



**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING of the
BARTON SPRINGS-EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Thursday, May 14, 2026

5:00 PM

IN-PERSON

Notice is given that a **Public Hearing and Regular Meeting** of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District will be held on **Thursday, May 14, 2026**, commencing at **5:00 p.m.** at the **District office, located at 1124 Regal Row, Austin, Texas.**

This meeting will be video and 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

Board member present at commencement: Lily Lucas and Blayn Stansberry. Jon Cradit attended virtually.

Christy Williams joined the meeting at 5:06 p.m.

Staff present: Justin Camp, Shay Hlavaty, Jacob Newton, Alyssa Garcia

Note: The Board of Directors of the Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District reserves the right to meet in a closed 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.

Director Lucas called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. Citizen Communications (Public Comments of a General Nature).

Alonna Beatty, a resident of Menchaca, addressed the Board regarding the proposed Milestone/Hays Commons development over the Edwards Aquifer recharge zone. She urged the District to prepare and

submit comments opposing the development at the upcoming June 9 Hays County Commissioners Court meeting, emphasizing the environmental risks and community opposition.

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, Specified Expenditures greater than \$10,000.
- b. Approval of minutes of the Board's April 9, 2026, Regular Meeting and Public Hearing.
Director Stansberry moved to approve the consent agenda, minutes, and Sledge Law Group April invoice in \$17,322. 83. Director Williams seconded the motion, passing 4-0.

The motion was amended to include Sledge Law Group March invoice for \$19,187.62. Director Williams seconded the motion, passing 4-0.

4. **General Manager's Report.**

- GM Update
- Communications and Outreach Update

Shay Hlavaty highlighted the Rainwater Harvesting event held on April 28 with 98 attendees. She also shared updates on media coverage, including front-page feature in the Community Impact, KXAN, and KUT. Shay announced we will have an intern joining us for Communication and Outreach on May 26.

- Aquifer Status Report

Justin Camp presented the Aquifer Status Report. In April, he reported the region experienced about 5 inches of rain, roughly 2.5 inches above the monthly average.

The 10-day average for Lovelady elevation is 454.1.

The 10-day average for Barton Springs Flow is 17 cfs.

The Trinity water levels show a slight improvement. Jacob's well is still reporting 0.00 CFS.

May monthly rain outlook predicts above normal chances for us in Central Texas.

5. **Public Hearing**

Will B Crenshaw and Beverly Crenshaw (3658 Stoneridge Rd, Austin, TX 78746), filed a well drilling authorization application on December 9, 2025, with the Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District (District) for a new nonexempt well. The well is proposed to be discreetly completed in the Middle Trinity Aquifer. Will B Crenshaw II and Beverley M Crenshaw will operate the proposed well for the irrigation needs of a residential property. A separate and subsequent application and permit will be required before this well may be operated. The proposed well is located in Travis County at 3658 Stoneridge Rd, Austin, TX 78746 (30°15'58.33"N, -97°48'58.48"W).

A public hearing remained open from April 9 to get public comment on the well drilling authorization request for Will B Crenshaw and Beverly Crenshaw.

Staff recommended approval, stating that application met administrative and technical requirements.

Public comments were received from Save Our Springs Alliance requested denial or delay, citing insufficient information and concerns about water use during drought conditions.

Applicant Representative, Bee Cave Drilling added that the route for Rainwater Harvesting was impractical given property constraints so therefore they would like to move forward with application.

The public hearing concluded at 5:31 p.m.

6. Discussion and Possible Action.

- a. Discussion and possible action related to a well drilling authorization application filed by Will B Crenshaw and Beverly Crenshaw (3658 Stoneridge Rd, Austin, TX 78746) for a new nonexempt well.

The Board entered executive session at 5:36 p.m. to discuss 6a and concluded at 6:01 p.m. No final action was taken during this session.

Director Williams moved to approve of the well building authorization application with the following conditions.

- Well remain unequipped (no pump installed)
- The well must be capped after drilling
- May be subject to periodic inspections at any time.
- No well testing would be allowed during drought conditions.
- Lack of testing data may render any future production permit incomplete

Director Cradit seconded the motion, passing 3-1 with Director Lucas opposed.

- b. Discussion and possible action on Drought Stage.

No action was made on this item.

- c. Discussion and possible action related to the performance and compliance of District permittees with their User Drought Contingency Plan curtailments.

Jacob Newton presented the UDCP, updated through April. Tier 3, Creedmoor-Maha WSC over pumped by 106%, and Monarch Utilities also over pumped by 14%. Tier 2, we have two permittees of Aqua Texas Inc. over pumped (35%, 28%). Tier 1, Texas Old Town over pumped by 43%.

- d. Discussion and possible action related to Texas Land Application Permit No. WQ0016373001 and the Decision of the TCEQ Executive Director for Hays Commons Development, Inc.

The TCEQ Executive Director issued an abatement to newly identified easement conflicts and discrepancies in survey data. The project is placed on hold while administrative record is revised and deficiencies are addressed.

- e. General Counsel's Report: The District's legal counsel will brief the Board on pertinent legal issues and developments impacting the District since the last Board meeting, and legal counsel's activities on behalf of the District, including without limitation waste injection well monitoring activities including any protests of injection well applications with the Railroad Commission of Texas or the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), monitoring or protests of water rights, wastewater discharge, or other waste-related applications at the TCEQ that may impact groundwater resources in the District; District rules enforcement activities, possible amendments to the District rules and management plan, or implementation issues related to the rules or plan, the District rules or groundwater-related legislative activities, aquifer joint planning and DFC development activities, developments in groundwater case law and submission of legal briefs, contractual issues related to the District, open government, policy, personnel, and financial issues of the District, threatened or pending claims or litigation against the District, and other legal activities on behalf of the District – Brian Sledge, Legal Counsel, Sledge Law Group, PLLC

The executive session began at 6:16 p.m. to discuss item 6e and concluded at 7:43 p.m.

7. 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:

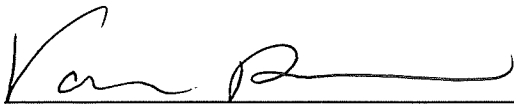
- Meetings and conferences attended or that will be attended;
- Board committee updates;
- Conversations with public officials, permittees, stakeholders, and other constituents;
- possible amendments to the District rules;
- Commendations; and
- Issues or problems of concern.

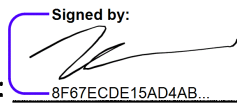
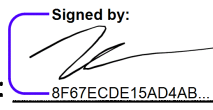
8. Adjournment.

Director Lucas adjourned the meeting 7:44 p.m.

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.

Approved by the Board on June 11, 2026

By: 
Vanessa Puig-Williams, Board President

Signed by: 
Attest: 
Christy Williams, Board Secretary