



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
HAYS TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 3, 2020 6:00 PM**

An urgent public necessity exists requiring the District to alter our meeting procedures due to COVID-19 pandemic. Notice is hereby given to all interested members of the public that the Board of Directors of the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District will hold a regular public meeting via telephone conference call pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.125, and as modified by the Governor of Texas who ordered suspension of various provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, effective March 16, 2020, in accordance with the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 (see the Governor's proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying that the COVID-19 pandemic poses an imminent threat of disaster and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas).

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Telephone Conference Opens at 5:45 p.m.

Note: If you plan on participating in the meeting during the public comment period please contact the District at 512-858-9253 or at staff3@haysgroundwater.com to register as a speaker. You may also register as a speaker at the beginning of the meeting. Registration as a speaker will require providing (1) first name; (2) last name; (3) email address, and (4) phone number. Properly registered speakers are asked to limit Public Comments to 3 minutes for all topics during the Public Comments section of the meeting. Any person participating in the meeting must be recognized and identified by the Presiding Officer each time they speak.

Attendees can reach the meeting via telephone at +1 (877)309-2073, access code: **588-467-285**.

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.

Agenda

Call to Order – 6pm.

Public Comments To address the Board of Directors, please complete and submit a Public Comment Card to the District staff. "Late Registration of Public Comment" 6pm - 6:10pm. Comments will be limited to this section of the agenda.

General Comments and Announcements from Board and Staff with no discussion or possible action

General Manager's Report The purpose of the General Manager's Report is to discuss topics that are intended for general administration and operational information dissemination. The HTGCD Board will not take any Action unless the topic is specifically stated elsewhere within the agenda.

- Standing Topic Updates: New Registrations and Connections, Announcements, District Activities, and monthly Status of Drought Briefing.....**Charlie Flatten**

Science Update The purpose of the Science Update is to discuss topics that are intended for information dissemination. The HTGCD Board will not take any Action unless the topic is specifically stated elsewhere within the agenda.

- Review status of projects, water level update, TCEQ projects, and other Science Informational updates.....**Philip Webster**
 - *Of particular interest: declining well levels districtwide and record declines in the Henly-North sector*

Election Update The purpose of the Election Update is to discuss topics that are intended for information dissemination. The HTGCD Board will not take any Action unless the topic is specifically stated elsewhere within the agenda.

- Review and update of Election information.....**Keaton Hoelscher**

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.....**John Worrall**
2. Approval of July Financial Reports, Balance Sheets, and Budget to Actual Report.....**John Worrall**
3. Approval of August 6 and 13, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes.....**John Worrall**

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

1. Public Hearing: Rule 1.7.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**
 - *Relating to procedures, conduct, and decorum at Meetings of the Board of Directors*

Discussion and Possible Action Backup material, if available, can be reviewed on the District's website under Quick Links / Agendas / Meeting Year / Meeting Date

1. Approval of Draft Rule 1.7.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**
 - *Procedure, Conduct, and Decorum at Meetings of the Board of Directors*
2. *Order #204* to enact Rule 1.7.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**
3. Approval of HTGCD collaboration on BPGCD Dye Trace study.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**
4. Date set and NOAV action at future Board meeting.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**
5. *Order #205* to change JWGMZ Drought Stage.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**
6. *Order #206* to change District Drought Stage to 20%.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**

Discussion only Backup material, if available, can be reviewed on the District's website under Quick Links / Agendas / Meeting Year / Meeting Date

7. Status of Sawyer Ranch Waste Water Discharge Permit.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**
8. Status of Virtual Board meetings and options for alternative settings.....**Linda Kaye Rogers**
9. Standstill Agreement with DSWSC Status.....**John Worrall**
10. Water Vision 2021 status report.....**Holly Fults**

Future Agenda Items

Discussion and possible Action: 2019 Annual Notice of Alleged Violation actions.....HTGCD Staff
Background – District Staff recommends that Permittees who wish to address the Board on final disposition of NOAV fines should be allowed access to discussion and action at the next available in-person Board meeting opportunity

Adjournment

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 posted 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.

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING: Texas Government Code, Open Meetings, Section 551.054

The above Notice of Board Meeting was posted on August 31, 2020 on the HTGCD website. A copy of the notice can also be reviewed at the Hays County Clerk's Office.

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)

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.

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