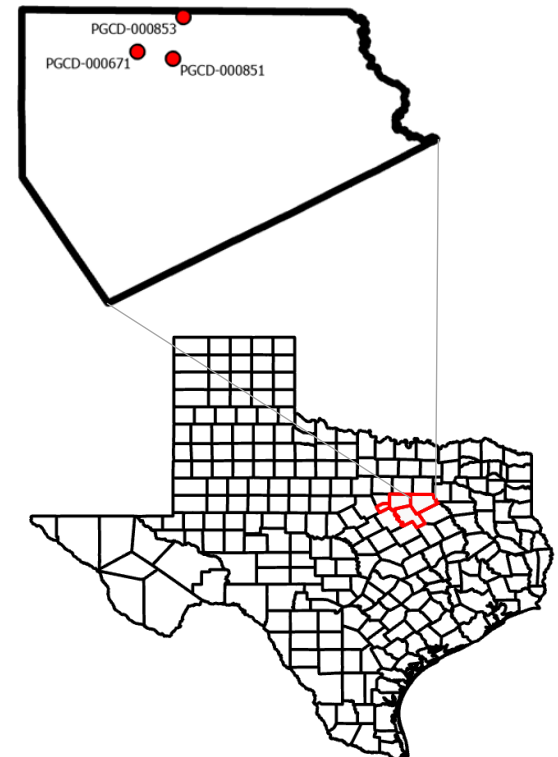
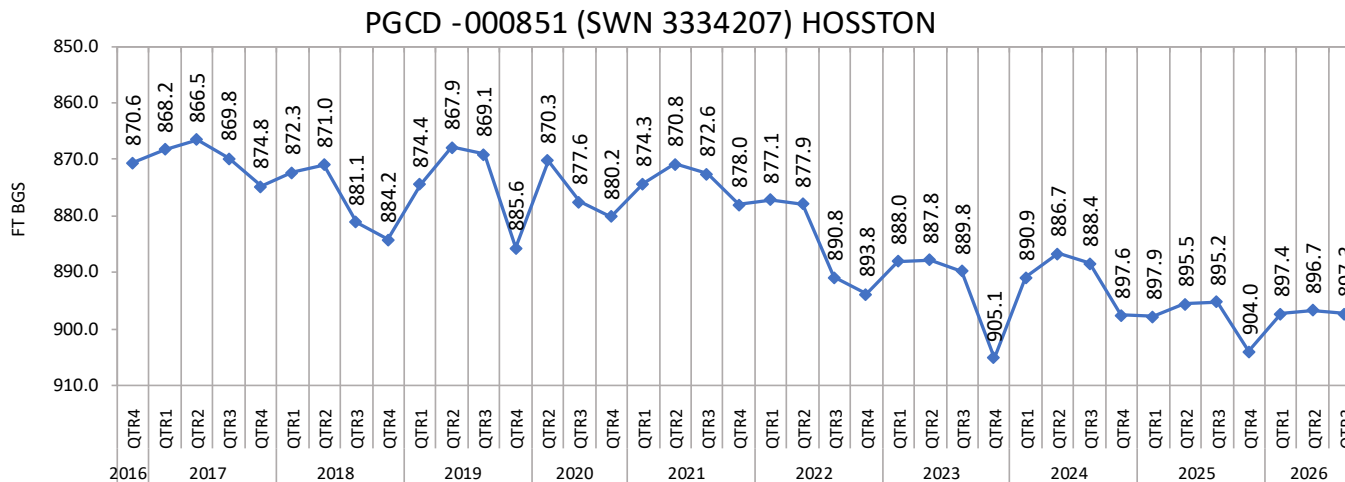
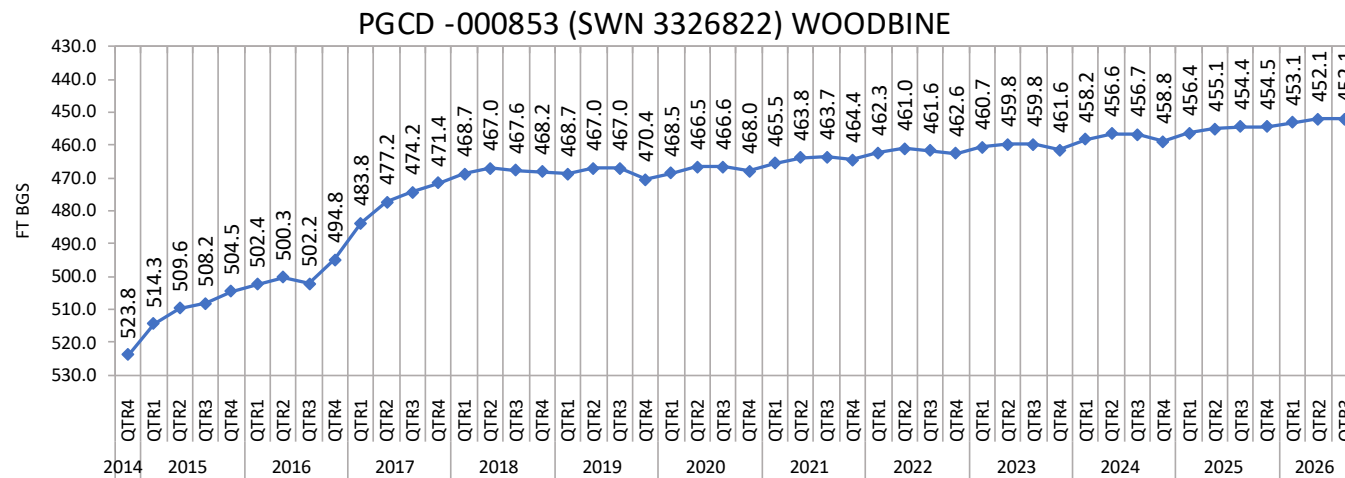
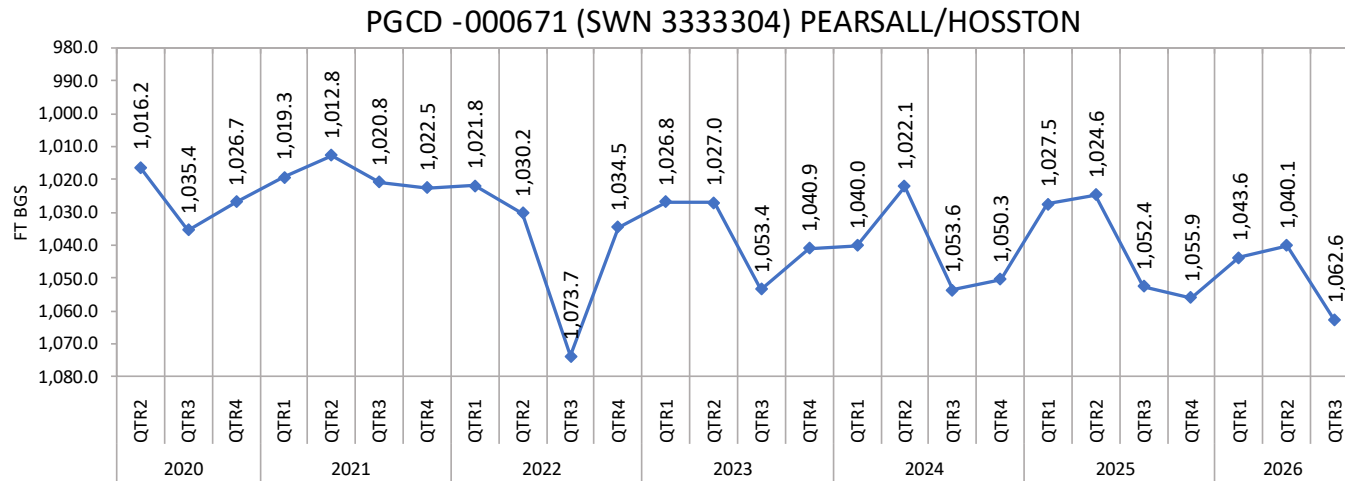
TWIN MOUNTAINS



