RESOLUTION NO. 2020-1208

OF THE JOINT COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA 10 REGARDING CHANGES IN THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN GMA 9 AND GMA 10

WHEREAS, groundwater conservation districts are charged by the Texas Legislature with providing for the conservation, preservation, protection, and prevention of waste of groundwater and of groundwater resources under Texas Water Code, Section 36.0015;

WHEREAS, groundwater conservation districts are required by TWC Section 36.108 to meet with the other groundwater districts for joint planning within their Groundwater Management Area (GMA), to collectively establish desired future conditions for the relevant aquifers within that GMA;

WHEREAS, the boundaries of GMAs are intended to coincide, to the greatest extent feasible, with the actual boundaries of major and minor aquifer systems of Texas, as defined by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) under TWC Section 35.004;

WHEREAS, the boundary between GMA 9 and GMA 10 is intended to reflect the actual boundary formed by the outcrop of the Trinity Aquifer to the northwest in GMA 9 and the outcrop of the Edwards (Balcones Fault Zone) Aquifer to the southeast in GMA 10;

WHEREAS, the jurisdictional boundaries between the Southwestern Travis County GCD and the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District in Travis County, and between the Hays Trinity GCD and the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District in Hays County, are designed to be a close approximation of the Edwards Aquifer's western outcrop boundary formed with the outcrop of the Trinity Aquifer;

WHEREAS, the boundary between GMA 9 and GMA 10 as currently established by TWDB deviates substantially from these GCD jurisdictional boundaries and therefore from the actual boundary between the two major aquifers managed by the two GMAs;

WHEREAS, the Southwestern Travis County GCD and Hays Trinity GCD consider the Edwards (Balcones Fault Zone) Aquifer that is down-dip of the Trinity outcrop as non-relevant for joint planning purposes within GMA 9 and do not manage that Aquifer within GMA 9;

WHEREAS, the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District considers the unconfined Trinity Aquifer that is up-dip of the Edwards outcrop as non-relevant for joint planning purposes within GMA 10 and does not manage that Aquifer within GMA 10;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE JOINT PLANNING COMMITTEE OF GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA 10 THAT:

Groundwater Management Area 10 hereby requests the Texas Water Development Board to change the boundary between GMA 9 and GMA 10 in Hays and Travis Counties such that it is as shown on the attached exhibit A.

PASSED AND APPROVED this	day of	2020.
GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AR	EA 10'S DISTRICT REPR	ESENTATIVES:
Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conse	ervation District	
Comal Trinity Groundwater Conservation	on District	
Kinney County Groundwater Conserva	tion District	
Medina County Groundwater Conserva	ation District	
Plum Creek Conservation District		
Uvalde County Groundwater Conserva	tion District	



