

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

Notice is given that a **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Directors of the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District will be held at the **District office**, located at 1124 Regal Row, Austin, Texas, on **Thursday, January 26, 2017**, 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 meet in 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. **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.
 2. Approval of minutes of the Board's January 12, 2017 regular Meeting.
 - 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 highlights
 - ii. Update on activities related to area roadway projects

- iii. Update on the Dripping Springs TPDES permit application
- iv. Update on the HCP/ITP application and the associated draft EIS
- v. Update on Board Committee activity

4. Discussion and Possible Action.

- a. Discussion and possible action relating to procedural matters on the permit application for conversion of a Temporary Production Permit to a Regular Historical Production Permit (Application) of Needmore Water LLC to authorize withdrawal of an annual permitted volume of approximately 289,080,000 gallons per year of groundwater from the Trinity Aquifer for agricultural use. The Board will consider the following:
 - i. Requests that contested case hearing be conducted by and referral to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH);
 - ii. Deposit for and approval of contract with SOAH to conduct hearings;
 - iii. Matters to be included in any referral to SOAH, including hearing location and cost allocations;
 - iv. Alternatives to SOAH hearing;
 - v. Date, time, location and who will conduct the preliminary hearing;
 - vi. Designation of presiding officer;
 - vii. Selection of special counsel; and,
 - viii. Other matters necessary to conduct future hearings(s) in connection with the Application.

Note: At this meeting, the Board of Directors will not conduct a hearing, determine party status, nor decide whether to grant or deny, in whole or part, the Application. The Board will consider the procedural steps identified above that relate to how, when and where the future hearings will be conducted. Adequate notice of the future hearings will be provided.

- b. Discussion and possible action related to activities in the 85th Legislative session of interest to the District.
- c. Discussion and possible action related to approval of a water pipeline easement from the District to the Hays Caldwell Public Utility Agency.

5. 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;
- Committee formation and updates;
- Conversations with public officials, permittees, stakeholders, and other constituents;
- Commendations; and
- Issues or problems of concern.

6. Adjournment.

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_____, 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.