2026 3rd Quarter Water Level Update

(As of 09.30.2026)

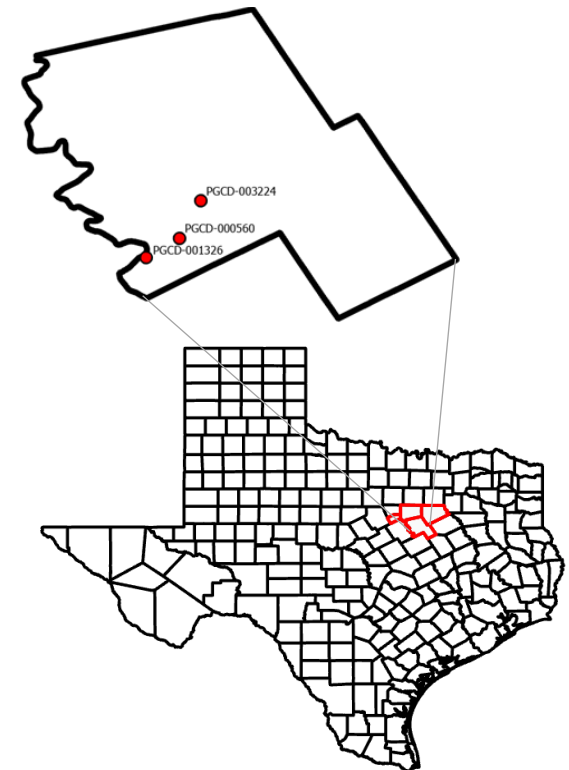
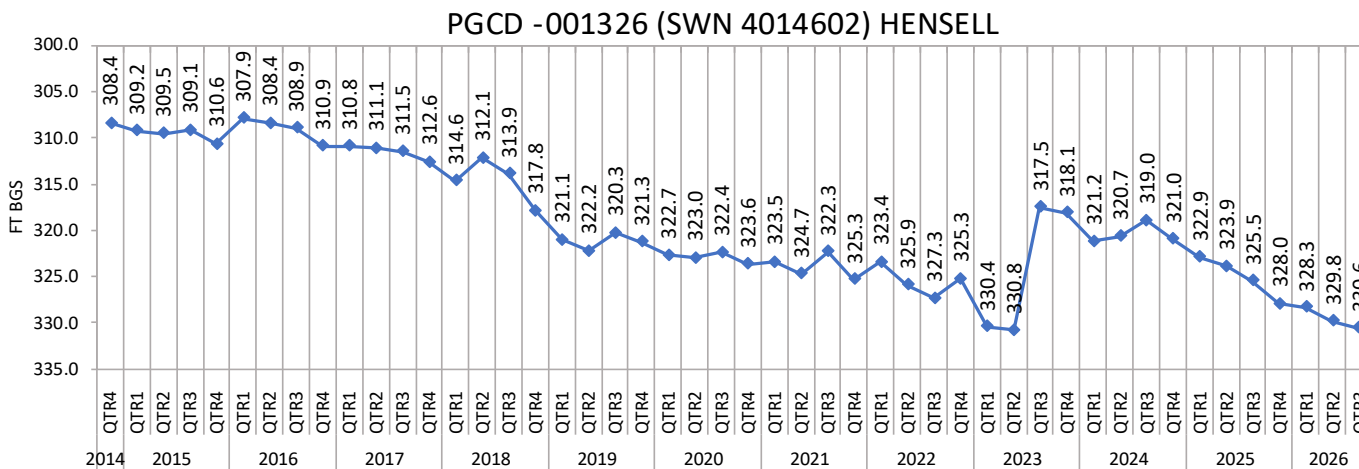
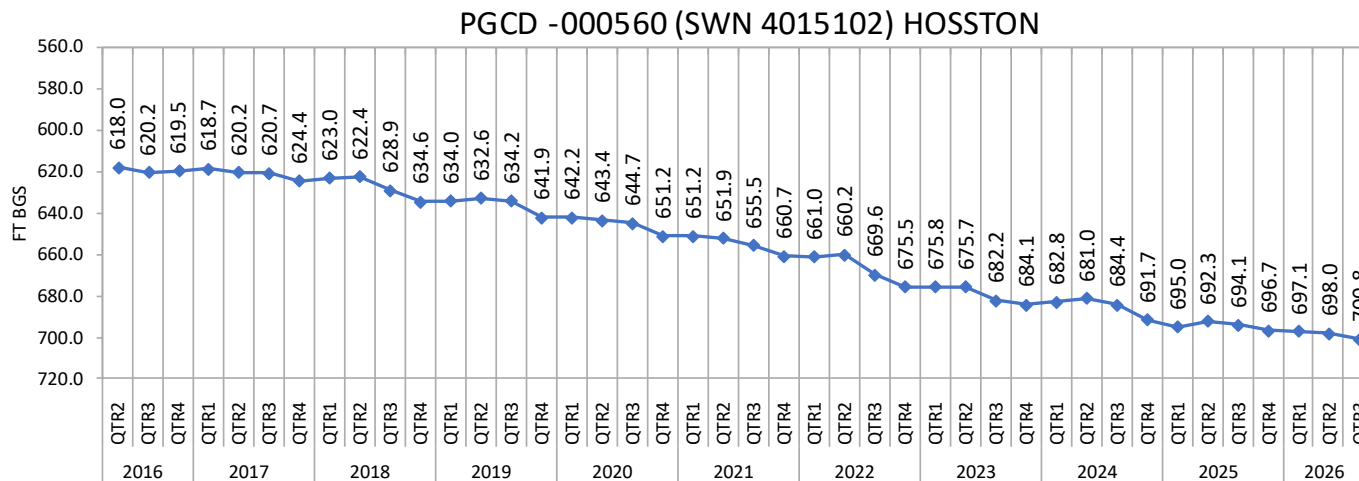
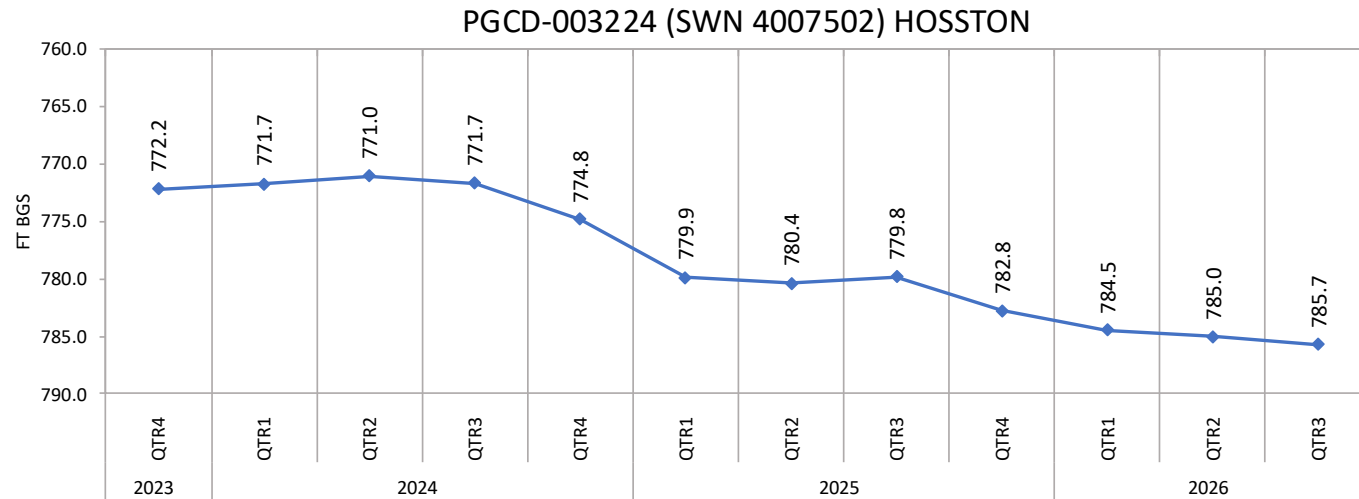
