



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING OF THE
BARTON SPRINGS EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Thursday, March 10, 2022

5:00 PM

IN-PERSON

Notice is given that a **Regular Meeting and Public Hearing** of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District will be held on **Thursday, March 10, 2022** commencing at **5:00 p.m.** at the **District office, located at 1124 Regal Row, Austin, Texas**. This meeting will be audio recorded and the recording will be available on the District's website after the meeting.

Public Comments at the Board Meeting – Please complete a comment card prior to the start of the meeting. Each registered person will be recognized and identified by the Presiding Officer or staff moderating the communications when it is their turn to speak. **Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per person.**

AGENDA

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. 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.)*
 - a. Approval of Financial Reports under the Public Funds Investment Act, Directors' Compensation Claims, and Specified Expenditures greater than \$5,000. **Pg. 4**
 - b. Approval of minutes of the Board's February 10, 2022 Regular Meeting. **Not for public review at this time**
 - c. Approval of designating Tim Loftus as the General Assembly Representative to the Capital Area of Council of Governments. **Pg. 26**

- d. Approval of adding Tim Loftus as a signatory to the District bank accounts and removing the past General Manager and Directors. **Pg. 27**

4. General Manager's Report. Discussion and possible action. Topics

- a. Review of Status Report and update on team activities/projects. **Pg. 43**
- b. Aquifer status update.
- c. Update on District/Hill Country development-related activities.
- d. Upcoming events of possible interest.

5. Public Hearing.

Public Hearing to receive comments on proposed plan for redistricting the Director precincts.

6. Discussion and Possible Action.

- a. Discussion and possible action related to proposed redistricting plan for director precincts, any amendments, if necessary, to finalize the proposed plan for adoption and possible adoption by resolution. **Pg. 46**
- b. Discussion and possible action related to a Report of Investigation, Notice of Alleged Violation, and Draft Agreed Order for initiation and resolving enforcement proceedings concerning Aqua Texas -Bliss Spillar noncompliance with its permit and District Drought Rules. **NBU**
- c. Discussion and possible action related to proposed modifications to the Employee Policy Manual. **Pg. 60**
- d. Discussion and possible action related to the TCEQ Sunset Review process. **Pg. 63**

7. Staff Presentation: "Trinity Aquifer Sustainable Yield Study: State of the Science and Near-term Timeline" Dr. Brian Smith, Principal Hydrogeologist. NBU

8. Director Reports.

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

9. Adjournment.

Please note: This agenda and available related documentation, if any, have been posted on the District 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.

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Financial Reports –February 2022

March 10, 2022 Board Meeting

1. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual

September 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022

2. Profit and Loss Previous Year Comparison

September 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022

3. Balance Sheet Previous Year Comparison

As of February 2022 (compared to February 2021)

4. Check Register – TRUIST Bank Account

February 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022

1. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual

September 1, 2021 - February 28, 2022

BARTON SPRINGS EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PROFIT AND LOSS - BUDGET VS ACTUAL

September 1, 2021 - February 28, 2022

	Sept 1, 2021 - Feb 28, 2022	Budget	% of Budget	Notes
INCOME				
4400.0 · Interest Income	244.87	1,000.00	24.49%	February not yet posted
4625.0 · MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	1,056.30	0.00	100.0%	Includes TML Payroll Audit refund
4800.0 · USAGE AND PRODUCTION FEES	1,096,696.02	1,527,582.00	71.79%	
4810.0 · OTHER FEES	8,211.00	12,300.00	66.76%	Well development, applications, pluggings
TOTAL INCOME	1,106,208.19	1,540,882.00	71.79%	
EXPENSE				
6000.0 · UTILITIES	9,081.72	22,000.00	41.28%	Electric, water, well telemetry, phone, and internet
6005.0 · Print/Copy/Photo Services	608.08	2,000.00	30.4%	
6007.0 · Postage/Freight/Shipping	626.57	2,500.00	25.06%	
6010.0 · Office Supplies	2,641.57	6,000.00	44.03%	
6010.2 · Office Furniture	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%	
6011.0 · Comp Hardware-Plotter Supplies	4,071.24	6,000.00	67.85%	Two older desktops required replacement
6014.0 · Software Acquisition & Upgrades	1,116.37	6,000.00	18.61%	
6015.0 · IT Monthly Maintenance	8,667.50	19,140.00	45.29%	
6016.0 · Meeting Expense	875.00	2,000.00	43.75%	
6019.0 · Subscriptions/Publications	1,007.37	4,200.00	23.99%	
6020.0 · Advertising	1,760.43	4,000.00	44.01%	
6021.0 · MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	246.34	0.00	100.0%	
6022.0 · Accounting System Operation	1,854.35	6,600.00	28.1%	Includes Jourmyx timekeeping software
6023.0 · MAINTENANCE	6,211.91	20,400.00	30.45%	Office and Auto
6025.4 · Facilities Repairs	2,859.80	5,000.00	57.2%	Septic system repair
6040.0 · LEASES	4,844.70	10,650.00	45.49%	Copier and postage machine
6065.0 · DIRECTOR EXPENSES	0.00	2,500.00	0.0%	
6066.0 · Directors Compensation	8,000.00	25,000.00	32.0%	

	Sept 1, 2021 - Feb 28, 2022	Budget	% of Budget	Notes
6075.0 · DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	3,562.63	6,100.00	58.4%	
6080.0 · COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH	1,270.00	19,011.00	6.68%	
6081.0 · REGULATORY COMPLIANCE	2,347.22	21,000.00	11.18%	
6084.92 · GENERAL MANAGEMENT	3,889.01	34,523.00	11.27%	
6089.0 · AQUIFER SCIENCE	6,117.59	34,800.00	17.58%	
6090.0 · Conservation Credits	0.00	20,184.00	0.0%	
6100.0 · INSURANCE - DISTRICT	2,811.04	7,047.00	39.89%	Property, Liability, Auto, E&O
6150.0 · INSURANCE - GROUP	56,550.75	173,900.00	32.52%	Employee Health, Dental, Life, Vision
6160.0 · LEGAL SERVICES	28,858.50	85,000.00	33.95%	General Matters
6170.0 · PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	32,458.35	106,150.00	30.58%	Audit, retirement services, and five other items
6179.0 · LEGISLATION	5,000.00	12,000.00	41.67%	Legislature currently not in session
6180.0 · PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	3,039.48	19,000.00	16.0%	
6199.0 · SALARIES AND WAGES	385,915.27	951,668.00	40.55%	
6203.0 · TAXES & BENEFITS	53,553.93	133,527.00	40.11%	
6690.0 · Reconciliation - VISA card pre-pay	50.00	0.00	100.0%	
6800.0 · PROJECTS	0.00	83,000.00	0.0%	Jacobs Well project expenses to be posted here soon
TOTAL EXPENSE	639,896.72	1,852,400.00	34.54%	
NET ORDINARY INCOME	466,311.47	-311,518.00	-149.69%	Negative effect (shortfall) to budget before accounting for the transfers to balance the budget, shown below.
OTHER INCOME				
9000.00 · Transfer from Reserves	0.00	311,868.00	0.0%	\$175,000 from Cash Flow Reserve; \$3361 scholarship donations; \$83,000 Jacobs Well project; \$50,507 from General.
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	0.00	311,868.00	0.0%	
NET INCOME	466,311.47	350.00		This is the difference between the negative amount in Net Ordinary Income before the transfers in from other accounts,

2. Profit and Loss - Previous Year Comparison

September 1, 2021 - February 28, 2022

**BARTON SPRINGS EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PROFIT AND LOSS - PREVIOUS YEAR COMPARISON
September 1, 2021 - February 28, 2022**

	Sept 1, 2021 - Feb 28, 2022	Sept 1, 2020 - Feb 28, 2021	\$ Change	% Change
INCOME				
4400.0 · Interest Income (February not yet posted)	244.87	768.44	-523.57	-68.13%
4625.0 · MISCELLANEOUS INCOME (includes TML Payroll Audit refunds)	1,056.30	557.95	498.35	89.32%
4800.0 · USAGE AND PRODUCTION FEES 1	1,096,696.02	1,253,863.76	-157,167.74	-12.54%
4810.0 · OTHER FEES (we'll development, applications, pluggings)	8,211.00	8,803.43	-592.43	-6.73%
TOTAL INCOME	1,106,208.19	1,263,993.58	-157,785.39	-12.48%
EXPENSE				
6000.0 · UTILITIES	9,081.72	8,923.65	158.07	1.77%
6005.0 · Print/Copy/Photo Services	608.08	390.24	217.84	55.82%
6007.0 · Postage/Freight/Shipping	626.57	765.92	-139.35	-18.19%
6010.0 · Office Supplies	2,641.57	1,236.10	1,405.47	113.7%
6011.0 · Comp Hardware-Plotter Supplies (replaced two 7-yr old desktops)	4,071.24	1,256.87	2,814.37	223.92%
6014.0 · Software Acquisition & Upgrades	1,116.37	2,240.62	-1,124.25	-50.18%
6015.0 · IT Monthly Maintenance (contract increased between the two years)	8,667.50	6,000.00	2,667.50	44.46%
6016.0 · Meeting Expense	875.00	502.67	372.33	74.07%
6019.0 · Subscriptions/Publications	1,007.37	359.88	647.49	179.92%
6020.0 · Advertising (Required Public Hearing Notices -Aqua TX and Redistricting)	1,760.43	435.50	1,324.93	304.23%
6021.0 · MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	246.34	1,550.35	-1,304.01	-84.11%
6022.0 · Accounting System Operation (includes Jourmyx timekeeping software)	1,854.35	1,890.40	-36.05	-1.91%
6023.0 · MAINTENANCE (Office and Auto)	6,211.91	5,177.65	1,034.26	19.98%
6025.4 · Facilities Repairs (includes septic repair expense)	2,859.80	920.00	1,939.80	210.85%
6040.0 · LEASES (Copier and Postage Machine)	4,844.70	4,587.97	256.73	5.6%
6065.0 · DIRECTOR EXPENSES	0.00	-411.23	411.23	100.0%
6066.0 · Directors Compensation	8,000.00	9,550.00	-1,550.00	-16.23%
6075.0 · DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	3,562.63	3,948.12	-385.49	-9.76%
6080.0 · COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH	1,270.00	914.51	355.49	38.87%
6081.0 · REGULATORY COMPLIANCE	2,347.22	925.00	1,422.22	153.75%
6084.92 · GENERAL MANAGEMENT	3,889.01	773.85	3,115.16	402.55%

	Sept 1, 2021 - Feb 28, 2022	Sept 1, 2020 - Feb 28, 2021	\$ Change	% Change
6089.0 · AQUIFER SCIENCE	6,117.59	10,086.56	-3,968.97	-39.35%
6100.0 · INSURANCE - DISTRICT (Property, Liability, Auto, E&O)	2,811.04	3,086.26	-275.22	-8.92%
6150.0 · INSURANCE - GROUP (Employee Health, Dental, Life, Vision)	56,550.75	64,918.63	-8,367.88	-12.89%
6160.0 · LEGAL SERVICES (General Services)	28,858.50	64,489.45	-35,630.95	-55.25%
6170.0 · PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (difference is the election expense in 2021)	32,458.35	119,285.58	-86,827.23	-72.79%
6179.0 · LEGISLATION (out of session)	5,000.00	14,000.00	-9,000.00	-64.29%
6180.0 · PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (Conference attendance now available)	3,039.48	383.78	2,655.70	691.99%
6199.0 · SALARIES AND WAGES	385,915.27	408,900.53	-22,985.26	-5.62%
6203.0 · TAXES & BENEFITS	53,553.93	55,564.06	-2,010.13	-3.62%
6690.0 · Reconciliation - VISA Card pre-pay	50.00	0.00	50.00	100.0%
TOTAL EXPENSE	639,896.72	792,652.92	-152,756.20	-19.27%
NET INCOME	466,311.47	470,356.28	-4,044.81	-0.86%

1 As mentioned in previous board meeting, the difference is attributed to the decreased CoA fees in 2022, and the higher conservation credits in 2022

CAPITALIZATION INDICATES ACCOUNTS THAT HAVE SUB-CATEGORIES. This is a collapsed view.

