

Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District

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To: The Board President and/or the Designated Representative of the 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

From: Ronald G. Fieseler, P.G., Chairman of GMA-9

RE: Approval of Proposed Desired Future Conditions, Proposed Designation of Non-Relevant Aquifers by GMA-9, and Public Hearing Process

Dear Board Presidents or Designated Representatives,

In accordance with Texas Water Code Chapter 36.108(d-2), you are hereby notified that, during an Open Meeting held on September 28, 2015, GMA-9 voted and approved for distribution the following Proposed Desired Future Conditions (DFC) and proposed that various aquifers be designated as "Non-Relevant" in certain portions of GMA-9 for GMA-9 regional groundwater planning purposes.

Proposed Desired Future Conditions

Major Or Minor Aquifer	Proposed Desired Future Condition
Trinity	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
Edwards-Trinity (Plateau)	Allow For No Net Increase in Average Drawdown in Bandera and Kendall Counties through 2070
Ellenburger-San Saba	Allow For An Increase in Average Drawdown of No More Than 2 Feet in Kendall County through 2070
Hickory	Allow For An Increase in Average Drawdown of No More Than 7 Feet in Kendall County through 2070

Proposed Designation of Non-Relevant Aquifers

Proposed Non-Relevant Aquifer Classification	Applicable Areas Within GMA-9 (All or Portions of the Following Counties, as applicable)
Edwards Aquifer (Balcones Fault Zone)	Bexar, Comal, Hays, and Travis Counties
Edwards-Trinity (Plateau)	Blanco and Kerr Counties
Ellenburger-San Saba	Blanco and Kerr Counties
Hickory	Blanco, Hays, Kerr, and Travis Counties
Marble Falls	Blanco County

This letter will be mailed today, September 30, 2015. This mailing will trigger a Public Hearing process that will last a minimum of 90 days. GMA 9 has proposed that this period extend from Thursday, October 1, 2015 through Thursday, December 31, 2015, a total of 92 days.

During the public comment period and after posting notice as required by Section 36.063, each District shall hold a public hearing on any proposed Desired Future Conditions relevant to that District. During the public comment period, the District shall make available in its office a copy of the proposed desired future conditions and any supporting materials, such as the documentation of factors considered under Chapter 36.108(d) and groundwater availability model run results. After the public hearing, the District shall compile for consideration at the next joint planning meeting a summary of relevant comments received, any suggested revisions to the proposed desired future conditions, and the basis for the revisions.

Supporting documents, including those developed by the GMA-9 Explanatory Report consulting team, relevant GAM runs, etc. will be provided to each GCD.

GMA-9 has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday 10:00 am, October 13, 2015, at the office of the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District, 440 FM 3240, Bandera, TX 78003 (830)796-7260. The documents mentioned above, as well as a revised Public Comment form will be available at this meeting or shortly thereafter.

Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions.

Ronald G. Fieseler, P.G.
Chairman, GMA-9