

# FY 2022 ANNUAL REPORT





# Organization - FY22 Membership



- 92 District Members
  - Saratoga UWCD
  - Goliad County GCD
- 39 Associate Members
  - Texas Water Resources Institute
  - Rohit Goswami
  - John Shomaker & Associates
  - Sawin Group



# FY22 Honorary Members



- ▶ Joe B. Cooper
- ▶ Scott Holland





# Organization - TAGD Business

- February 2022 Business Meeting  
@ Sonesta in Bee Cave
  - GCD Boot Camp #1
- May 2022 Business Meeting  
@ Sheraton Hotel in Arlington
  - Texas Rangers baseball game outing
  - GCD Boot Camp #3
  - PFIA Training
- August 2022 Business Meeting





# FY 22 Finances

INCOME  
\$315,508

114% OF  
BUDGET



EXPENSES  
\$254,748

96% OF  
BUDGET

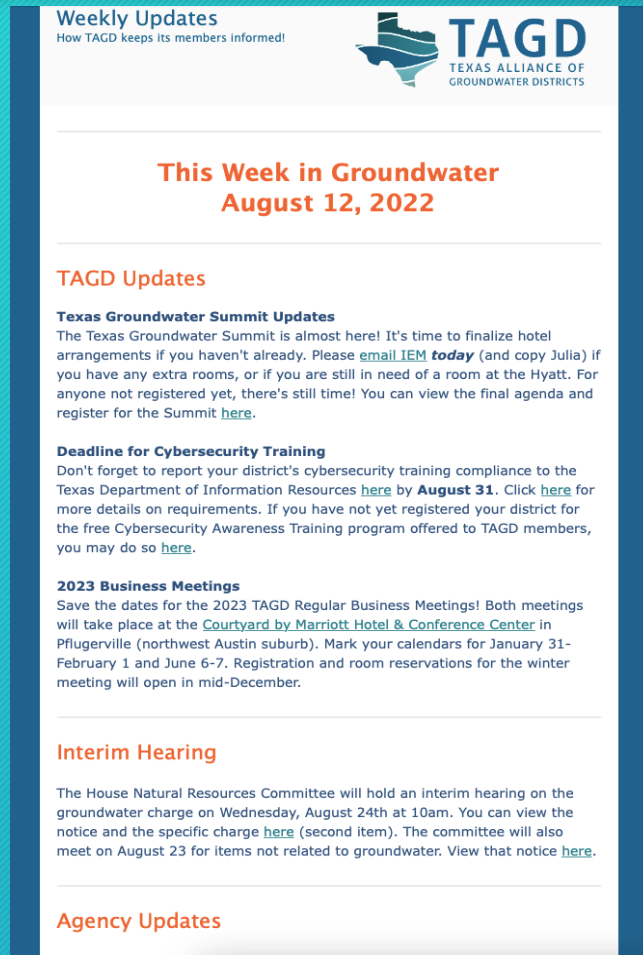


TAGD end-of-year balance of \$422,625

\*\*\*meets goal of 1.5x TAGD operating budget in savings\*\*\*



# Services – Communications



## WEEKLY UPDATES

- 290 subscribers
  - Are your staff and board members receiving these timely updates?
- Opened 30,200 times (almost 50% more than last year!)
- 60% average opens (13% increase)
- Survey requests, TAGD event info, agency updates, legislative information, announcements, curated information that will help you do your job



# Services - Communications

TAGD Newsletter - 990 subscribers

## MONTHLY FEATURES

- Executive Committee Spotlight
- Lone Star GCD
- Open Meetings and Notice Reference Guide
- Irion County UWCD
- EAA Education Outreach Center
- Plum Creek Conservation District
- Camp Bullis Sentinel Landscape
- Wintergarden GCD
- Texas Groundwater Summit Recap





# Education/Trainings - GCD Boot Camp

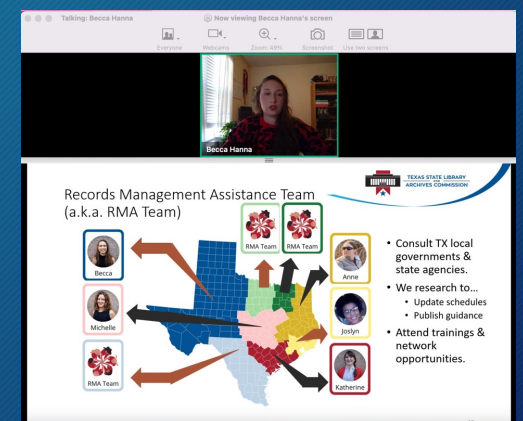
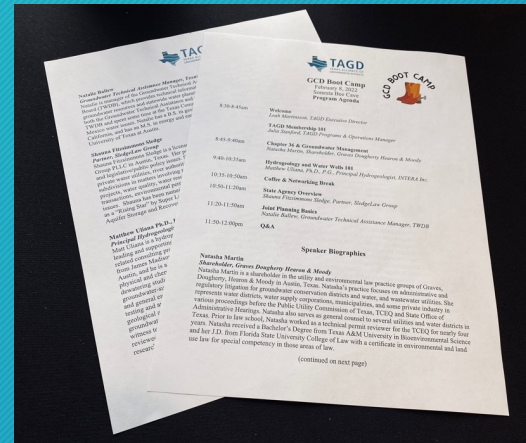
- TAGD Membership 101
  - Chapter 36 Essentials
  - Hydrogeology/Water Wells
  - State Agencies
  - Joint Planning Basics
  - Open Government (V)
  - GCD Must-Do's (V)
  - Board Ethics/Liability (V)
  - How/Why to Use Databases
  - GCD Websites
  - RFQs/Managing Consultants
  - Employment/HR
- 179 people have attended so far
  - More to come!





