

Program Progress: Highlights & Updates on District Grant Programs and Services

#### District Services

- Monitoring Network
- Tinker Water Wise Kits
- In-house Coliform Testing
- Well Inspections
- AgriLife Extension Service
- County Groundwater Availability Studies
- Public Maps and Water Level Viewer



### The District

### Programs of

#### **Rainwater Harvesting Program**

- Complete rainwater harvesting course
- \$1.00 per gallon saved up to \$5,000

#### **Texas 4-H Ambassador Program**

- Scholarship to students who reside in Milam or Burleson Counties and are accepted into program
- Sponsor since 2017

#### **Well Plugging Program**

- Cover cost of plugging a well up to \$3,500
- Inspection of well by District
- \$20,253 has been reimbursed in 2024



## Aquifer Conservation Program



- Termed Contract for conservation of water rights
- 5, 10, 20, 30, and 50-year terms
- THIS DOES NOT MEAN THE DISTRICT OWNS YOUR WATER RIGHTS
- Can still have an exempt well on property
- Contract is void if Owner sells, transfers or passes away
- \$25 per acre sign-up incentive
- Over \$2.1 million has been paid to date
- Over 47,000 acres are in the program

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#### Decided Not to Euroll into the ACP?

Please let us know why! We'd love feedback from landowners who decided not to enroll into the ACP. This will help us better our program and better understand the needs of landowners in our District.

To provide feedback, please scan the QR code or call Courtney Gentry at 512-455-9900.



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# Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP)



- Designed to restore service in well
- Provides all necessary financial and technical assistance to owners of identified or affected wells
- Is fully-funded from fees collected from commercial producers and exporters of water
- Lowering of pumps or drilling and completion of new wells
- Must be in qualifying Aquifer:
  - Carrizo, Simsboro, Hooper, Calver Bluff
- Over 140 wells have been assisted
- Over \$1.4 million has been used to assist wells to date

### Fire Department Reimbursement

- Up to \$25,000 per year
- Reimbursements for water-conserving firefighting foam and nozzles for fire departments within the District
- Supported 9 fire departments with a total of \$115,490 reimbursed since 2013.



#### Local Water Utilities Grants

- Awarded \$1.7 Million in 2024
- Awarded over \$19 Million since 2006
- Provide funding for successful completion of programs and projects that will result in the conservation of groundwater
- Replacement of obsolete/leaking infrastructure
- Program addition for 2024, lowering of pumps
- City of Caldwell received grant for \$405,000 for the lowering of pumps



## County Interlocal Agreements



- Applies to each county in the District
- Each County is reimbursed \$125,000 per year since 2022
- County preforms inspections on properties with newly installed septic
- While inspecting septic, county performs a well inspection:
  - Well spacing from property line and septic
  - Well construction
- Submits data to District and notifies District if a question/problem arises
- District requires and provides well construction training for the county inspectors each year
  - TDLR provides training regarding well construction

# County Interlocal Agreements Example



