

# GCGCD NEWS



SPRING 2016 Newsletter

# GCGCD v POCG update

The SOAH (State Office of Administrative Hearings) concluded January 14, 2016 with the ALJ's (Administrative Law Judges) setting briefing schedules for all parties. April 15, 2016 is the deadline for the Executive Director, Protestants and OPIC (Office of Public Interest Council) to file response briefs. The ALJ final decision is not expected until sometime this summer or early fall.

If you are interested in reading any of the legal papers filed regarding these proceedings (2012-2016) - or simply need something to help you fall asleep -

TCEQ Commissioners' Integrated Database offers the public the opportunity to search for, view and download filed documents. Click here

SOAH docket # 582-15-2498

TCEQ Docket # 2012-0905-MSW





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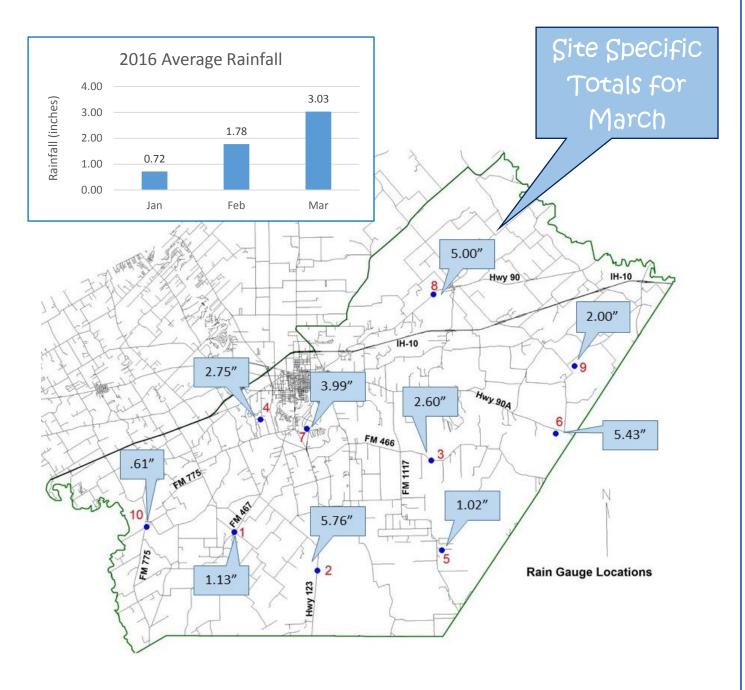
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# How much was in your gauge?

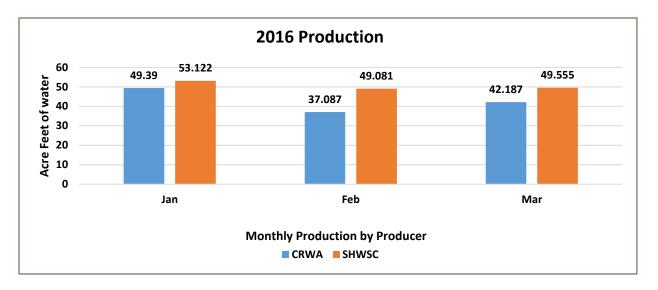
Here's what we registered across our District Total Average for March across 10 locations

3.03 INCHES



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## GUADALUPE COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT – SPRING 2016





Atilano "Willie" Aguero, Assistant General Manager of Springs Hill Water Supply Corporation, is shown here giving GCGCD staff a tour of their water treatment facility where our rain gauge # 4 is located.

- SHWSC has 2,250 acre feet permitted from the Guadalupe River
- Maximum capacity of the treatment plant is
   2 million gallons per day



## **Region L Updates**

Replacing Con Mims as Executive Committee Chair is Suzanne B. Scott, General Manager of SARA (San Antonio River Authority) since September of 2007. Scott is a Texas Tech graduate with a Master's in Urban Administration from Trinity University.