# Education/Trainings

- Speaker Series at Business Meetings
- Public Funds Investment Act
  - Offered hybrid
  - 44 participants total
- TSLAC Records Management Webinar
- Cybersecurity Awareness
  - 415 board and staff members completed!





# Resources

- Released 2021 Salary Study
- Created GCD Policy Library
- Compiled Real Estate Resources
- Redesigned GCD Index to Map Viewer
- Continued work on Communications Toolkit

GCD Name	District Website	GMA(s)	# of Counties	Counties Covered	Aquifer Permit
Bandera County River Authority & Ground Water District	https://www.bcrapt.org	9	1	Bandera County	10 Thousand-50 Thousand
Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer CD	http://www.bsedcd.org/	8, 10	3	Southwestern-Texas County, eastern Nueces County (non-Ed...)	100 Thousand-500 Thousand
Blue GCD	http://www.bluegcd.com/	15, 16	1	Port of Bex County	10,001-50,000
Blanco-Pedernales GCD	http://blancopcd.org/	9	1	Blanco	10,001-50,000
Bluebonnet GCD	http://www.bluebonnetgcdwater.org	14	4	Austin, Gillespie, Walker, Water Counties	100 Thousand-500 Thousand
Brazoria County GCD	www.bcgcdwater.org	14	1	Brazoria County	100 Thousand-500 Thousand
					100 Thousand-500 Thousand
					10 Thousand -10 Thousand
					10 Thousand-50 Thousand

## Real Estate Resources

TAGD has worked with members to gather resources and documents that may be helpful to GCDs as they build relationships with realtors and advocate for GCD awareness in real estate transactions. Thanks to the districts that shared this information!



### Outreach to Realtors and Buyers

- Upper Trinity GCD has become certified by the Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC) to offer CEUs for realtors and title agents. Click [here](#) for more information about their upcoming classes, and contact [Jill Garcia](#) with any questions.
- Presentation from Prairielands GCD- "GCDs and Well Ownership: What it Means for a Seller and a Buyer" (PowerPoint file)
- Rules summary [handout](#) from Prairielands GCD
- Middle Trinity GCD holds classes for real estate agents and went through the process to get certified by the Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC) to offer CEUs for realtors. Click [here](#) for an overview and checklist for the process, compiled by Stephanie Keith at MTGCD.

### Transaction Documents

- Sandy Land UWCD has partnered with the appraisal district and asked them to include [this notice](#) (Word document) in mailouts to new landowners.
- Hemphill UWCD has recorded the district boundaries in the real property records for the county. This recording means that the existence of the district appears as an exception in title policies when someone buys property within the district. This serves to raise awareness and

TAGD has compiled the following district policy files to serve as a reference for our members. You can use the dropdown boxes to filter by the district or type of policy. Click the red Adobe icon to download the file as a PDF. We hope you find this to be a valuable resource!

Note: These policies were submitted by districts in the summer of 2022. Please direct any questions about the policies to the districts directly (contact [info here](#)).

District	Document	Download	Category
Blanco-Pedernales GCD	Audit and Finance Policy		Financial/Investment
Blanco-Pedernales GCD	Employee Policy Manual		Personnel
Blanco-Pedernales GCD	Fixed and Capital Asset Policy		Financial/Investment
Bluebonnet GCD	Board Policies		Ethics, Financial/Investment, and Vehicles/Travel
Clearwater UWCD	Capitalization Policy		Financial/Investment
Clearwater UWCD	Employee Policy Handbook		Personnel
High Plains UWCD	Operational Policies		Personnel

