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HIGH PLAINS UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NO. 1
BOARD OF DIRECTORS COUNTY CLERK LUBBOCK COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HPWD RULE 4.1(e) and 4.2(b)

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015

10:00 A.M.

GAYLER EVANS ROOM

SWISHER COUNTY MEMORIAL BUILDING

127 SW 2ND STREET, TULIA, TX 79088

AGENDA

1. The President will call the public hearing to order and establish a quorum of the Board of Directors.
2. Introduction of the HPWD Board of Directors and Staff.
3. Introductory Statement from Board President Lynn Tate.
4. The Board will receive public comment on proposed amendments to HPWD Rule 4.1(E) and 4.2(B).
5. Adjourn.

Written comments regarding the proposed revisions to Rule 4.1(e) and 4.2(b) must be received in the District office no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2015. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail at rulecomments@hpwd.com

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the governing body of the above named political subdivision, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that a true and correct copy of said Notice was furnished via electronic transmission to the Office of Texas Secretary of State and posted on the bulletin board, located at a place convenient to the public in its administrative office at 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, Texas, and said Notice was posted on February 18, 2015 and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours immediately preceding the day of said Meeting. A true and correct copy of said Notice has been filed with the Lubbock County Clerk on February 18, 2015, a true and correct copy of said Notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Lubbock County Courthouse on February 18, 2015, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours immediately preceding the day of said Meeting.

Dated this the 18th day of February, 2015.

High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1

By 

Jason Coleman, P.E., General Manager

HIGH PLAINS UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NO. 1
BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HPWD RULE 4.1(e) and 4.2(b)
MARCH 13, 2015
10:00 A.M.

The Board of Directors of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 convened a public hearing on proposed amendments to Rule 4.1(e) and 4.2(b) at the Swisher County Memorial Building, 127 SW 2nd Street, in Tulia, Texas. Today's hearing was held pursuant to notice of meeting issued and served upon the directors, with the following members present:

Lynn Tate, President
Brad Heffington, Vice-President
Mike Beauchamp, Secretary-Treasurer
Ronnie Hopper, Member
Dan Seale, Member

(The audio recording of the public hearing on proposed amendments to the two HPWD rules serves as the official administrative record of the hearing. These written minutes are provided for convenience.)

President Tate called the public hearing to order at 10:14 a.m. with the above-referenced directors in attendance, constituting a quorum of said Board, whereupon the following proceedings took place.

President Tate introduced the Board of Directors.

President Tate stated that the purpose of today's public hearing is to gather input from constituents regarding proposed amendments to Rule 4.1 (e) and 4.2 (b) of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District.

The proposed revision in Well Registration Rule 4.1(e) deletes the word, "shall," and replaces it with the word, "may."

The proposed revision in Well Registration Rule 4.2(b) deletes the current sentence in its entirety and replaces it with "A new well exempt from permitting may be registered with the District."

In accordance with Chapter 36.101(d) of the Texas Water Code, notice was provided to the public 20 days prior to the rulemaking hearing as follows:

- Filed with the Office of the Texas Secretary of State in accordance with the Open Meetings Act on 2-18-2015.
- Filed with the Office of the Lubbock County Clerk on 2-18-2015.
- Posted at the Lubbock County Courthouse on 2-18-2015.
- Provided to each County Clerk's office in the district on 2-18-2015.

- Published in the legal notices of the 2-19-2015 editions of the *Amarillo Globe-News* and *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, two newspapers of general circulation within the district.
- Provided notice by mail on 2-18-2015 to 33 persons who requested notice of rulemaking hearings conducted by the district. One mail piece was returned as undeliverable.
- A copy of the proposed rule amendments was made available for public viewing at the HPWD office during normal business hours, beginning 2-18-2015.
- Posted on the front window of the High Plains Water District office on 2-18-2015.
- Provided by e-mail to the HPWD Board of Directors.
- Mailed 2-18-2015 to all HPWD County Secretaries, along with a copy of the proposed rule revisions.
- Posted notice and hearing agenda to the HPWD web site at www.hpwd.org on 2-18-2015.

