

**APPENDIX A  
STATEMENT OF JOINDER IN COMMENTS**

July 20, 2016

The constituents of the following organizations include the general public and landowners of property in Lee and Bastrop counties located over the recharge zones and the down-dip portions of the formations of the Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer. They also include citizens and landowners who live adjacent to or near the Colorado River, or who enjoy the benefits of the Colorado River. Our constituent landowners own groundwater in place and have a right to conserve and protect their individual fair shares of the water resources in the commonly shared aquifers in the Lost Pines GCD. The landholdings of these constituents in Lee and Bastrop counties are considerable. Landowners will suffer whatever drawdowns are allowed to occur as a result of the District's setting of Desired Future Conditions for these aquifers, and they are concerned that their property values and their local economies must be, but are not being protected in the Desired Future Conditions process. Likewise, members of the general public will be affected by the District's Desired Future Conditions process, and, like landowners, are entitled to the protection, preservation and conservation of the aquifers on which they depend. **We urge the adoption of the proposed DFCs by Lost Pines GCD, subject to the above comments and the same reservations, comments and requests described in the attached comments of Environmental Stewardship.**

**We submit these comments to adopt and amplify the comments and requests of Environmental Stewardship as if we were original signatories to the comments. We respectfully request those comments and this Appendix A be included in the official record of the District's July 20, 2016 hearing on proposed Desired Future Conditions.**

**Simsboro Aquifer Water Defense Fund** is a Central Texas nonprofit organization whose 501(c)(3) status is pending and whose purposes are to educate and assist citizens and landowners over the Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer who want to protect, preserve and conserve groundwater and surface water for the benefit of future generations; to support environmentally sound and sustainable use, production and conservation of water; and to protect the legal, equitable and civil rights, and property values, of landowners who seek to conserve and protect their groundwater.

**Neighbors for Neighbors** is a 501(c)(3) Central Texas nonprofit organization working for sustainability of natural resources, clean air and water, and holding those who exploit natural resources accountable. Neighbors for Neighbors has supported the good work of the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District since it first advocated for the District's formation.

**League of Independent Voters of Texas** is a Texas 501(c)(4) social welfare, nonprofit organization whose purpose is to research, develop, advocate and educate citizens on legislative, regulatory and program reforms that address issues that cross political party lines, including protection of land, air and water. The League's members helped author and worked for the passage of HB3163 in the 2015 legislative session.

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