

Item 6 – Proposed Draft Rules Amendments

Rules Committee

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As prescribed in the District Management Plan, the Rules Committee annually reviews the District's rules "to determine whether any amendments are necessary to decrease the amount of waste within the District." The committee met on September 19, 2018 to review and discuss possible amendments to the rules.

RULE 1.1 (8) – Definition of "Contiguous acreage" to include the word "railway".

RULE 1.1 (27) – Definition of "Monitoring Well" to more accurately reflect nature of the well being used.

RULE 1.6 – Adding "by fax or by email" and deleting "certified" from mailings to Methods of Service Under the Rules.

RULE 7.1 (b) – Deletion of antiquated wording from Maximum Allowable Production – Permitting Goal. Proposed deletions are remnants of a rule when permitting was limited to Modeled Available Groundwater estimates.

RULE 7.2 (d)(1)(F) – Adding "once developed an approved" to Actions Based on Aquifer Response to Pumping mirroring the wording already contained in 7.2 (d)(2).

RULE 8.1 (b) – Inclusion of an exemption for "all groundwater well in Brazos and Robertson counties used for a beneficial use other than domestic use or providing water for livestock or poultry that are either drilled, completed, or equipped so that they are incapable of producing more than 25,000 gallons of groundwater per day". This amendment allows any commercial well to be exempt and fall within the Chapter 36 guidelines for an exempt well.

RULE 8.5 (b) – Adding "granted a one (1) year term under Rule 8.3(j), or" to Operating Permit Term and Renewal. The Board has already authorized the issuance of GM approved one year permits.

RULE 8.10 – Adding statutorily required wording for Aquifer Storage and Recovery Projects. It is apparent the District will have aquifer storage and recovery projects in the near future.

RULE 9.2 – Deletion of inapplicable wording addressing monitoring wells in Applications, Registration, and Other Fees.

RULE 10.3 – Deletion of duplicative wording in Export Applications, consolidation of bullet points, and reference to Rule 8.4 concerning specific permitting requirements.