3. Balance Sheet - Previous Year Comparison

As of February 2022
(compared to February 2022)

**BARTON SPRINGS EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET - PREVIOUS YEAR COMPARISON**

As of February 28, 2022

	February 28, 2022	February 28, 2021	\$ Change	% Change
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Checking/Savings				
1000.0 · Cash in Bank-Checking Trust	66,887.73	75,725.76	-8,838.03	-11.67%
1010.0 · Cash in Bank - Payroll Trust	4,825.51	7,190.78	-2,365.27	-32.89%
1030.0 · TexPool Funds - General				
1030.1 · Aquifer Protection Reserve	52,050.00	52,050.00	0.00	0.0%
1030.2 · Deposits Held (EP SOAH deposit has been refunded)	0.00	54,575.62	-54,575.62	-100.0%
1030.21 · Cash Flow Reserve (approved reduction used for operational budget)	175,000.00	350,000.00	-175,000.00	-50.0%
1030.3 · Hays Co/HTGCD Jacobs Well (funds are now in operational budget)	0.00	83,000.00	-83,000.00	-100.0%
1030.0 · TexPool Funds - General - Operational	776,967.18	268,159.72	508,807.46	189.74%
Total 1030.0 · TexPool Funds - General	1,004,017.18	807,785.34	196,231.84	24.29%
1040.0 · TexPool Funds - Contingency	504,845.31	504,729.50	115.81	0.02%
1045.0 · TexPool Funds - Reserve (Benefits Payable)	61,069.17	61,055.14	14.03	0.02%
Total Checking/Savings	1,641,644.90	1,456,486.52	185,158.38	12.71%
Accounts Receivable				
1200.0 · Accounts Receivable (balance of invoices not yet received, includes Co/AWU for \$200,727)	270,544.76	334,273.43	-63,728.67	-19.07%
Total Accounts Receivable	270,544.76	334,273.43	-63,728.67	-19.07%
Other Current Assets				
1100.0 · Petty Cash	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.0%
1300.0 · Pre-paid Expenses	9,423.45	7,768.96	1,654.49	21.3%
1499.0 · Undeposited Funds-A/R payments (received, posted, but not yet deposited)	0.00	9,055.15	-9,055.15	-100.0%
Total Other Current Assets	9,723.45	17,124.11	-7,400.66	-43.22%
Total Current Assets	1,921,913.11	1,807,884.06	114,029.05	6.31%

	February 28, 2022	February 28, 2021	\$ Change	% Change
Fixed Assets				
1400.0 · Field Equipment	376,487.89	376,487.89	0.00	0.0%
1410.0 · Office Equipment & Furniture	19,722.90	19,722.90	0.00	0.0%
1410.1 · Computer Hardware & Software	19,329.69	19,329.69	0.00	0.0%
1420.0 · Vehicles	52,363.03	52,363.03	0.00	0.0%
1430.0 · Accumulated Depreciation	-608,852.24	-608,852.24	0.00	0.0%
1440.0 · Land (Antioch Cave)	165,415.00	165,415.00	0.00	0.0%
1445.0 · Office Building	268,588.04	268,588.04	0.00	0.0%
Total Fixed Assets	293,054.31	293,054.31	0.00	0.0%
Other Assets				
1500.0 · Organizational Costs	300,783.26	300,783.26	0.00	0.0%
1510.0 · Accumulated Amortization	-326,324.26	-326,324.26	0.00	0.0%
1600.0 · Deposits Paid (Utilities)	71.00	71.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Other Assets	-25,470.00	-25,470.00	0.00	0.0%
TOTAL ASSETS	2,189,497.42	2,075,468.37	114,029.05	5.49%

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

2010.0 · Rebates Payable - Conservation Credits (updated with FY 2022 credits)	44,741.10	20,183.63	24,557.47	121.67%
2100.0 · Deferred Revenue	75,741.00	75,741.00	0.00	0.0%
2110.0 · Direct Deposit Liabilities	1,035.01	1,035.00	0.01	0.0%
2220.0 · Federal Income Tax Withheld	-1,035.01	-1,035.01	0.00	0.0%
2230.0 · Employer Fica & Med Payable	-139.25	-139.25	0.00	0.0%
2250.0 · TWC Unemployment Tax Payable	2,514.34	2,696.66	-182.32	-6.76%
2270.0 · Payroll Liabilities	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.0%
2300.0 · Accrued Vacation Payable	54,548.04	50,256.07	4,291.97	8.54%
Total Other Current Liabilities	177,405.32	148,738.19	28,667.13	19.27%

	February 28, 2022	February 28, 2021	\$ Change	% Change
Total Current Liabilities	177,405.32	148,738.19	28,667.13	19.27%
Total Liabilities	177,405.32	148,738.19	28,667.13	19.27%
Equity				
3000.0 · Fund Balance	1,180,353.37	1,090,946.64	89,406.73	8.2%
3000.3 · Invested in Capital Assets	365,127.26	365,127.26	0.00	0.0%
3110.0 · Reserve for Petty Cash	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.0%
Net Income	466,311.47	470,356.28	-4,044.81	-0.86%
Total Equity	2,012,092.10	1,926,730.18	85,361.92	4.43%
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	2,189,497.42	2,075,468.37	114,029.05	5.49%

4. Check Register

TRUIST BANK

February 1 – February 28, 2022

BARTON SPRINGS EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER

February 1, 2022 - February 28, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount	Balance
Liability Check	02/01/2022	EFT2012022	Reliance Trust Company	Retirement BS DCW GMT 12.1.21-1.24.2022	-266.12	58,183.43
Liability Check	02/01/2022	EFT20122	United States Treasury	74-2488641 Employee Payroll Taxes GMT BS DCW Final	-522.46	57,394.85
Check	02/01/2022	26198	Federales Electric Cooperative	Electricity Service 12/19/21 to 01/19/22	-404.76	56,990.09
Transfer	02/01/2022			Funds Transfer-Payroll	-20,000.00	36,990.09
Transfer	02/01/2022			Funds Transfer - replenish checking balance	40,000.00	76,990.09
Check	02/05/2022	26199	Integritek	Monthly IT, Phones and MS 365	-1,942.50	75,047.59
Check	02/05/2022	26200	Jan-Pro of Austin	Office Cleaning Service 2/1 to 2/28/2022	-270.00	74,777.59
Check	02/05/2022	26201	Time Warner Cable	Internet Service 1/30 to 2/28/2022	-226.16	74,551.43
Check	02/05/2022	26202	Waste Management of Texas, Inc.	Trash and Recycle Dumpster Service 2/1 to 2/28/2022	-446.32	74,105.11
Check	02/09/2022	26203	Bickerstaff	Legal Services 12/21/2021 to 01/15/2022	-7,671.00	66,434.11
Check	02/09/2022	26204	Pitney Bowes Global Financial	Postage Machine Lease 03/10/2022 to 06/09/2022	-264.90	66,169.21
Check	02/09/2022	26205	Michael Redman	Mileage Reimbursement - TAGD Business Meeting	-139.87	66,029.34
Liability Check	02/10/2022	EFT21022	United States Treasury	74-2488641 Employee Bi-weekly Payroll Taxes	-8,517.75	57,511.59
Liability Check	02/10/2022	EFT2102022	Reliance Trust Company	Employee Bi-weekly Retirement	-4,325.13	53,186.46
Deposit	02/10/2022			Deposit (Permittee Production Fees, and one LPP)	23,252.74	76,439.20
Check	02/10/2022	26206	CIT Technology Fin Serv, Inc	Copier Lease - February	-675.00	75,764.20
Check	02/10/2022	26207	City of Buda	Buda Trash Off Sponsorship	-250.00	75,514.20
Liability Check	02/11/2022	26208	AFLAC	February Employee-paid Premium	-107.30	75,406.90
Liability Check	02/11/2022	26209	United Healthcare	March Health Insurance Premium	-9,988.16	65,418.74
Check	02/11/2022	26210	Fidelity Security Life Insurance	March Gap Insurance Premium	-827.22	64,591.52
Liability Check	02/11/2022	26211	Sun Life Assurance	March Life/Dental/Vision/Disability Premium	-1,130.51	63,461.01
Check	02/11/2022	26212	Sledgelaw Group	January Legislative Consulting Services	-1,000.00	62,461.01
Check	02/11/2022	26213	Ready Refresh by Nestle	February Bottled Water Delivery	-67.95	62,393.06
Liability Check	02/15/2022	2152022	United States Treasury	74-2488641 Directors Compensation Liabilities	-153.00	62,240.06
Transfer	02/15/2022			Funds Transfer-Payroll	-22,000.00	40,240.06
Transfer	02/15/2022			Funds Transfer - replenish checking balance	40,000.00	80,240.06
Check	02/18/2022	26214	City of Austin	February Water Bill	-19.28	80,220.78

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount	Balance
Check	02/18/2022	26215	Mainstream Services, Inc.	Unclog sewer line	-284.00	79,936.78
Check	02/18/2022	26216	Sam's Club	Canteen - paper products	-306.35	79,630.43
Liability Check	02/24/2022	EFT2242022	United States Treasury	74-2488641 Bi-weekly Payroll Taxes	-8,517.79	71,112.64
Liability Check	02/24/2022	EFT02242022	Reliance Trust Company	Employee Bi-weekly Retirement	-4,325.13	66,787.51
Check	02/24/2022	26217	GateHouse Austin (Statesman)	Public Ad - Redistricting - Director Precinct Changes	-445.95	66,341.56
Check	02/24/2022	26218	Tammy Raymond	Employee Mileage - Meetings, Posting and Bank	-167.34	66,174.22
Deposit	02/24/2022			Deposit (Permittee Production Fees)	4,798.15	70,972.37
Check	02/25/2022	26219	BCRAGD	GMA-9 Explanatory Report (final invoice)	-3,356.65	67,615.72
Check	02/25/2022	26220	GateHouse Austin	Redistricting Public Hearing Ad in Spanish	-485.59	67,130.13
Check	02/25/2022	26221	San Marcos Daily Record	Redistricting Public Hearing ad in English and Spanish	-242.40	66,887.73
					<u>8,704.30</u>	<u>66,887.73</u>
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**APPOINTMENT FORM - GENERAL ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE
CAPITAL AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

The governing bodies of CAPCOG's members designate General Assembly representatives.

