

ORDER NO. 194

HAYS TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Hays County, Texas

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**ORDER DETERMINING THAT DROUGHT CONDITIONS FOR HTGCD HAVE RETURNED TO
NO DROUGHT STAGE STATUS FROM ALARM STATUS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (HTGCD) reviewed, considered and passed the return of No Drought stage conditions for western Hays County; and

WHEREAS, local trigger conditions of the Blanco River and the Pedernales River have fallen back into the No Drought stage Alarm conditions. Regional drought trigger of the Palmer Drought Index Services indicates, Very Moist Spell, conditions and the U.S. Drought Monitor indicates condition “None” for the District; and

WHEREAS, No Drought stage status is now in effect for all “**Non-Exempt Permit Holders**”. All operating permit holders are to continue to refer to their individual User Drought Contingency Plan, Water Conservation Plan and the Drought Production Cutback Chart curtailments when drought conditions return; and

WHEREAS, No Drought status for all “**Exempt**” well owners is a request by the HTGCD Board of Directors to use groundwater wisely as drought conditions may return in the coming summer season; and

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 return of No Drought stage conditions for all “Non-Exempt” Permit Holders; and
- 2) The Board requests that all “**Exempt**” well owners use groundwater wisely; and
- 3) The Board directs District staff to report production violations including those of waste within western Hays County to the Board; and
- 4) The Board requests that all western Hays County residents use caution and care with water use throughout all drought stage conditions; and

- 5) 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, time schedules and production curtailment.
- 6) No Drought stage conditions will stay in effect for western Hays County until further notice. If drought conditions arise, drought stage Alarm conditions take effect with mandatory and enforceable curtailments of permit pumping production for all "**Non-Exempt Permit Holders.**"

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED December 19, 2018

Linda Kaye Rogers
HTGCD Board President

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HTGCD Treasurer Secretary