<u>Black & Veatch</u>, a global engineering, consulting and construction company - specializing in water, energy, telecommunications, and management - has been selected to represent Region L and its interests for the 2021 Plan.



The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) will receive public comments on the Draft 2017 State Water Plan until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2016.

The Board will receive public comment on the Draft 2017 State Water Plan at a hearing to be held on Monday, April 18, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in Austin at the Stephen F. Austin Building, 1700 North Congress Avenue, Room 170. The draft plan is posted on the <a href="https://www.two.org/rubbs/html">TWDB website</a>.



## GCDs in GMA 13

Process to establish a DFC (desired future condition)

Nine factors considered:

- 1. Aguifer Uses & Condition
- 2. State Water Plan
- 3. Hydrologic Conditions
- 4. Environmental Impacts
- 5. Land Subsidence
- 6. Socioeconomics
- 7. Property Rights
- 8. Feasibility
- 9. Other Relevant Factors

Deadline for GMAs to deliver DFC goals to the Texas Water Development Board is MAY 1, 2016

# How Do We Decide on a DFC?

Requires Balance

Highest practicable level of groundwater production that can be achieved



Conservation,
Preservation &
Protection of Resource

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The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Geronimo and Alligator Creeks Clean Up on Saturday April 2<sup>nd</sup> was once again a huge success! A special THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered their time and effort to help restore this watershed.

191 volunteers at 27 locations combed the areas that drain into Geronimo and Alligator creeks removing over 800 pounds of trash (175 bags full) plus 4 tires, car batteries, wood pallets and other debris. Thank you to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension for organizing this event. GCGCD is proud to sponsor this great cause!

## **GBRA buys TWA for \$31 million**

The Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) announced the purchase of Texas Water Alliance (TWA) from SJW Corp. on February 22, 2016. This purchase of TWA assets in Gonzales and Caldwell counties, which should be finalized by the end of this year, would provide 15,000 acre feet of water toward GBRA's Mid-Basin Project. The Mid-Basin Project has been a part of the State Water Plan in various forms since 2006. The proposed project goal is to supply water in excess of 65,000 acre feet to the expected growth along IH-35/SH Toll 130 corridors. This conjunctive use water supply project would include surface water, groundwater and/or Aquifer Storage & Recovery (ASR) components.

# TDLR – Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation

Statutes and Rules 76.70 Responsibilities of the Licensee State Well Reports

(1) "Every well driller shall transmit electronically through the Texas Well Report Submission and Retrieval System or deliver or send by certified mail, the original of the State of Texas Well Report to the department. Every well driller shall deliver or send by first class mail a photo copy to the groundwater conservation district in which the well is located, if any."



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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS -**

April 14 <sup>th</sup>	GCGCD board Meeting – Seguin-Guadalupe Public Library Meeting Room @ 4:30 pm
April 15 <sup>th</sup>	TWDB GMA 13 Stakeholder Advisory: Brackish Groundwater Mapping @ <u>EUWCD</u> 10 am

April 27<sup>th</sup> GMA 13 Meeting @ <u>EUWCD</u> @ 10 am

May 1<sup>st</sup> DFC's DUE to TWDB

May 5<sup>th</sup> Region L meeting @ <u>SAWS</u> Service Center @ 9:30 am

June Aguifer water levels will be measured

# Did you know?

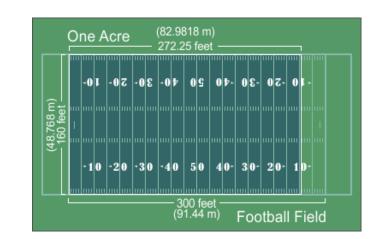
1 acre foot of water = 325,851 gallons

1 acre foot = Amount of water used by two average families in one year (home & landscape)

1 acre foot = Volume of water that will cover one acre of surface area to a depth of one foot

So how Big is an acre?

1 acre = 76% of a football field



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