



Texas Legislature

January 23, 2015

Mr. Richard Tramm
President, Board of Directors
Lonestar Groundwater Conservation District
655 Conroe Park North Drive
Conroe, TX 77303

Re: Consideration and Action on Proposed Amendments to District's Rules and Regulatory Plan Phase II(B)

Dear Mr. Tramm:

We understand the District has, for some time, been considering amendments to its District Rules and District Regulatory Plan and has held several public hearings regarding these amendments. In the course of those meetings, and based upon written comments submitted to the District following the meetings, questions have arisen as to the impact of the amendments on water users within Montgomery County. After reviewing the proposed amendments and the comments thereon, it appears the proposed rules may have far-reaching consequences for those who rely on groundwater within the county. Specifically, some of the comments indicate a position that the proposed amendments may be inconsistent with the Texas Water Code and interfere with private property rights.

The comments expressed by these water users have been communicated to us, leading to some concern that the District's Board may act to approve these proposed amendments at its February 10th meeting without proper consideration of the concerns expressed by water users. We would ask that the District Board consider whether there is a specific urgency necessitating adoption of the proposed amendments on February 10th. If not, we would ask the Board to consider postponing adoption of the proposed amendments until additional deliberation can occur.

We are interested in participating in further deliberation regarding the District's proposed amendments to its regulatory program. We would appreciate an opportunity to discuss the amendments with District staff, and to be kept informed on future activities that may alter the District's regulatory program.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we may be of further assistance.

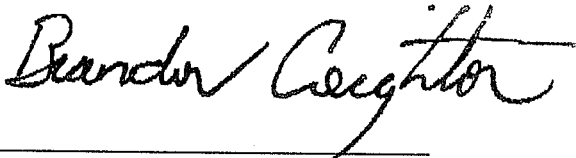
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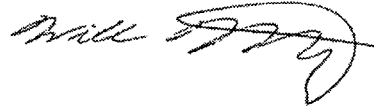
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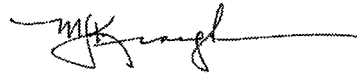
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