

Minutes

BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Hearne ISD Elementary School Cafeteria 1210 Hackberry Street Hearne, Texas 77859

Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

Stephen Cast, President called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Directors present: Stephen Cast President

Pete Brien Vice-President

Jayson Barfknecht Secretary
David Stratta Treasurer
Mark Carrabba Director
Gary Mechler Director
Linda Pecina Director

Directors absent: Chris Zeig Director

Staff present: Alan M. Day General Manager

Cynthia Lopez Office Manager

Megan Lamb Education Coordinator

Monique Norman Attorney
John Seifert Hydrologist

Permit Hearing

Call Permit Hearing to order Roll call of members present

1. Discussion and possible action on the following **Drilling/Operating Permit Applications:**

Thirteen (13) new wells for UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC

Well B - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0292) Located at: N 30.932321°

W 96.691592° 0.54 miles N of the intersection of FM 1644 and Barton Farm Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 4,068 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 3,150 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well C - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0293) Located at: N 30.916287°

W 96.721219° 1.98 miles WSW of the intersection of FM 1644 and Barton Farm Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 2,001 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 1,550 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well G - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0294) Located at: N 30.871826°

W 96.689291° 1.68 miles W of the intersection of FM 485 and FM 1644 in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 2,776 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 2,150 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 1 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0295) Located at: N 30.937420°

W 96.676560° 1.41 miles SE of the intersection of FM 1644 and New Magnolia Church Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 3,164 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 2,450 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 2 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0296) Located at: N 30.889026°

W 96.684725° 1.67 miles SSW of the intersection of FM 1644 and Providence Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 1,937 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 1,500 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 3 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0297) Located at: N 30.893501°

W 96.663845° 1.75 miles SE of the intersection of FM 1644 and Providence Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 3,099 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 2,400 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 4 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0298) Located at: N 30.917196°

W 96.631244° 1.10 miles SSE of the intersection of Providence Road and Red Hill Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 2,905 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 2,250 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 5 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0299) Located at: N 30.882803°

W 96.673047° 0.99 miles NW of the intersection of FM 485 and FM 1644 in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 1,937 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 1,500 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 6 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0300) Located at: N 30.880632°

W 96.650098° 0.84 miles NE of the intersection of FM 485 and FM 1644 in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 2,195 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 1,700 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 8 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0301) Located at: N 30.872396°

W 96.675639° 0.86 miles W of the intersection of FM 485 and FM 1644 in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 2,260 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 1,750 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 9 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0302) Located at: N 30.913084°

W 96.653847° 1.69 miles E of the intersection of FM 1644 and Providence Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 3,680 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 2,850 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 10 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0303) Located at: N 30.954950°

W 96.680068° 0.62 miles E of the intersection of FM 1644 and New Magnolia Church Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 1,937 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 1,500 gpm for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

Well PS 11 - UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC (BVDO-0304) Located at: N 30.901250°

W 96.651604° 2.00 miles ESE of the intersection of FM 1644 and Providence Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 2,557 ac-ft/yr at a maximum production rate of 1,980 gpm Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal, and Public Water Supply uses. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. Applicant requests aggregation of the well with all UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC wells producing under Operating Permits from the Simsboro Aquifer that supply a single well system.

See Attachment A for production permits to be aggregated.

A motion was made by Mark Carrabba, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve the thirteen (13) Drilling/Operating Permits for UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC 34,516 ac-ft/yr in the Simsboro Aquifer for Agricultural, Industrial, Commercial, Municipal and Public Water Supply uses as presented to the Board. The permits are to be aggregated with the production from the three (3) existing Simsboro Operating permits BVDO-0254, BVDO-0255, and BVDO-0256 not to exceed a maximum annual production from all permits of 49,999 ac-ft/yr. The motion passed unanimously with Pete Brien and David Stratta abstaining.

Attachment A – UW Brazos Valley Farm, LLC Permits to be Aggregated

BVDO-0254

BVDO-0255

BVDO-0256

BVDO-0292

BVDO-0293

BVDO-0294

BVDO-0295

BVDO-0296

BVDO-0297

BVDO-0298

BVDO-0299

BVDO-0300

BVDO-0301

BVDO-0302

BVDO-0303

BVDO-0304

3. Adjourn Permit Hearing

Regular Board Meeting

Call meeting to order
Pledge of Allegiance
Declare quorum present
Public Comment

- a) Non-agenda items
- b) Agenda items
- Discussion and possible action on the minutes of the September 22, 2022, Special Called Board Meeting.
 A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2022, as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Review, discussion, and ratification of invoices paid for services rendered for the month of September 2022. A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve the ratification of invoices paid for services rendered for the month of September 2022 as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.
- Financial Report September 2022 A motion was made by Gary Mechler, second by Pete Brien to approve the financial report for September 2022 as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Presentation and discussion of the draft FY2023 District Operating Budget by the Budget/Finance Committee.
- 5. Presentation and discussion on a recommendation by the Budget/Finance Committee for the proposed FY2023 water production fee schedule.

- 6. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 10-20-22.6 to adopt the FY 2023 water production fee schedule. A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by David Stratta to approve Resolution 10-20-22.6 adopting of the FY 2023 water production fee schedule as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Discussion and possible action on financial support for a shared database for GMA 12 member districts. **No action taken.**
- 8. General Manager's Report, Alan Day, General Manager, gave an update to the Board on the reports listed below.
 - a) Drought Monitor Report
 - b) Wells permitted pursuant to District Rule 8.3(j)
 - c) GMA 12 DFC Update
 - d) District Business & Activities
 - e) Management Plan Update
- 9. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
- 10. Adjourn

Signed this 10th day of November 2022

Jayson Barfknecht, Secretary

The Board of Directors may meet in closed session, pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §§ 551.071-551.076, to:

- (1) consult with attorney;
- deliberate regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the District in negotiations with a third person;
- (3) deliberate a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the District if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the District in negotiations with a third person;
- (4) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a Board member or District employee;
- (5) to receive information from employees or question employees, but not deliberate public business or agency policy that affects public business; and
- (6) to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.

The Board may also meet in open session on these matters as required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code § 551.102.

** Agenda items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the Board Chairman