Counties: Official appointments are made at Commissioners Court.
Cities, Towns, Villages: Official appointments are made at City Council meetings.
Organizations: Official appointments are made by the Board or other governing body.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING SECTION

Governing Body:

_____ County Commissioners Court (e.g., Travis County Commissioners Court)

-OR-

_____ City Council (e.g., Austin City Council)

-OR-

BSEACD Other (Board or other governing body)

Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
City, County, or Organization being represented

Timothy T. Loftus PH.D.
Name of Representative

General Manager
Position

1124 Regal Row
Address

Austin, TX 78748
City, Zip Code

(512) 282-8441
Telephone Number

(512) 282-7016
Fax Number

TLOFTUS@BSEACD.ORG
Email address (General Assembly Reps. will be subscribed to the CAPCOG Connections, Training, & Data Points email lists)

Check One:

_____ Reappointment

_____ Filling Vacancy

Changing Representative

VANESSA ESCOBAR
Name of Previous Representative

I confirm our governing body appointed the above individual to serve as a CAPCOG General Assembly Representative for the above entity on March 10, 2022
Date of Meeting

Signature of Chief Elected Official/Chair of Governing Board

Date

Please fax this form to 512-916-6001 or email to dbrea@capcog.org. For questions about completing this form, call Deborah Brea at 512-916-6018

STATE OF TEXAS

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RESOLUTION #03102022-01

COUNTIES OF TRAVIS

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BARTON SPRINGS/EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Banking Authorization for TRUIST Bank Accounts

WHEREAS, the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District (the District) hereby resolves to amend the signature card on file for the TRUIST financial institution in which the District conducts business;

WHEREAS, the District desires to allow any one of the authorized signatories to sign checks from the TRUIST checking account consistent with internal financial procedures and controls;

WHEREAS, the District desires to maintain the status for the requirement of two signatures necessary for cash/check withdrawals in excess of \$500.00 from the two TRUIST checking accounts;

WHEREAS, Vanessa Escobar resigned as the District General Manager and should be removed from having signature authority on the TRUIST accounts;

WHEREAS, Mary Stone is no longer Director of Precinct 1 and should be removed from having signature authority on the TRUIST accounts;

WHEREAS, Blake Dorsett is no longer Director of Precinct 3 and should be removed from having signature authority on the TRUIST accounts;

WHEREAS, Robert D. Larsen is no longer Director of Precinct 4 and should be removed from having signature authority on the TRUIST accounts; and

WHEREAS, Tim Loftus is the new District General Manager and should be added as a signatory on the TRUIST accounts.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District Board of Directors –

- (1) continues to recognize Blayne Stansberry as a signatory on the TRUIST accounts,
- (2) continues to recognize Craig Smith as a signatory on the TRUIST accounts,
- (3) continues to recognize Brian Smith as a signatory on the TRUIST accounts,
- (4) continues to recognize Dana C. Wilson as a signatory on the TRUIST accounts,
- (5) designates Tim Loftus to be added as a signatory on the TRUIST accounts,
- (6) requests the removal of Vanessa Escobar from having future signature authority on the Truist accounts,
- (7) requests the removal of Mary Stone from having future signature authority on the Truist accounts,
- (8) requests the removal of Blake Dorsett from having future signature authority on the Truist accounts, and

(9) requests the removal of Robert D. Larsen from having future signature authority on the Truist accounts.

THEREFORE, the following is a complete list of authorized signatories on behalf of the District as of the date of this Resolution, for purposes of conducting financial transactions concerning the District:

TRUIST Accounts:

Tim Loftus	General Manager
Blayne Stansberry	Board President Precinct 2
Craig Smith	Board President Precinct 5
Brian Smith	Principal Hydrogeologist
Dana Christine Wilson	Senior Administrative Manager

The motion passed with _____ ayes, and _____ nays.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10th DAY OF MARCH, 2022.

Blayne Stansberry
Board President

ATTEST:

M. Christine Williams
Board Secretary

Item 4

General Manager's Report Discussion and possible action topics

Topics

- a. Review of Status Report and update on team activities/projects.**
- b. Aquifer status update.**
- c. Update on District/Hill Country development activities.**
- d. Upcoming events of possible interest.**

**STATUS REPORT UPDATE
FOR THE MARCH 10, 2022 BOARD MEETING**

Summary of Significant Activities – Prepared by Staff Leads

Upcoming Dates of Interest

- TWCA Annual Convention – March 9-11 (Fort Worth)
- Government Social Media Conference – March 29-31 (Dallas)
- Informal Science Education Association Conference – March 20- April 1 (Austin)
- Texas Water Conference – April 4-7 (San Antonio)
- TAGD Business Meeting and PFIA Training – May 17-18 (Arlington)
- Texas Water Conservation Association (TWCA) Summer Conference – June 15-17 (Round Rock)
- Texas Groundwater Summit – Aug. 30-Sept. 1 (San Antonio)
- Texas Desal Annual Conference – Sept. 14-17 (Austin)
- Water for Texas – January 23-25 (Austin) - 2023

DROUGHT MANAGEMENT

Drought Status and Water-Level Monitoring (Justin)

No Drought was officially declared at the July 8, 2021 Board meeting after 8 to 11 inches of rain between May 1 and July 1 had reversed the downward trend of aquifer levels and spring flow. Lovelady water level and Barton Springs flow continued to rise until 8/21/21 when Lovelady level turned the corner downward. Barton Springs flow also ceased to rise and began to drop on 8/9/21 after a dry August and September. 10 inches of rain fell between October 1 and November 3 and again reversed the downward trend when Lovelady began to rise on 10/17/21 and Barton Springs on 10/1/21.

La Nina conditions (declared by NOAA on 10/14/21) have only allowed 1 inch of rainfall since 11/4/21. As a result, Lovelady water level turned the corner downwards on 12/11/21. Barton Springs flow too has been dropping since 11/3/21. An average of 4.8 inches of rain fell between January 30th and February 5th which provided recharge as stream gauges on all area creeks showed rising responses. Lovelady water level began to rise on 2/6 and continues to. Barton Springs responded with an 18 cfs increase to the rains.

On March 3, 2022, the Lovelady well had a level of 489 ft msl, 10.6 ft above the drought trigger level. On February 28, Barton Springs was flowing at 70 cfs (10-day average), 32 cfs above the drought trigger point of 38 cfs. Note that the latest Barton Springs reading is 2/28/22 and not 3/3/22 due to the pool being lowered for spring cleaning therefore not allowing for real-time USGS reporting.

Drought Communication (David, Michael)

Staff has updated District resources and the website to reflect the current Stage 1 drought stage. Written permittee notifications and public notice of non-drought conditions were mailed and emailed out. Educational resources have been prepared and are available upon request for permittees. Digital educational downloads are available on the website with the Drought Media Tool-Kit located on the Drought Education Page and includes links to other helpful resources. <https://bseacd.org/drought-edu/>

DISTRICT PROJECTS

GMA Joint Planning

➤ ***GMA 10 Coordination (Michael)***

The last GMA 10 meeting was held on February 22, 2022, where the representatives discussed the need for consultants during the next planning cycle due to new models and scientific tools being produced. The discussion of creating a RFQ and bringing a draft RFQ to the next meeting was discussed as well. GMA 10 also appointed Michael Redman as the liaison for Region K. The next meeting date is to be determined.

➤ ***Explanatory Report Development (Michael, Jeff)***

➤ The Explanatory Reports were submitted Dec 21, 2021 and are under review by the TWDB.

Trinity Aquifer Sustainable Yield Study & Planning

➤ ***Advisory Workgroup Planning (Kendall)***

GM and staff are continuing to review research on sustainability goals, metrics and thresholds. Staff has met with our facilitator four times to discuss the project timeline, communication, and certain components of an Advisory Work Group. Staff has begun discussions to evaluate the level of public participation, the fundamental objectives of the Advisory Work Group, the scope, and process and workflow to engage the participants, all of which will be incorporated into the Advisory Work Group Plan. Staff recently met with the facilitator to discuss the process overview and is working to finalize the level of participant engagement. Staff is meeting internally to discuss how to work through the unreasonable impact factors and what data and information is needed to assess. This project effort has overall been put on pause while staff works through the transition period. However, staff did meet with our facilitator in September and November to discuss additional details and to settle on a good place to pause the efforts where they can be picked back up when Kendall Bell-Enders is back from leave and a new GM is on board.

Technical Evaluations (Brian, Jeff)

Aquifer Science staff continue to collect data on the geology and hydrogeology related to the Trinity Aquifers. We are evaluating water-level data for a number of Trinity wells to look for long-term trends. We are working with Hays County and Wimberley Valley Watershed Association to install Trinity monitor wells in the Jacob's Well area. We expect that drilling for the two monitor wells will start in Late February or early March. Work on the first phase of the District's own numerical modeling has been completed. This phase involved the development of a steady-state model. We are currently converting the steady-state model into a transient model which will allow simulation of different pumping and drought scenarios over time. We have hired a consulting firm called GSI to assist us with progressing the model to transient and had our project kick-off meeting with GSI staff on July 31. We are continuing to meet biweekly with GSI as they help us with the calibration process. We are members of a technical committee to guide the development of a numerical groundwater model of the aquifers influenced by the Blanco River. A meeting of the technical committee was held on January 6, 2022. Southwest Research Institute started work on the model in September.

Habitat Conservation Plan (Brian, Erin)

- **COA/BSEACD Technical Meeting:** In December 2021, Aquifer Science hosted a meeting with staff from the City of Austin Watershed Protection Department to discuss activities related to the HCPs of each entity and to share data and reports about these activities.
- **MAC Meeting & Annual Report:** Staff prepared the annual report for review by the Management Advisory Committee (MAC). The MAC met on 1/26/2022 for its annual meeting and provided minimal edits and comments. Comments and edits are being reviewed and incorporated in the draft report. The annual report was submitted on February 16, 2022.
- **Implementation Schedule:** Staff is reviewing previous planning documents and will develop a new implementation timeline and schedule to guide project tasks and activities for the 1 to 3-year timeframe.
- **Planning for Technical Tasks:** Aquifer Science staff are coordinating studies at Barton Springs with COA staff. These studies include measurement of dissolved oxygen in the Barton Springs pool and the installation of a monitor well within Zilker Park and south of the pool. The Watershed Protection Department has offered to install monitoring equipment in Barton Springs Pool to measure dissolved oxygen as the springs experience wet to drought conditions. Those instruments will likely be deployed in spring 2022.

