

**RED RIVER
GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION
DISTRICT**

**SHOW CAUSE HEARING
AND
BOARD MEETING**

**BOARD ROOM
GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY
5100 AIRPORT DRIVE
DENISON, TEXAS 75020**

**THURSDAY
MAY 21, 2015**

AGENDA
RED RIVER GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS BOARD MEETING
GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD ROOM
5100 AIRPORT DRIVE
DENISON, TEXAS 75020
THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015

Board Meeting

The Show Cause Hearing will begin at 2:00 p.m.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Red River Groundwater Conservation District ("District") will hold a show cause hearing and may discuss, consider, and take all necessary action regarding the subject matter of the hearing.

Agenda:

1. Call to Order, declare hearing open to the public, and take roll.
2. Conduct Show Cause Hearing under Rule 9.6 on the following for alleged violations of District Rules; discuss, consider, receive testimony, and take appropriate action, including without limitation authorizing the District to initiate a civil lawsuit to enforce compliance with the District Rules, including recovery of civil penalties, costs, and attorneys fees, and all other appropriate legal and equitable relief:
 - A. Lass Water System, Ms. Sandra Barbey, PO Box 314, Magnolia, TX 77353
 - B. Pintail Farms, Mr. Rockie Martin, 6730 Horizon Rd, #B, Heath, TX 75032
3. Adjourn or continue show cause hearing.

Board Meeting

The regular Board Meeting will begin at 2:15 p.m. or upon adjournment of the above-noticed Show Cause Hearing, whichever is later.

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

Agenda:

1. Call to order, declare meeting open to the public, and take roll.
2. Public Comment
3. Consider approval of Minutes of March 19, 2015, Board Meeting
4. Review and approval of monthly invoices.

5. Receive monthly financial information
6. Receive update and possible action on GMA-8 activities and development of Desired Future Conditions
7. Consider and act upon compliance and enforcement activities for violations of District rules
8. Receive 2014 Annual Report and 2015 1st Quarter Report
9. Consider and act upon establishing a budget committee for development of a 2016 budget
10. Consider and act upon contract with LBG Guyton for support and technical assistance related to Desired Future Conditions
11. Consideration and possible action regarding the District's Legal Counsel
12. General Manager's report: The General Manager will update the Board on operational, educational and other activities of the District
13. Open forum / discussion of new business for future meeting agendas
14. Adjourn

¹The Board may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in this agenda.

²At any time during the meeting or work session and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Red River Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in 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 meeting.

³Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting, and who may need assistance, are requested to contact Carmen Catterson at (800) 256-0935 two (2) working days prior to the meeting, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

⁴For questions regarding this notice, please contact Carmen Catterson at (800) 256-0935, at rrgcd@reddrivergcd.org or at 5100 Airport Drive, Denison, TX 75020.

ATTACHMENT 3

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
RED RIVER GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2015

**AT THE GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD ROOM
5100 AIRPORT DRIVE
DENISON, TX 75020**

Members Present: Mark Patterson, Harold Latham, Don Wortham David Gattis, Mark Gibson, Mark Newhouse, William Purcell

Members Absent: None

Staff: Drew Satterwhite, Debi Atkins and Carmen Catterson

Visitors: Kristen Fancher, Sledge Fancher, PLLC (by conference call)
Joey Rickman, City of Honey Grove

1. Call to order, declare meeting open to the public, and take roll.

President Patterson called the meeting to order at 2:01 PM. All Board members were present.

2. Public Comment.

No comments received.

3. Consider approval of Minutes of December 11, 2014 board meeting

Board Member Gattis motioned to approve the Minutes of the December 11, 2014 board meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Gibson and passed unanimously.

4. Review and approval of monthly invoices.

Mr. Satterwhite reviewed the monthly invoices.

Board Member Gattis motioned to approve the monthly invoices for a total of \$37,630.33. The motion was seconded by Board Member Newhouse and passed unanimously.

5. Receive Monthly Financial Information

Mr. Satterwhite reviewed the monthly financial information, as well as the end of year financials for 2014. Mrs. Atkins is working to invest the funds as directed by the Board at the previous meeting. Mr. Satterwhite also reviewed the aging report. Past due invoices are due for Lass Water Company, SSCGC Holdings, LLC and Silver Creek Oil & Gas. Late fees will be charged to these accounts. The other three accounts listed are not past due at this time.

