

**CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PUBLIC HEARING AND BOARD MEETING**

May 5, 2008

6:00 p.m.

**Main Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Burnet County Courthouse
220 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas**

AGENDA

The following items of business will be discussed, considered, and potentially acted upon by the Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District (CTGCD): (see footnote 1)

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED DISTRICT RULES

Call hearing to order and establish a quorum.

1. Reconvene the public hearing on Proposed District Rules. This is a continuation of the public hearing convened on April 7, 2008, on the Proposed District Rules. The proposed rules: require the registration of water wells with the CTGCD; require persons to obtain permit(s) or permit amendments from the CTGCD before drilling, operating, completing, equipping, or altering certain wells; impose well spacing requirements between wells and from property lines; impose limits on the amount of water that can be produced from a well annually; grandfather the location and production of certain existing wells and give them preferential treatment over future wells, subject to certain restrictions; require owners of certain existing wells to establish proof of the maximum amount of water used historically in a calendar year; establish permitting procedures; establish penalties for violations of the rules, including civil monetary penalties not to exceed \$10,000 per day per violation; require certain well owners to obtain and install meters for their wells and report annual groundwater production amounts to the CTGCD; establish certain fees, including fees and other regulations for producing water from wells located in Burnet County and transporting the water for use outside of Burnet County; establish permitting and reporting requirements for the use of groundwater by rock quarries and other aggregate quarries; establish differing regulations for different aquifers or areas of Burnet County, including authorizing the establishment and enforcement of caps on the total amount of groundwater that may be produced annually from an aquifer or area; require the submission of certain reports and well logs to the CTGCD; authorize the inspection of wells by the CTGCD and the prohibition of open, uncovered, abandoned, or deteriorated wells; prohibit waste of groundwater; and provide for the regulation of water wells to prevent unreasonable affects on surrounding landowners..
2. Receive public comments on Proposed District Rules.
3. Discuss future consideration and/or action on Proposed District Rules.

4. Adjourn, recess, or continue rulemaking public hearing; written record may be left open for a limited time.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Call meeting to order and establish a quorum.

1. Consider and/or action on Consent Agenda
 - a. Minutes of Board Meeting held April 7, 2008 and Special Board Meeting held April 18, 2008.
 - b. Expenditures for April 2008.
 - c. 2007 – 2008 Budget and funds held account.
2. Groundwater Management Area 8 update.
3. Consider and/or act on the following Monitoring Well Agreements
 - a. City of Bertram and Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District,
 - b. City of Burnet and Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District,
 - c. Burnet County and Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District, and
 - d. City of Granite Shoals and Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District,
4. Manager's Report. (See Footnote 3)
5. Director's comments. (See Footnote 3)
6. Identify agenda items for next Board Meeting.
7. Set next meeting date.
8. Adjournment.

The Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Reasonable accommodations and equal opportunity for effective communications will be provided upon request. Please contact the District office at 512-756-4900 at least 24 hours in advance if accommodation is needed.

Footnotes:

1. 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 Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (~55 1.071); deliberation regarding real property (~55 1.072); deliberation regarding prospective gift (~55 1.073); personnel matters (~55 1.074); and deliberation regarding security devices (~551.076), Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during any open meeting.
2. Citizens who desire to address the Board on any matter may sign up to do so prior to the meeting. Public comments will be received during this portion of the meeting. Please limit comments to 3 minutes. No discussion or final action will be taken by the Board.

3. Comments will include activities and issues pertinent to the organization of the District and management of groundwater within the District, including, but not limited to, current events in the District involving groundwater, wells, and state or regional developments related to water management.

Certification: I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that on May 1, 2008 at or before 5:00 p.m., I posted and filed the above notice of meeting with the Burnet County Clerk's office and posted a copy in the hallway of the Burnet County Courthouse in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times. I also certify that a copy of the notice was posted on the door and on an outside window of the District office and that they will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

Richard S. Bowers, General Manager
Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District