Database Management System - Intera Inc (Tim)

The database project has come to a formal end. Intera believes they have satisfied their contractual obligations and they have expressed an unwillingness to continue work on the project. Their assessment has been captured in a memo shared with Director Stansberry and the District's attorney, Bill Dugat. The District is waiting to receive a formal position statement that will serve to continue the six-step dispute resolution process that is outlined in our contract. The process got underway with a Zoom meeting that was held on February 11, 2022 and included Tim Loftus, and both Kelly Hunter and Wade Oliver of Intera. That Zoom meeting was preceded by a strategy session that included Director Stansberry, Bill Dugat, and Tim Loftus. Upon receipt of Intera's position statement, it will be forwarded to Director Stansberry and Bill Dugat and likely followed by another internal District discussion. The District is currently without a functional database and will have to begin a new process of working with a new vendor to meet the District's database needs.

ILA Commitments (Brian)

The District has ILA commitments with Hays County and HTGCD to install two monitor wells in the Jacob's Well Area. Information from these wells will be used to better understand the flow system that delivers Middle Trinity groundwater to Jacob's Well, and to develop our numerical groundwater models. Drilling of the first of the two monitor wells started on March 3. We expect to start drilling the second well on about March 9. Hays County signed an ILA allowing BSEACD to access a location in Jacob's Well Natural Area for one of the wells. This ILA was approved by the Board at the November 18 Board meeting. Another ILA between the District and Wimberley Valley Watershed Association was approved at the January 13, 2022 Board meeting. This ILA will allow for installation of the second monitor well in this program on WVWA property near Jacob's Well.

The ILA with COA is intended to coordinate studies for the respective HCPs such as scientific feasibility studies and monitoring evaluations; to collaborate on the planning of future Kent Butler Summits; and to exchange technical information regularly on an annual basis.

Status update – An annual technical meeting was held in December 2020. In January 2021, the annual MAC meeting was held. Kent Butler Summit small group discussions took place in Jan- Feb 2021. COA/BSEACD plan to have additional discussions and planning efforts to coordinate the details of the DO studies and the monitor well installation.

Region K Planning Activities (Michael)

Region K meet on January 26, 2022, to discuss picking candidates for the empty representatives. The group voted in 2 members into 2 vacancies. Bylaw committee introduced updates to the bylaws. The Region K consultants gave a presentation on the upcoming regional planning process and timelines. TWDB gave updates on regional planning processes and upcoming projects. Discussion regarding members acting as liaisons to nearby regional planning groups. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at LCRA.

Strategic Planning Implementation (GM):

Vanessa developed a summary and provided the notes to the Board committee. Vanessa and David started a draft strategic plan and a draft implementation plan. These drafts have been provided to the committee for use in the future with the new General Manager.

The new General Manager, Tim Loftus, is reviewing work products completed to date and will develop a plan for restarting the planning process.

WPAP

Staff recently received the Oak Hill Parkway Project WPAP and CZP for Construction of segments 2B and 3.

Oak Hill Parkway project traverses both the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone and Contributing Zone. For construction purposes, the Oak Hill Parkway Project has been broken into five segments. Segment 2 is further divided into 2A and 2B with Segments 2B and 3 within the Recharge Zone. Construction of the portion of the Oak Hill Parkway Project within the Recharge Zone will consist of the following elements:

Segment 2B:

- Four-lane frontage roads in each direction
- Four-lane mainlane bridges in each direction
- Intersection widening and improvements at William Cannon and US 290
- Sidewalks and shared use paths
- Mainlane overpass bridges at the William Cannon/US290 intersection
- Reconstruction of McCarty Ln. and William Cannon, south of US 290
- Hydraulic bridge crossings at Williamson Creek

Segment 3:

- Three-lane frontage road in each direction
- Four-lane mainline in each direction
- Sidewalks and shared use paths
- Bridge widening at the Old Fredericksburg Rd. overpass
- Bridge widening at the Monterey Oaks Blvd overpass

The permanent stormwater section to reduce TSS by 80% with a combination of vegetative filters strips, a sedimentation/filtration water quality pond, and two existing water quality ponds

Four sensitive features (F1, F4, F5, and F6) were identified in the GA. Features F1 and F5 are within Williamson Creek and will be protected. F4 and F6 will be impacted by construction and will be sealed.

The temporary stormwater section is proposed BMPs including sediment traps with dewatering bags, rock berms, soil retention blankets, concrete traffic barrier (modified RFD2) and inlet protection facilities.

Oak Hill Parkway project traverses both the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone and Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone. Additionally, the project passes through three watersheds: Devil's Pen Creek Watershed, Williamson Creek Watershed and Barton Creek Watershed. From the design and construction standpoint, the project is divided into Segments 1 through 4 and Offsite Detention Pond is separated as a standalone work element from these segments. For the purpose of EAPP permits, Segment 2 is further divided into Segments 2A and 2B by the boundary line of Recharge and Contributing Zones.

Upon past meetings with TCEQ and TxDOT, and further refinement to project construction schedule and availability of ROW, Colorado River Constructors, OHP (CRC) proposes the following phasing structure with regard to EAPP permit applications for the project.

Training, Presentations, and Conferences (All Teams):

- Aquifer Science: N/A
- Regulatory Compliance: N/A
- Administration: N/A
- Communications and Outreach: N/A
- General Manager: N/A
- All Staff: N/A

New Maps, Publications, or Reports:

A list of recent publications can be found at: <https://bseacd.org/scientific-reports/>

The latest eNewsletter published in November 2021 can be found at:

<https://bseacd.org/publications/newsletters/>

LITIGATION AND LEGISLATION

Litigation and SOAH Activities (Kendall)

- **Electro Purification Production Permit:**

Current Activity: No further actions have been taken and no new updates are available as of December 2, 2021.

Recent Background: On April 14th the GM and counsel met with EP to discuss their desired requests relating to amending their permit application request. We discussed administrative processes and options relating to their permit request as well as the GM's current position statement.

On March 9th the GM issued a letter to EP returning the July 17, 2017 application of Electro Purification LLC and explaining that there is no further action that the GM intends to take in connection with the remand. On March 11th the applicant, EP, responded to the GM's 3/9 letter, stating that they interpret the EP application to still be active and necessitating Board Action.

The district submitted pre-filed testimony and a revised GM Position Statement in December 2020. Depositions were scheduled for Jan-Feb 2021. On Jan 11, 2021 EP filed a Notice of Nonsuit and request to remand the application back to the District. On Jan 15, 2021, the District filed a response to the applicant's Notice of Nonsuit and requested that the ALJs find that with a nonsuit, that EP has withdrawn the application. On Jan 25, 2021 EP filed a response disagreeing with the District's request that the ALJs find the application withdrawn. On Feb 4, 2021, the ALJs dismissed the EP matter and remanded the matter back to the District. The original hearing on the merits will no longer be set for the dates of April 12-16 & 19-20, 2021.

RULEMAKING, PERMITTING, AND ENFORCEMENT

Rulemaking (Michael, Kendall)

There are no immediate plans for additional rule making at this time.

Enforcement and Compliance Matters (Michael, Erin)

Compliance/Enforcement			
<i>Permittee or Entity Name</i>	<i>Aquifer</i>	<i>Use Type</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Aqua Texas – Bliss Spillar	Edwards	PWS	Aqua Texas has agreed to sign the Agreed Order. Talks between attorneys are taking place to discuss a security instrument: letter of guarantee.

Permitting Activity (Michael, Erin)

In Review				
<i>Application Type</i>	<i>Aquifer</i>	<i>Applicant Name</i>	<i>Use Type</i>	<i>Volume Request</i>
LPP	Middle Trinity	Romo, George and Stacey	Domestic	500,000
Plugging X 2 (hand dug)	Austin Chalk	Plum Creek	Abandoned	0 - Plugging
IPP – Production ONLY	Edwards	Confido III, LLC	Commercial	TBD After Inspection
LPP	Middle Trinity	Anderson, Derrek	Domestic	500,000
IPP	Middle Trinity	Collins, Phil	Commercial	Waiting on Engineer
Recently Approved				
<i>Application Type</i>	<i>Aquifer</i>	<i>Applicant Name</i>	<i>Use Type</i>	<i>Volume Request</i>
IPP	Lower Trinity	Aqua Texas – Bliss Spillar	PWS	6,000,000
IPP – Production ONLY	Middle Trinity	Spicewood, LLC	Commercial	700,000

AQUIFER STUDIES **(Brian)**

Permitting Hydrogeologic Studies:

- Aqua Texas Inc- Aquifer Science staff were involved with Aqua Texas as they are tested a Lower Trinity well in Chaparral Park. The District recently issued a production permit for the well. Aquifer Science staff worked with the developers of the Gragg tract near the south end of Hwy. 45 as they installed the fourth well in their well field. These wells all tap into the Lower Trinity Aquifer.

Groundwater Studies: *Dye Tracing, Water Quality, Aquifer Characterizations*

- Colemans Canyon- As part of the Jacob's Well study, we are collecting data from domestic wells in the area. A dye-trace study will be conducted in 2022 with Hays County, EAA, and HTGCD.
- Drilling of the first of two monitor wells near Jacob's Well started on March 3. We expect to start drilling the second well on about March 9.

Field Activities:

- Antioch- Continuing to maintain the system and to collect data on flow into the vault.
- Well Monitoring- Continuing to maintain equipment in numerous monitor wells and to download and interpret data.

Trinity Aquifer Modeling Development:

- BRATWURST Modeling- Southwest Research Institute started work on this model in September 2021.
- In-house model- Working with GSI to transition the steady-state model into a transient model. We are now finalizing the model calibration process, after which we will start testing scenarios.

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH
(David)
February 2022

Website: During the month of February, a number of items were added to the spotlights page, including: Barton Springs/Lovelady Level Check, Next Board Meeting/Public Hearing, 2022 Well Water Check, District Office Opens at 1 PM – Feb. 4, District Office Closed on Feb. 3 Due to Weather, Winter Weather Preparations, Banner Added for Redistricting Public Hearing, Banner Added for Well Water Check Up, *BSEACD Newsroom* page was also updated with latest press releases, upcoming meetings, videos, etc. <https://bseacd.org/publications/bseacd-newsroom/>

Website Analytics 2021		Top Page Searches			
Month	Total Page Views	Unique Page Views	December	January	February
Dec.	1,959	1,798	Homepage 406 Views	Homepage 542 Views	Homepage 549 Views
Jan.	3,815	3,346	About Us/Staff 98 Views	Education/Scholarships 306 Views	Education/Scholarships 149 Views
Feb.	4,482	4,183	About Us/Staff 83 Views	About Us/Staff 137 Views	About Us/Staff 117 Views
			About Us/Board 68 Views	Publication/Maps 126 Views	Publications/Maps 108 Views
			Transparency/Agendas 62 Views	Regulatory/Forms 115 Views	Education/Well-Owners 101 Views

Well Water Check Up: The Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District (District) teamed up with Texas A&M Agrilife Extension and Texas Well Owner Network to provide a Water Well Checkup for District well owners. The cost of the water analysis was covered by the District for the first 50 well owners to pick up a water sample kit. The samples will be taken to Luling for analysis on March 3 and results will be available March 4. Results will be mailed to well owners the week of March 7. This was shared with our well owners via website, social media, and icontact email. Also worked with Justin Camp to put physical signs out in District neighborhoods.

TAGD (Texas Association of Groundwater Districts) Bootcamp: Communications and Outreach Manager attended TAGD’s GCD Bootcamp on Feb. 8.

