



**Barton Springs
Edwards Aquifer**
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Franklin Resigns as Director of Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District; District Solicits Interest in Filling the Precinct 2 Vacancy

Board President Gary Franklin submitted his letter of resignation from the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District Board of Directors earlier this month. Mr. Franklin has accepted a new position of employment and has opted to resign from the Board, effective immediately, to avoid any perception of a conflict of interest. Mr. Franklin has served on the Board as Precinct 2 Director since May 2006. He brought water quality expertise, karst and caving experience, and a deep caring for the District environment and residents. He will be missed. At the April 10 Board meeting, the Board of Directors honored Mr. Franklin's years of service and contributions to the effective management of the shared groundwater resources in the area.

The Board of Directors voted to seek candidates to serve as an interim Director for Precinct 2 for the unexpired term until the general election in November 2014. Precinct 2 includes Shady Hollow, Leisurewoods, Manchaca, the Village of San Leanna, and portions of Buda. Generally, Precinct 2 extends west to east from MoPac to I-35 and from south of Slaughter Lane to just north of Buda. A map of Precinct 2 is available on the District's website at www.bseacd.org/publications/maps. To be considered, potential candidates must submit a letter of interest with a summary of qualifications to the District by May 9, 2014. The letter shall be addressed to:

BSEACD
Attn: General Manager
1124 Regal Row
Austin, TX 78748

Prospective Directors must be willing and able to make the time commitment required to participate effectively in Board functions as a public servant and must have a voting residency within Precinct 2. If the Board chooses to fill the vacancy, the other four Board members will evaluate candidates for this position and appoint the one that best meets the needs of the precinct and the District to serve out the remaining term of the former Director. District Directors, as public officials, are instrumental in setting and enforcing policy that effectively protects, conserves, and manages groundwater resources within the District and are paid an honorarium for their service, on the basis of the number of meetings of various types.

More information can be found at: www.bseacd.org/about-us/board/ or by contacting the General Manager by phone at 512-282-8441 or by email at bseacd@bseacd.org.

BSEACD is a groundwater conservation district charged by the Texas Legislature to preserve, conserve, and protect the aquifers and groundwater resources within its jurisdiction, which includes parts of three Central Texas counties. It is governed by a Board of five elected directors and staffed with hydrogeologists, groundwater regulatory compliance specialists, environmental educators, geospatial systems specialists, and administrative support personnel.