

**MESQUITE GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF
ADOPTING A REVISED MANAGEMENT PLAN**

TO: ALL INTERESTED PERSONS.

The Mesquite Groundwater Conservation District ("District") will conduct a public hearing concerning the District's intent to adopt a revised Management Plan.

The public hearing is to provide interested members of the public the opportunity to appear and provide oral or written comments on the proposed revisions to the Management Plan.

Date, Time, and Place of Public Hearing.

The date, time and place of the public hearing is as follows:

Date: **April 25, 2024**
Time: **7:00 PM**
Location: Memphis Public Library
 303 South 8th Street
 Memphis, Texas 79245.

**Procedures for Submitting Public Comments
on the Revised Management Plan.**

A. Oral Comments:

Any person may appear in person, or by authorized representative, at the public hearing regarding the proposed revisions to the District's Management Plan. Any person making an appearance must indicate their desire to make oral comments on the registration form provided by the District at the public hearing. A person must disclose any affiliation on the registration form and if applicable, the legal authority to speak for a person represented. Any other person attending the public hearing will be considered by the District to be an observer not desiring to make comment on the proposed Management Plan. The District will not consider any comments of an observer in its proceedings.

All persons must indicate on the registration form whether their comments are generally directed to the entire proposed revised Management Plan, or whether they are directed at specific items in the proposed revised Management Plan. If directed at specific items in the proposed revised Management Plan, the number of the items in the proposed revised Management Plan must be identified on the registration form. If it becomes apparent during the oral comments that what were indicated to be merely general comments are, in fact, specific comments, the presiding officer may ask the person to specifically identify the proposed items in the proposed revised Management Plan to which the oral comments are directed.

The presiding officer will establish the order of oral comments of persons at the hearing. As appropriate, the presiding officer may limit:

1. the number of times a person may speak;
2. the time period for oral comments;
3. cumulative, irrelevant, or unduly repetitious comments;

4. general comments that are so vague, undeveloped, or immaterial as to be impracticable for the District to ascertain the intent or purpose of the person making the general oral comments and that are otherwise unhelpful to the District in analyzing the proposed revisions to the Management Plan;
5. the time period for asking or responding to questions; and
6. other matters that come to the attention of the presiding officer as requiring limitation.

B. Written Comments:

1. Written comments on the proposed revisions to the Management Plan must be filed with the District by mail or hand-delivery at the District's office at 802 9th Street, Wellington, Texas 79095. All written comments must be filed with the District and date-stamped no later than **Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.**
2. Written comments should be filed on 8½ x 11 inch paper and be typed or legibly written. Written comments must indicate whether the comments are general and directed at all of the proposed revisions of the Management Plan, or whether they are directed at specific items in the proposed Management Plan. If directed at specific items in the proposed Management Plan, the number of the proposed item must be identified and followed by the comments on the specifically identified item of the Management Plan.

C. Response to Comments:

Please note that while the District Board and staff will consider both oral and written comments, the staff may not prepare written responses to these comments for review and consideration by the Board of Directors of the District when it deliberates on whether to adopt the proposed revisions to the District's Management Plan.

Procedure for Obtaining the Revised Management Plan.

Copies of the proposed Management Plan may be obtained from the District by:

1. telephoning (844) 445-2800;
2. e-mailing a request to the District at manager@mesquitegcd.gov
3. visiting the offices of the District at 802 9th Street, Wellington, Texas; or,
4. visiting the District's website at www.mesquitegcd.gov

**Opportunity to Attend the Board Meeting
at which the Revised Management Plan May be Adopted.**

A meeting of the District's Board of Directors will be held on April 25, 2024 at 7:00 PM at the Memphis Public Library, 303 South 8th Street, Memphis, Texas 79245. The meeting will then be recessed at 7:15 p.m. to conduct the public Hearing on the District's proposed Management Plan. The agenda item addressing adoption of the Management Plan will be addressed during the meeting, but after the Management Plan Hearing.

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS TO THE DISTRICT'S MANAGEMENT PLAN

- (1) Addressing the strategies to achieve the Desired Future Conditions (DFC): Updated the Desired Future Condition from the previously approved DFCs to the currently approved DFCs. All current DFCs were included in a new appendix;
- (2) Addressing providing for the most efficient use of groundwater within the District: Updated the date of required pumping data to be recorded by the District to May 1st of each year;
- (3) Addressing strategies to enhance water supplies: The District is to review the recharge enhancement feasibility study annually; and
- (4) Addressing Rainwater Harvesting: The District will annually publish a rainwater harvesting article in local newspapers, including any projects in the District.

Issued this

/s/ Whitney Wiebe

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