TAGD Media Relations Cheat Sheet: Communications and Outreach Manager is on TAGD’s Information & Education Committee. We are assisting TAGD in creating a communications toolkit for groundwater districts. This document will serve as a guide for employees in Texas groundwater districts and how to handle communications for a variety of platforms and it also

addresses how to communicate during specific situations. Communications and Outreach Manager is working on a Media Relations Cheat Sheet as part of the plan. The media relations draft will be submitted at the end of February.

Public Hearing Announcements: Communications and Outreach Manager is working with Regulatory Compliance Team Lead Michael Redman on updating the District's public hearing announcement requirements. The goal is to make the announcements more transparent for the public. This is a work in progress.

2022 Summer Aquatic Science Adventure Camp Scholarship Essay/Art Contest: So far we've received one scholarship application. But Communications and Outreach will continue to promote through March. The Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer/Conservation District will offer several scholarships (overnight and day camp options) to attend the 2022 Edwards Aquifer Research and Data Center's Aquatic Science Adventure Camp at Texas State University in San Marcos. Deadline to apply is March 23, 2022 and all the information is out on the District's website and social media channels. Communications and Outreach worked with Texas State on this. Communications and Outreach also updated the scholarship rules and is requiring both an essay and an art submission. Below is what we are allotting to this year's aquatic scholarships. Amounts could change depending on what we get in conservation credit donations.

\$2,000 – Overnight Expedition Camps 5 Nights, 6 Days – 2 Scholarships
\$500 – Aquatic Investigators Day Camp – Week-Long – 1 Scholarship
\$500 – Explorer Day Camp – Week-Long – 1 Scholarship
\$60 – Discovery Day Camps – Six \$60 Day Camps – Total \$360
Total - \$3,360

Kent Butler Scholarship/Aquatic Camp Scholarships: Communications and Outreach has updated contact list for Kent Butler Scholarship. The information for Kent Butler Scholarship will go out in January. Information will be updated on website and social media. Below is we are allotting to this year's scholarships. Amounts could change depending on what we get in conservation credit donations.

2,500 – 1 Winner
1,000 – 1 Winner
Total - \$3,500

The Communications and Outreach Manager is in the process of solidifying judges. These are our confirmed judges: Blake Neffendorf, Water Resource Coordinator, Sydney Beckner, Hill Country Alliance Water Program Manager, Justin Camp, BSEACD Hydrogeologist Technician, Lily Lucas, BSEACD Board Member. Recently added **Natalie Ballew, TWDB (Groundwater Technical Assistance), and Katie Sternberg, City of Austin Conservation Programs Coordinator** as judges.

Meetings: Attended TAGD Information & Education Meeting Committee (Communications and Outreach Manager is on the committee) with Sinclaire Newby, Attended TAGD Boot Camp

Press Releases/Outreach:

Well Water Checkup

<https://bseacd.org/uploads/2022-Well-Water-Checkup.pdf>

Next Board Meeting/Public Hearing on Proposed Redistricting – March 10 (Shared on Social Media)

<https://bseacd.org/transparency/agendas-backup/>

Media Coverage:

Water Flowing Under Buda Homes for 11 Years – KXAN – February 27, 2022

<https://www.kxan.com/investigations/somebody-messed-up-water-flowing-under-buda-homes-for-11-years/?fbclid=IwAR0ZcSbOzAZHyAP3ETAmOk8RHAXNNigBMs-l-IgnjjG540UgeqVkvIlsa28>

Videos:

2022 Well Water Check Up – Sampling Instructions

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wpHxfqvAT6o>

Social Media (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram): District Regular Board Meeting/Public Hearing March 10, 2022, REMINDER: We still have water sample kits available for well water checkup, TWDB Water Weekly Report – Feb. 23, 2022, Barton Springs/Lovely Level Check – Feb. 22, 2022, REMINDER: President’s Day Holiday, General Manager Visits Antioch Cave – Photos, Kent Butler Memorial Stewardship Scholarship Application Reminder, Texas Well Owner Network Water Well Check, Aquatic Science Adventure Camp Scholarships, REMINDER: Well Water Checkup, Happy Valentine’s Day/Conservation Post, District Office Closed on President’s Day, Geophysical Log Explanation – Photos of Regulatory Compliance Specialist Erin Swanson, Throwback Thursday: Edwards Aquifer Signs, Well Water Checkup Announcement – Feb. 9, 2022, Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Boot Camp – Photos, Barton Springs/Lovely Level Check – Feb. 7, 2022, Gauges in District See Rises Thanks to Rain, PEAS Spring Break Camp Opportunity, Ice Melting – Photo, District Office Opens at 1 on Friday, Feb. 4, Ice Precautions, Winter Weather Office Closure – Feb. 3, Happy Groundhog Day, TWDB Water Weekly Report, Ice/Winter Weather Well Precautions

BSEACD Monthly Social Media Roundup/Groundwater News

Social Media Roundup (February 2022):

<https://bseacd.org/uploads/BSEACD-Social-Media-Roundup-February-2022.pdf>

Monthly Groundwater News/Dates of Interest (February 2022):

<https://bseacd.org/uploads/BSEACD-Monthly-Groundwater-News-Dates-of-Interest-February-2022.pdf>

The top performing post on Facebook for the month of February was the “Aquatic Science Adventure Camp Scholarship” applications being taken through March. It reached 1,591 people and was shared 7 times. The top tweet on Twitter for the month of February was a post about the District attending TAGD’s Boot Camp and Business Meeting. It had 245 impressions. The top performing video on YouTube for February was the 2022 Well Water Check Up Sampling Instruction video with 24 views.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

(February 4, 2022 – March 3, 2022)

Accounts Receivable/Permittee Cycle Billings

On February 16, March monthly billings, and 3rd quarter billings were mailed out for a total of \$303,955.

Conservation credits (credit memos) and scholarship donation forms were mailed to the permittees that earned the credits, in mid-December. Austin Water Utility/City of Austin has donated their credit to the Education Team Scholarship Program in the amount of \$16,777.91.

Banking Signatories

In process of having the new GM added to Truist Bank's approved signatories list in order to have check-signing permission.

Financial Reporting – Website Transparency Section (Texas Comptroller's Office)

These are four separate reports and in different format (data over formatting) than the four monthly financial reports that are included in the monthly Board backups.

Transparency Star-related: Most current, available financial reports are to be posted on our website and accessible within three clicks, as required by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Transparency Star Program. Balance Sheets, Profit and Loss Statements, and Check Registers (Operating and Payroll) through January 2022 have been posted on the District website.

Transparency Star Program, Annual Income and Expense Graph on the website will be updated soon.

The Administration Team typically has repetitive monthly tasks e.g. monthly bank reconciliations, monthly adjusting journal entries, accounts payable, payroll, contract/grant/project tracking, office maintenance and repairs, budget monitoring, bi-weekly payroll journal updates, directors' compensation, pre-pays, DMFs, posting public meetings, preparing meeting backups, etc. These types of tasks are not listed in this report because they are repetitive. Administration status reports are generally more summarized than the other teams, as we list our extra-ordinary tasks outside of our routine tasks, while supporting all other teams.

Summary of March Team Activities and On Deck for April/May

Aquifer Science Team

March Activities:

- Evaluating data for aquifer status. We are probably a couple of months from entering drought.
- Working with City of Buda as they do injection testing in their ASR well.
- Collecting water-level data from the District's multiport wells and other monitor wells.
- Working with modeling consultants (GSI) on calibrating the model.
- Gragg Well #4 aquifer test has been completed and data are currently being evaluated.
- Drilling of the first of two monitor wells at Jacob's Well started on March 3.

On Deck:

- Continuing to follow aquifer conditions and impact from moderate winter rains.
- Continue working with modeling consultants on in-house model and with the BRAAT model
- Testing of monitor wells at Jacob's Well.

Administration Team

March Activities:

- Typical accounting duties (nothing extra-ordinary in March).
- Pumpage Analysis

On Deck: (April/May)

- Budget Planning and Preliminary Budget Initial Version.

Regulatory Compliance Team

March Activities:

- Buda ASR pilot project and permitting
- Aqua Texas NOAV & Investigation Report
- New Wells
- Sustainable Yield Study

On Deck:

- Management Plan renewal
- Potentially entering back into drought

Communications and Outreach Team

April Activities:

- Kent S. Butler Scholarship deadline is Wednesday April 20. Communications and Outreach will continue to promote throughout April. All judges have been chosen and essays will be judged after deadline passes and essays are collected and distributed. Winners announced at May Board Meeting.
- BSEACD is sponsoring The Buda Trash Off on Saturday, April 9. Volunteers will be picking up trash in Buda. This also helps promote keeping our groundwater clean, as litter impacts the groundwater system.

On Deck

- Communications and Outreach will mail out results of the well water checkup during the week of March 7.
- Dye Tracing Video will be posted in March. BSEACD is assisted City of Austin in Dye Tracing Study.
- The deadline for the Aquatic Science Adventure Camp Essay/Art Contest is March is Wednesday, March 23. Essays and art will be judged after deadline passes. Winners announced at April Board Meeting. In the meantime, Communications and Outreach will continue to promote the scholarships.
- Continue promoting Kent S. Butler Scholarship Information – Deadline to apply is April 20, 2022.

Item 5

Public Hearing

Public Hearing to receive comments on proposed plan for redistricting the Director precincts.

Item 6

Board Discussions and Possible Action

- a. Discussion and possible action related to proposed redistricting plan for director precincts, any amendments, if necessary, to finalize the proposed plan for adoption and possible adoption by resolution.**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING REGARDING REVISING DIRECTOR PRECINCTS

The Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District (District) Board of Directors (Directors) will revise its Director Precincts in accordance with State and Federal law.

The District is considering new boundaries for its Director precincts and is soliciting public comment.

COMMENTS MUST BE IN WRITING AND MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 5:00 pm ON March 3, 2022. A public hearing will be held, the comments will be considered, and the revised Director precincts may be adopted at the March 10, 2022 Board of Directors meeting. The notice for the Board meeting will be posted no later than 72 hours before the meeting.

The preliminary plan for the director precincts is available at www.bseacd.org.

The Directors have adopted Guidelines for public participation. The Guidelines, among other things, require that comments be submitted in writing and that you provide your name and contact information. The Guidelines may be found at www.bseacd.org. Any plans that are proposed must conform to the redistricting Criteria adopted by the Directors. The Criteria are found at www.bseacd.org.

You may also call Tim Loftus at 512-282-8441 if you have any questions.

**AVISO DE PERIODO DE COMENTARIO PÚBLICO
Y AUDIENCIA Y REUNIÓN PÚBLICAS SOBRE LA
MODIFICACIÓN DE LOS RECINTOS DE DIRECTORES**

La Junta de Directores (Directores) del Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District (el Distrito) modificará los recintos de sus directores de acuerdo con las leyes estatales y federales.