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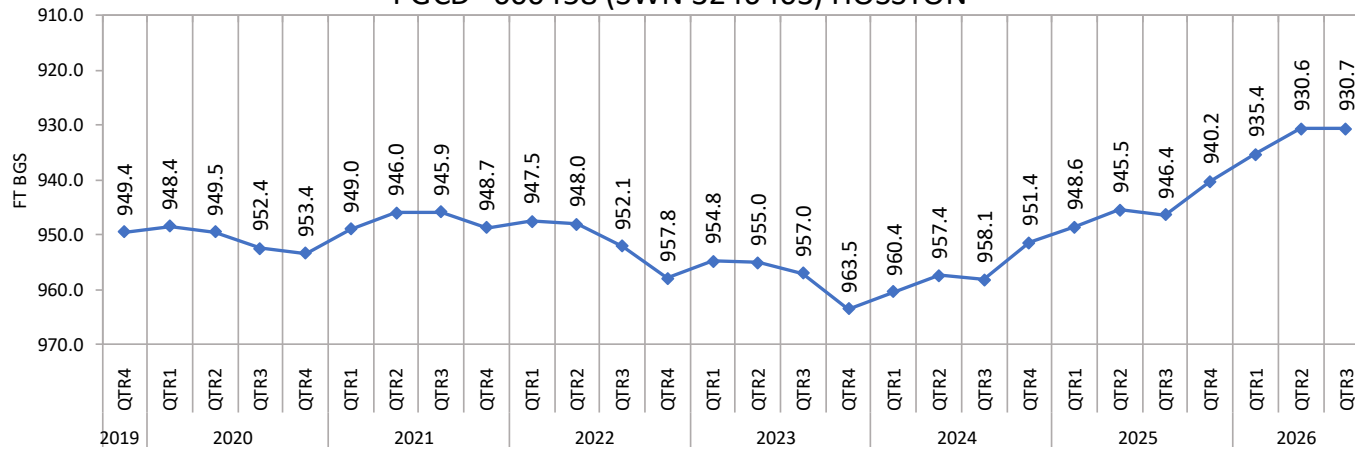
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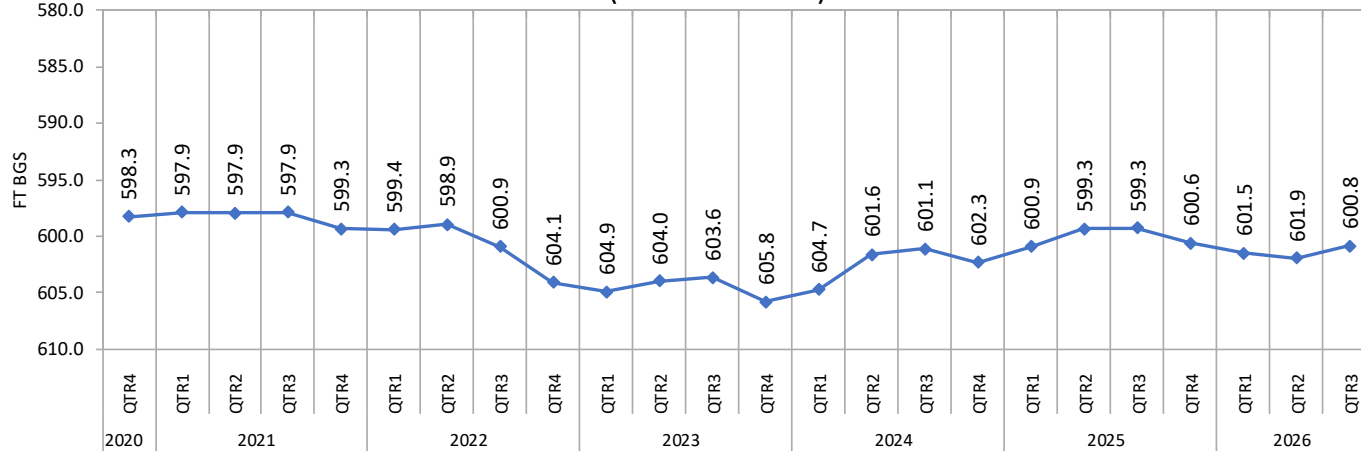
