NORTH PLAINS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
9:00 A.M. Wednesday October 21, 2026
North Plains Water Conservation Center
6045 County Road E., Dumas, Texas

A meeting of the Board of Directors of North Plains Groundwater Conservation District ("District") will be held on October 21, 2026, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the North Plains Water Conservation Center, 6045 County Road E., Dumas, Texas 79029. The presiding officer and a quorum of the Board of Directors of the District will be physically present at this location. Other board members and employees of the District may participate remotely in the meeting by video conference as permitted by Government Code Section 551.127.

Call Meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum.

Opening Prayer

Pledge

1. **Public Comment:** The public is invited to address the board on any general water issue at the beginning of the meeting. The public is further invited to address the board on a specific agenda item when the board considers that item. The public is encouraged to fill out a public comment form prior to the start of the meeting and submit it to the staff at the front desk.

   Public comment may only be offered during this Agenda item and may either be general in nature or may address any specific item on this Agenda. General comments shall be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes, or comments on specific Agenda items shall be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per Agenda item, not to exceed a total of 9 minutes.

2. **Consent Agenda**
   a. Review and approval of Minutes and Certified Minutes of the Board Meeting held September 15, 2026.
   b. Consider approval of payment to Underwood Attorneys at Law for professional services and out-of-pocket expenses from September 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026.
   c. Consider approval of payment to Kemp Smith Law for professional services and out-of-pocket expenses from September 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026.
   d. Review and consider approval of Dallam County tax assessment and collection contract for 2027-2029.

3. **Action Agenda**
   a. Receive report from Steve Walthour regarding the Ogallala Project
   b. Consider approval of contract with High Plains Aquifer Alliance for consulting services.
   c. Review and consider correction to the 2026-2027 Budget

d. Receive report and consider action as needed regarding agriculture water conservation demonstration programs and the North Plains Water Conservation Center.

e. Receive report regarding field inspection and services completed during September 2026.

f. Consider final compliance approval of water well permits as active and complete wells, review permits issued and permitting graphs from September 2026.

g. Receive report and consider action regarding 2025 Annual Production.

h. Receive report and consider action regarding compliance matters before the district, including but not limited to individuals/entities listed on the exhibit(s).

- Technical Violations – Exhibit A

i. Discuss *BLF Land, LLC et al. v. Allen Frerich, et al.*, No. 2:23-CV-133-Z (N.D. Tex. August 8, 2023, *North Plains Groundwater Conservation District v. BLF Land, LLC and Blaine Larsen Farms, Inc.* No. 25-103-DCCV-5698, 69th District Court, Hartley County September 12, 2025

j. Closed Session. The Board of Directors of the District may go into a closed session under the authority of the Government Code, Chapter 551, Texas Open Meetings Act, for any of the following purposes: Consultation with Attorney – Attorney/Client Privileged Consultations, on Pending or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers (§ 551.071), Deliberations Regarding Real Property (§ 551.072), Deliberations Regarding Personnel Matters (§ 551.074), or Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or a Security Audit (§§ 551.076, 551.0894)

i) *BLF Land, LLC et al. v. Allen Frerich, et al.*, No. 2:23-CV-133-Z (N.D. Tex. August 8, 2023, *North Plains Groundwater Conservation District v. BLF Land, LLC and Blaine Larsen Farms, Inc.* No. 25-103-DCCV-5698 69th District Court, Hartley County September 12, 2025.

k. Consider recommendation(s) regarding matters discussed in closed session.

l. Recognition of Casey Tice for 22 years of service to the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District.

4. Discussion Agenda

a. District Director Reports regarding meetings and/or seminars attended, weather conditions and economic development in each director's precinct.

b. Committee reports

c. General Manager's report

   i) Upcoming meetings and conferences

   ii) General Manager's activity summary

5. Discuss Items for Future Board Meeting Agendas and Set Next Meeting Date and Time.

6. Adjournment.

At any time during the meeting and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in executive session for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Board of Directors of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District, is a true and correct copy of said Notice; and that I posted a true and correct copy at a place convenient to the public at the District office, at 603 East First, Dumas, Texas, and the Notice was posted on **October 14, 2026**, on or before **5:00 pm** and will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours immediately preceding the day of said Meeting; a true and correct copy of the Notice was furnished to each county clerk of the county or counties in which the above District is located.

Additionally, I certify that the above Notice of Meeting was furnished to the Secretary of State on or before **5:00 pm October 14 2026.**

Dated this the **14th** day of **October 2026.**

North Plains Groundwater Conservation District

By: Dusty Holt

Dusty Holt, Administrative Assistant