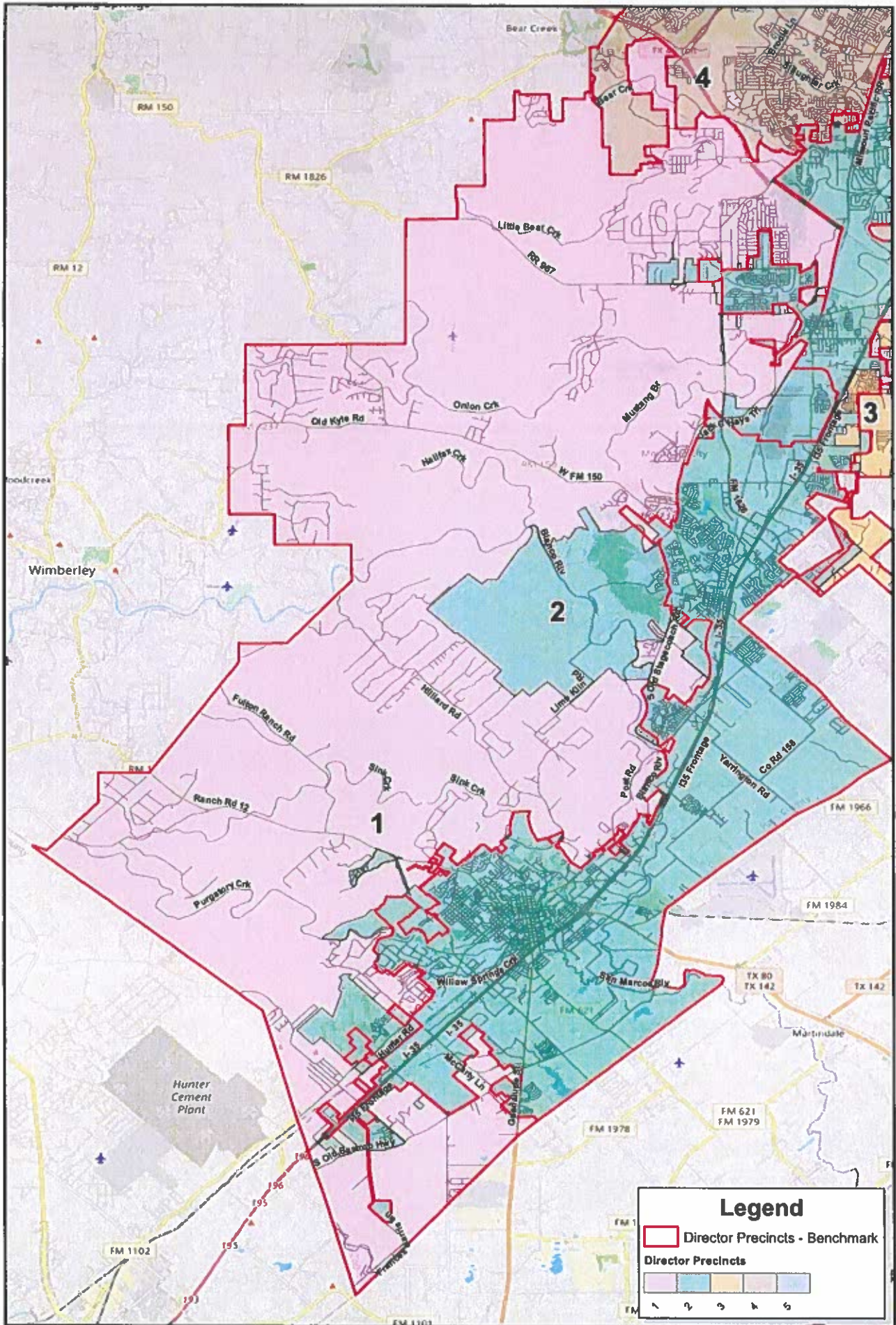
El Distrito está considerando límites nuevos para los recintos de sus directores y solicita comentarios del público.

LOS COMENTARIOS DEBEN SER POR ESCRITO Y DEBEN SER PRESENTADOS PARA LAS 5:00 P.M. EL 3 DE MARZO DE 2022. Se celebrará una audiencia pública, se considerarán los comentarios, y las modificaciones de los recintos de directores pueden ser adoptadas en la reunión de la Junta de Directores el 10 de marzo de 2022. El aviso de la reunión de la Junta será publicado por lo menos 72 horas antes de la reunión.

El plan preliminar de los recintos de directores está disponible en www.bseacd.org.

Los Directores han adoptado lineamientos para la participación del público. Los lineamientos requieren, entre otras cosas, que los comentarios se presenten por escrito y que los que comentan indiquen su nombre y su información de contacto. Los lineamientos se pueden encontrar en www.bseacd.org. Todo plan propuesto debe cumplir con los criterios de redistribución adoptados por los Directores. Los criterios se encuentran en www.bseacd.org.

Además, puede llamar a Tim Loftus at 512-282-8441 si tiene alguna pregunta.

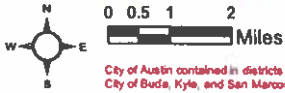


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Director Precincts - Benchmark

Director Precincts

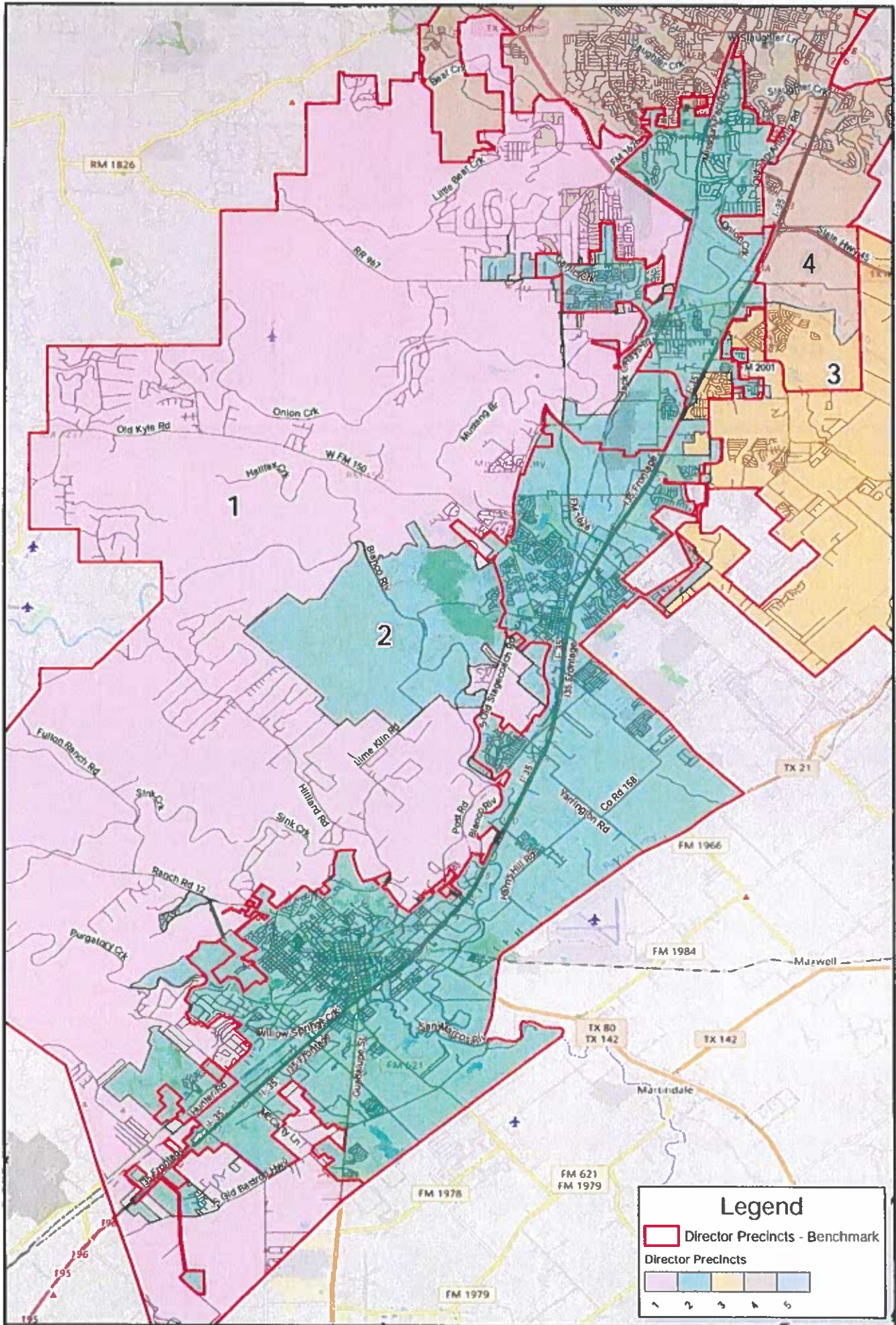
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**BSEACD Director Precinct 1
Plan A**

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 City of Austin contained in districts 4 & 5

 City of Buda, Kyle, and San Marcos contained in Director Precinct 2

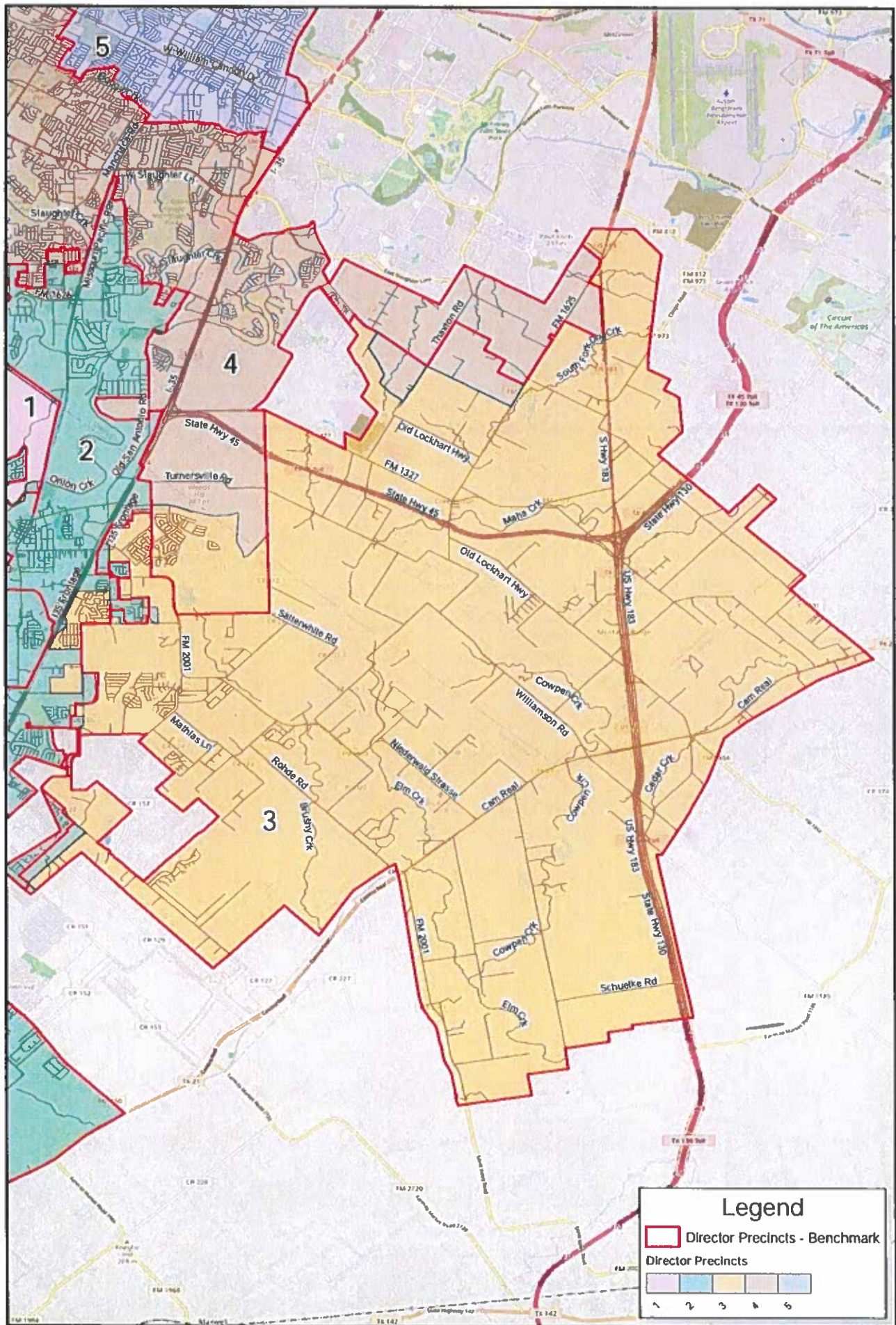
BSEACD Director Precinct 2 Plan A

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Director Precincts - Benchmark

