

**Minutes of
Regular Business Meeting
Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts
January 20–21, 2026 1:00 PM
Embassy Suites by Hilton
San Marcos, TX**

These minutes are a record of the items discussed, including motions on any matters that involve the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD) Membership. The minutes mostly follow the order on the previously distributed agenda, but may not have been discussed in that order, as noted in the minutes.

- A. **Call to order and welcome.** President Doug Shaw called the meeting to order at 1:00pm and thanked David Smith for teaching the GCD Boot Camp. Doug invited Zach Holland to provide the invocation. He also thanked the network reception sponsors for their strong show of support.
- B. **Roll Call.** Secretary Whitney Wiebe conducted the roll call. Executive Director Adam Foster confirmed that a quorum of 55 voting members was present, establishing a quorum necessary to conduct official business. Adam Foster also announced the following district representative designations: McKinzi Donnell for Rolling Plains GCD and JJ Weatherby for Kimble, Sutton, and Menard Counties.
- C. **Membership Update.** President Doug Shaw announced that TAGD currently has 89 GCD members and 41 associate members, including four new members since the August Business Meeting. First-time attendees were invited to introduce themselves.
- D. **Discussion and possible action on minutes of prior meeting.** President Doug Shaw presented the minutes from the August Annual Business Meeting. Erik Kubinski noted that Blanco-Pedernales GCD should be added to the attendance roster. David Van Dressar made a motion to approve the minutes with the addition of Blanco-Pedernales GCD to the attendance roster. Alan Day seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- E. **TAGD Annual Report.** Executive Director Adam Foster provided an overview of TAGD activities and accomplishments from 2025.
- F. **Discussion and possible action to approve FY25 Q4 Finances.** Treasurer Michael Redman presented the FY25 Q4 finances, which had been reviewed and recommended for approval by both the Finance & Budget Committee and Executive Committee. Paul Sigle motioned to approve the FY25 Q4 finances as presented. Amber Blount seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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G. **Speaker Series.** Executive Director introduced the speakers invited for the afternoon Speaker Series. The following presentations were provided: NTVGCD Litigation Update, *Holli Pryor-Baze, Skelton Slusher Barnhill Watkins Wells PLLC*; Water Finance Exchange: Current Work and Initiatives in Texas, *Lia Clark and Savannah Batson, Water Finance Exchange*; DFC Monitoring and Tracking After HB 2078: What Districts Need to Know, *Amy Bush, RMBJ Geo; Zach Holland, Bluebonnet GCD*; Beyond 98: New District Creation and Expansion Efforts Across Texas, *Trey Cranford, Nueces County Representative; Adam Friedman, McElroy, Sullivan, Miller & Weber LLP; Dario Guerra, Red Sands GCD; Brian Sledge, SledgeLaw Group PLLC*; Monitoring Well Design, *Stefan Stamoulis, Hydrogeologic/Environmental Testing*.

At the conclusion of the speaker series, Adam Foster recessed the meeting at 5:00pm and invited members to attend the networking reception and Information & Education Committee speed networking event.

G. **Speaker Series, continued.** Executive Director Adam Foster reconvened the meeting the following day at 8:30am and introduced the speakers invited for the morning Speaker Series. Agency updates were provided by the following: Natalie Ballew, Groundwater Division Director, TWDB; Eric Simon, Groundwater Planning & Assessment Team, TCEQ; Chris Hooyboer, TDLR. A presentation was also provided by Christie Capper, Deep Earth.

H. **New Member Introductions.** President Doug Shaw reconvened the Regular Business Meeting at 10:15am and invited new members to introduce themselves and their organizations.

I. **Officer and Committee Reports.** President Doug Shaw invited TAGD officers and committees to provide updates.

- a. Executive Committee, President Doug Shaw provided a brief report regarding upcoming committee matters
- b. Legislative Committee, Vice President Britney Britten provided a brief report regarding legislative matters.

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- c. Bylaws Committee, Parliamentarian Kelley Cochran provided a brief update about upcoming committee matters.
 - d. Information & Education Committee, Secretary Whitney Wiebe provided a report on committee activities.
 - e. Finance Committee, Treasurer Michael Redman gave a financial update and discussed possibly diversifying TAGD funds.
- J. **Member and GMA reports.** President Doug Shaw invited GMA representatives and members to provide updates regarding activities and matters occurring within their districts and GMAs.
- K. **Other TAGD Business.** President Doug Shaw asked members if there was any other TAGD business to discuss.
- L. **Adjourn.** President Doug Shaw adjourned the meeting at 10:37am. Executive Director Adam Foster provided final announcements, thanked the networking receptions sponsors, and reminded members about the Legislative Committee meeting to follow.

Prepared and submitted by Whitney Wiebe, Secretary.

Approved by the Members on _____, 2026.

Doug Shaw, President

Whitney Wiebe, Secretary

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Attachment 1

Voting GCD members Present during the January 2026 TAGD Business Meeting
Districts present and voting by proxy signified with an asterisk (*)

1. Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
2. Bee Groundwater Conservation District
3. Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District
4. Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District
5. Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District
6. Brush Country Groundwater Conservation District
7. Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District
8. Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District
9. Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District
10. Crockett County Groundwater Conservation District
11. Duval County Groundwater Conservation District
12. Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District
13. Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District
14. Gateway Groundwater Conservation District
15. Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District
16. Guadalupe County Groundwater Conservation District
17. Headwaters Groundwater Conservation District
18. Hemphill County Underground Water Conservation District
19. High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1
20. Hill Country Underground Water Conservation District
21. Jeff Davis County Underground Water Conservation District
22. Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District
23. Kimble County Groundwater Conservation District*
24. Lipan Kickapoo Water Conservation District
25. Live Oak Underground Water Conservation District
26. Llano Estacado Underground Water Conservation District
27. Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District
28. Lower Trinity Groundwater Conservation District
29. McMullen Groundwater Conservation District
30. Menard County Underground Water District*
31. Mesa Underground Water Conservation District

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32. Mesquite Groundwater Conservation District
33. Mid-East Texas Groundwater Conservation District
34. Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District
35. Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District
36. North Plains Groundwater Conservation District
37. Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District
38. Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District
39. Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District
40. Plateau Underground Water Conservation and Supply District
41. Plum Creek Conservation District
42. Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District
43. Real-Edwards Conservation and Reclamation District
44. Red River Groundwater Conservation District
45. Red Sands Groundwater Conservation District
46. Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District*
47. San Patricio County Groundwater Conservation District
48. Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District
49. Santa Rita Underground Water Conservation District
50. Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District
51. Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District*
52. Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District
53. Upper Trinity Groundwater Conservation District
54. Uvalde County Underground Conservation District
55. Wintergarden Groundwater Conservation District