

Item 10 – Consideration of Hiring a Part-time Employee

A need has arisen to consider hiring a part-time employee due to the foreseeable increased workload from the UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC proposed permits and pumping project. The Well Assistance Plan enumerates new water level data collection, land elevation measurements, and screened aquifer designation on roughly 175-200 water wells. The data will need to be collected beginning in mid-October and completed no later than mid-May 2023. We need the water level measurements to reflect the Simsboro Aquifer recovering from the summer pumping and obtained ahead of any 2023 lawn or agricultural pumping, hence the mid-May 2023 deadline.

Megan and I both plan on obtaining the aforementioned information but teaching in the classroom will start this month. Once January 2023 arrives, Megan will not be available again until mid-May. I plan to be in the field collecting the necessary data throughout the entire period but will need someone else to meet our self-imposed deadline.

The General Manager asks the Board to approve adding a part-time employee to the District staff for the remainder of FY2022 and until the initial Simsboro water well investigation has been completed.