Additional notice of the hearing was included in the:

- February 2015 print version of *The Cross Section*
- February 26, 2015 news release to media in HPWD service area
- February 27, 2015 electronic issue of *The Cross Section*
- March 6, 2015 electronic issue of *The Cross Section*

President Tate invited those present to offer comments regarding the proposed revisions to Rule 4.1 (e) and 4.2 (b). (*Only persons that completed a registration form indicating their desire to comment were recognized.*) No written comments were received by the March 11 deadline.

The following individuals offered comments concerning the proposed revisions:

- Leland Stukey
- J. Collier Adams
- Kelly Young (*No comment—signed up to speak on Briscoe County agenda item*)
- Gary Weaks (*No comment—signed up to speak on Briscoe County agenda item*)

President Tate noted that everyone who had submitted a public comment registration form had been recognized. He then gave all other persons in attendance a final opportunity to indicate their desire to provide comment.

There being none, the public comment period was closed on the proposed amendments to Rule 4.1 (e) and 4.2 (b) of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District.

President Tate adjourned the public hearing on the proposed amendments at 10:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



 Mike Beauchamp
 Secretary-Treasurer



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COUNTY CLERK LUBBOCK COUNTY, TEXAS

**HIGH PLAINS UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NO. 1
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015
10:30 A.M.**

**GAYLER EVANS ROOM
SWISHER COUNTY MEMORIAL BUILDING
127 SW 2ND STREET, TULIA, TX 79088**

AGENDA

1. The President will call the meeting to order and establish a quorum.
2. Consent Agenda Items:
 - a. Approval of minutes of the February 10, 2015 regular meeting at Lubbock, TX.
 - b. Adoption of report on the financial status of the District from the General Manager for the month of February 2015.
 - c. Approval of the bills incurred by the District for the month of February 2015 and travel vouchers for the Board members and eligible staff.
3. Take up any items removed from the Consent Agenda.
4. Public comment (*Only persons that complete a registration form indicating their desire to comment will be recognized.*) **Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person regarding agenda items only.**
5. The Board will discuss and take possible action on approval of applications for water well permits received for the month of February 2015.
6. The Board will discuss and take possible action to amend HPWD Water Well Registration Rule 4.1(e) and 4.2(b).
7. The Board will discuss and take possible action on the TCEQ order recommending the addition of western Briscoe County to the HPWD.

8. The Board will discuss and take possible action regarding County Advisory Committees.
9. The Board will hear reports on the status of other District programs and items of possible interest from the General Manager:
 - a. Legislative Activity
 - b. Staff Reports
 - c. Correspondence
 - d. District current work efforts
10. The Board will convene a Closed Executive Session as authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (*Open Meetings Act*).
11. The Board will reconvene to consider any action needed following the Closed Executive Session.
12. Adjourn.

NOTES:

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated, and/or acted upon in a different order than set forth above, which represents an estimate of the schedule at the time notice is issued. The Board of Directors may discuss, consider, and take all necessary action, including possible expenditure of funds, regarding any item on the agenda.

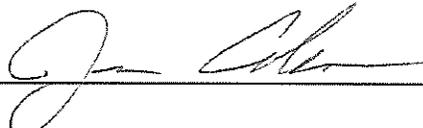
At any time during any meeting or hearing and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, the District Board may meet in a closed executive session on any agenda item or other lawful items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gifts (§551.073); personnel matters (§551.074); and deliberation regarding security devices (§551.076). Any subject discussed in closed session may be subject to action during an open meeting. Closed sessions on individual agenda items will not be posted separately in any manner other than the notice provided in this paragraph, regardless of any past practice of the District.

The 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 (806) 762-0181 at least 24 hours in advance if accommodation is needed.

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Dated this the 18th day of February, 2015.

