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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING  
GONZALES COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**SIX DRILLING AND PRODUCTION PERMITS, FOUR RE-EQUIP PERMITS AND A TRANSPORTATION PERMIT  
AND OTHER RELATED AGREEMENTS AND ACTIONS  
REQUESTED BY  
CANYON REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY**

On November 14, 2012 at the Gonzales County Court House in the District Court Room Gonzales, TX beginning at 5:30 p.m., a quorum of the board of directors of the Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District, will conduct a public hearing and public meeting relating to the applications, summarized as follows, filed by Canyon Regional Water Authority:

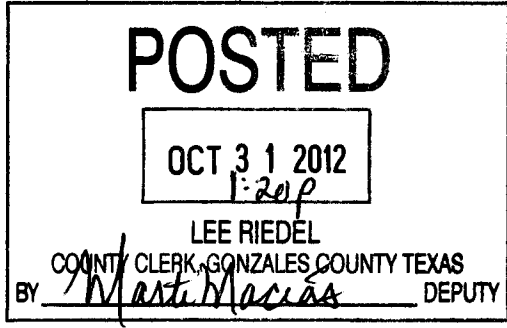
Canyon Regional Water Authority (CRWA), 850 Lakeside Pass, New Braunfels, Texas 78130 has submitted applications to the Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District (GCUWCD) to drill and produce six (6) new water wells and re-equip four (4) existing water wells. The four existing CRWA wells and one of the new wells are located in western Gonzales County, approximately 13 miles northwest of Nixon, Texas and 7 miles southwest of Belmont, Texas. The other five new water wells are located in western Gonzales County, approximately 2.2 miles west of Leesville and 10 miles north of Nixon, Texas. CRWA proposes to produce approximately 4,400 acre feet of water per year at an average rate of approximately 500 gallons per minute per well.

CRWA has also applied to GCUWCD for a transportation permit to transfer water from the six (6) new production wells and for (4) existing re-equipped wells to pump to a station located at 383 Highpoint Ridge, Seguin, Texas 78155 in Guadalupe County, approximately thirteen (13) miles northwest of Nixon, Texas. The pump station is capable of handling the 4,400 acre feet of water per year requested by CRWA and will transport the water to its member-entities, the cities of Marion and Cibolo and the East Central SUD, Green Valley SUD, Springs Hill WSC, Crystal Clear WSC, and BexarMet Water District (through its successor, SAWS) pursuant to an existing Water Supply Agreement. The GCUWCD will consolidate its consideration of the six applications for new well production permits along with the four re-equip production applications and the application for a transportation permit. In response to a request by the District, CRWA, in March, 2010, entered into a Participation Agreement in the Western Gonzales County Dedicated Mitigation Fund, and has previously contributed \$90,000.00 to such Fund. As part of the applications, CRWA has agreed to enter into further financial agreements with the GCUWCD, including provisions relating to comprehensive mitigation and negotiated export fees in support of its application.

During the meeting and hearing, the board of directors will receive evidence submitted by CRWA in support of the applications and requests and will discuss and take action regarding the approval or denial of the applications and related requests by CRWA. Since all protests of the applications by persons previously granted party status have been withdrawn and the hearing is not a contested case hearing, the board of directors will not receive or consider evidence from persons other than the applicant and the staff of the GCUWCD. However, the board of directors will allow time for public comment.

The agenda for the applications by each applicant is as follows:

1. Call to order.
2. Announcements regarding hearing procedure.
3. Public Comment.
4. Presiding Officer to take evidence on the applications and requests.
5. Board consideration of and action on applications and requests.
6. Board consideration of and action on Mitigation Agreement.
7. Board consideration of and action on a Negotiated Export Fees Agreement.
8. Adjourn.



Copies of the applications, agreements, and associated maps of the area are available at the offices of the Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District, 920 Saint Joseph, Room 129, Gonzales, TX from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The above agenda schedule represents an estimate of the order for the indicated items and is subject to change at any time. These public meetings are available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance to attend the meeting, please call 830.672.1047 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting to coordinate any special physical access arrangements.

At any time during the meeting and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District Board may meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items or other lawful items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§ 551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§ 551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gift (§ 551.073); personnel matters (§ 551.074); and deliberation regarding security devices (§ 551.076). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.