6. Receive update on GMA 8 activities and development of Desired Future Conditions (DFCs)

At the last meeting, Mr. Satterwhite had reported that the model developed by INTERA was approved by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) and a proposal had been requested for them to complete additional model runs. The proposal was received in December, but four districts did not like the proposal and wanted to go out for proposals. After legal counsel review, the staff developed a Request for Qualifications, which was due in February. Four consultants submitted proposals. The next GMA 8 meeting is scheduled for March 25th for the participants to rank the consultants from 1 to 4 and then be able to vote on the consultants. The cost proposals will be provided after the ranking. Based on the action taken at the December meeting, Board Member Gattis has the authority to rank the consultants and the runs being proposed and vote for a consultant. The process has created a three-month delay in the process of establishing DFCs.

The Board unanimously agreed that Board Member Gattis has the authority to rank the consultants and vote for a consultant as well as make a decision on which runs the RRGCD would financially support.

Pursuant to Government Code 551.071, the Board of Directors adjourned into closed Executive Session at 2:20 PM to discuss the following:

Consultation with Attorney

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 2:59 PM. President Patterson stated no action was taken on items discussed during the Executive Session.

At this time, President Patterson moved out of posted agenda order, beginning with Item 8.

8. Receive 2014 4th Quarter Report

Mr. Satterwhite presented the Quarterly report. The 2014 Annual Report will be presented at the April meeting. So far, 2015 has been a fairly wet year, with the local lakes up approximately 1 to 5 feet.

9. General Manager's Report

Mr. Satterwhite provided the current number of wells registered in the District. He explained that the current geodatabase well registration system has some deficiencies. The current system is not capable of providing the information that will be required for permitting decisions. The staff sees many areas for improvement in the current system and would like the opportunity to discuss with the board. He requested that the geodatabase committee, which consisted of Board Members Patterson, Latham and Mrs. Catterson to begin looking at other options to improve the system. The Board agreed unanimously to re-activate the committee.

At 3:04 PM, the Board took a brief break. The Board reconvened at 3:12 PM.

7. Consider and act upon compliance and enforcement activities for violations of District rules

Board Member Gattis motioned to issue one \$500 Major Violation on Preston Club Golf Course for failure to register one non-exempt well. The motion was seconded by Board Member Purcell and passed unanimously.

Board Member Purcell motioned to issue one \$500 Major Violation on Lass Water Company for failure to pay water use fees within 60 days of the date the fees were due. The motion was seconded by Board Member Gattis and passed unanimously with President Patterson abstaining.

Vice President Latham motioned to issue four (4) \$500 Major Violations on Pintail Farms for failure to register four (4) non-exempt wells for a total penalty of \$2000. The motion was seconded by Board Member Gibson. Board Member Purcell commented that the four first-time violations were in lieu of four (4) consecutive Major Violations. The motion passed unanimously with Board Member Newhouse abstaining.

Board Member Gattis motioned to notify violators of the penalty and provide 24 days until April 27 at 5:00 PM to come into full compliance or they will be required to attend a show cause hearing on May 21, 2015 at 2:00 PM. The motion was seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Wortham with President Patterson and Board Member Newhouse abstaining.

10. Open forum / discussion of new business for future meeting agendas

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for May 21, 2015 at 2:00 PM.

11. Adjourn

The Board adjourned at approximately 3:21 PM.

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Recording Secretary

Secretary-Treasurer

ATTACHMENT 5

Red River Groundwater Conservation District

Balance Sheet

For General Fund (00)

April 30, 2015

Assets

00-01-10001	Checking Account	137,142.35
00-01-10010	Investments-CD	150,000.00
00-01-10025	Accounts Receivable	60,081.16
00-01-10027	A/R -NTGCD	.00
00-01-10028	A/R Preston Club Golf Course	500.00
00-01-10029	A/R Pintail Farms	2,000.00
00-01-10030	Undeposited Funds	.00
00-01-10101	Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	(1,530.00)
00-01-10200	PP Expense	390.66
Total Assets		\$ 348,584.17

Liabilities and Fund Balance

00-01-23010	Due to GTUA	.00
00-01-23100	Accounts Payable	6,936.00
00-01-23150	Deposits to be Refunded	5,000.00
00-01-23642	Due to Sh 03	.00
Total Liabilities		11,936.00
00-01-35100	Fund Balance	53,642.08
00-01-35120	Current Year Excess of Revenue over Expenses	247,220.92
	Excess of Revenue Over Expenditures	35,785.17
Total Fund Balances		336,648.17
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances		\$ 348,584.17

Red River Groundwater Conservation District
Statement of Revenue and Expenditures

Revised Budget
For General Fund (00)
For the Fiscal Period 2015-4 Ending April 30, 2015

