

STERLING COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED DESIRED FUTURE CONDITIONS OF
GROUNDWATER RESOURCES AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 8, 2026

Members Present: Chairman of the Board Jack Clark, Kade Hodges, Evan Canady, General Manager Diana Thomas, and Technician Ashley Masters

Public Present: Accountant Karen Hodges

The public hearing on the proposed desired future condition was called to order at 1:09 PM by Chairman of the Board Jack Clark. Diana Thomas explained the purpose of the hearing, summarized GMA 7 efforts in proposing the desired future condition, and changes from the previous desired future condition. Public in attendance made no comment.

The public hearing was closed at 1:14 PM by Jack Clark, Chairman of the Board.

The regular meeting was called to order at 1:15 PM. by Jack Clark, Chairman of the Board.

Kade Hodges moved and Evan Canady seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion carried.

Accountant Karen Hodges presented the financial report and bills to the Board. The bills included standard monthly bills, San Angelo Standard Times publication fees, quarterly appraisal district fee, TAGD meeting dues, and rain gauge purchase for Sterling and surrounding districts. After reviewing the bills as presented, Kade Hodges moved to pay all bills and transfer \$13,000 from the MM account. Evan Canady seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

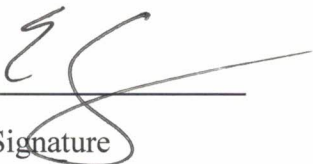
The Manager's report included: WTWMA in San Angelo, TAGD Executive Committee and Education Committee virtual meetings, TAGD virtual book group, TAGD PFIA training and business meeting in San Marcos, and virtual Q&A with silver iodide researchers. WTWMA reported that much of April was in active due to licensing issues. It has been resolved and operations have resumed. A flare rack test system is being developed to ensure proper operation. The TAGD Executive Committee met virtually in preparation of the upcoming June meeting and previewing the next fiscal year's budget. Ashley Masters participated in the virtual TAGD Education Committee meeting which included making plans for an in-person meeting in October potentially in West Texas, and the upcoming book study to aid districts in public engagement. Ashley Masters joined the TAGD virtual book group in reading "The Art of Gathering" to help districts in public engagement. Chapters 1 & 2 were covered in this first meeting which included fundamentals of why we gather and targeting specific audience outreach. Diana Thomas attended the TAGD PFIA training to complete her legislatively required financial education hours. There were not many changes to financial legislation, but a policy review is still a good idea. New disclosures will need to be filed. Diana Thomas attended the regular TAGD business meeting in San Marcos to hear about internship potential, google data centers, and updates to TWDB databases. Diana Thomas coordinated a virtual meeting with three silver iodide researchers and Sid Sullenger, James Furr, and Ashley Masters all attended. Many questions on

silver iodide use, environmental concern, testing procedures, and current research were answered without any pro/anti-weather mod bias.

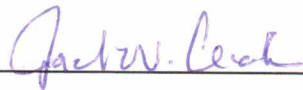
Well surveillance for the monitor network was completed, minus a few wells due to locked gates, well re-work, and low water levels. A partial rain gauge network download was completed. The new gauges are recording well and communicating with the new laptop much more efficiently. Rainfall records from deployment in February to the end of May were reviewed. No data was available October 2025 through January 2026 due to old equipment failure. No Notice of Intent to Drill forms were received. Water quality analysis was completed for L. Wilson and two for K. Hodges.

After presentation of the permit application and review of the map attachments, Evan Canady moved to approve the application for an irrigation permit by the SCISD located at Section 5 Abstract 368 within Sterling City for no more than 50-acre feet of water per year. Kade Hodges seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

There being no further business Kade Hodges moved, and Evan Canady seconded to adjourn at 2:24 PM.



Attesting Signature



Presiding Officer

Date: 7-12-2026