

GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA 12 MEETING
December 4, 2014 – 11:00 a.m.
Milano Civic Center
120 West Ave. E
Milano, Texas

MINUTES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Entity</u>
Alan Day	BVGCD
Dave Coleman	City of College Station
Andy Donnelly	DBS&A
David Van Dresar	Fayette County GCD
Robert	TWDB
Cindy Ridgeway	TWDB
Monique Norman	BVGCD & FCGCD
James Bene	RW Hardin
Gary Westbrook	POSGCD
Nathan Ausley	POSGCD
David Bailey	METGCD
Bobby Bazan	POSGCD
Elaine Gerren	POSGCD
Tommy Tietjen	POSGCD
Jim Totten	LPGCD
Steve Young	Intera, Inc.
Cynthia Lopez	BVCCD
John Siefert	LBG Guyton
Mike Keester	LBG Guyton
Phil Cook	Sierra Club
Matthew Ulianna	MGC/METGCD
Charles Ellison	Franklin
David Wheelock	LCRA
Brent Covert	Forestar Group

1. Call meeting to order and establish quorum

The meeting was chaired by Nathan Ausley, President of the Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District (GCD). Chairman Ausley called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. and noted that a quorum was present as all Districts in GMA 12 were represented at the meeting, including himself representing Post Oak Savannah GCD (POSGCD), David Bailey of Mid-East Texas GCD (METGCD), Alan Day of Brazos Valley GCD (BVGCD), Jim Totten of Lost Pines GCD (LPGCD), and David Van Dresar of Fayette County GCD (FCGCD).

2. Welcome and introductions

Chairman Ausley welcomed all to the meeting and invited the head table to introduce themselves to those in attendance. All representatives of GCDs mentioned above and Gary Westbrook of POSGCD, serving as secretary, introduced themselves. Chairman Ausley then introduced staff members of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Cindy Ridgeway, of TWDB, commented on recent actions of the TWDB in efforts to perform improvements to the Central Queen City/Sparta/Carrizo-Wilcox Groundwater Availability Model, and noted that information could be found on TWDB's website.

3. Minutes of June 27, 2014 GMA 12 Meeting

After reviewing the draft minutes of the June 27, 2014 meeting, Nathan Ausley moved, and David Bailey seconded, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Update and report from consultants regarding ongoing evaluations and studies

John Seifert of LBG Guyton presented a report on preliminary modeling results for consideration by the GMA, and answered questions.

5. Updates to Pumping Files used in Central Queen City-Sparta/Carrizo-Wilcox Groundwater Availability Model

Steve Young of Intera presented a report on recent updates to the pumping files used in the Central Queen City-Sparta/Carrizo-Wilcox Groundwater Availability Model, and answered questions. He also noted that each GCD had participation in the process and would document their work in these updates.

6. Receive comments on Demands and DFC options for GMA 12

Gary Westbrook, General Manager of Post Oak Savannah GCD, presented a report on POSGCD's management strategies for the shallow parts of the aquifers of the District, and a request from the Board of POSGCD for all other GCDs in GMA 12 to join POSGCD in adopting DFCs for the shallow parts of the aquifers of GMA 12. Mr. Westbrook answered questions about POSGCD management and Rules.

7. Texas Water Development Board GAM Task 13-035 Version 2: Total Estimated Recoverable Storage for Aquifers in Groundwater Management Area 12

Steve Young of Intera presented a report on this topic and included slides from a recent presentation received by POSGCD concerning this topic.

8. Update from Groundwater Conservation Districts of GMA 12 on joint planning and compliance with Chapter 36.108, State Water Code

Each District representative gave a brief update on water level monitoring in their District. Alan Day stated that BVGCD is finishing an update of the District's Management Plan.

9. Update on Legislative issues of possible interest to the Districts of GMA 12

Monique Norman and Gary Westbrook gave brief reports concerning interim legislative efforts of the Texas Water Conservation Association and the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts concerning several issues, including incentivizing Aquifer Storage and Recovery projects, brackish groundwater production, as well as other efforts.

10. Report on Monitoring activities by Districts of GMA 12

Dr. Steve Young of Intera presented a report on behalf of POSGCD concerning the District's monitoring activities and methods to be considered in evaluating the information received from those activities.

11. Desired Future Conditions of aquifers in GMA 12

District representatives gave brief updates on each Districts progress in evaluating information to be used in the process of developing the next set of DFC for GMA 12.

12. Process for addressing requirements of Chapter 36.108 in adopting Desired Future Conditions

John Seifert requested feedback from the Districts on today's presentations, and noted the need for a consultants meeting soon. After discussion, representatives of the GMA agreed to task the consultants to continue with model runs and studies to present at the next GMA 12 meeting.

13. Improvements to current Central Queen City-Sparta/Carrizo-Wilcox Groundwater Availability Model

Cindy Ridgeway of TWDB reported that improvements to the CQC-S/C-WGAM were approved at a recent TWDB meeting and were contingent on financial participation from GCDs in GMA 12. She noted that a minimum commitment of \$200,000 from the GMA GCDs would be needed for the approved scope of work. Gary Westbrook stated that the POSGCD Board had recently approved 200,000 to be disbursed over the next 2 years to help with the model improvements and encouraged the other Districts to aid in this process. when asked about additional funding being made available from the GCDs of GMA 12, Ms. Ridgeway stated that additional funds would allow the scope of work for the improvements to the GAM to be expanded.

14. Representation for GMA 12 on Regional Water Planning Groups

No action was taken on this item.

15. Public Comment

Chairman Ausley asked for public comment. No Public Comment was offered.

16. Agenda items for next meeting

Chairman Ausley invited input from the representatives of the Districts of GMA 12 for items to be included on the next GMA 12 Agenda. Discussion was held and the decision was made to have any feedback from this meeting's presentations returned to the consultants by January 7, 2014. It was also agreed that Mr. Westbrook would accept input from consultants to assemble

an agenda for the next GMA 12 meeting, and that the next scheduled meeting will be held on January 23, 2015.

17. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 pm

Attest:



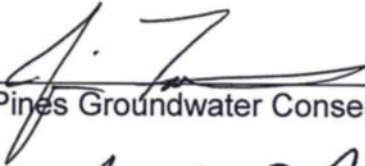
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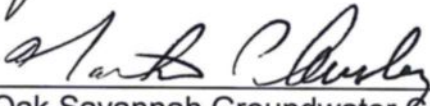
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