Account Number	Current Budget	Current Actual	Annual Budget	YTD Actual	Remaining Budget %
Revenues					
00-01-46002 GW Production Cost	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 273,600.00	\$ 74,951.80	72.61%
00-01-46005 Late Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	65.88	0.00%
00-01-46006 Violation Fees	0.00	500.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00%
00-01-46007 Registration Fees	166.67	1,300.00	2,000.00	2,100.00	(5.00%)
00-01-46010 Well Drillers Deposit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
00-01-46100 Interest Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 166.67	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 275,600.00	\$ 80,117.68	70.93%
Expenditures					
00-01-77010 Administrative Cost	\$ 9,583.33	\$ 7,641.75	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 27,245.40	76.31%
00-01-77020 Advertising	83.33	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	100.00%
00-01-77027 Auditing	0.00	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	100.00%
00-01-77030 Accounting	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
00-01-77031 Banking Fees	0.00	29.05	0.00	29.05	0.00%
00-01-77032 Contract Services	3,716.67	0.00	44,600.00	1,200.00	97.31%
00-01-77035 Field Technician	4,166.67	1,240.00	50,000.00	5,020.00	89.96%
00-01-77040 Direct Cost	333.33	56.92	4,000.00	4,467.20	(11.68%)
00-01-77450 Dues & Subscription	83.33	332.75	1,000.00	332.75	66.73%
00-01-77480 Equipment	250.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	100.00%
00-01-77500 Fees- GMA8	583.33	0.00	7,000.00	434.45	93.79%
00-01-77610 Fuel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
00-01-77810 Insurance	250.00	781.34	3,000.00	1,096.34	63.46%
00-01-77855 Internet Fees	383.33	0.00	4,600.00	0.00	100.00%
00-01-77970 Legal	2,083.33	0.00	25,000.00	493.00	98.03%
00-01-78010 Meetings and Conferences	166.67	0.00	2,000.00	102.73	94.86%
00-01-78030 Office Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
00-01-78310 Rent	200.00	200.00	2,400.00	800.00	66.67%
00-01-78600 Software Maintenance	166.67	0.00	2,000.00	2,015.00	(0.75%)
00-01-78750 Telephone	166.67	107.00	2,000.00	435.33	78.23%
00-01-78770 Transportation-Mileage	416.67	190.33	5,000.00	661.26	86.77%
Total General Fund Expenditures	\$ 22,633.33	\$ 10,579.14	\$ 275,600.00	\$ 44,332.51	83.91%
General Fund Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (22,466.66)	\$ (8,779.14)	\$ 0.00	\$ 35,785.17	0.00%

Red River Groundwater Conservation District
Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
 Revised Budget

For the Fiscal Period 2015-4 Ending April 30, 2015

Account Number	Current Budget	Current Actual	Annual Budget	YTD Actual	Remaining Budget %
Total Revenues	\$ 166.67	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 275,600.00	80,117.68	70.93%
Total Expenditures	\$ 22,633.33	\$ 10,579.14	\$ 275,600.00	44,332.51	83.91%
Total Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (22,466.66)	\$ (8,779.14)	\$ 0.00	35,785.17	0.00%

ATTACHMENT 8



RED RIVER
GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
FANNIN COUNTY AND GRAYSON COUNTY



General Manager's Quarterly Report
March 2015

Management Plan
Assessment of the Status of Drought in the District

The following is a quarterly report on the existing drought conditions:

As of March 2015 the Texas Water Development Board website reflected the North Central Texas Area to be abnormally dry/moderate drought, with stream flow abnormally low.

Attached are the drought maps for January 2015, February 2015 and March 2015. Rainfall maps are also attached to this report for this time period for your information and use.

The NOAA website reflects the following rainfall data in Fannin and Grayson Counties during this quarter:

Location	January 2015	February 2015	March 2015
Bonham, Fannin County	2.12"	3.39"	4.22"
Sherman, Grayson County	1.19"	2.07"	3.27"

The Texas Water Development Board website reflects Lake Bonham was at 99% of its conservation storage capacity in March 2015, and Lake Texoma at 90%.

