

**ORDER NO. 156**

**HAYS TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Hays County, Texas**

**ORDER DETERMINING THAT DROUGHT CONDITION TRIGGERS FOR THE DISTRICT HAVE  
SUBSIDED TO VOLUNTARY CONSERVATION STAGE STATUS FROM ALARM STAGE STATUS**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (District) reviewed, considered and passed the return of VOLUNTARY CONSERVATION STAGE drought condition for western Hays County; and

**WHEREAS**, local trigger conditions of the Blanco River and the Pedernales River have fallen back into the Voluntary Conservation Stage drought condition. Regional drought trigger of the Palmer Drought Index Services has shown D1 Moderate, drought conditions for the District; and

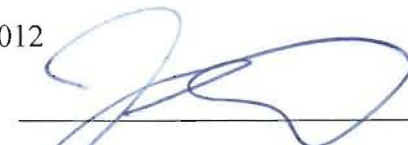
**WHEREAS**, drought status of Voluntary Conservation Stage for all “**Non-Exempt Permit Holders**” is a voluntary reduction of pumping production by 10% of the total yearly permit production; and

**WHEREAS**, drought status of Voluntary Conservation Stage for all “**Exempt**” well owners is a request by the Board of Directors to reduce groundwater use by 10%.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
HAYS COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:**

- 1) The Board recognizes and adopts the return of Voluntary Conservation Stage drought conditions with a voluntary reduction by 10% for all “**Non-Exempt Permit Holders**”; and
- 2) The Board requests that all “**Exempt**” well owners reduce their usage by 10%; and
- 3) The Board requests that all western Hays County residents use caution and care with groundwater use throughout the Voluntary Conservation Stage drought condition; and
- 4) The Board recognizes Public Water Service providers within the District to manage their customer’s groundwater reductions within their Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) including outdoor watering dates and time schedules.
- 5) Voluntary Conservation Stage drought conditions will stay in effect for western Hays County until further notice by the District Board of Directors. If further drought conditions arise, Alarm Stage drought conditions will take effect with a 20% mandatory and enforceable reduction of permit pumping production for “**Non-Exempt Permit Holders**”.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED April 11, 2012



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Jimmy Skipton, President