



**Board Meeting and Public Hearings
September 10, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.
Post Oak Savannah GCD Offices
310 East Ave. C
Milano, Texas
Agenda Preview**

Hello Directors,

Here is an Agenda Preview for our September 10 meeting. The "Consent Agenda" includes items not normally needing discussion. All items to be considered under the Consent Agenda have been reviewed by staff and appropriate consultants, as well as one of the District's committees where appropriate.

As usual my comments are in ***bold italics where necessary***. I will leave no comment in cases where comment is not needed, or information in the Board Packet is self-explanatory. Any necessary supporting documents are posted under the meeting date and may be found on our website at

<https://posgcd.org/agendas-minutes/agendas-minutes/>. Some information may not be available until after a respective committee meeting or will be presented at the meeting.

Please see instructions below concerning attendance for the meeting. Please call with any questions.

Respectfully,

Gary Westbrook

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District will hold a Public Hearing and regular meeting on September 10, 2024, at 5:30 pm. In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, the District Offices are open, however, members of the public who wish to attend virtually and listen, observe, or actively participate during the public comment portion may join this meeting from their computer, tablet or smartphone at:

<https://meet.goto.com/POSGCD/board-meeting>

You may also dial in for audio only using your phone at:

United States: +1 (224) 501-3412

Access Code: 453-007-493

To actively participate with virtual public comment in the meeting, please email the General Manager with your name and the topic or agenda item you wish to address at gwestbrook@posgcd.org by 3:00 pm, September 10, 2024. Please remember Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes per person.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken, are as listed below. Items may or may not be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Invocation
3. Call to Order and establish quorum
4. Public Comment
5. Public Hearing on Rules: Section 1.1 Definitions of Terms, Section 4.1 Required Spacing, Section 4.2 Exceptions to Spacing Requirements, Section 5.1 Maximum Allowable Permitted Production, Section 5.3 Waivers and Variances, Section 5.5 Regulation of Production For Local Water Utilities, Section 7.1 General Permit and Registration Provisions, Section 7.4 Application Requirement For All Permits, Section 7.6 Considerations For Granting Permits, Section 7.10 Exempt Well Status, Section 16.5 Five (5) Year Reviews, and new Section 18 Requests For Verification of Water Availability Studies For Subdivisions. ***These are the draft rules previously discussed at our last Board meeting and the notice for hearing has been properly noticed. The Rules Committee will meet at 4:00 pm this same day to discuss these Rules again in a meeting which is open to the public. As of this time we have not received any comments from the public. The committee may also have comments to share with you at this time. The agenda and the draft rules we will discuss at the meeting are listed on our website under the Sept. 10 Board Meeting here: <https://posgcd.org/agendas-minutes/agendas-minutes/>***
6. **Consent Agenda**
All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Board and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board Member requests.
Supporting documents for the Consent Agenda are included in your Board Packet.
 - a) Minutes of August 13, 2024 Board Meeting
 - b) Update on Aquifer Conservancy Program (ACP) enrollments

- c) Water Well Monitoring Update: Number of wells and frequency of measurements, and wells plugged
- d) Water Well Drilling activities: applications filed, registrations issued, and inspections performed
- e) Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
- f) Report on property inspections received under Interlocal Agreement with Milam and Burleson Counties
- g) Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report
- h) Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities
- i) Receive report from General Manager on recent District activities and take appropriate actions.
 - 1. Permit applications filed with the District and Hearing Dates; Emergency Permits Granted
There are no necessary hearing dates at this time and no Emergency Permits have been issued.
 - 2. Recent and future District presentations and activities
 - a. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Groundwater Summit of August 20-22, 2024
This was the largest TAGD Summit to date and very beneficial to all in attendance. Links to videos of some of the conference will be available in the near future.
 - b. POSGCD Real Estate Seminar of September 19, 2024
Dr. Charles Porter will again be our guest speaker and CEUs are available to attendees.
 - c. Groundwater Management Area 8 Meeting of September 5, 2024
The agenda for this meeting is available on our website at <https://posgcd.org/agendas-minutes/gma-8-agendas-minutes/>
 - d. Groundwater Management Area 12 Meeting of September 20, 2024
The agenda for this meeting is available on our website at <https://posgcd.org/agendas-minutes/gma-12-agendas-minutes/>
 - e. Milam County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting of September 23, 2024
We will be present to discuss and encourage all to enroll in our ACP
 - f. Workshop for Local Water Utilities with Texas Water Development Board of September 25, 2024
This event is sponsored by TWDB to assist water utilities in applying for financial assistance from TWDB with water projects. We are assisting in advertising this opportunity and will be present.
 - g. Workshop on Brazos River Groundwater-Surface Water Interactions of December 9, 2024
This is a save the date, and the agenda should be available on our website by the end of September.
 - h. Award to District of Texas Water Development Board 2024 Agriculture Conservation Grant
Congratulations! The application which we reported to you in our April Board Packet was awarded. Please see our recent press release in your Board Packet.

7. Regular Agenda

- a) Amend Rules: Section 1.1 Definitions of Terms, Section 4.1 Required Spacing, Section 4.2 Exceptions to Spacing Requirements, Section 5.1 Maximum Allowable Permitted Production, Section 5.3 Waivers and Variances, Section 5.5 Regulation of Production For Local Water Utilities, Section 7.1 General Permit and Registration Provisions, Section 7.4 Application Requirement For All Permits, Section 7.6 Considerations For Granting Permits, Section 7.10 Exempt Well Status, Section 16.5 Five (5) Year Reviews, and new Section 18 Requests For Verification of Water Availability Studies For Subdivisions.
This will be an opportunity to amend the Rules in part or in whole as noticed.
- b) Update on Interim Legislation discussions of Texas Water Conservation Association (TWCA)
I will provide a brief update on recent important meetings of the sub-committees of TWCA dealing with GCD permitting, ability of a GCD for enforcement, waste of groundwater, and transport of groundwater in a surface water course. Please find previous legislation, HB4444, which served as a starting point for deliberations dealing with waste in your Board Packet. HB4444 passed the House last session but did not make it out of the Senate
- c) District Staffing
As discussed several times this year, we will soon advertise for an additional full time Field Technician. I will provide a brief update and timeline at this time.
- d) Update on Water Level Viewer Tool
Development of this tool is progressing. Greg will have the latest update.
- e) Update on paving for District parking lot
This was originally set for mid-late August and rescheduled to this week. Weather has forced another delay. Greg will have the latest update.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to Section 551.071 and 551.072, Texas Government Code, the Board of Directors only will consider receiving legal advice on the following matters:

- a. Pending SOAH Docket Nos. 965-23-21218 and 965-23-21219, Application of SLR Property I, LP for a new 9,000 acre-foot per year Simsboro and Hooper Drilling and Operating Permit and Application of

SLR Property I, LP for a new 15,000 acre-foot per year Simsboro Operating Permit- Discussions with the Board only.

This will be an update from Kristen Fancher and your opportunity to discuss all matters to date.

9. RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Take action on matters discussed in Executive Session:

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10. Agenda Items, Dates, locations, and times of future meetings

The next regular meeting is October 8, 2024. The Advisory Committee has taken direction from the Board at our last meeting and is preparing amendments to the Personnel Policies and Board Policies concerning employee benefits such as sick time, short and long term disability, and other matters and will bring to the Board at the October 8 meeting for consideration. Evaluation of the general manager by the full Board will be on the agenda as well.

11. Adjourn Board Meeting