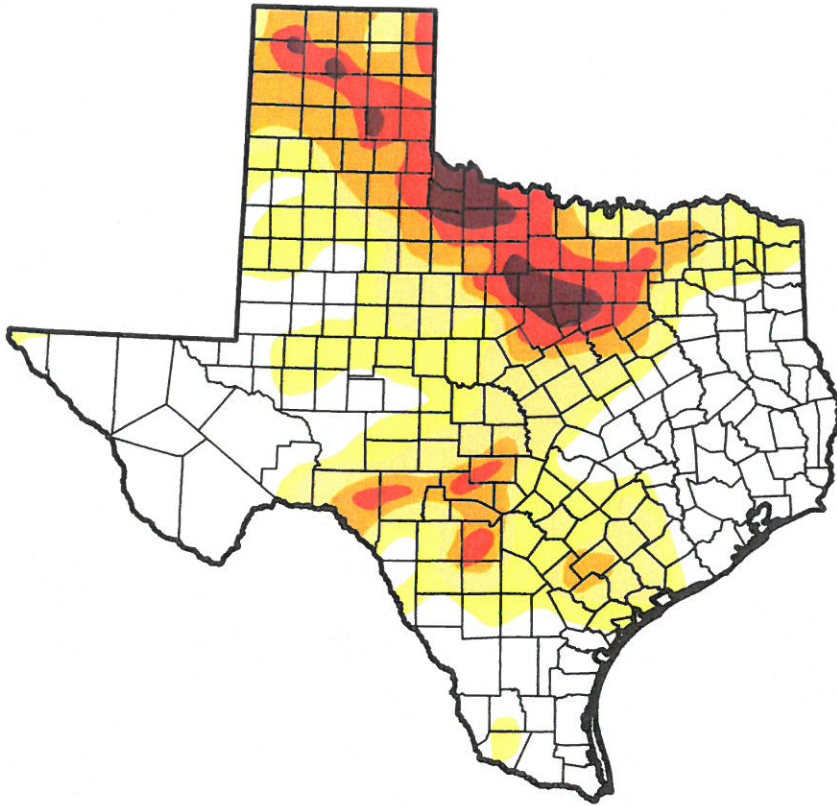
The Climate Prediction Center (NOAA) reflects there is an approximately 70% chance that El Nino will continue through the summer, with a greater than 60% chance it will last through autumn.

U.S. Drought Monitor Texas

January 27, 2015
(Released Thursday, Jan. 29, 2015)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	41.42	58.58	39.22	23.93	11.24	3.05
Last Week <i>1/20/2015</i>	39.80	60.20	40.64	24.74	11.34	3.05
3 Months Ago <i>10/28/2014</i>	24.84	75.16	49.20	27.86	11.90	3.62
Start of Calendar Year <i>12/30/2014</i>	34.37	65.63	44.68	25.73	11.70	3.17
Start of Water Year <i>9/30/2014</i>	28.92	71.08	48.95	29.54	11.26	2.69
One Year Ago <i>1/28/2014</i>	19.30	80.70	49.37	22.63	7.14	0.79



Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

Author:
Brian Fuchs
National Drought Mitigation Center



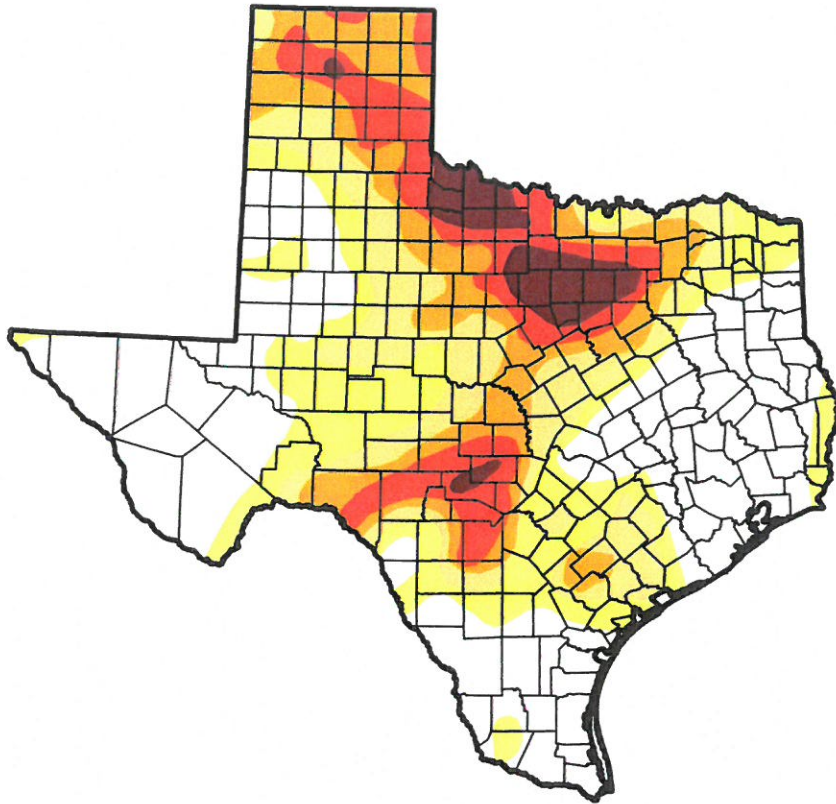
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U.S. Drought Monitor Texas

