

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

Notice is given that a **Regular Meeting and Work Session** of the Board of Directors of the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District will be held in the District office, 1124 Regal Row, Austin, TX, on **Thursday, February 27, 2014**, commencing at **6:00 p.m.** for the following purposes, which may be taken in any order at the discretion of the Board:

Note: The Board of Directors of the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed on this agenda, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Sections §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), 551.087 (Economic Development) 418.183 (Homeland Security). No final action or decision will be made in Executive Session.

1. **Call to Order.**
2. **Citizen Communications (Public Comments of a General Nature).**
3. **Work Session.**

The Board will hold a Work Session to review Chapters 5-11 of the review draft of the District's Regional Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP).

4. **Routine Business.**

a. Consent Agenda. *(Note: These items may be considered and approved as one motion. Directors or citizens may request any consent item be removed from the consent agenda, for consideration and possible approval as a separate item of Regular Business on this agenda.)*

1. Approval of Financial Reports under the Public Funds Investment Act, Directors' Compensation Claims, and Specified Expenditures greater than \$5,000. **NBU**
2. Approval of minutes of the Board's February 13, 2014, Work Session and Regular Meeting. **Not for public review at this time**

b. General Manager's Report. *(Note: Topics discussed in the General Manager's Report are intended for general administrative and operational information-transfer purposes. The Directors will not take any action unless the topic is specifically listed elsewhere in this agenda.)*

1. **Standing Topics.**

- i. Personnel matters and utilization
- ii. Upcoming public events of possible interest
- iii. Aquifer conditions and status of drought indicators

2. Special Topics. *(Note: Individual topics listed below may be discussed by the Board in this meeting, but no action will be taken unless a topic is specifically posted elsewhere in this agenda as an item for possible action. A Director may request an individual topic that is presented only under this agenda item be placed on the posted agenda of some future meeting for Board discussion and possible action.)*

- i. Update on Team activities and highlights
- ii. Update on regulatory and enforcement activities
- iii. Update on efforts to characterize the saline zone of the Edwards Aquifer
- iv. Update on the progress of area roadway projects

c. Directors' Reports. *(Note: Directors' comments under this item cannot address an agenda item posted elsewhere on this agenda and no substantive discussion among the Board Members or action will be allowed in this meeting. Communications reported under this item may be used to support Performance Standard 4-1 of the District's Management Plan related to demonstration of effective communication with District constituents.)*

Directors may report on their involvement in activities and dialogue that are of likely interest to the Board, in one or more of the following topical areas:

- Meetings and conferences attended or that will be attended
- Conversations with public officials, permittees, stakeholders, and other constituents
- Recognition of people doing good things for groundwater management in the District
- Issues or problems of concern

5. Discussion and Possible Action.

- a. Discussion and possible action related to approval of the District's review draft of the HCP, direction to submit to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Austin and the Management Advisory Committee for review and comment, and setting public meetings on the HCP. **NBU**
- b. Discussion and possible action related to funding of the next round of joint-groundwater planning in GMA 10. **Pg. 59**

6. Adjournment.

Came to hand and posted on a Bulletin Board in the Courthouse, Travis County, Texas, on this, the _____ day of February, 2014, at _____ .m.

_____, Deputy Clerk

Travis County, TEXAS

Please note: This agenda and available related documentation have been posted on our website, www.bseacd.org. If you have a special interest in a particular item on this agenda and would like any additional documentation that may be developed for Board consideration, please let staff know at least 24 hours in advance of the Board Meeting so that we can have those copies made for you.

The Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer 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 512-282-8441 at least 24 hours in advance if accommodation is needed.

Item 1

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Item 2

Citizen Communications

Item 3

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Item 4

Routine Business

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Routine Business

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1. Standing Topics.

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- ii. Upcoming public events of possible interest;**
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Individual Board Members may, on a voluntary basis, make a brief report to the entire Board on their personal involvement in activities and dialogue that are of likely interest to the rest of the Board, in one or more of the following topical areas:

- **Meetings and conferences attended or that will be attended;**
- **Conversations with public officials, permittees, other stakeholders, and private citizens;**
- **Kudos and recognition of people doing good things for groundwater management in the District;**
- **Concerns about specific issues or problems for groundwater management in the District.**

Item 5

Board discussions and possible actions

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Item 5

Board discussions and possible actions

b. Discussion and possible action related to funding of the next round of joint-groundwater planning in GMA 10.

GMA 10 - Explanatory Report Funding Matrix

Aquifer	Desired Future Condition (DFC)	GCDs	Cost Share	Estimated Cost*	FY Work Completed
Northern Fresh Edwards	Min. drought springflow	BSEACD	½ (50%)	\$6,000	FY15
		EAA	¼ (25%)	\$3,000	
		PCCD	¼ (25%)	\$3,000	
	Maintain avg. springflow	BSEACD	½ (50%)	\$6,000	FY15
		EAA	¼ (25%)	\$3,000	
		PCCD	¼ (25%)	\$3,000	
Northern Saline Edwards	Max. drawdown at interface	BSEACD	½ (50%)	\$6,000	FY14
		EAA	¼ (25%)	\$3,000	
		PCCD	¼ (25%)	\$3,000	
Western Fresh Edwards	Maintain water level elevation	EAA	½ (50%)	\$6,000	FY15
		KCGCD	½ (50%)	\$6,000	
Trinity Aquifer (undifferentiated)	Max. drawdown	All GCDs	1/6 (16.66%) /GCD	\$3,000/ GCD**	FY15
Leona Gravel	Zero drawdown	UCUWCD	100%	\$12,000	FY14
Austin Chalk	Zero drawdown	UCUWCD	100%	\$12,000	FY15
Buda	Zero drawdown	UCUWCD	100%	\$12,000	FY15

* based on assumption on consultant's estimated cost of ~\$12,000 per chapter in explanatory report.

** based on estimated cost of \$18,000 to reflect potential for greater level of effort and associated cost.

Total Cost Estimate per GCD per Fiscal Year

Groundwater Conservation District	Cost Estimate			
	FY14	FY15	Totals	%Total
Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer CD	\$6,000	\$15,000	\$21,000.00	21%
Edwards Aquifer Authority	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$18,000.00	18%
Kinney County GCD	\$0	\$9,000	\$9,000.00	9%
Medina County GCD	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000.00	3%
Plum Creek CD	\$3,000	\$9,000	\$12,000.00	12%
Uvalde County UWCD	\$12,000	\$27,000	\$39,000.00	38%
Totals	\$24,000.00	\$78,000.00	\$102,000.00	100%

Item 6

Adjournment