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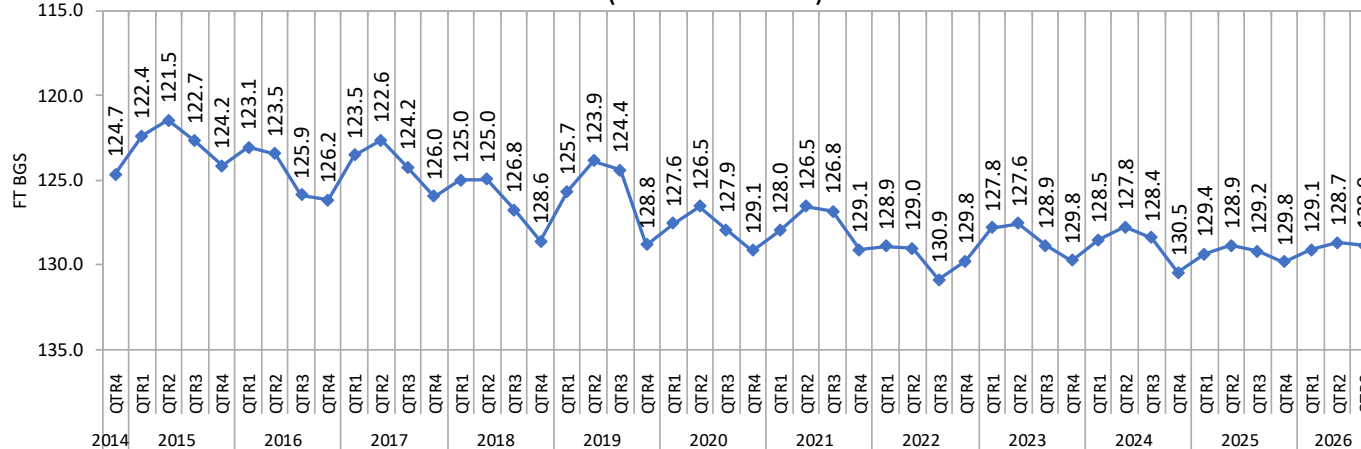
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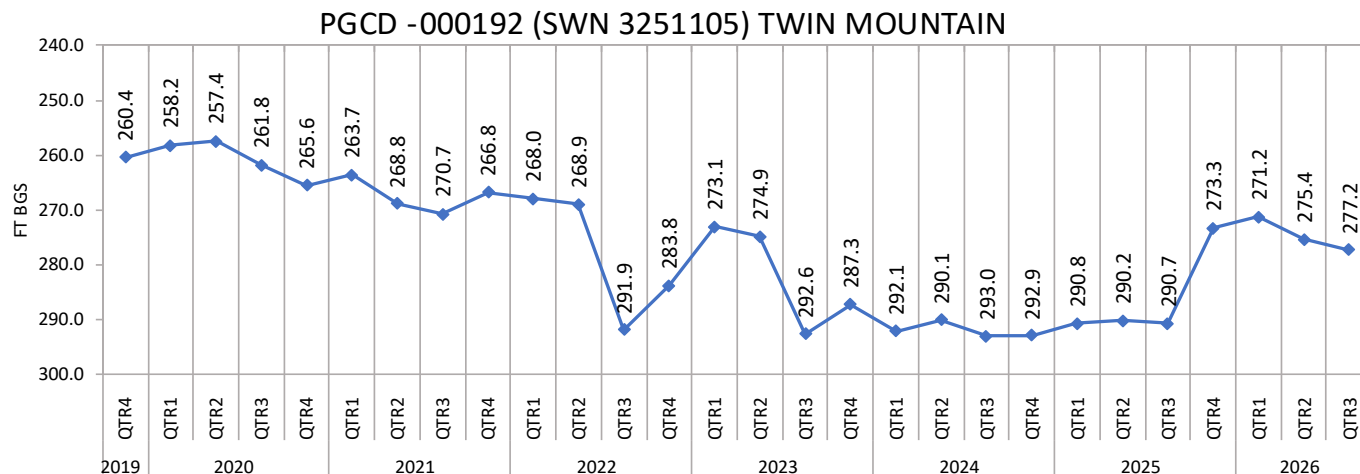
