LONE STAR
GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
AUGUST 11, 2026
MINUTES OF SHOW CAUSE HEARING FOR ENFORCEMENT MATTERS

The Board of Directors of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District ("District") met in regular session, open to the public and held in person in the Lone Star GCD – James B. "Jim" Wesley Board Room located at 655 Conroe Park North Drive, Conroe, Texas, and remotely via the publicly accessible webinar/telephone conference call within the boundaries of the District on August 11, 2026.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

President Spigener called to order the Show Cause Hearing for Enforcement Maters at 4:00 p.m. announcing the meeting open to the public.

2. ROLL CALL:

Roll was called for the members of the Board of Directors, to wit:

Jim Spigener
Janice Thigpen
Jon Paul Bouché
Gregory Partin
Stuart Traylor
John Wertz

Also present:

Name:	Title:
Sarah Kouba	General Manager
Tiffany White	Director of Operations
Nicholas Clark	Permitting Manager
Rebekah Schlichting	Education & Outreach Coordinator
Brenda Lozano	Media & Outreach Coordinator
Dawn Havran	Permitting Technician
Valaurie Lucius	Administrative Assistant
Stacey Reese	District Counsel
Chris Drabek	District Technical Consultant (Virtual)
Mike Keester	District Technical Consultant (Virtual)
James Beach	District Technical Consultant (Virtual)
and members of the public	

3. PRAYER AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE:

Vice-President Bouché led the prayer, and Director Partin led the United States and Texas pledges.

4. SHOW CAUSE HEARING DIRECTING THE BELOW LISTED, ("RESPONDENT(S)"), PURSUANT TO DISTRICT RULE 12.5. TO APPEAR BEFORE THE LONE STAR GCD BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE DISTRICT SHOULD NOT:

1) issue a cease-and-desist order pursuant to District Rule 12.6(c) failure to submit 2025 annual water production report and/or fines associated with timely submission;

2) file a civil suit against Respondent in State District Court seeking enforcement of District rules and the collection of all due and owing penalties, other civil penalties, and attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the District in the prosecution of claims against Respondent for its violations of District Rules; and

3) take all other enforcement action that is necessary and appropriate under the laws of the State of Texas.

Ms. Kouba asked if anyone was present for show cause due to failure to submit 2025 annual water production reports and/or fines associated with timely submission. Ms. Regina Sandefer and Mr. Toby Sandefer came forward. Ms. Kouba gave an overview as to why Ms. and Mr. Sandefer were in violation with the District. Ms. And Mr. Sandefer explained their situation and meter submission difficulties. Ms. Kouba listed the enforcement timeline date and recommended that the Board move forward with the violations to maintain consistency and fairness among all permittees. Secretary Thigpen questioned if the permittee could come back to the District to work out the matter. Ms. Kouba stated the permittee would have to speak to the attorney but can also get in contact with the District to settle in a timely manner. Vice President Bouché asked if there had been any effort to contact the District. Ms. Kouba stated that there had been no effort of contact. President Spigener called for a motion to authorize our attorney to:

1) have legal counsel send a cease-and-desist letter pursuant to District Rule 12.6(c) for failure to submit 2025 annual water production reports and/or and fines associated timely submission;

1) file a civil suit against Respondent in State District Court seeking enforcement of District rules and the collection of all due and owing penalties, other civil penalties, and attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the District in the prosecution of claims against Respondent for its violations of District Rules; and

2) take all other enforcement action that is necessary and appropriate under the laws of the State of Texas.

Vice President Bouché moved that the Board allow authorization to the attorney. Director Wertz seconded the motion. President Spigener called for a voice vote. Motion passed.

Ms. Kouba asked if anyone else was present for show cause due to failure to submit 2025 annual water production reports and/or fines associated with timely submission. Ms. Nancy Villanueva came forward and gave reasoning as to why she wasn't able to give the information requested from the District to be in compliance in a timely manner but is willing to pay her dues today. President Spigener wanted clarity from Ms. Stacey Reese if they should hold on taking action. Ms. Stacey Reese recommended that the Board move forward with the violations.