High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1

By  _____
Jason Coleman, P.E., General Manager

**HIGH PLAINS UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NO. 1
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 13, 2015**

The Board of Directors of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 (*the Board*) convened a regular meeting at the Swisher County Memorial Building, 127 SW 2nd Street, Tulia Texas, with the following members present:

Lynn Tate, President
Brad Heffington, Vice-President
Mike Beauchamp, Secretary-Treasurer
Ronnie Hopper, Member
Dan Seale, Member

(Attached to these minutes is the *Notice of Meeting of the Governing Body of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 [District]* calling said meeting, which was served upon the directors and publicly posted in accordance with applicable law.)

CALL TO ORDER & ESTABLISH QUORUM

President Tate called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. with the above-referenced directors in attendance. A quorum was present.

Visitors signing in for today's meeting were: J. Collier Adams Jr., Ray Brady, Jimmy Burson, Kathy Cornett, J. O. Dawdy, Richard Dixon, Doug McDonough, editor of the *Plainview Herald*, LaNelle Montague, Josie Musico with the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, Joe Reed, Leland Stuke, Gary Weeks, and Kelly Young. Also in attendance were Texas Tech law students Candice Barnard, Amanda Hale, and Ross Smith.

District staff members in attendance were Jason Coleman, General Manager; Kody Bessent, Legislative Affairs Director; Ray Eads, Field Technician (Amarillo), Adeline Fox, Education and Outreach Coordinator; Carmon McCain, Information/Education Group Supervisor; Gray Sanders, Information Technology Administrator; and Keith Whitworth, Field Staff Supervisor.

President Tate welcomed the Board members, staff, and members of the public to today's meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Tate called on the Board to approve the consent agenda for today's meeting as follows:

- Approval of minutes of the February 10, 2015 regular meeting at Lubbock, TX.
- Adoption of report on the financial status of the District from the General Manager for the month of February 2015. A comparison of actual vs budget income/expense for the current fiscal year is attached as part of these minutes.
- Approval of the bills incurred by the District for the month of February 2015 and travel vouchers for the Board members and eligible staff.

Mr. Beauchamp had one correction to the minutes. Under "Application for Water Well Permits" on Page Two, it reads "seven in Hale County; five in Hale County..." Mr. Beauchamp said it should read "seven in Hale County, five in Hockley County..."

President Tate asked if there were any additional corrections to the minutes.

There being none, Mr. Heffington made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the single correction to the minutes. Mr. Hopper seconded the motion. All members voted in the affirmative as expressed by a show of hands. The motion was unanimously approved.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed from the Consent Agenda. No action was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Tate invited those present to offer public comment regarding today's agenda items. *(Only persons that completed a registration form indicating their desire to comment were recognized.)*

Jimmy Burson of Swisher County, J. O Dawdy of Floyd County, Gary Weaks of Swisher County, J. Collier Adams, Jr. of Cochran County, Kelly Young of Hale County, and Leland Stukeley of Hale County spoke in opposition to the TCEQ order recommending annexation of the western portion of Briscoe County into the High Plains Water District.

President Tate read a portion of the TCEQ Executive Director's order which recommends the annexation. He asked that a copy of the Briscoe County Commissioners' Court resolution opposing the annexation be included as part of the minutes of today's regular meeting.

President Tate then gave all those present an opportunity to provide comment, if desired. Hearing none, the public comment period ended.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE TCEQ ORDER RECOMMENDING THE ADDITION OF WESTERN BRISCOE COUNTY INTO THE HPWD

President Tate asked the Board to discuss and take possible action on the TCEQ order recommending the addition of western Briscoe County into the HPWD.

Mr. Heffington made a motion to reject the TCEQ Executive Director's order recommending annexation of the western portion of Briscoe County (*Briscoe County PGMA*) into the HPWD. Mr. Seale seconded the motion.

President Tate called for discussion on the agenda item.