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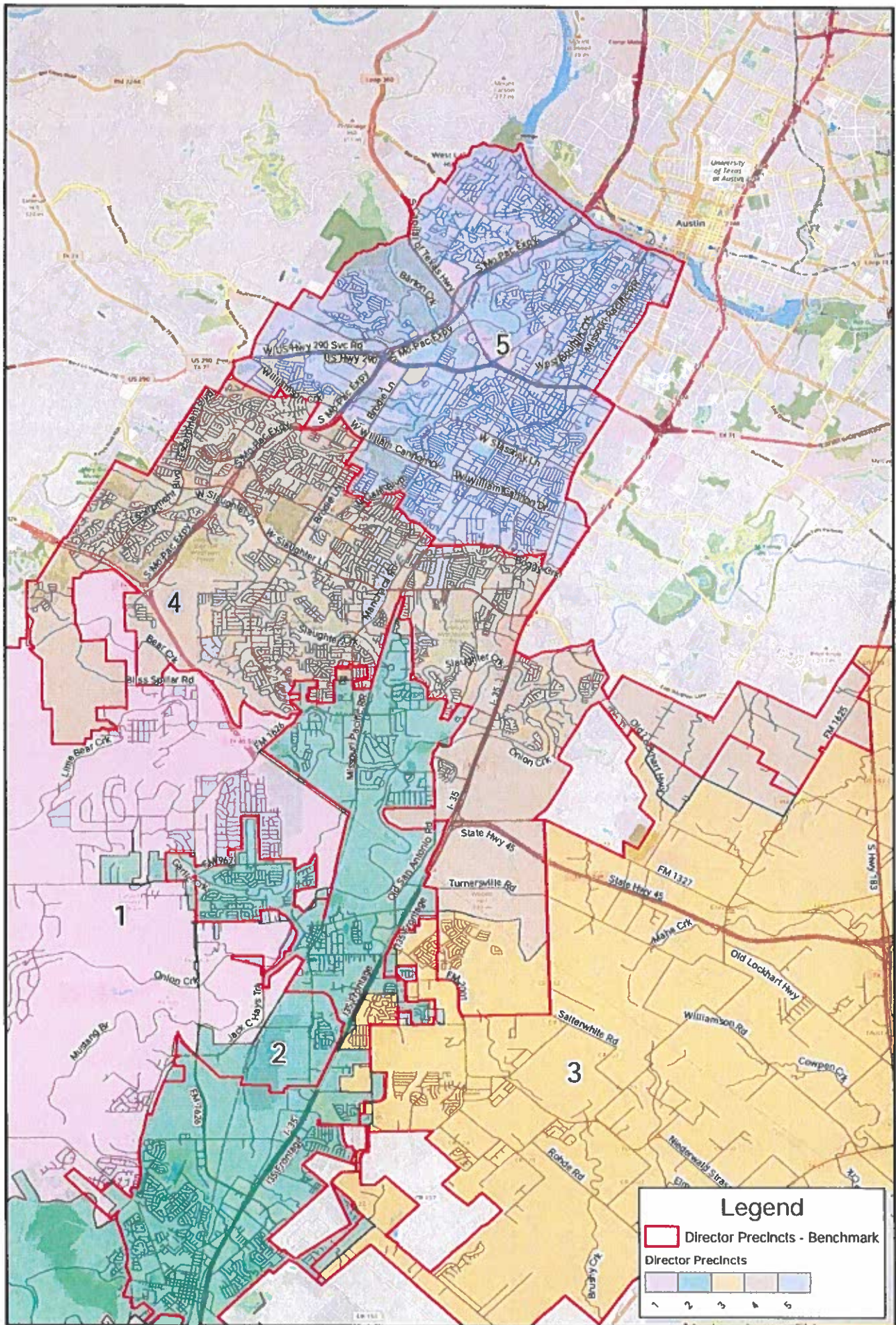
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City of Austin contained in districts 4 & 5
 City of Buda, Kyle, and San Marcos contained in Director Precinct 2

BSEACD Director Precinct 3 Plan A

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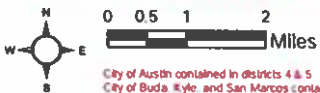


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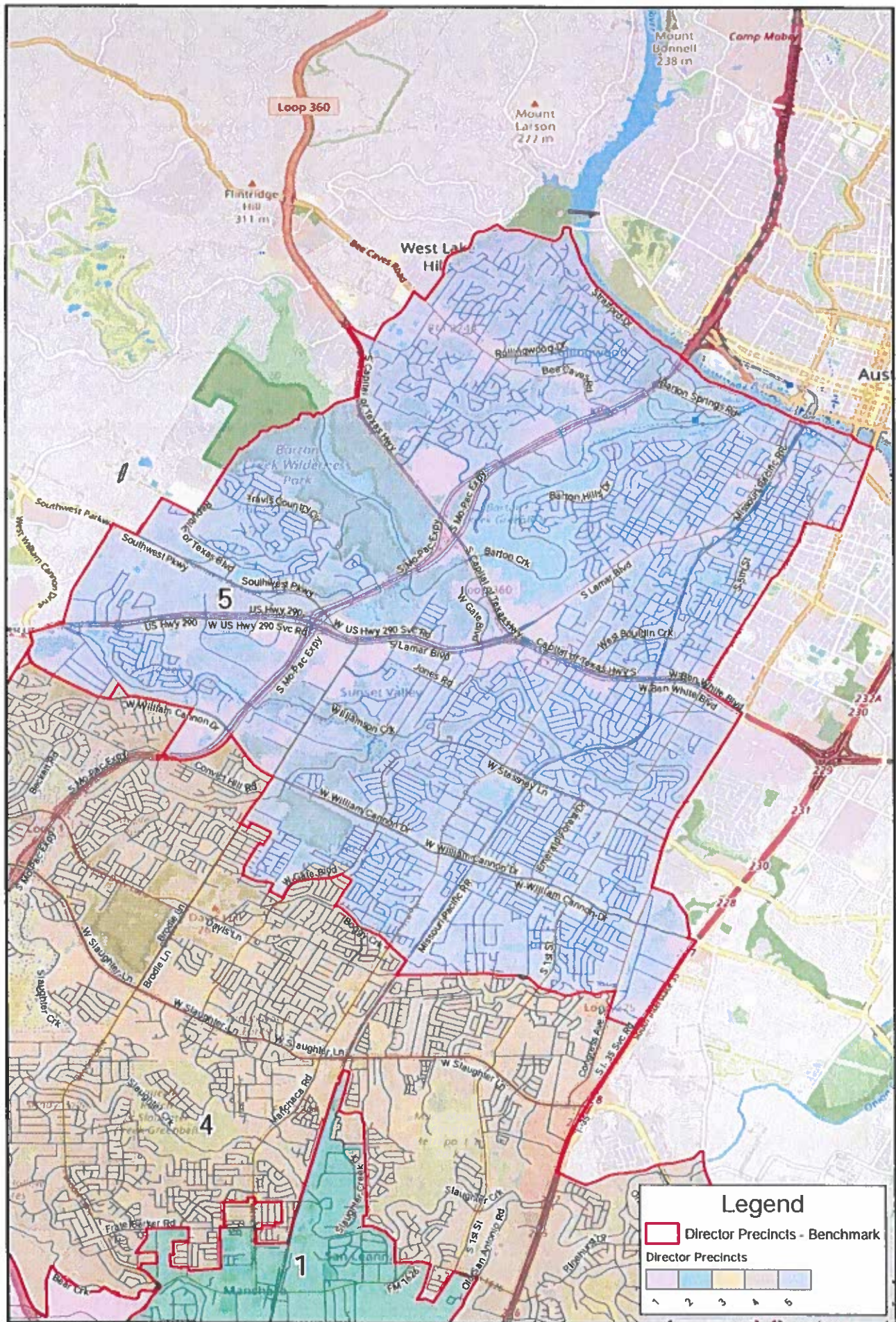


**BSEACD Director Precinct 4
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City of Austin contained in districts 4 & 5
 City of Buda, Kyle, and San Marcos contained in Director Precinct 2



City of Austin contained in districts 4 & 5
 City of Buda, Kyle, and San Marcos contained in Director Precinct 2

BSEACD Director Precinct 5 Plan A

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RESOLUTION #03102022-02

COUNTIES OF CALDWELL,
HAYS, AND TRAVIS

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BARTON SPRINGS/EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, APPROVING THE REDISTRICTING OF THE DISTRICT’S SINGLE-MEMBER DIRECTOR PRECINCTS AND ESTABLISHING NEW PRECINCT BOUNDARY LINES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTOR ELECTIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the District’s enabling legislation codified at § 8802.053 of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code, provides that as soon as practicable after the publication of each federal decennial census, the board shall revise the single-member districts; and,

WHEREAS, the 2020 federal decennial census was released in August 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the § 8802.053 of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code provides that the District is divided into five numbered, single-member districts for electing directors; and,

WHEREAS, Water Code § 36.059(b) provides that if any part a municipal corporation is part of one director precinct, then no part of the municipal corporation shall be included in another director precinct, except that a municipal corporation having a population of more than 200,000 may be divided between two precincts. In a multicounty district, not more than two of the five precincts may include the same municipal corporation or part of the same municipal corporation; and,

WHEREAS, The Cities of Austin, San Marcos, Buda, and Kyle are within the District, but only the City of Austin may be split between two director precincts because it has a population over 200,000; and,

WHEREAS, the Board existing director precincts were adopted on May 26, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, subsequent to May 26, 2016 adoption of the District’s current director boundaries, the City of Austin annexed into portions of Director Precinct 3; and,

