

POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Groundwater Management Area 12 Meeting
Post Oak Savannah GCD District Offices
310 East Avenue C
Milano, Texas 76556
August 28, 2008 – 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Entity

Present

Nathan Ausley
Gary Westbrook
Bill Riley
Robert Bradley
David VanDresar
Ridge Kaiser
Michael Neese
Steve Young
Trevor Budge
Elaine Gerren
Wayne Wilson
Jackie Scott
Sarah Backhouse
Shirley Wade
Cindy Ridgeway
Robert Bradley
Glen Marburger
James Beach
Ross Cummings
Dan Opoyke
Kodi E. Sawin
Dr. Keir
John Seifert
Robert Gresham
Laura Marbury
Jeff Farris
Steve Box
Phil Cook
Dwayne Jekel
Clay Ohlendorf
Ralph Cox
Sal Zachznin
Katie Kaighin
Matt Uliona
Mike Thornhill
Kit Worley
Mike Brown
Bob Barrie
Curtis Chubb
Ridge Kaiser
Lee Alford
Scott Carlson
Monique Norman
Bill Graham
Russell Johnson
Joe Cooper
Keith Hansberger

POSGCD
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BVGWCD
TWDB
Fayette County GCD
R. W. Hardin
Lost Pines GCD
URS
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POSGCD
Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District
BRA
Texas Water Development Board
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Lost Pines GCD
LBG-Guyton Associates
Blue Water
TPWD
Water Texas
Lost Pines GCD
BVGCD
Mid-East Texas GCD
Environmental Defense Fund
Land Owner Mid East Texas District
Environmental Stewardship
Sierra Club
POSGCD
POSGCD
BVGCD
BRA
LPGCD
METGCD Consultant
Thornhill Group, Inc.
Southwest Milam WSC
The Rockdale Reporter
BVWA
The Cameron Herald
RW Hardin
POSGCD
Metropolitan Water Co. L.P.
BVGCD/FCGCD
Landowner
McGinnis, Lockridge & Kilgore
LPGCD
LPGCD

Jay Tumlinson
Ken Hall
Kerry Starnes
Trey Peyton

POSGCD
Southwest Milam WSC
POSGCD
BRA

1. Welcome and Introductions

Called meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was chaired by Nathan Ausley, President of the Board of POSGCD. There was an introduction of all consultants of GCD's. Their name and affiliations were recognized.

2. Minutes of the May 10, 2007 GMA 12 meeting

The minutes of May 10, 2007 were approved as written.

3. Update from GMA 12 consultants on Desired Future Conditions process and future activities

James Beach with LBG Guyton gave a presentation on the History of Groundwater Management in Texas. John Seifert with the Brazos Valley GCD, gave a presentation of the Estimated Groundwater Use in GMA 12. Steve Young with URS gave a presentation on Predicted Changes in Groundwater Levels In GMA 12. Public Comment was heard from Ridge Kaiser with R.W. Hardin & Associates concerning why the data starts in 2000 instead of going back to the origin of the water budget. James Beach, John Seifert and Steve Young presented direction for this starting point. Public comment was also heard from Bob Kier. Public Comment was heard from Cindy Ridgeway concerning base runs – vs- known value. Public comment was heard from Laura Marbury concerning the drain package. Comment was heard from Steve Young with URS, stating that we did use the drain package, but this information was not included in the presentation.

4. DFC update from GCD's in GMA 12

a. Brazos Valley GCD

Bill Riley stated that today's information would be a guide in the DFC Process

b. Fayette County GCD

David VanDresar stated that today's information would also be a guide in their DFC process

c. Lost Pines GCD

Joe Copper stated that he will use today's information in developing DFC's, and in their permit process.

d. Mid-East Texas GCD

Robert Keir stated that Matt Ulimona had just been hired and that he would use his feedback for the DFC process

e. Post Oak Savannah GCD

Gary Westbrook stated that today's information and the information at next weeks stakeholder meeting will help in their DFC process

5. Report from GMA 13 Liaison to GMA 12

No Report was given

6. Plans for setting Desired Future Conditions of the Aquifers in GMA 12

David Van Dresar asked what the lag time for the model run was. Cindy Ridgeway answered that the lag time was 3 to 4 months. Bill Riley stated that we are in the process now for setting Desired Future Conditions.

7. Request for Stakeholder Comment

Stakeholder comments were heard along with comments for the District's. Public comment was heard from Ridge Kaiser stating his confusion on what we are commenting on and wanted to know if GMA Consultants can share information with himself and others. All members of the GMA agreed that the GMA & consultants could share information with Mr. Kaiser and others.

8. Discuss Agenda items for next meeting

No discussion was held

9. Set date, time, and place of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting will be October 30, 2008 at the Community Center in Milano, Texas at 10:00 a.m.

10. Public Comment

Steve Box with Environmental Stewardship expressed concern over the Regional Water Planning Group (RWPG) not having information in time for the next planning cycle and requested more attention be given to spring flow models and will request model to consider base flows to rivers. Bob Kier stated that we were already past the RWPG deadline and that the model would not match the actual flows to streams. Steve Box responded with "we need a canary in the cage" as we go forward. Lynn Marbury asked if we can at least use the model to gauge a percent change in Stream flow. Cindy Ridgeway with the TWDB stated that the model is regional and is based on annual averages and that time and scale problems with stream flow interact on calculations. Steve Box stated that we can use current springs and volumes as an indicator in the model to increase accuracy. Cindy Ridgeway stated that very few springs have been monitored over a long period of time to be able to use to calibrate the model package.

11. Closing Comments

Ridge Kaiser gave a thanks to all groundwater Conservation Districts and stated that this process requires co-operation and will only fail with added pressure if the process is not allowed to develop.

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

THE ABOVE IS THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA 12 HELD ON AUGUST 28, 2008

Nathan Ausley, Presiding Officer