Mr. Seale has heard from several residents of District Directors' Precinct One. All oppose the annexation.

Mr. Hopper and Mr. Beauchamp attended the February 9, 2015 Briscoe County Commissioners Court meeting. They listened to the sentiments of Briscoe County residents and watched as the

Commissioners approved a resolution opposing annexation into the HPWD. Mr. Hopper said it is important to look at the economics of such a decision. In essence, the cost of implementing district programs and activities in the new territory and bringing them to the same level as the rest of the district would be much more than the ad valorem tax revenue generated by the possible annexation.

Mr. Hopper said this basically amounts to an unfunded mandate by the State of Texas. In his opinion, the State has not made a good case as to why annexation of western Briscoe County would be beneficial to both the district and Briscoe County residents. He said he did not believe the board wants to go against the wishes of those directly impacted by this recommendation from the TCEQ.

President Tate said HPWD believes in local control of groundwater resources.

There being no other discussion, President Tate called for the question. All members voted in the affirmative as expressed by a show of hands. The motion was unanimously approved.

President Tate thanked the audience for their interest in this agenda item. Those wanting to leave the meeting at this time were free to do so.

APPLICATIONS FOR WATER WELL PERMITS

President Tate called on the Board to discuss and take possible action on approval of 75 applications for water well permits received during the month of February 2015.

Mr. Coleman reported there was one application for a well to be completed into the Dockum Aquifer in Randall County during February 2015.

There are 74 applications for wells to be completed into the Ogallala Aquifer. There were 13 in Castro County; six in Cochran County; one in Crosby County; eight in Deaf Smith County; six in Floyd County; 16 in Hale County; three in Hockley County; five in Lamb County; seven in Lubbock County; one in Lynn County; five in Parmer County; and three in Swisher County.

All permit applications comply with the rules of the District. There being no questions or comments on the report, Mr. Hopper made a motion to approve applications for water well permits for February 2015 as presented. Mr. Beauchamp seconded the motion. All members voted in the affirmative as expressed by a show of hands. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was one well completed in the Dockum Aquifer and 33 water well completions in the Ogallala Aquifer during February 2015.

There were 11 exempt wells registered with the district in February 2015. There was one in Castro County, one in Floyd County, four in Lubbock County, and five in Potter County.

There were 58 wells completed within the district during the period Jan. 1-Feb. 28, 2015. This includes one well in the Dockum Aquifer, one in the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer, and 56 wells in the Ogallala Aquifer.

There was one tailwater complaint (*Lubbock County*), two cave-ins (*Parmer County*), and three open holes (*1-Cochran County and 2-Lubbock County*) investigated during February 2015.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO AMEND HPWD WATER WELL REGISTRATION RULE 4.1(E) AND 4.2(B)

President Tate called on the Board to discuss and take possible action to amend HPWD Water Well Registration Rule 4.1(e) and 4.2(b).

President Tate noted for the record that the Board of Directors conducted a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed rule amendment at 10:00 a.m., March 13, at the Swisher County Memorial Building in Tulia. J. Collier Adams, Jr. and Leland Stukey offered comments at the hearing.

Mr. Seale made a motion to adopt the proposed amendments to HPWD Water Well Registration Rule 4.1(e) and 4.2(b). Mr. Heffington seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all members voted in the affirmative as expressed by a show of hands. The motion was unanimously approved.

COUNTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

President Tate called on the Board to discuss and take possible action on County Advisory Committee members. No action was needed on this agenda item.

REPORTS ON STATUS OF DISTRICT PROGRAMS FROM THE MANAGER

Mr. Coleman reported that United States Geological Survey (USGS) personnel conducted well logging of five Dockum Aquifer wells within the district in February.

No other staff reports were given.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Closed Executive Session was convened.