WHEREAS, subsequent to May 26, 2016 adoption of the District’s current director boundaries, the Cities of San Marcos, Buda, and Kyle have annexed territory into more than one director precinct; and,

WHEREAS, Special Districts Local Law Code § 8802.053(b) provides the Board may revise the single-member districts as necessary and appropriate; and,

WHEREAS, the Board finds it is necessary and appropriate to revise the boundaries of all five director precincts to comply with Special Districts Local Law Code § 8802.053(c), which provides that when the board revises the single member precincts, two of the precincts are to be entirely within the boundaries of the City of Austin, as those boundaries exist at that time; or within the boundaries of the City of Austin, as those boundaries exist at that time, but also including unincorporated areas or other municipalities that are surrounded wholly or partly by the boundaries of the City of Austin if the areas or municipalities are noncontiguous to the territory of any other single-member district; and

WHEREAS, the principle of “one-person, one-vote” (equal population) established by the U.S. Constitution is not implicated in this instance because the purpose and powers of the District are specialized and narrow. The U.S. Supreme Court in *Sayler Land Co. v. Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District*, 410 U.S. 719, 728 (1973) has established an exception to the one-person-one vote principle for special purpose governmental entities exercising narrow governmental function and operating to the burden or benefit of one group of constituents more than others. This exception was recently found to apply to the Edwards Aquifer Authority in *League of United Latin American Citizens v. Edwards Aquifer Authority*, 937 F.3d 457 (5th Cir. 2019); and,

WHEREAS, the District was established for the special purpose to provide for the conservation, preservation, protection, recharging, and prevention of waste of groundwater within its boundaries; and,

WHEREAS, with the population distribution including the municipal corporations of the Cities of San Marcos, Kyle, and Buda, of which each has a population of less than 200,000, there is no configuration of single-member director precinct numbers 1, 2 and 3 that can be sufficiently balanced to comply with “one-person, one-vote” (equal population) principle; and

WHEREAS, the established director precincts 1, 2 and 3 have always contained disproportionate populations when compared to precincts 4 and 5, which is unavoidable to comply with Special Districts Local Law Code § 8802.053(c) and disproportionate population among precinct 1,2, and 3 is unavoidable to comply with Water Code § 36.059(b); and,

WHEREAS, the District lacks the general powers of a county or municipality such as the powers to impose ad valorem or sales taxes, and the District’s funding is derived from production fees imposed on non-exempt wells and a fee paid by the City of Austin; and,

WHEREAS, by far the greater burden of the regulatory activity of the District falls on rural water users who take water from regulated aquifers rather than on residents of the City of Austin who are on the City water system, which is not solely dependent on any aquifer; and,

WHEREAS, the 70th Texas Legislature found in the passage of SB 988, which ratified the creation of the District, that the City of Austin received by way of the discharge of Barton Springs, contribution to its municipal water supply in an overall volume roughly equivalent to existing usage by other non-exempt users of the Barton Springs segment of the Edwards Aquifer thus justifying the City of Austin’s election of two directors; and,

WHEREAS, little to none of the District's regulatory burden will fall on the residents of the City of San Marcos because the City of San Marcos does not rely on any groundwater production from the aquifers that would be regulated by the District and already prohibits the drilling of water wells that otherwise would be regulated by the District and, therefore, little to no regulation or production fees will be imposed upon wells within San Marcos; and,

WHEREAS, the Cities of Kyle and Buda produce water from, but are not solely dependent on, the groundwater produced from the Barton Springs segment of the Edwards Aquifer and each rely on sources in addition to the Barton Springs segment of the Edwards Aquifer and the Trinity Aquifer and, therefore, will bear less of the District's regulatory and financial burden than residents of rural areas that rely solely on groundwater produced from aquifers regulated by the District; and,

WHEREAS, the Cities of San Marcos, Kyle, and Buda, have multiple sources of water supply, including substantial supplies of surface water from the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority; and

WHEREAS, exempt well owners who rely solely on groundwater and are located in less densely populated rural areas are dependent upon District's regulations to preserve and protect groundwater; and,

WHEREAS, the Board believes an urban precinct 2 that contains the Cities of San Marcos, Kyle, and Buda which rely on conjunctive (groundwater and surface water) water supplies; a rural precinct 1, which contains users who rely mainly on Trinity Aquifer groundwater supplies from exempt wells and a rural precinct 3, which contains many nonexempt users that rely mainly on Edwards Aquifer groundwater supplies, justifies disproportionate populations among Director Precinct 1, 2, and 3; and,

WHEREAS, the District engaged the law firm of Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP to act as the District's redistricting consultant, including advising and assisting the Board in preparation of a new redistricting plan in compliance with applicable requirements of state and federal law; and,

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2022, the Board of Directors adopted redistricting criteria to assist the District and the public in developing redistricting plans which comply with applicable federal and state laws, and the adopted redistricting criteria were applied in the development of the District's new redistricting plan; and,

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2022, the Board of Directors also adopted redistricting guidelines regarding the submission of comments and proposed plans by the public to ensure the ability of the District to timely receive and adequately consider them; and,

WHEREAS, during the redistricting process, the District provided notice to the public of its proposed discussions and development of a redistricting plan through meeting agendas posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, notices on the District's website, and

publication of newspaper notices, as well as providing certain individual notices regarding public hearings; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has considered the proposed redistricting plan at its Board meeting on February 10, 2022 and at a public hearing held on March 10, 2022, and no written comments were received on or by March 3, 2022. The Board has considered oral testimony, reports from the District's redistricting consultant, and various proposed plans regarding the appropriate reconfiguration of the director precincts; and,

WHEREAS, the attached director precinct redistricting plan satisfies the adopted redistricting criteria of maintaining the rural Trinity Aquifer users (proposed Precinct 1), the urban conjunctive water supply users (proposed Precinct 2), and the rural Edwards Aquifer users (proposed Precinct 3), as communities with aligned interests in groundwater management; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that the attached director precinct redistricting plan is in the best interest of the citizens of the District, complies with the adopted redistricting criteria, has the support of the majority of those providing comments, and complies with all state and federal requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BARTON SPRINGS/EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, TEXAS:

A. That the existing single-member director precinct boundary lines for the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District are hereby amended, and the new districting plan depicted on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A, defining new director precincts, as such new director precincts are further described in the tables attached hereto as Exhibit B reporting populations and demographic statistics for each such new director precinct, is hereby adopted and designated to define the District's five single-member director precincts from and after the Effective Date; that Exhibits A and B are incorporated by reference in and made a part of this resolution, and shall be kept on file in the District Office.

B. That this resolution shall take and be given effect immediately and that thereafter, all Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District elections shall be held under and in accordance with the new single-member director precinct districting plan here adopted by the Board of Directors, until such time as a subsequent lawfully-enacted districting plan shall be adopted to replace this plan.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Directors of Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District, Texas this 10th day of March 2022.

BARTON SPRINGS/EDWARDS AQUIFER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

ATTEST:

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Blayne Stansberry
President, Board of Directors

Christie Williams
Secretary, Board of Directors

Item 6

Board Discussions and Possible Actions

b. Discussion and possible action a Report of Investigation, Notice of Alleged Violation, and Draft Agreed Order for initiation and resolving enforcement proceedings concerning Aqua Texas -Bliss Spillar noncompliance with its permit and District Drought Rules.

Item 6

Board Discussions and Possible Actions

c. Discussion and possible action proposed modifications to the Employee Policy Manual.

Section 3.4.4. Full-Time Employee

A full-time employee is a Regular employee expected to work a minimum of 30 hours each week. Full-time employees are entitled to receive all of the benefits offered by the District including but not limited to Paid Time Off, Compensatory Time, Group Insurance, Retirement, Sick Leave, and Paid Leave of Absence programs. A full-time employee working less than 40 hours in a week, receives benefits adjusted on a prorated basis.

The full-time employee can either be exempt or nonexempt. Nonexempt employees earn comp time in accordance with FLSA regulations. Exempt employees will also earn comp time under the circumstances and terms established in this manual.

A full-time employee will take a 30-minute meal break each workday and establish their 8- or 10-hour daily work schedule around the meal break accordingly. During the meal break, employees are completely relieved from duty for the purpose of eating a regular meal or pursuing an alternate activity. Meal breaks are not compensable and non-exempt employees should not work during their meal-time break. Employees have the option of taking a 60-minute meal break and adjusting their work schedule accordingly. The receptionist position, an exception to this rule, will be paid for all hours at the office and no meal break greater than 20 minutes should be taken. All breaks by the receptionist for less than 20 minutes are compensated breaks. Employees are to notify their Team Leader or General Manager of their expected daily-work schedule (i.e., start and finish times, Monday through Friday).

7.8.6. Telecommuting

Telecommuting is a privilege and defined as regularly working a full or partial workday from home or some other alternate work site that has been approved by the General Manager.

The District will make telecommuting available to employees when it benefits organizational and departmental needs. This option may not be available in some job classifications due to business needs as determined by the General Manager. The General Manager, in consultation with each Team Leader, will determine, at his or her discretion, the positions within the department that may be suitable for telecommuting. The business goal related to telecommuting is to have employees in the office and available for collaboration with other staff three days per week. An employee may be pre-approved to record Telecommuting hours at his/her discretion, therefore, in amounts up to two days per week for full-time employees depending on the work schedule chosen by the employee (i.e., 5-day/8-hour versus 4-day/10-hour.) 15 hours per week for employees classified as Principal or Senior staff, and up to 10 hours per week for other staff.

If the employee meets eligibility requirements for telecommuting, the employee must submit a Telecommuting Agreement form to their Team Leader for approval. If the employee is granted a telecommuting arrangement, the employee will be subject to the same performance standards as prior to telecommuting. The Telecommuting Agreement will establish the day(s) during the week when the employee will be telecommuting.

Telecommuting work areas may be evaluated to ensure that appropriate safety standards are met. Telecommuting may be a reasonable accommodation. The employee shall consult with the General Manager if they are requesting telecommuting as a reasonable accommodation. (See Appendix F-Telecommuting Policy and General Elements of Telecommuting Agreements.)

Item 6

Board Discussions and Possible Actions

d. Discussion and possible action related to the TCEQ Sunset Review process.

**Texas Sunset Advisory Commission (TSAC) and
the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)**

March 10, 2022

The TCEQ is one of several agencies that are currently undergoing a Sunset Review process. For more information about the TSAC, visit: <https://www.sunset.texas.gov/>

For information related to the TCEQ and their Sunset Self-Evaluation, visit:
<https://tceq.texas.gov/agency/sunset/sunset-self-evaluation-2021>

None of the 17 issue areas self-identified by the TCEQ with recommendations for improvement, concern groundwater. Click on the link directly above to see an enumeration of those issue areas.

District staff plan to submit a public comment, nonetheless, regarding wastewater management and disposal of treated effluent within the District / Hill Country.

Item 7

Staff Presentation

"Trinity Aquifer Sustainable Yield Study: State of the Science and Near-term Timeline" Dr. Brian Smith, Principal Hydrogeologist.

Item 8

Director's Reports

Directors' Reports.

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.**

Item 9

Adjournment