## TEXAS ALLIANCE OF GROUNDWATER DISTRICTS 2021 SALARY STUDY

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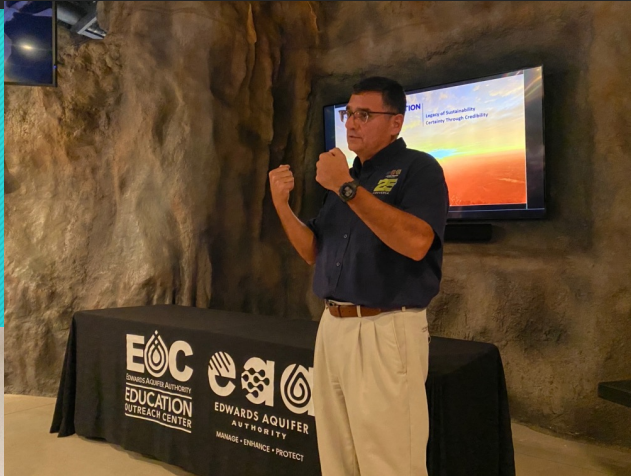
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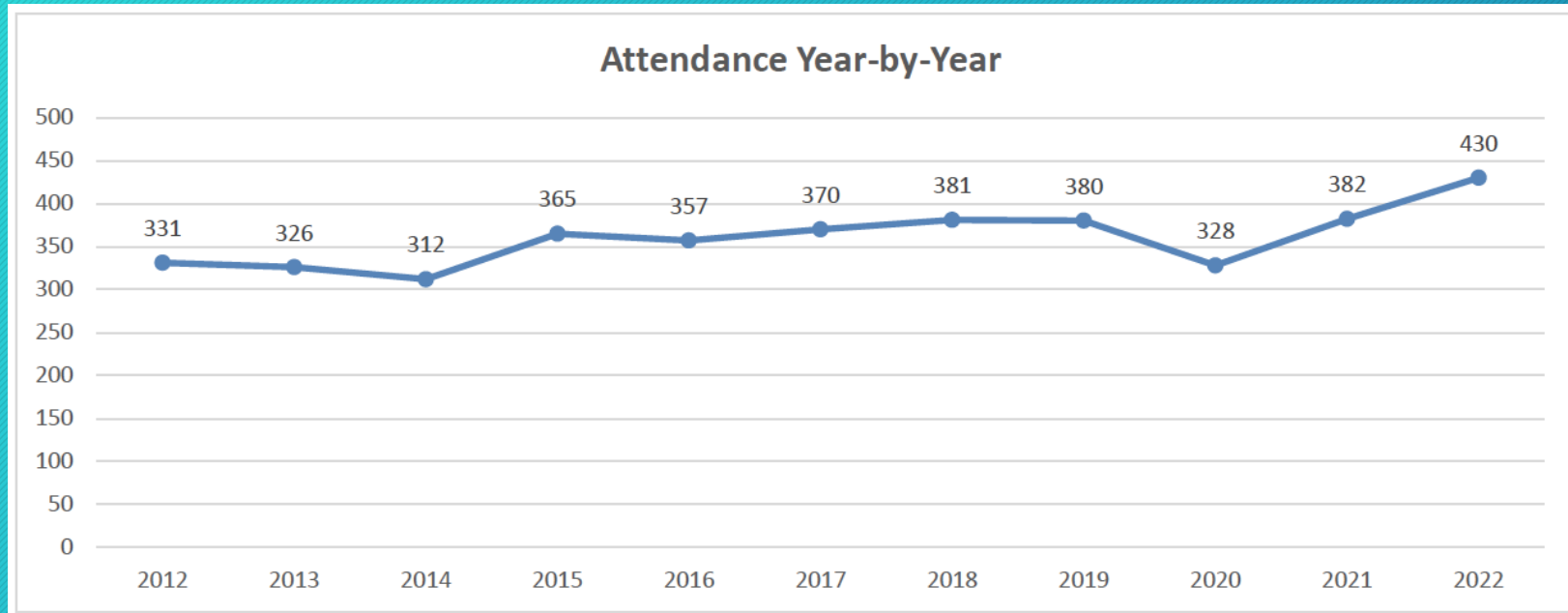


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- ▶ \$72k profit
- ▶ 430 attendees
- ▶ 58 speakers
- ▶ 36 sponsors

**ONE  
UNFORGETTABLE  
EVENT!**



# Legislative Interim

## 5 TAGD Subcommittees

- Joint Planning
- Conservation and Waste\*
- Water Transfers\*
- Groundwater Protection\*
- Transparency in Permitting\*

\*Approved TAGD White Papers

Model Rule on Petition for Rulemaking



# Legislative Interim

- Senate Water, Ag., and Rural Affairs Interim Hearing
- House Natural Resources Interim Hearing
- WCAC and TGPC Interim Reports
- TWCA Groundwater Committee
  - Co-chair subcommittee on mitigation
  - Member of waste task force





# Committees/Partnerships

- Texas Groundwater Protection Committee, Water Conservation Advisory Council, Texas Water Data Initiative, 4-H Water Ambassador Advisory Committee, Texas+Water Advisory Committee, TWCA, Groundwater Management Districts Association, various TWDB stakeholder groups
- Speaking engagements with Water for Texas, Texas Ground Water Association, Texas Water Leaders, Texas Water Conservation Association, POSGCD Groundwater Summit, 4-H Water Ambassadors



Up Next...



Welcome Annick Maddox!



Up Next...



A Future Texas Water Leader!



# Up Next...

12<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Groundwater Summit

Hyatt Hill Country Resort, San Antonio

August 29-31, 2023





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