

Item 7c – DFC Planning Efforts

GMA 12 members met virtually Friday, September 18, 2020 to continue discussing desired futures conditions (DFCs). There were two presentations relating to mandated factors required to be considered before adoption of the DFCs. The presentations were:

- other environmental impacts, including impacts on spring flow and other interactions between groundwater and surface water; and
- the impact on the interests and rights in private property, including ownership and the rights of management area landowners and their lessees and assigns in groundwater as recognized under Section 36.002

It was reported that the proposed Simsboro Aquifer transmissivity value corrections approved by the GMA 12 members was delivered to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). The suggested considerations are:

1. Revision of the GAM using more accurate transmissivity values is the target area for use by GMA 12 during the 2021 DFC planning round
2. Adoption of the values to permanently update the Queen City/Sparta/Carrizo-Wilcox GAM

TWDB has responded asking for a few additional items. This is reportedly being done quickly in order to facilitate an expedited time line for approval by the TWDB Board of Directors. Larry French indicated we are likely on a 90-day timeline.

GMA 12 members asked the hydrologists to make GAM runs with the proposed revised transmissivities for presentation at the next GMA 12 meeting. The final two presentations covering the mandated factors to be considered will be on the next agenda. These are:

- socio-economic impacts reasonably expected to occur;
- the feasibility of achieving the desired future condition

The next GMA 12 DFC Planning Meeting will be held virtually Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.