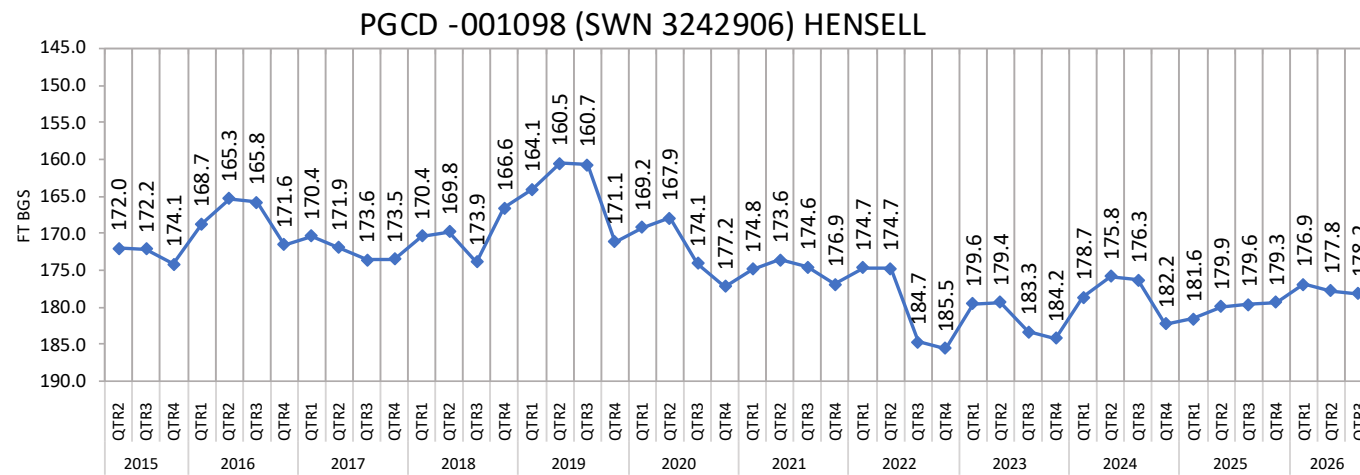
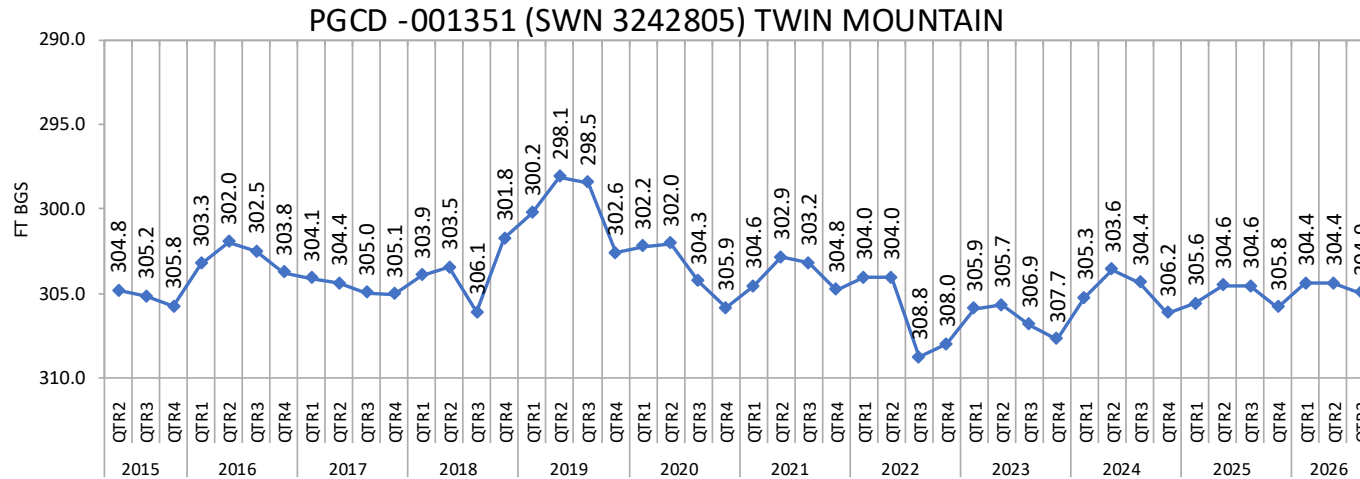
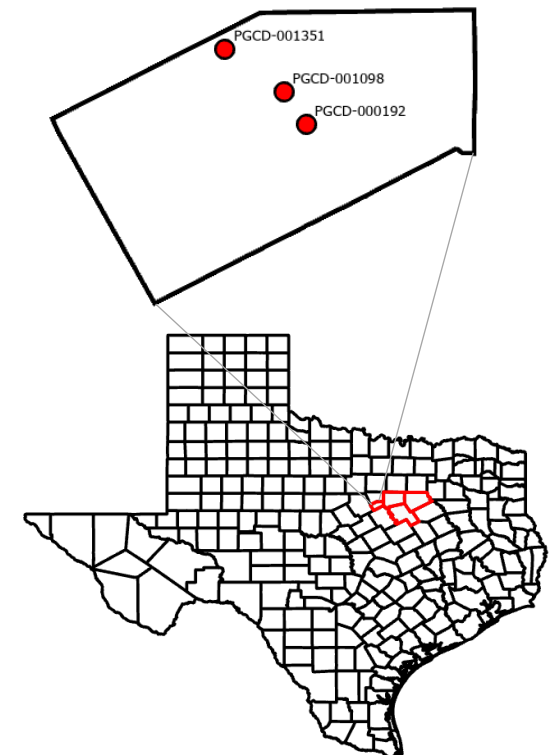
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2026 3rd Quarter Water Level Update

