ORDER NO. 209

HAYS TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Hays County, Texas

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ORDER DETERMINING THAT DROUGHT CONDITION TRIGGERS FOR THE JACOBS WELL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ZONE HAVE ENTERED THE 30% CURTAILMENT STAGE

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (HTGCD) reviewed, considered, and passed the entering of 30% curtailment for the Jacob's Well Groundwater Management Zone (JWGMZ); and

WHEREAS, the trigger conditions of Jacob's well have fallen into the 30% curtailment drought condition of **1.48-cubic feet per second** (1.48-cfs) for a 10-day running average; and

WHEREAS, District staff posted the 30% drought curtailment on the District website; and

WHEREAS, all active Non-Exempt Permit Holders will receive a drought stage notification on November 5, 2020. HTGCD has now declared a drought curtailment of 30% with an effective date of November 5, 2020.

WHEREAS, drought curtailment status of 30% requires all Non-exempt Permit Holders to participate in the mandatory cutbacks as required by their Drought Cutback Chart and Monthly Baseline Production Amounts; and

WHEREAS, JWGMZ Drought Cutback Charts and Monthly Baseline Production Amounts have not been implemented yet; and

WHEREAS, all **Exempt** well owners within the JWGMZ are encouraged by the Board to reduce groundwater use by 30%.

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

- 1) The Board recognizes and adopts the establishment of 30% curtailment conditions within the JWGMZ for all **Non-Exempt Permit Holders**; and
- 2) The Board recognizes that the District may not take any enforcement action nor assess any Penalty Fees for failure to meet the requirements of the Drought

- Cutback Chart or exceeding the adjusted Monthly Baseline Production Amount during any drought curtailment period until March 5, 2021; and
- 3) The Board requests that all users within the JWGMZ use caution and care with water use throughout the 30% curtailment period; and
- 4) The Board recognizes Public Water Service providers within the JWGMZ to manage their customers' groundwater reductions within their Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) including outdoor watering dates and time schedules.
- 5) 30% curtailment conditions will stay in effect for the JWGMZ until further notice.
- 6) Until **Tier 2 and Tier 3 Non-Exempt Permit Holders** within the JWGMZ go through the permit amendment process to establish Monthly Baseline Production Amounts, they will continue to abide by current User Drought Contingency Plans and Drought Cutback Charts.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED November 5, 2020

Linda Kaye Rogers, Board President

John Worrall, Board Secretary-Treasurer