

PUBLIC HEARING – RULE CHANGES

Panola County Groundwater Conservation District

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Public Hearing on District Rule Amendments

Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 5:30 pm

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| BOBBIE DAVIS COUNTY CLERK, PANOLA COUNTY, TEXAS |
| BY <u>simcdonald</u> DEPUTY |

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA – RULE CHANGES

1. Call to order.
2. Public Hearing for District Rule Amendments:
 - a. Rule 3.3 (e) update wording changing “minor” to “major” to reflect wording in Civil Penalty Schedule
 - b. Rule 9.2 (c) update due date of plugging reports to the District to 30 days.
 - c. Rule 3.5 – Adds subsection (a)(6) to include an exemption for temporary use wells used to supply water for a rig actively engaged in drilling a groundwater production well.
 - d. Rule 10.1 – Adds subsection (d)(3) to establish that continuance of a hearing cannot exceed 180 days.; Renumbers accordingly.
 - e. Rule 10.2 – Adds subsection (h) to provide a process to petition the District to adopt or modify rules as required by HB 2443.
 - f. Rule 10.5 – Adds language to subsection (g) to preserve the District's right to remand an Administrative Law Judge’s proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law amidst changes to the decision process made by HB 1971.
 - g. Rule 10.5 – Adds subsections (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l) to add language complying with the timelines established by HB 1971 for the Board to issue a final decision in a contested case hearing on an application for a groundwater permit.
 - h. Rule 10.10 – Adds subsection (f) to provide that the Board shall consolidate requests for rehearing pursuant to HB 1971.
 - i. Rule 14.1 – Amends subsection (a) to provide notice of allowed 20 cent maximum rate; Adds subsection (b) to provide notice of automatic annual increase; Adds subsection (c) to specify how revenue from increased fees may be spent.
3. Adjourn

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At any time during the meeting and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gift (§551.073); personnel matters (§551.074); and deliberation regarding security devices (§551.076). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.

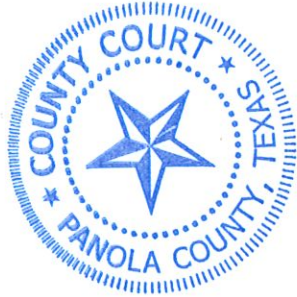
Certification

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that on August 2, 2023, at or before 5:00 p.m., our office posted and filed a notice of meeting with the Panola County Clerk's Office, and also posted a copy near the front door of the Panola County GCD office in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public all times and that it will remain so posted continuously for at least 20 days preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.



Teresa Griffin, General Manager
Panola County Groundwater Conservation District

WITNESS THE HAND AND SEAL OF THE UNDERSIGNED CLERK ON THIS THE
2nd DAY OF AUGUST, 2023 AT 11:58 O'CLOCK A.M. P.M.



BOBBIE DAVIS COUNTY CLERK
PANOLA COUNTY, TEXAS

BY Jackie McDonald DEPUTY