(As of 9.30.2026)

The graphs reflect monitor wells in Somervell County that are equipped with pressure transducers. Showcasing the lowest static water levels recorded during the represented quarters. Water levels are collected every hour, and the data is transmitted to the Texas Water Development Board's Water Data for Texas website.





Public Relations and Education Report
Macy Kendrick
October 19, 2026

Educational, Public Relations, and Outreach Initiative Updates:

- Updating and promoting the Rainwater Harvesting Grant and Rebate Programs, clarifying eligibility criteria and system requirements
- Updating and promoting the Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Reimbursement Program, working with ambassadors to complete applications
- Preparing materials and logistics for the Lunch & Learn, managing registration of realtors and water ambassadors
- Collaborating with multiple organizations to plan and participate in events over the next year
- Monitoring recruitment in the Tinker program:

County	School	Number of Teachers	Students Enrolled
Ellis	H.A. Wooden ES	2	92
	Donald T. Shields ES	2	105
Hill	Covington School	1	24
	Whitney Intermediate	2	102
Totals		7	323

Recent Events and Presentations

- Taught 200 students in the Water Education Trailer at STEAM Middle School in Burleson alongside Kaylin Garcia and Dillon Bybee

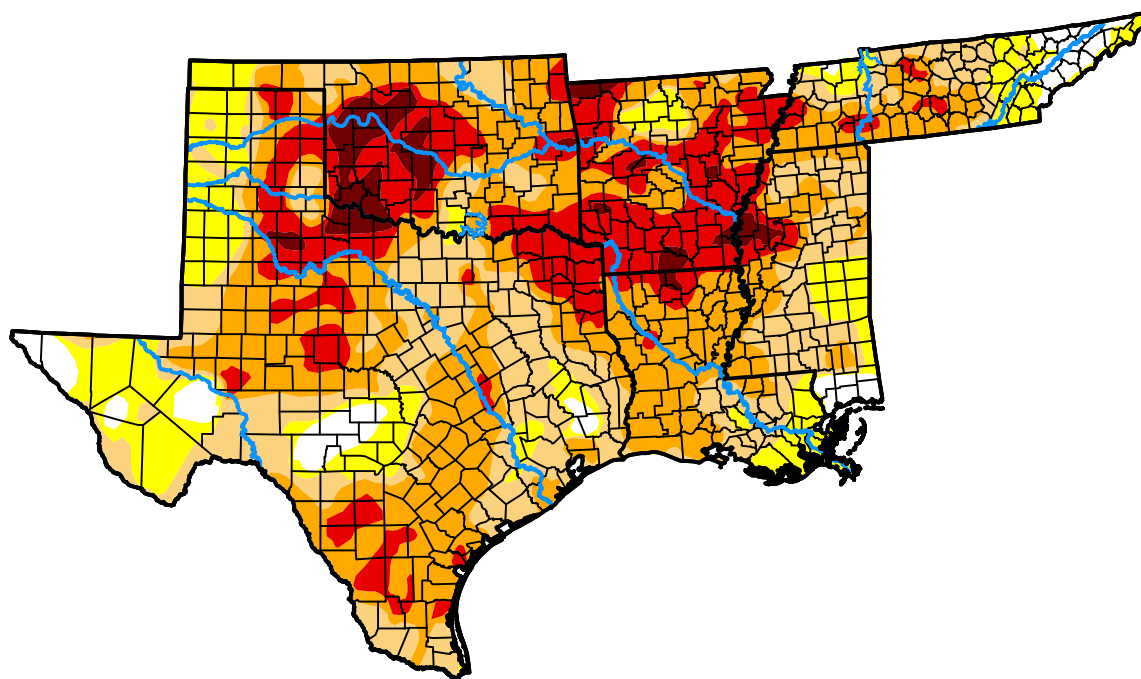
Upcoming Events

- Lunch & Learn – October 22, 2026
- Presenting at the Grandview Lions Club – November 3, 2026
- Presenting at Point Realty in Mansfield – November 4, 2026
