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RESOLUTION NO. 20261015-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BLANCO-PEDERNALES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO RULE 4.1.D (PRODUCTION REPORTS) AND RULE 4.3.B (ENHANCED GROUTING AND AQUIFER ISOLATION STANDARDS)

WHEREAS, the Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District (the "District") is a groundwater conservation district created and operating under the laws of the State of Texas, with the authority to regulate the spacing and production of wells and to adopt rules to conserve, protect, recharge, and prevent waste of groundwater within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board") desires to amend Rule 4.1.D (Production Reports) to establish an exception from the annual production reporting requirement for wells used solely for agricultural use, supported by a new definition of "Agricultural use" added to Rule 2 (Definitions); and

WHEREAS, the Board further desires to amend Rule 4.3.B (Enhanced Grouting and Aquifer Isolation Standards), as recommended by the District's consulting hydrogeologist, to increase minimum grouting and annular space requirements for new wells and to strengthen standards preventing the commingling of groundwater from different aquifers or water-bearing zones of differing chemical quality; and

WHEREAS, proposed amendments to Rules 4.1.D and 4.3.B were developed and reviewed by the Board over several months, including preparation of redlined revisions for Rule 4.1.D; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed amendments was duly posted and published as required by law; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the proposed amendments was held on October 15, 2026, at 1:45 p.m., and no public comments were received, and the hearing was closed at 1:46 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the adoption of these amendments is necessary and advisable for the effective management and protection of the groundwater resources of the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BLANCO-PEDERNALES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT THAT:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are adopted as findings of fact of the Board.

Section 2. The amendments to Rule 4.1.D (Production Reports), together with the associated insertion of a definition of "Agricultural use" into Rule 2 (Definitions), substantially in the form presented to the Board, are hereby adopted as rules of the District, effective November 1, 2026.

Section 3. The amendments to Rule 4.3.B (Enhanced Grouting and Aquifer Isolation Standards), substantially in the form presented to the Board, are hereby adopted as rules of the District, effective November 1, 2026.

Section 4. The General Manager is directed to publish notice of the adopted amendments and to inform the public through outreach, social media, and press releases, and to provide a copy of the press release and rule changes to drillers during well registration.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District on this 15th day of October 2026, upon motion duly made and seconded, to wit: the motion adopting Rule 4.1.D, made by Director Sultemeier and seconded by Director Murrah, passed with four (4) votes in favor, none opposed, and one (1) abstention, President Jimmy Klepac having recused himself due to a conflict of interest as an agricultural irrigator; and the motion adopting Rule 4.3.B, made by Director Reynolds and seconded by Director Stevens, passed by unanimous vote.

ADOPTED this 15th day of October 2026, by the Board of Directors of the Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District.

Jimmy Klepac, Board President
Date: 10/20/2026

Greg Stevens, Board Secretary
Date: 10/19/2026