February 24, 2015
(Released Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	38.35	61.65	43.39	27.86	14.34	4.46
Last Week <i>2/17/2015</i>	39.21	60.79	43.39	27.81	13.92	4.46
3 Months Ago <i>11/25/2014</i>	34.11	65.89	42.56	22.05	9.50	2.57
Start of Calendar Year <i>12/30/2014</i>	34.37	65.63	44.68	25.73	11.70	3.17
Start of Water Year <i>9/30/2014</i>	28.92	71.08	48.95	29.54	11.26	2.69
One Year Ago <i>2/25/2014</i>	7.38	92.62	67.88	33.55	9.45	0.93



Intensity:

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- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

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NCDC/NOAA



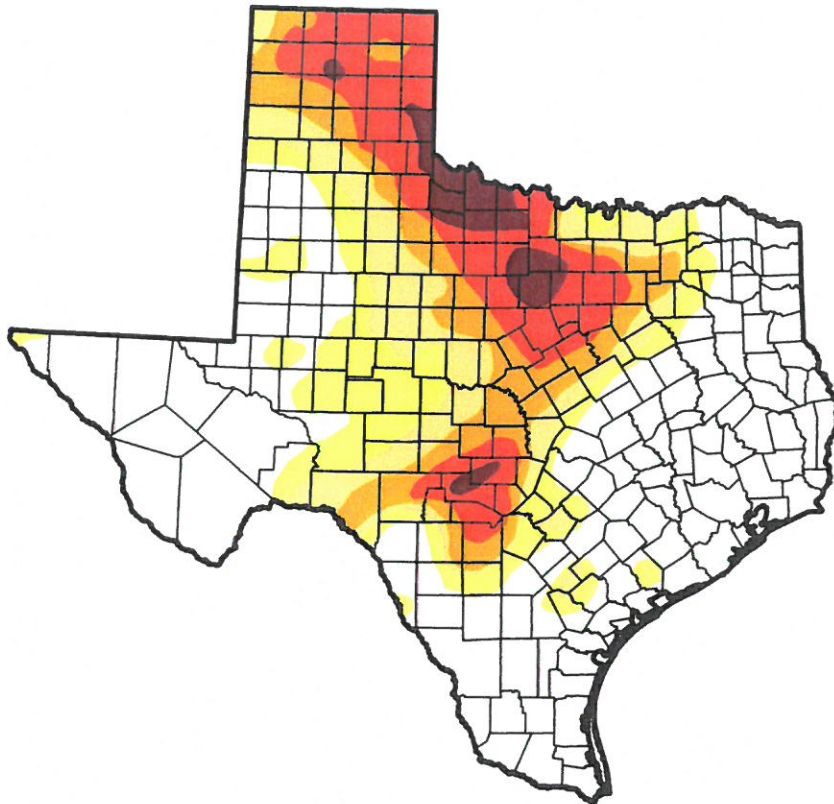
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U.S. Drought Monitor Texas

March 31, 2015
(Released Thursday, Apr. 2, 2015)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	50.74	49.26	36.62	25.44	15.10	3.31
Last Week 3/24/2015	49.50	50.50	36.35	24.92	13.67	3.31
3 Months Ago 12/30/2014	34.37	65.63	44.68	25.73	11.70	3.17
Start of Calendar Year 12/30/2014	34.37	65.63	44.68	25.73	11.70	3.17
Start of Water Year 9/30/2014	28.92	71.08	48.95	29.54	11.26	2.69
One Year Ago 4/1/2014	15.40	84.60	66.80	42.06	27.36	4.42



