

Hyatt Regency Hill Country • San Antonio, TX • August 20-22

DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, August 19 – Optional field trip add-on to San Antonio Water System H2Oaks Center

Day 1 - Tuesday, August 20

8:00am Registration Table Opens

9:00am - 11:00am TAGD Annual Membership Meeting

1:00pm - 3:00pm Welcome Address

Adam Foster, Executive Director, Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts

Groundwater Rights in Texas

Charles Porter, Real Estate & Water Rights Consultant

Panel - Playing by the Rules: GCD Violations & Enforcement

Moderator: Drew Satterwhite, General Manager, Canadian River Municipal Water Authority

John Martin, General Manager, Southeast Texas GCD

Dave Mauk, General Manager, Bandera County River Authority & Groundwater District

Stacey Reese, Attorney, Stacey Reese Law

Patrick Wagner, General Manager, Middle Trinity GCD

Keynote Address TBA

3:00pm – 3:30pm Afternoon Break (Sponsored by Edwards Aquifer Authority, Halff Associates, and McElroy

Sullivan Miller & Weber LLP)

3:30pm - 5:15pm Panel - All the Small Things: Studying & Managing Minor Aguifers

Moderator: Amy Bush, Hydrologist, RMBJ Geo

Natalie Ballew, Groundwater Division Director, Texas Water Development Board

Blaine Hicks, Staff Geologist, Upper Trinity GCD Bill Hutchison, Independent Groundwater Consultant

Kevin Urbanczyk, Director of Rio Grande Research Center, Sul Ross State University

The Ripple Effect of Joint Groundwater Planning on Regional Water Planning

Andy Donnelly, Senior Hydrogeologist, Advanced Groundwater Solutions

Presentation TBA

5:15pm – 6:15pm Welcome Reception (Sponsored by Brazoria County GCD)



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Day 2 - Wednesday, August 21

7:15am Registration Table Opens

7:45am – 8:15am Breakfast (Sponsored by Olsson and Upper Trinity GCD)

8:15am – 10:00am Welcome & Opening Remarks

David Bailey, President, Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts

Legislative Interim Update

Sarah Kirkle, Director of Policy & Legislative Affairs, Texas Water Conservation Association

Panel - Water Wisdom From NM, MS, and TN

Moderator: Kristen Fancher, Attorney, Fancher Legal PLLC

Aron Balok, Superintendent, Pecos Valley Artesian Conservancy District Don Christy, Executive Director, Yazoo Mississippi Delta Joint Water

Management District

Sarah Houston, Executive Director, Protect Our Aquifer

Appealing GCD Actions

Greg Ellis, Attorney, GM Ellis Law Firm

10:00am - 10:30am Coffee Break (Sponsored by Edwards Aquifer Authority, Halff Associates, and McElroy

Sullivan Miller & Weber LLP)

10:30am - 12:00pm Legislator Panel

Moderator: Adam Foster, Executive Director, Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts

Legislators TBA

Keynote Address

Ben Masters, Director, Fin & Fur Films

12:00pm – 1:30pm Luncheon (Sponsored by North Texas GCD)

1:30pm - 3:00pm Breakout Track A - Fundamentals of Groundwater Management

Basics of Bottom-Up Water Planning in Texas

Robert Bradley, Groundwater Technical Assistance Manager, Texas Water

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Demystifying GCD Permitting

Speaker TBA

Anatomy of a Well

Joel Pigg, Texas Well Owner Network Coordinator, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension



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Day 2 - Wednesday, August 21 (continued)

1:30pm - 3:00pm Breakout Track B - Waste Not, Want Not: Advancements in Produced Water Reuse

Critical Minerals in Produced Water

Brent Eliot, Associate Research Professor, Bureau of Economic Geology

Land Application of Produced Water

Adrianne Lopez, Technical Research & Development Manager, Texas Pacific

Water Resources

New Rules for Oil & Gas Waste Pits and Recycling Facilities

Virginia Palacios, Executive Director, Commission Shift

1:30pm - 3:00pm Breakout Track C - Navigating the Intersections of Local Regulation

Primer on the PUC and Water Providers

Adam Friedman, Partner, McElroy Sullivan Miller & Weber LLP

Annexation and CCN Issues

Emily Rogers, Managing Partner, Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP

Opportunities in Subdivision Regulation

Marisa Bruno, Water Program Manager, Hill Country Alliance

3:00pm – 3:30pm Afternoon Break (Sponsored by Edwards Aquifer Authority, Halff Associates, and McElroy

Sullivan Miller & Weber LLP)

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<u>Breakout Track B – Local Science Developments</u>

Hydrostratigraphic Model of the Trinity Aquifer for a Portion of Central Texas

Vince Clause, Texas Groundwater Lead, LRE Water

San Solomon Springs Studies

Rebecca Nunu, Principal Geoscientist, Edwards Aguifer Authority

Presentation TBA

Speaker TBA

3:30pm - 5:00pm Breakout Track C - Leading Them to Water: Effective Public Outreach

Applying Adult Learning Strategies for Better Engagement

Amy Hays, Assistant Director of Development & Outreach, Oka Water Institute

Outreach by Meeting People Where They're At

Greg Wukasch, External Affairs Manager, San Antonio Water System

Making a Splash With Storytelling

Speaker TBA



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Day 2 - Wednesday, August 21 (continued)

5:00pm – 6:00pm Happy Hour Reception (Sponsored by INTERA)

8:00pm - 10:00pm Drinks & Desserts Networking Event (Sponsored by Real Edwards Conservation &

Reclamation District)

Day 3 - Thursday, August 22

7:45am – 8:15am Breakfast (Sponsored by Olsson and Upper Trinity GCD)

8:15am - 10:00am Welcome

Adam Foster, Executive Director, Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts

Panel - Emerging Management Issues for Large-Scale Production Permits

Moderator: John Dupnik, Deputy Executive Administrator, Texas Water

Development Board

Russell Johnson, Partner, McGinnis Lochridge LLP

Laura Martin, General Manager, Gonzales County UWCD

Carlos Rubinstein, Principal, RSAH20

Steve Young, Principal Geoscientist, INTERA

Panel – Groundwater Crossroads: Perspectives From Agriculture, Ranching, and Wildlife

Moderator: Jim Bradbury, Partner, James D. Bradbury PLLC Andrew Earl, Director of Conservation, Texas Wildlife Association

David Gibson, Executive Director, Texas Corn Producers James Oliver, Board Member, Texas Agricultural Land Trust

10:00-10:30 am Afternoon Break (Sponsored by Edwards Aquifer Authority, Halff Associates, and McElroy

Sullivan Miller & Weber LLP)

10:30-12:15pm Panel - Case Law Update

Speakers TBA

Presentation TBA (intended to meet 1-hour ethics requirement for certain professionals)