



**Board Meeting and Public Hearings
November 12, 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 November 12 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 public hearings and a regular meeting on November 12, 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, November 12, 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 District 2025 Budget

All information for the Public Hearings on items 5-8 have been previously discussed at the October 8, 2024 Board meeting and properly noticed and posted.

6. Public Hearing on District Production Fees
7. Public Hearing on District Transport Fees
8. Public Hearing on District Fee Schedule
9. **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.

- a) Minutes of October 8, 2024 Public Hearings and Board Meeting
- b) Adoption of Resolution naming the District’s bank account signatories
- c) Adoption of Resolution to Issue Debit Card for District Expenses for Travis Wood
- d) Completion of Employee Annual Evaluations

I will advise these will be completed by or near the end of this month.

- e) Update on Aquifer Conservancy Program (ACP) enrollments and amendments to terms
- f) Water Well Monitoring Update: Number of wells and frequency of measurements
- g) Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
- h) Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report.

- i) Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities
- j) 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
No applications have been received which require hearings. No Emergency Permits have been granted.
 - 2. Well Drilling activities: registrations, applications, completions, plugging, inspections
 - 3. Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
 - 4. Recent and future District presentations and activities
 - a. District Local Water Utility Workshop of November 20, 2024
Please see flyer in Board Packet materials
 - b. Brazos Region G Water Planning Group meeting of November 7, 2024
Materials for this meeting may be located at <https://brazosgwwater.org>
 - c. Training for Staff of Environmental Offices of Burleson and Milam Counties
We provide annual training to these offices to support our efforts in accomplishing requirements of the agreement between the counties and the District.
 - d. Workshop on Brazos River Groundwater-Surface Water Interactions of December 9, 2024
Please see flyer in Board Packet materials
 - e. Bell County Water Symposium of November 13, 2024
I had previously sent an email to you with information on this event which is hosted by Clearwater UWCD. Pre-registration is required and can be directed to tsmith@cuwcd.org
 - f. Groundwater Management Area 12 Meeting of December 13, 2024

10. **Regular Agenda**

- a) District 2025 Budget
This Budget is properly before you for consideration as required by our Board Policies.
- b) District Production Fees
The Production Fees to support the Budget are properly before you for consideration.
- c) District Transport Fees
The Transport Fees to support the Budget are properly before you for consideration.
- d) District Fee Schedule
The Fee Schedule to support the Budget is properly before you for consideration.
- e) Amend Board Policies
If the 2025 Budget is adopted as noticed an amendment to the percentage required for our Reserve Fund as found in Section 12.F from 35% to 25%. A draft of the Board Policies with this amendment is also in the Board Packet materials for your consideration.
- f) Amend Personnel Policies
At the October 8 Board meeting the Board directed staff to add a Bereavement Section to the Personnel Policies. Draft language was developed by the Advisory Committee which is consistent with direction from the Board and a draft of the Personnel Policies with this amendment is in the Board Packet materials for your consideration.
- g) Referral Incentive for enrolments in Aquifer Conservancy Program
In an effort to encourage additional enrolments and following up on direction from the Board, the Advisory Committee is recommending this incentive. The incentive would pay the person responsible for the referral as follows: \$5 per acre successfully enrolled in the ACP with a maximum of \$1000 per landowner brought into the program regardless of total number of parcels. Members of the District Staff and Board would not be eligible to be rewarded. If approved by the Board this would be included in the ACP Guidance Document to be discussed in the next Agenda item.
- h) Amend Aquifer Conservancy Program Guidance Document
If the 2025 Budget is adopted as noticed several amendment to the ACP Guidance Document may be required, including the inclusion of language to recognize Agenda Item i) above. A draft of the ACP Guidance Document with these amendments is in the Board Packet materials for your consideration.
- i) Employment of Travis Wood as Field Technician
We will introduce the newest member of our staff at this time.
- j) Report on recent events and activities concerning Vista Ridge Pipeline and Permits
Stephan Schuster is planning to be present to give this update and answer questions.
- k) Discussion of timeline and process for Five Year Review to begin January 2025
A draft of the Five Year Review timeline and process is in the Board Packet materials for discussion.

- l) Memorandum(s) of Understanding with Texas Runs on Water
A draft of the MOUs are in the Board Packet materials for discussion. After discussion it was agreed a separate effort in each county might be more effective in driving interest to our programs, especially the ACP. We will ask for approval to move forward with the MOUs and developing a more formal and finalized list of advertising items.
- m) Update on Water Level Viewer Tool
Compliance Specialist Michael Redman will give this update.
- n) Interlocal Agreement for sharing of expenses between Districts of Groundwater Management Area 12
A draft of this agreement is in the Board Packet materials for. The cost breakdown in the agreement is consistent with past direction given to me by the Board.
- o) District investigation into violation of Rules by unknown water provider on Big Creek Forrest Drive, Somerville, TX
This is a continuation of an effort of investigation into this issue which began last year. We have had several discussions with TCEQ and they are not moving forward with any actions at this time. I will advise you that we are preparing to move forward with enforcement actions against the owners of the property on which the well is located.
- p) Report from DFC Committee on Compliance with Desired Future Conditions/Protective Drawdown Limits
The DFC Committee will receive this report in a posted meeting just prior to the Board meeting and will provide a summary to the Board at this point in the agenda.
- q) Report from DFC Committee on Guidance Document for drilling wells and eligibility for Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) and GWAP Annual Needs Assistance (GANA)
The DFC Committee will receive this report in a posted meeting just prior to the Board meeting and will provide a summary to the Board at this point in the agenda.

11. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings

Should a December meeting be necessary, that date would fall on December 10, 2024.

12. Adjourn Board Meeting