RECONVENE TO CONSIDER ANY ACTION NEEDED FOLLOWING THE CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken. No Executive Session was convened.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Mr. Beauchamp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Hopper seconded the motion. All members voted in the affirmative as expressed by a show of hands. The motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Mike Beauchamp, Secretary-Treasurer

High Plains Underground Water Conservation District

	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015	Jun 2015	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015	Total
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Budget
Income													
Revenue													
4000 Tax Collections	75,022.63	231,766.93	655,779.51	896,593.31	734,789.07	108,090.66							2,790,000.00
4002 CD Interest	1,266.85	1,331.58	1,231.90	1,373.30	1,386.30	1,849.75							8,439.68
4004 Checking Interest	6.83	10.27	13.20	24.75	15.82	16.12							88.99
4006 Depletion Requests	100.00	90.00	2,300.00	16,660.00	6,640.00	2,220.00							28,010.00
4008 Permit Fees/Registration	14,150.00	9,700.00	10,850.00	15,700.00	19,200.00	14,450.00							84,050.00
4010 Grants				2,887.36									2,887.36
4012 Miscellaneous	2,999.65	345.62	125.00	700.97	23.77	506.50							4,701.51
4014 Regional Water Planning													5,000.00
Total Revenue	\$ 93,547.96	\$ 243,244.40	\$ 670,299.61	\$ 936,948.69	\$ 762,034.96	\$ 127,133.03							\$ 2,833,209.65
Total Income	\$ 93,547.96	\$ 243,244.40	\$ 670,299.61	\$ 936,948.69	\$ 762,034.96	\$ 127,133.03							\$ 3,616,225.00
Gross Profit	\$ 93,547.96	\$ 243,244.40	\$ 670,299.61	\$ 936,948.69	\$ 762,034.96	\$ 127,133.03							\$ 3,616,225.00
Expenses													
Capital Outlay													
6400 Office Equipment													42,000.00
6402 Field Equipment													50,000.00
6404 Building Improvements													50,000.00
6406 Vehicle Purchase													100,000.00
Total Capital Outlay													17,695.57
Other Expenditures													
6300 Board of Directors	3,676.73	4,308.01	2,649.68	2,169.47	5,400.20	2,963.76							21,367.75
6302 Building Rent	1,450.00	1,450.00	1,450.00	1,450.00	1,450.00	1,450.00							8,700.00
6304 Dues and Subscriptions	3,498.19	1,370.66	880.66	152.74	924.34	206.34							7,032.93
6306 Election	9,958.90	12,808.61	95,836.93	4,247.48									122,861.92
6308 Public Relations and Education	9,734.90	8,619.69	24,091.53	54,888.30	14,840.99	8,663.54							120,859.35
6310 Travel and Meals	2,571.07	1,987.85	3,592.98	3,583.60	3,044.79	5,600.15							20,370.44
6312 Vehicle Maintenance and Fuel	3,854.82	6,628.03	3,706.88	3,546.42	2,980.41	3,167.05							23,893.61
6314 Regional Water Planning													510,000.00
6316 Grants	415.00	563.50		715.00		3.00							1,696.50
Total Other Expenditures	\$ 35,159.61	\$ 37,172.85	\$ 132,962.46	\$ 70,038.01	\$ 29,365.73	\$ 22,073.84							\$ 326,772.50
Purchased Services													
6200 Audit				16,400.00									16,400.00
6202 Appraisal/Tax Collection	1,909.55	5,332.12	5,459.61	2,140.81	7,071.19	1,791.89							23,705.17
6204 Consulting	3,750.00	3,750.00	7,778.88	33,369.04	3,750.00	3,750.00							56,147.92
6206 Legal	10,000.00	11,625.00	13,003.28	12,500.00	10,937.50	10,937.50							69,003.28
6208 Utilities	1,323.36	1,011.50	1,466.62	1,426.60	1,556.76	1,415.31							8,200.15
6210 Land Appraiser	820.00		14,508.60										15,328.60
6212 Telephone/Internet	2,153.90	1,630.43	2,537.93	1,836.43	2,151.37	2,355.12							12,665.18
6214 Maintenance/Building & Grounds	1,525.32	1,460.45	1,361.95	1,406.95	1,366.95	1,653.15							6,774.77
6216 Vehicle Insurance													0.00
6218 Other Insurance	240.00	205.00	208.00	477.00	1,221.00	225.00							2,576.00
Total Purchased Services	\$ 21,722.13	\$ 25,014.50	\$ 46,324.87	\$ 69,556.83	\$ 28,054.77	\$ 22,127.97							\$ 212,801.07
Salaries & Benefits													
6000 Salaries	76,090.19	83,424.39	107,111.30	82,082.41	81,140.14	80,870.14							510,718.57
6002 Social Security/Medicare	5,456.03	3,936.16	7,004.38	5,995.53	6,174.13	6,036.32							34,592.55
6006 Retirement	5,201.59	5,269.24	7,351.41	5,528.06	5,519.78	5,519.78							34,389.86
6008 Medical Insurance	15,866.40	13,038.92	7,969.21	16,662.19	13,223.58	14,489.69							81,079.99
Total Salaries & Benefits	\$ 102,414.21	\$ 105,668.71	\$ 129,466.30	\$ 110,268.19	\$ 106,057.63	\$ 106,915.93							\$ 660,780.97
Supplies													
6100 Field Supplies & Repair	184.04	173.48	5,894.75	275.63	165.27	1,274.16							7,967.33
6102 Office Supplies	2,834.86	3,391.66	3,504.47	3,128.32	3,502.86	8,418.01							24,780.20
6104 Postage	2,232.17	572.52	131.28	1,620.84	551.49	41.72							5,150.02
6106 Software/License	308.06	987.84	2,867.62	24,702.81	108.22	368.08							29,342.63
Total Supplies	\$ 5,559.13	\$ 5,125.50	\$ 12,398.12	\$ 29,727.60	\$ 4,327.86	\$ 10,101.97							\$ 67,240.18
Total Expenses	\$ 164,855.08	\$ 172,981.56	\$ 321,151.78	\$ 279,680.63	\$ 167,865.99	\$ 178,915.28							\$ 1,285,290.29
Total													\$ 3,616,225.00