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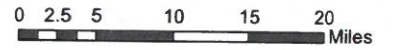
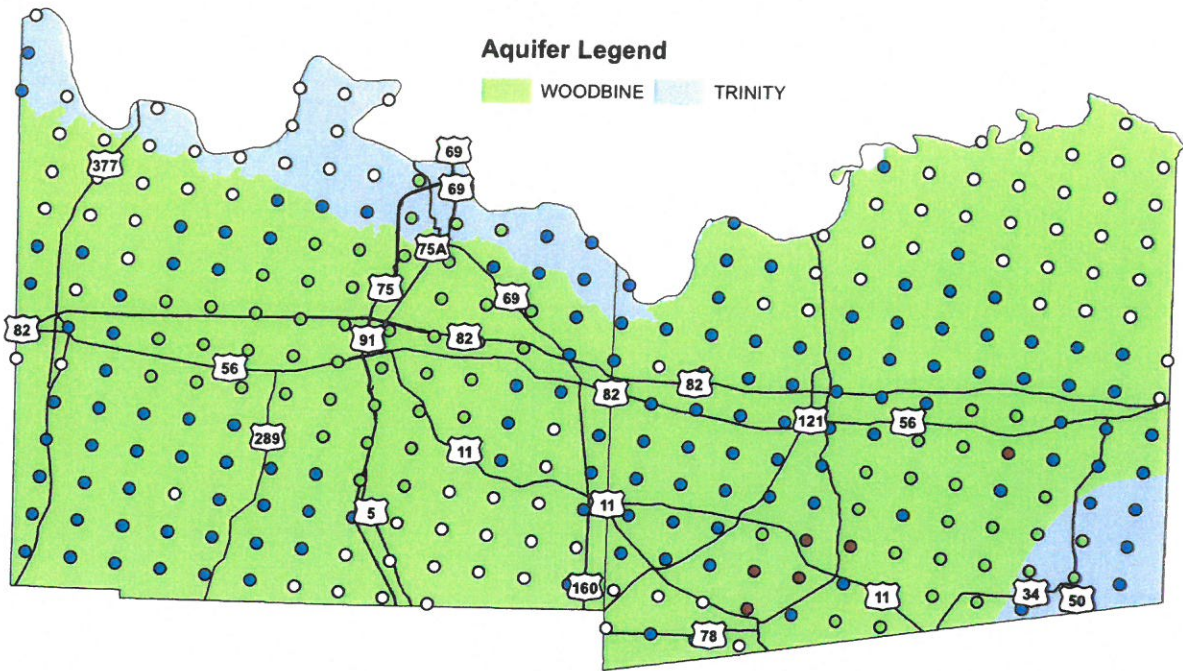
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Eric Luebehusen
U.S. Department of Agriculture



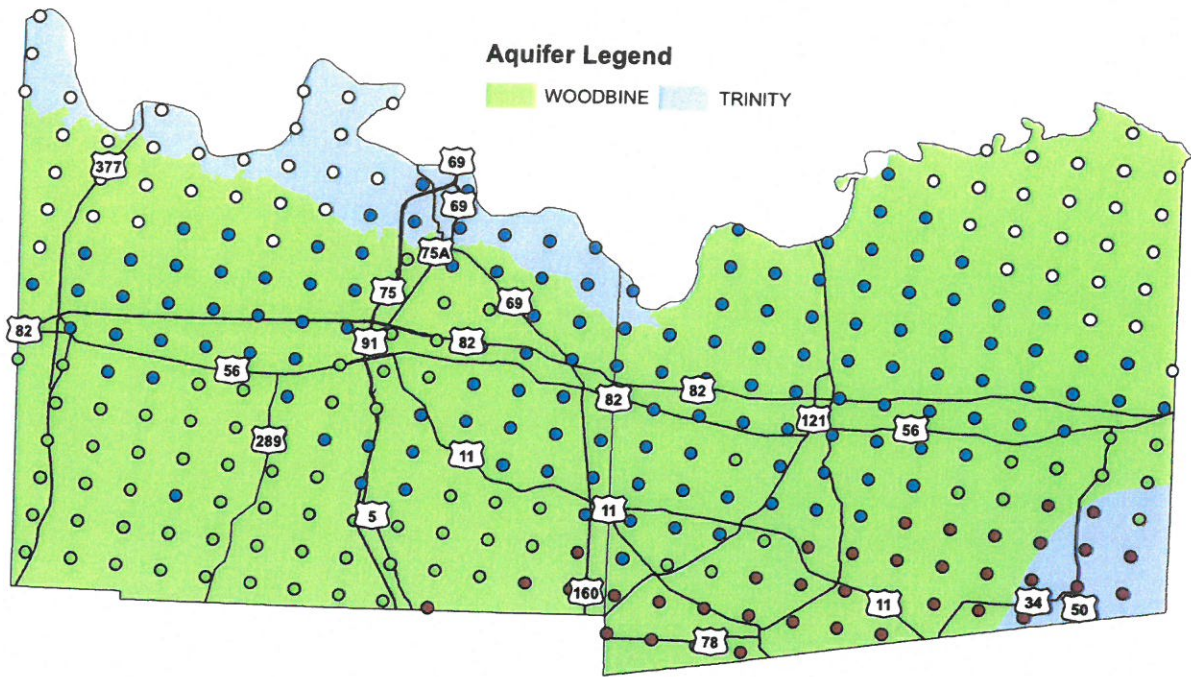
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Rainfall Totals for January 2015

