

**Notice of Open Meeting/Public Hearing of the
Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors**



Notice is given that the Board of Directors meets at **6:00 pm on Wednesday, December 9, 2015** at Dripping Springs City Hall, Dripping Springs, TX, 78620. Agenda items may be taken in any order at the discretion of the Board. HTGCD agendas, approved meeting minutes and any available Backup Materials have been posted on the District website, www.haysgroundwater.com under Quick Links/Agendas/Meeting Year/ Meeting Date

5:30 pm Educaional Workshop Prescribed Burning video will be presented by the HTGCD staff

- Land Management Video: "A Land in Balance"

Executive Session
The Board of Directors of the Hays Trinity Conservation District reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed on this agenda, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Chapter 551 including Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters). No final action or decision will be made in Executive Session.

- Call to Order
- Roll Call – Declare a Quorum: Linda Kaye Rogers, Jimmy Skipton, Mark Hastings, Doc Jones, and Greg Nesbitt
- General Comments from Board & Staff with no discussion or possible action

Public Comments Concerning Non-Agenda Items only limited to 3 minutes each. To address the Board of Directors, please complete and submit a Public Comment Card to the District staff. No action may be taken by the Board of Directors during Public Comments.

Consent Items The following agenda items may be considered and approved as one motion. A Board member or a citizen may request any item be removed from the consent agenda for Discussion and Possible Action as a separate item.

1. Approval of Bank Reconciliations & Monthly Invoices **Mark Hastings**
2. Approval of Monthly Financial Report, Balance Sheet and Budget to Actual Report **Mark Hastings**
3. Approval of October 22, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes **Rogers / Hastings**

Discussion and Possible Action: Public Comments will be heard prior to Board review, limited to 3 minutes each. Backup material, if available, can be reviewed on the District's website under Quick Links / Agendas / Meeting Year / Meeting Date

4. Status of Drought Briefing **Rick Broun**
 - o Monitoring Run well level averages
 - o Trigger status, Recommended Drought Stage
 - o U.S. Drought Monitoring maps, Palmer Drought Severity Index maps, Texas Drought Preparedness Council Situation Report
 - o Table of Water Levels measured, Recent Hydrographs
 - o Waste or possible waste complaints
 - *Board motion required to approve Status of Drought Briefing*
5. Needmore Ranch/ Saddleridge Transducer Well Update **Al and Rick Broun**
6. Update: Onion Creek Project **Al Broun**
7. HTGCD Board Meeting Date **Rick Broun**
 - o Consideration to move meetings to Thursdays
8. 2015 Presentation: Year-End Monitoring Data, Management Plan **Rick Broun**

Discussion Only: Public Comments will be heard prior to Board review, limited to 3 minutes each.

9. Staff Salary Increases **Linda Kaye Rogers**
- o 2016 Line Item Budget Workshop held on September 9, 2015
 - o Board approved 2016 Budget on October 22, 2015
 - o Board approved and signed Board ORDER 177 confirming 2016 Budget

Hearing Items: Continuance: Public Comments will be heard prior to Board review, limited to 3 minutes each

10. Groundwater Management Area 9 / Proposed Desired Future Conditions and Proposed Non-Relevant Aquifer Classifications **Linda Kaye Rogers**

- o At an open meeting of the **Groundwater Management Area 9 Joint Planning Committee** (GMA-9) held on September 28, 2015 in Dripping Springs, Texas, and attended by representatives from the following groundwater conservation districts located wholly or partially within Groundwater Management Area 9: Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District, Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District, Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District, Comal Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District, Edwards Aquifer Authority, Headwaters Groundwater Conservation District, Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, Trinity-Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District, and Medina County Groundwater Conservation District; GMA-9 considered and adopted the following Proposed Desired Future Conditions (DFCs) and Proposed Non-Relevant Aquifer Classifications for GMA-9.

- o ***Proposed Desired Future Conditions***

- o **Trinity Aquifer:** Allow For An Increase in Average Drawdown of Approximately 30 Feet Through 2060 (throughout GMA-9) Consistent with "Scenario 6" in TWDB GAM TASK 10-005.

- o **Edwards-Trinity (Plateau) Aquifer:** Allow For No Net Increase in Average Drawdown in Bandera and Kendall Counties through 2070.

- o **Ellenburger-San Saba Aquifer:** Allow For An Increase in Average Drawdown of No More Than 2 Feet in Kendall County through 2070.

- o **Hickory Aquifer:** Allow For An Increase in Average Drawdown of No More Than 7 Feet in Kendall County through 2070.

- o ***Proposed Non-Relevant Aquifer Classifications***

Edwards Aquifer (Balcones Fault Zone)	Bexar, Comal, Hays, and Travis Counties
Edwards-Trinity (Plateau)	Blanco and Kerr Counties
Ellenburger-San Saba	Blanco, Hays, Kerr, and Travis Counties
Marble Falls	Blanco County

- o Members of the public are invited to attend and provide oral comment, testimony, and/or submit other documentation and information relevant to the Proposed DFCs and Non-Relevant Aquifer Classifications to the Board of Directors at this Public Hearing.

- o If unable to attend the Public Hearing, members of the public are invited to submit written comments, testimony, and/or other documentation and information relevant to the Proposed DFCs and Non-Relevant Aquifer Classifications to the Board of Directors at the District Office located (physical address) 14101 Hwy 290 W., Bldg 100, Suite 212 (mailing address) PO Box 1648, Dripping Springs, TX. 78620.

- o GMA-9 has prepared standardized Public Comment Forms to help you organize and substantiate your submission. This form is available at the above address or can be found on the HTGCD website under Forms.

- o **The Public Comment Period runs from October 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.**

- o The District will prepare a report of any relevant comments received at the Public Hearing and attach any written comments, testimony, and/or other documentation and information relevant to the Proposed DFCs and Non-Relevant Aquifer Classifications received through December 31, 2015. This report and attachments will be provided to the GMA-9 Committee for their review, consideration, and incorporation into the DFC decision-making process.

- Questions or requests for additional information may be submitted to:
Rick Broun, 512-858-9253, PO Box 1648 Dripping Springs, 78620.

11. Discussion and Possible Action: Board of Directors to vote on DFC **Linda Kaye Rogers**
- GMA9 voted 9-1 in favor of a 30 foot DFC. HTGCD abstained from voting
 - Board to vote and provide General Manager, Rick Broun, a DFC number to cast a vote or to present a number at GMA9

Future Agenda Items

2016 Management Plan and Board Order to approve: Hearing Item

Motion for Adjournment

The Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Reasonable accommodations and equal opportunity for effective communications will be provided upon request. Please contact the District office at 512-858-9253 at least 24 hours in advance if accommodation is needed.

The District will accept written comments two (2) days prior to the scheduled Board meeting. Hearing item proposals may be reviewed or copied at the District office.

This notice shall be provided to the Hays County Clerk when concerning Rulemaking, Joint Planning and application for a Permit or Permit Amendment. The notice shall also be posted at a place convenient to the public at the HTGCD administrative office and on the HTGCD website not less than three (3) days prior to the scheduled meeting in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.

Posted by: Rick Broun

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING: HB 3357, Section 551.054.... Effective September 1, 2015

The above Notice of Meeting was posted on Friday, December 4, 2015 at a place convenient to the public at the HTGCD administrative office. A copy of the notice can also be reviewed on the HTGCD website under Agendas.

Chapter 36 Texas water Code: Groundwater Conservation Districts

The District shall provide notice to the county clerk concerning Rulemaking 36.101(d)(2), Joint Planning 36.108(e)(2), and application for a Permit or Permit Amendment 36.404(c)(2)