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Bona Heater
County & District Clerk, Briscoe County, Texas

15-003

2015 Briscoe County Resolution
Opposing Groundwater Conservation District

The Commissioners Court of Briscoe County, Texas, finds that
whereas:

A. The groundwater underlying the lands of Briscoe County Texas was forever relinquished by the State of Texas pursuant to patents lawfully issued;

B. The private landowners owning land in Briscoe County are the true and lawful owners of the groundwater in place under their property;

C. Such landowners have exercised reasonable prudence in accordance with their enlightened self-interest in making use of their groundwater;

D. The landowners of Briscoe County Texas have preserved the groundwater and managed same in a manner that is equal to the regulation of surrounding groundwater conservation districts;

E. Attempts to impose top-down central planning and control of privately owned groundwater essentially abolishes critical characteristics of private property in violation of the State and Federal Constitutions;

NOW THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of Briscoe County Texas does hereby, by and through the authority granted to it by the Texas Constitution Art. 16 Sec. 59(e), give notice to the Texas Governor, the Texas Lieutenant Governor, Texas Speaker of the House, and The High Plains Water District that Briscoe County of the State of Texas does hereby oppose the creation and/or inclusion of Briscoe County, or any part thereof, into any state regulated groundwater conservation district.

Adopted this 10th day Of February, 2015


Wayne Nance, Briscoe County Judge


Jimmy Burson, Commissioner, Pct. 1


Wade Proctor, Commissioner, Pct. 2


Dewey Estes, Commissioner, Pct. 3

John Burson, Commissioner, Pct. 4

Feb 8, 2015

Let it be known that I
support the Resolution that
Briscoe Co. Adopted in 2014 (14-001)
And also in 2015 (15-002)

Due to previous engagements I
can't be here, so I vote "Yes"

