

GCD Staff & Board Member Training Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts

Blue Heron Room, Tenroc Ranch, Salado TX
November 16, 2017

Agenda

- 9-10:30 AM** **Morning General Sessions**
- 9-9:05 AM** **Welcome**
Sarah Schlessinger, Executive Director, TAGD
- 9:05-9:45 AM** **Chapter 36 Fundamentals**
Ty Embrey, Principal, Lloyd Gosselink Attorneys at Law
Review GCD's guiding statute, Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code.
- 9:45-10:30 AM** **Groundwater Legislation Overview**
Greg Ellis, Attorney, GM Ellis Law Firm PC
Learn about how Chapter 36 has evolved and the specific pieces of legislation that have informed it.
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- 10:30-11:30 AM** **Morning Break Outs**
- 10:30-11AM** **Board Member Break Out**
- 10:30-11AM** **Board Meeting Etiquette**
Kristen Fancher, Attorney, Fancher Legal PLLC
Review best practices for GCD Board meetings.
- 11-11:30 AM** **Legal Terminology 101**
Ty Embrey, Principal, Lloyd Gosselink Attorneys at Law
Become familiar with the terms and phrases used to talk about case law.
- 10:30-11AM** **Staff Break Out**
- 10:30-11AM** **Management Plans**
Robert Bradley, Geoscientist, Texas Water Development Board
Learn about good practices for your GCD management plan.
- 11-11:30 AM** **Water Well Level Training**
**Michael Redman, Groundwater Resources Coordinator, Bandera County
River Authority and Groundwater District**
Learn about good water level measurement practices.
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- 11:30-12:30 PM** **Lunch**
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- 12:30-3 PM** **Afternoon General Sessions**

- 12:30-1:15 PM** **Groundwater Case Law**
Kristen Fancher, Attorney, Fancher Legal PLLC
Review of the most important case law, past and present, shaping groundwater management
- 1:15-2 PM** **Groundwater Science 101**
Joe Yelderman, Professor, Department of Geology, Baylor University
Familiarize yourself with basic groundwater science concepts, learn about the local hydrogeology, and hear about ongoing research.
- 2-2:15 PM** **Afternoon Break**
- 2:15-3 PM** **GMA 101**
Robert Bradley, Geoscientist, Texas Water Development Board
What is a DFC, why is important, and how are we measuring it? Review a GCDs statutory requirement to engage in joint groundwater planning.
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- 3-4:30 PM** **Technical Training Closing Sessions**
- 3-3:45 PM** **Aquifer Storage & Recovery**
Aaron Collier, Vice President, Collier Consulting
An introduction to ASR and feasibility study.
- 3:45-4:30 PM** **Importance of Good PR & Public Outreach**
Sarah Schlessinger, Executive Director, TAGD & Beth Hood, Program Manager, TAGD
Understand the importance of good public relations, and learn tactics on how to build educational programs and community dialogue.

The objective of the TAGD Leadership Training is to provide GCD staff and Board members with a comprehensive review of groundwater science, policy, and management.