- Hosting and presenting to Leadership Cleburne – December 9, 2026

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.22	95.78	81.47	56.26	22.15	3.79
Last Week <i>10-06-2026</i>	3.65	96.35	82.63	58.12	19.12	3.01
3 Months Ago <i>07-14-2026</i>	52.72	47.28	27.49	12.73	3.67	0.39
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2026</i>	8.56	91.44	66.49	23.03	5.63	0.18
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2025</i>	39.89	60.11	25.10	11.01	1.68	0.15
One Year Ago <i>10-14-2025</i>	20.78	79.22	32.16	8.82	2.43	0.15

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
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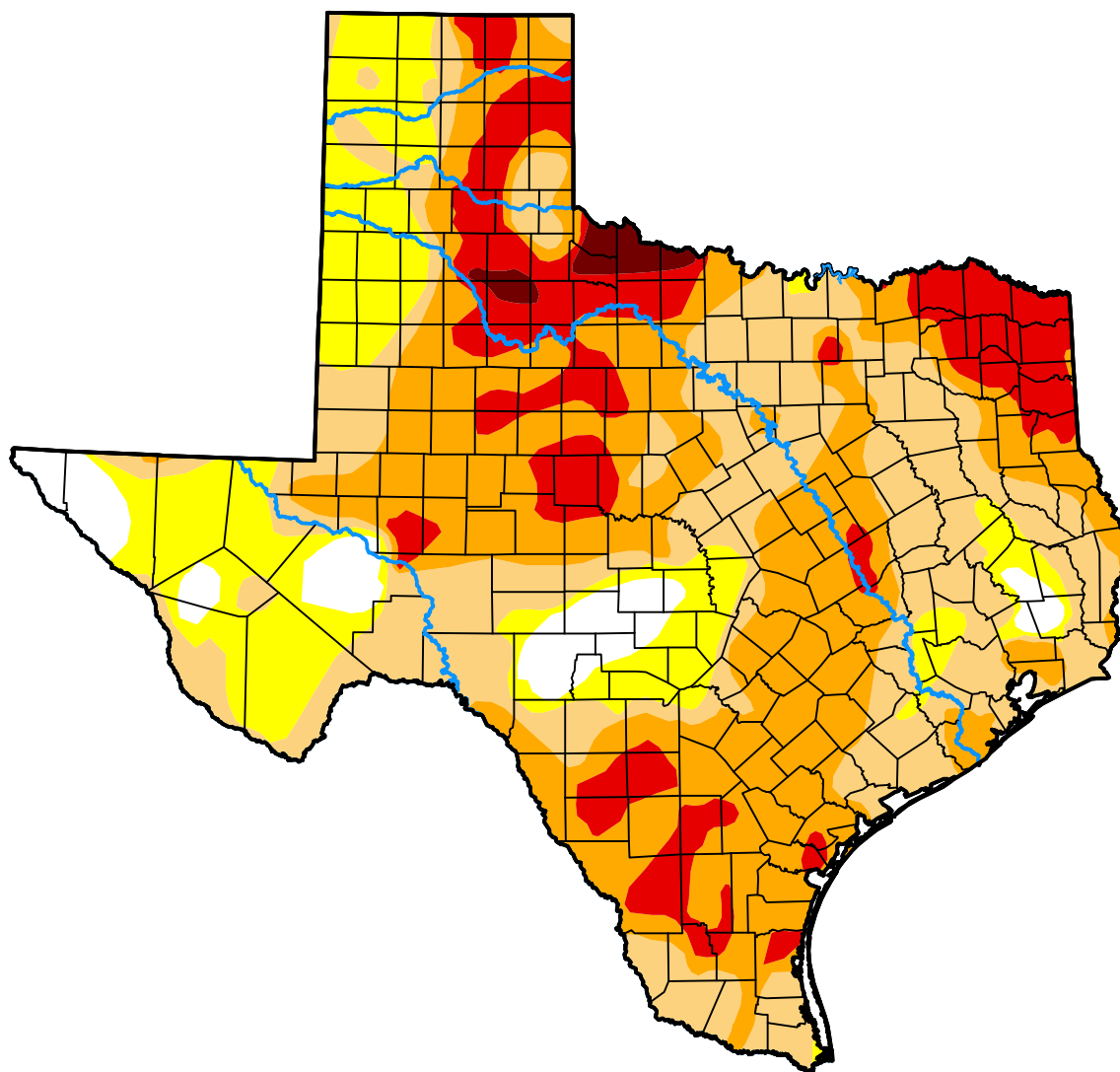
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Current	4.95	95.05	78.36	47.76	14.82	1.06
Last Week <i>10-06-2026</i>	4.26	95.74	82.00	52.44	13.49	1.06
3 Months Ago <i>07-14-2026</i>	58.89	41.11	25.79	8.89	1.04	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2026</i>	11.66	88.34	57.31	27.77	9.33	0.36
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2025</i>	37.15	62.85	23.67	13.00	3.33	0.29
One Year Ago <i>10-14-2025</i>	13.05	86.95	30.25	12.04	4.74	0.29



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Gov. Greg Abbott broadens moratorium on data center approvals to include environmental permits

September 21, 2026

Gov. Greg Abbott ordered the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on Monday to stop issuing new permits for data centers, strengthening his moratorium on the industry's development in Texas.

