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PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETING FOR LONE STAR GCD

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021—4:00 P.M.
IN PERSON AND REMOTELY VIA THE PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE WEBINAR/TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

Notice is hereby given to all interested members of the public that the Board of Directors of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District will hold a previously scheduled and noticed hearing and its regular monthly board meeting both in person and remotely **via a publicly accessible webinar/telephone conference call** (for those who do want to attend in person) in accordance with the Texas Governor's "Report to Open Texas". *See also* Texas Government Code, Section 551.125, as modified by the Governor of Texas who ordered suspension of various provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, effective March 16, 2020, in accordance with the Texas Disaster Act of 1975. **Information on how to participate in the hearing and meeting remotely is provided below.** Agendas for each hearing and regular board meeting are provided in this packet immediately following the instructions for participation.

If you attend in person, please note that the District's board room can only accommodate twelve (12) in person public attendees while still maintaining six feet distance between attendees. If you are not comfortable attending the meeting in person (and/or due to limited social distancing capacity), please participate via the webinar/telephone conference call. You can provide written public comment in advance of the meeting or live during the meeting via the webinar link below.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN HEARINGS AND MEETING

Audio and Video Conference Opens at 3:45 PM

The Hearings and Meeting will begin at 4:00 PM.

Participation via the videoconference webinar is not required and only necessary if you plan to make public comment during any hearing or the meeting. If you plan to make public comment during any hearing or meeting, please do the following:

1. Please contact the District at (936) 494-3436 or **info@lonestargcd.org** to register as a speaker during public comment. Please indicate whether you would like to make public comment during the management plan hearing, permit hearing and/or board meeting. You must also register as a speaker when logging into the webinar by providing your name and email address. You can pre-register for the webinar. Any person participating in the meeting must be recognized and identified by a moderator before they speak.

2. Determine if you will participate and provide public comment via the zoom webinar link or Zoom app as set forth below.

If you do not plan to make live public comment during any hearing or meeting, you are not required to register for the webinar and may listen via a conference call number or watch the live broadcast on the District's website as provided below. You may also submit written comments in advance of the meeting to info@lonestargcd.org.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and would like to request auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact Jennifer Thayer at (936) 494-3636 at least three business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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PARTICIPATION IN LIVE PUBLIC COMMENT VIA WEBINAR LINK OR APP

If you choose to participate via the Zoom webinar link below, you WILL have the opportunity to provide live comments during the designated portion of the hearings or meeting.

Webinar Link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cxsukkSBSg2VQE9uiUayRA
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. You can pre-register for the webinar at any time.

If you choose to participate in the webinar via the Zoom App, you will need to *pre-register* via the URL meeting link above to get a password emailed to you in advance of the webinar. You will use the password emailed to you during pre-registration when you log into the app to join the webinar. You WILL have the opportunity to provide live comments during the designated portion of the hearings or meeting.

Please use Webinar ID: 817 2846 7321
Password: Received via pre-registration

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LISTENING/WATCHING BUT NO PARTICIPATION IN LIVE PUBLIC COMMENT

If you do not want to make live public comment and/or you choose to participate in the public hearings and meeting using the conference call number or live broadcast link below, you will NOT have the opportunity to provide live comments during the designated portion of the hearings and meeting. The conference call phone number is provided for LISTENING PURPOSES ONLY, and the live broadcast link is provided for LISTENING AND WATCHING PURPOSES ONLY. You can submit written comments in advance to info@lonestargcd.org.

Telephone conference call phone number: Dial +1 346 248 7799; enter the meeting ID: 817 2846 7321#. You will then be prompted to enter a participation code or press #. Press #. You do not need a participation code.

Live broadcast of the hearings and meeting via the link below or on the meetings tab on the District's website at https://www.lonestargcd.org/meetings

Live Broadcast Link: https://lonestargcd.new.swagit.com/views/58

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To be held on Wednesday, April 7, 2021
Lone Star GCD – James B. "Jim" Wesley Board Room
655 Conroe Park North Drive
Conroe, Texas 77303

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021, AT 4:00 P.M.

Held In Person and/or Remotely via a Publicly Accessible Webinar/Telephone Conference Call (The webinar & conference call line open at 3:45 P.M.)

AGENDA

The Board of Directors may discuss, consider, and take action, including expenditure of funds, on any item or subject matter posted in this agenda.

1. Call to Order and Declare Meeting Open to the Public.
2. Roll Call.
3. Prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.
4. Public Comment on any agenda item or any other matter (Public comment is limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per speaker); *See Comment Card for Other Guidelines and Procedures*
5. Executive Session - The Board will recess for a closed Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, §551.071, to consult with the District's attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code regarding any agenda item on any of the board meetings or hearings posted for today.

   No action will be taken in Executive Session.
6. Discuss, consider, and take action as necessary to approve proposed DFCs for GMA 14 and any related items and/or participation related to GMA 14.
7. Discuss, consider, and take action as necessary on a consulting services agreement with a strategic communications firm.

8. New Business.

9. Adjourn.

The above agenda schedules for the meetings and hearings of the District represent an estimate of the order for the indicated items and are subject to change at any time.

These public hearings and meetings are available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance to attend the meeting or hearing, please contact the Lone Star GCD at 936/494-3436 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

At any time during one the above meetings or hearings and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gift (§551.073); personnel matters (§551.074); deliberation regarding security devices (§551.076); and deliberation regarding cybersecurity (§551.089). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.

Certification

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that on April 1, 2021, at or before 5:00 p.m., I posted and filed the above notices of meeting(s) and hearing(s) with the Montgomery County Clerk's office and also posted a copy in the front window of the Lone Star GCD office in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public all times and that it will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

/s/ Samantha Stried Reiter

Samantha Stried Reiter, General Manager
Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District