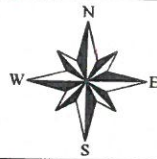


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Rainfall Totals for February 2015



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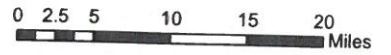
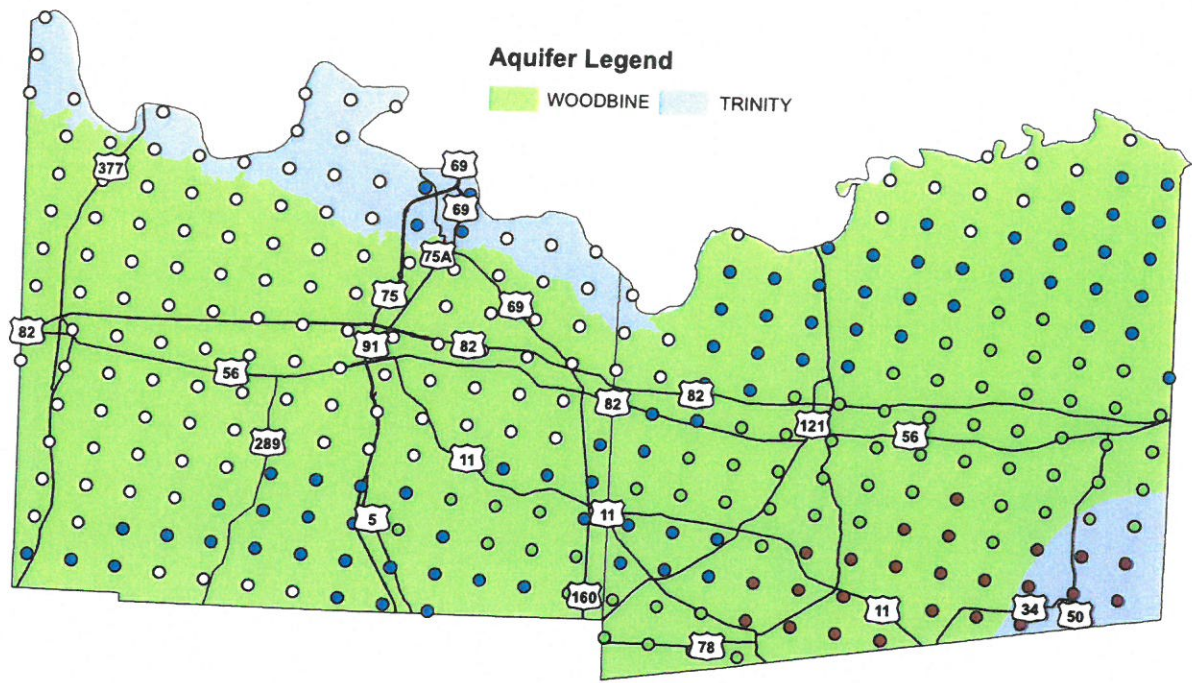


Data Source:
 National Weather Service
 Precipitation Analysis

Rainfall in Inches

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| ○ | 1.43 - 2.19 | ● | 2.63 - 3.00 |
| ● | 2.20 - 2.62 | ● | 3.01 - 3.65 |

Rainfall Totals for March 2015



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ATTACHMENT 10



RED RIVER GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AGENDA COMMUNICATION



DATE: May 15, 2015

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON CONTRACT WITH LBG GUYTON FOR SUPPORT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RELATED TO DESIRED FUTURE CONDITIONS;

ISSUE

Consider and act upon authorizing services of LBG Guyton Associates to assist the Red River Groundwater Conservation District ("District") with establishing the development of Defined Future Conditions (DFCs).

BACKGROUND

Each groundwater district in the State of Texas is expected to develop and adopt their DFCs by May 2016 in order to comply with mandates from the State of Texas. The DFCs for the District will be done in conjunction with other groundwater conservation districts in Groundwater Management Area 8 (GMA 8), which extends over the Trinity Aquifer from the Red River south to Burnet County. There are eleven groundwater districts in that geographic area.

CONSIDERATIONS

The District will have many decisions to make regarding model runs, rule development, and general GMA-8 topics over the course of the next few years. District staff believes LBG Guyton has provided valuable guidance thus far in the DFC process. The staff also believes that continued guidance from a hydrogeology firm will be important to the District going forward. The LBG Guyton Associates firm has an excellent reputation and has a wealth of knowledge in the North Central Texas area.