The move comes as rapid data center development statewide angers Texas communities ahead of Abbott's November reelection bid.

Abbott sent the letter to TCEQ Executive Director Kelly Keel, directing the agency to halt all permits to data centers until the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, the state's nonprofit electric grid operator, and the Texas Water Development Board, which handles state water resource planning, complete an audit of data centers seeking to be built in the state. Those efforts seek information about planned data centers' electricity use, water use, impact on local communities, ownership information and use of tax breaks.

"Simply put, Texans must come first," Abbott wrote. "Data centers must pay their own way, protect our grid and water and complete the ERCOT and TWDB audits. Until they do, TCEQ will issue no permits sought by data center projects."

TCEQ will need to consider the information collected in the audit when it approves future permit applications, necessitating the pause on approvals, Abbott wrote.

The new pause continues Abbott's reversal on the rapid development of data centers in Texas, which he said in November he wants to become an "epicenter of AI development."

In June, Abbott first ordered ERCOT and the agency that regulates it, the Public Utility Commission of Texas, to require data centers fully fund the costs of electric infrastructure needed to serve them and take other measures to reduce electricity costs to residents.

On July 17, PUCT Chair Thomas Gleeson responded to Abbott with his own letter outlining efforts the agencies have already taken and calling on the Legislature to grant them more authority to regulate the industry.

Abbott then announced his moratorium on new data centers connecting to the state's electric grid, ordering ERCOT on Aug. 3 to ensure data center developers provide information on tax breaks they will receive; power use and generation; water use and cooling operations; efforts to reduce impacts on local communities; and ownership of the facility. Any projects that fail Abbott's ordered "comprehensive verification and audit" should be denied connection to the grid, the governor said.

Abbott's latest order appears to address concerns that data center developers who build "behind the meter," or create their own power generation source so they may bypass electric grid approval,

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would not be delayed by the ERCOT audit. The ERCOT region also does not encompass the entire state, although the PUC and TWDB jurisdiction does.

After as few as 28% of data centers responded to a state-mandated water usage survey, used to determine how much water will be needed in the future, Abbott last Monday directed the TWDB to penalize data centers that do not report their water usage. Abbott instructed the TWDB to partner with the PUC and ERCOT in their audit of the facilities.

“Because the information sought by the PUC, ERCOT, and TWDB is necessary to make informed decisions by each of those agencies, no other state agency shall move forward with regulatory approvals related to data centers until this information is acquired,” Abbott wrote in the letter to TCEQ Monday. “This action is consistent with my whole-of-government approach to ensure Texans’ natural resources and way of life are protected.”

Data centers in Tarrant among those being probed as Texas AG demands water usage response

September 28, 2026

Data centers in 18 counties, including Tarrant, are being investigated by the Texas attorney general's office, which is demanding the developments report water usage as required by law.

Attorney General Ken Paxton is launching the investigation into data centers that have yet to respond to the Texas Water Development Board's water survey, according to a news release published Thursday.

Under state law, the water board — the agency that plans for future water needs and accounts for resource demands — requires all recipients to fill out the survey. Those recipients include entities that use ground and surface water supplies for municipal, industrial, power generation or mining purposes, the release states.

The water board's survey targets facilities that use more than 10 million gallons per year, The Texas Tribune reported.

The application collects annual water use data across the state for the board's regional planning and resource management, according to the water board's website.

Data centers across Tarrant and 17 other counties — Harris, Montgomery, Travis, Dallas, Smith and Bexar being among them — will also undergo an initial investigation, according to the release.

Governments or companies that fail to submit the surveys lose eligibility for financial assistance from the water board and water rights permits.

The release does not specify which Tarrant County data centers are being investigated.

Data centers planned or currently in development in Tarrant County include facilities headed by Black Mountain, Edged Data Centers and Circle T. Two data centers are proposed in Fort Worth's extraterritorial jurisdiction on Robertson Road.

The move comes after Gov. Greg Abbott ordered the state water board earlier this month to crack down on major water users, including data centers, that do not report their consumption.

"Data centers must share the duty to protect Texas water," Abbott said in a Sept. 14 news release.

Abbott's office directed the water board to refer to county and district attorneys for prosecution and notify the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to halt the issuance of permits.

A week later, Abbott directly ordered the state environmental commission to stop issuing new permits for data centers until an audit of the developments looking to build in Texas is completed. The audits are to include information about planned data centers' tax exemptions, power usage and generation, water use and cooling methods, ownership and how operators will mitigate impacts to local communities.

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In the past few years, only a percentage of data centers were reporting their water use, according to The Texas Tribune. That includes 30% of a total of 329 data centers that were surveyed last year, according to the report.

The survey's 2025 results show the QTS and Meta data centers in Fort Worth are among the state's facilities that use the most water.

Like other communities across the state, Fort Worth and Tarrant County are seeing a booming interest from developers to build data centers.

This has prompted outcry and advocacy from residents, many of them citing concerns about a lack of transparency and little information about how much water and electricity the hubs would use.