

House Bill 1221, 84th Legislature, requires sellers of residential real estate to disclose whether any part of a property is in a groundwater conservation district (GCD) or subsidence district. The law affects all transfers taking place January 1, 2016 or later.



TREC-approved CE  
course provides  
two hours of credit

# Groundwater Rights for Real Estate 2.0

**For Brokers, REALTORS®, Concerned Landowners and Title Companies**  
**Groundwater Rights and Real Estate**  
**Tuesday June 27, 2023 at Caldwell Civic Center**

*This two-hour continuing education credit course is designed to give the real estate licensee a broad overview of water rights in a 21st-century Texas which faces droughts, floods, and freshwater crises mainly caused by exuberant population growth. The student will learn about the duties agents owe their clients in relation to water issues, with a special focus on groundwater policy and changes. The knowledge gained from this course will better educate them so they can better serve the public.*

**June 27, 2023**  
512-455-9900  
admin@posgcd.org  
www.posgcd.org/education  
please register by  
June 22, 2023

**11:00 am Registration**

**11:30 BBQ meal served**

**11:45 Dr. Charles Porter, Introduction to Texas Water Rights, TREC Course #44032\***

**Continuing Education Course Agenda:**

**Overview of water rights and agent duties**

**Focus on groundwater district rules that affect agents and landowners**

**Local programs that benefit agents and landowners in Burleson and Milam Counties**

**Q&A - get your water rights questions answered by the experts**

**\*To receive continuing education credit according to TREC rules, real estate agents must sign in/sign out and attend the entire two-hour class.**



Charles Porter, Ph.D. is an award-winning author, speaker and testifying real estate expert and water rights expert with over 700 cases nationwide. He is also a water rights expert.

He served as the elected Chair of the Education Standards Committee of the Texas Real Estate Commission in 2022, served as co-author of TREC's Legal I and Legal II 2022-2023 Manual Writing Committee, and TREC's Broker Responsibility Manual for 2022-2023. He serves on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Realtors.



Gary Westbrook is the General Manager of Post Oak Savannah GCD which serves Milam and Burleson Counties from 2003 to current. He was the President of Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD) from 2005 to 2007. He is currently POSGCD Representative to Groundwater Management Areas 8 and 12 (GMA8 & GMA12), GMA 12 Representative to Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group.



Michael received a Bachelor's of Science in Biology: Environmental studies and a Master's in Business Administration from Schreiner University. Michael worked at Bandera County River Authority & Groundwater District. Michael worked at Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District where he served as the GMA 10 Chairman and he served as the Region K Representative for GMA 10.

**There is no cost to attend this program. Program attendees will receive two hours of TREC - approved Continuing Education Credit.**