Vice President Bouché moved that the Board allow authorization to the attorney. Director Traylor seconded the motion. President Spigener called for a voice vote. Motion passed.

Ms. Kouba recommended that the Boad allow Ms. Stacey Reese to take action on the list for show cause hearings, following district rule 11.3, as no one else is present to contest.

Vice President Bouché moved that the Board allow authorization to the attorney. Director Traylor seconded the motion. President Spigener called for a voice vote. Motion Passed.

5. **SHOW CAUSE HEARING DIRECTING THE BELOW LISTED, ("RESPONDENT(S)"), PURSUANT TO DISTRICT RULE 12.5. TO APPEAR BEFORE THE LONE STAR GCD BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE DISTRICT SHOULD NOT:**

    1) issue a cease-and-desist order pursuant to District Rule 12.6(c) failure to submit 2026 annual Water Use Fees and/or fines associated with timely submission;

    2) file a civil suit against Respondent in State District Court seeking enforcement of District rules and the collection of all due and owing penalties, other civil penalties, and attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the District in the prosecution of claims against Respondent for its violations of District Rules; and

    3) take all other enforcement action that is necessary and appropriate under the laws of the State of Texas.

Ms. Kouba asked if anyone was present for show cause due to failure to submit 2026 annual Water Use Fees and/or fines associated with timely submission. There was no one present.

Secretary Thigpen moved that the Board allow authorization to the attorney. Director Traylor seconded the motion. President Spigener called for a voice vote. Motion Passed.

6. **SHOW CAUSE HEARING DIRECTING THE BELOW LISTED, ("RESPONDENT(S)"), PURSUANT TO DISTRICT RULE 12.5. TO APPEAR BEFORE THE LONE STAR GCD BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE DISTRICT SHOULD NOT:**

    1) issue a cease-and-desist order pursuant to District Rule 12.6(c) for failure to remit the overproduction fees and fines associated with the 2025 withdrawal of groundwater in an amount which exceeded the specific amount authorized for withdrawal of the authorized amount;

    2) file a civil suit against Respondent in State District Court seeking enforcement of District rules and the collection of all due and owing penalties, other civil penalties, and attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the District in the prosecution of claims against Respondent for its violations of District Rules; and

    3) take all other enforcement action that is necessary and appropriate under the laws of the State of Texas.

Ms. Kouba asked if anyone was present for show cause due to failure to remit the overproduction fees and fines associated with the 2025 withdrawal of groundwater in an amount which exceeded the specific amount authorized for withdrawal of the authorized amount. Mr. Sean Guillemette came forward and

gave reasoning for his overproduction claiming due to a broken meter. Mr. Guillemette requested a dispute for the overproduction penalty because of this and stated to pay any other violations he may have. Ms. Kouba recommended to the Board that they not make a motion to pursue action yet, to allow time to review further. Vice President Bouché moved that the Board table this until further investigation. President Spigener seconded the motion. President Spigener called for a voice vote. Motion passed.

Ms. Kouba restated whether anyone else was present for show cause due to failure to remit the overproduction fees and fines associated with the 2025 withdrawal of groundwater in an amount which exceeded the specific amount authorized for withdrawal of the authorized amount. There was no one present.

Ms. Kuba asked the board to pursue excluding Mr. Guillemette;

1) issue a cease-and-desist order pursuant to District Rule 12.6(c) for failure to remit the overproduction fees and fines associated with the 2025 withdrawal of groundwater in an amount which exceeded the specific amount authorized for withdrawal of the authorized amount;

2) file a civil suit against Respondent in State District Court seeking enforcement of District rules and the collection of all due and owing penalties, other civil penalties, and attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the District in the prosecution of claims against Respondent for its violations of District Rules; and

3) take all other enforcement action that is necessary and appropriate under the laws of the State of Texas.

Secretary Janice moved that the Board allow authorization to the attorney. Director Wertz seconded the motion. President Spigener called for a voice vote. Motion Passed.

ADJOURN:

President Spigener called for a motion to adjourn the Show Cause Hearing on Enforcement Maters. Director Traylor made a motion to adjourn. Director Wertz seconded the motion. President Spigener called for a voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 8th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026.

Janice Thigpen, Board Secretary