LBG Guyton Associates has represented the District beginning in 2014. The District realized an economy of scale in 2014 due to LBG Guyton Associates representing other GMA-8 districts. The proposed 2015 contract reflects that same benefit.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff is of the opinion that LBG Guyton Associates will continue to provide a valuable service to the District for the DFC development process. Therefore, the staff recommends accepting LBG Guyton Associates' proposal and authorizing the president to sign an engagement letter for their services.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposal

PREPARED AND SUBMITTED BY:

Drew Satterwhite, P.E., General Manager



**2015 Scope of Work and Budget Estimate
for Red River Groundwater Conservation District (RRGCD)
LBG-Guyton Associates**

Task 1 – Support for DFC Process (Joint Groundwater Planning Process)

LBG-Guyton will attend up to five GMA-8 meetings in 2015. Time and expenses required to attend GMA-8 meetings will be split with Prairielands GCD, Clearwater UWCD, Middle Trinity GCD, North Texas GCD and Red River GCD in 2015. The budget reflects that division of costs for all districts for meeting attendance. The cost estimate assumes for James Beach and another Senior Hydrogeologist will attend each GMA-8 meeting and the time/expenses will be split between districts.

Task 2 – Technical Assistance Related to DFCs

LBG-Guyton will provide technical support to the Red River GCD for the current round of joint groundwater planning and provide technical input for the explanatory report. Subtasks for this effort will include:

- assessing technical aspects of potential and/or proposed DFCs
- evaluating modeling assumptions, production estimates and other input for the modeling runs completed by GMA-8
- serve as a technical interface between GMA-8, TWDB, and other GMA-8 districts/consultants and the Red River GCD
- Analyzing GAM runs to support DFC planning in the Red River GCD
- As needed, perform technical analysis to help assess management of the Trinity Aquifer
- As needed, help Red River GCD to facilitate stakeholder discussion in the DFC process
- As directed, assess production from aquifers based on reported or assumed well screen intervals
- Other tasks as requested by RRGCD

Please note that developing GAM pumping scenarios may require more time than is budgeted here. The budget will be on a time-and-materials basis not to exceed the budget estimate unless LBG-Guyton identifies and gets authorization to complete additional GMA-8 tasks such as time intensive GAM runs prior to undertaking that work.

Task 3 – Attend Two Red River GCD Meetings

LBG-Guyton will attend up to two RRGCD meetings in 2015 to address the board on the joint planning process, DFCs, MAGs and related issues.

ATTACHMENT 11



RED RIVER GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AGENDA COMMUNICATION



DATE: May 15, 2015

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE DISTRICT'S LEGAL COUNSEL;

ISSUE

Consideration and possible action regarding the Red River Groundwater Conservation District's ("District") legal counsel.

BACKGROUND

Last month, the partners of the District's law firm, Sledge Fancher PLLC, amicably decided to part ways. Since the split, Sledge Fancher PLLC has changed the business name to Sledge Law and Public Strategies PLLC. Kristen Fancher has now moved to Smith, Robertson, Elliot, and Douglas LLP.

The District staff has been in communication with both of the partners, Brian Sledge and Kristen Fancher, since the split to discuss our options going forward.

OPTIONS/ALTERNATIVES

The District has the authority to choose whatever legal representation it deems is in its best interest.

CONSIDERATIONS

The District staff has discussed with Ms. Fancher and Mr. Sledge the possibility of continuing to utilize both of their services. Both Ms. Fancher and Mr. Sledge were agreeable to continuing doing business as usual, in regards to who staff utilizes for different matters, until a time when/if the Board felt it was necessary to proceed in a different direction. If the Board would like to continue utilizing both Ms. Fancher and Mr. Sledge, the District could choose to engage with both firms or continue routing all bills through Sledge Law and Public Strategies, PLLC.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

The staff requests the Board provide direction on the legal representation they feel is in the best interest of the District.

PREPARED AND SUBMITTED BY:

Drew Satterwhite, P.E., General Manager

ATTACHMENT 12

Red River Groundwater Conservation District

Well Registration Summary As of March 31, 2015

Well Type	Total Registered Fannin County	Total Registered Grayson County	February 2015	New Registrations
Domestic	64	107	166	5
Agriculture	11	21	32	0
Oil/Gas	0	18	18	0
Surface Impoundments	0	10	9	1
Commercial	4	2	6	0
Golf Course	0	14	14	0
Livestock	9	12	21	0
Irrigation	0	4	4	0
Public Water	54	208	262	0
Total	142	396	532	6

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