

**COASTAL BEND GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

AGENDA PREPARED AND POSTED: July 10, 2026
DATE OF MEETING: July 16, 2026
TIME OF MEETING: 8:00 A.M.

PLACE WHERE MEETING WAS HELD: CBGCD Office, 109 E. Milam, WHARTON, TEXAS 77488.

In Attendance:

Ronald Gertson – President CBGCD; Daniel Berglund – Vice-President; Tim Anderson – Secretary CBGCD; Aland Wittig – Director CBGCD; Alan Heskamp – Director CBGCD; Neil Hudgins – Manager CBGCD; Jaime Bosch – Office Manager CBGCD; Greg Ellis; Steve Cooper; Ed Hughes; Dennis Geesemann

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:07 A.M. by President Gertson.
- II. **Public Comments:** None
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the May 12, 2026 meeting minutes as presented. Director Wittig seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- IV. **Manager's Report:**
- V. **Financial Report** – Mr. Hudgins reported a checking account balance of \$490,268.66; a money market account balance of \$317,353.15; 2018 CD balance of \$927,197.19; 2020 CD balance \$603,794.20. A budget vs. actual, deposit and check details, and the balance sheet were also presented. After discussion and review, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Director Wittig seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
Well Monitoring Update – Mr. Hudgins presented the board with the monthly monitor wells level and Lissie transducer level for July 2026. The index well graph shows 56 feet, 2-feet less than June 2026, and the highest July for the last 3 years. The Lissie transducer shows a similar trend to the index wells.
Upcoming Meetings – TAGD Groundwater Summit
- VI. **Discussion to Approve Permit Applications:** President Gertson opened a public hearing for permit applications at 8:06 a.m.; asking if there was anyone present to give public comments and hearing no one, Director Gertson closed the hearing at 8:07 a.m. After review and discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve drilling and operating permits for OP-26070201 for Thomas Turner; OP-26070202 for Gus Mullins; OP-26070203 for 8A Facilities Solutions LLC as presented and table OP-26042202 for Amazon Data Services, Inc. until after the preliminary contested case hearing. Director Heskamp seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
After review and discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to table permit amendment OP-A13032804 for Janet Holum and permit renewals OP-A13032804 for Janet Holub and OP-A08062311 for Janet Holub until the next CBGCD board meeting. Secretary Anderson seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
After review and discussion Director Wittig made a motion to approve the permit amendment as presented for OP-A08062311 for James Gangl; OP-16022402 for Janet Holub; OP-09111101 for Gertson Farms Partnership to approve permits as presented.

Vice-President Berglund seconded. President Gertson abstained from the vote on permit OP-09111101. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

After review and discussion, Director Wittig made a motion to approve permit renewal as presented for the following permits. (See Attached) Vice-President Berglund seconded. President Gertson abstained from the vote on permit OP-11122102; OP-A05010608; OP-05012101; and OP-05010602. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

- VII. **Discuss CBGCD Permit Violations: No Action**
- VIII. **Review and Discuss Engagement Letter With KM&L:** Mr. Hudgins present the engagement letter for the 2025-2026 audit. After review and discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the engagement letter as presented with a cost of \$8,800. Director Heskamp seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- IX. **Order an Election of Directors for November 03, 2026, noting this election will be cancelled if no opposing applications are received by 5:00 p.m., August 17, 2026:** After discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to order an election. Director Wittig seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- X. **Executive Session, as allowed under Section 551.01 of the Texas Open Meetings Act Government Code, specifically Section 551.074 Revised Statutes of Texas to discuss appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of personnel. (Staff Performance Evaluations):** President Gertson called to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss staff performance evaluations.
- XI. **Reconvene in Open Session and take any appropriate action subsequent to discussion in Executive Session:** President Gertson called to reconvene to open meeting. Vice-President Berglund made a motion to increase Mr. Hudgins' salary \$4,005 (3.5%) and Mrs. Bosch's salary \$3,069 (5%) for the fiscal year 2026-2027. Secretary Anderson seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- XII. **General Counsel's Report on Groundwater Litigation and Legislation:** Greg Ellis gave updates on the current litigation and legislation.
- XIII. **PDSI:** The report shows no drought in CBGCD area.
- XIV. **Possible Future Agenda Items:** None
- XV. **Public Comments/Announcements:** None
- XVI. **Set Next Meeting Date and Agenda:** Vice-President Berglund made a motion that the next CBGCD board meeting be set for Thursday, August 11, 2026 at the CBGCD office. Director Wittig seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- XVII. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

Secretary Tim Anderson

2026 Permit Renewals

YEAR	NAME	PERMIT #	Discharge	USE	ACR.	CROP	AC. FT.	PER AC.	TOTAL
	Gertson Farms Partnership	OP-11122102							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 2246			Irrigation	225	Rice	956.25	4.25	
				Irrigation	50	Waterfowl	50	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	225	Rice	956.25	4.25	
				Irrigation	50	Waterfowl	50	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	225	Rice	956.25	4.25	
				Irrigation	50	Waterfowl	50	1.00	3018.75

YEAR	NAME	PERMIT #	Discharge	USE	ACR.	CROP	AC. FT.	PER AC.	TOTAL
	Gertson Farms Partnership	OP-A05010608							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 4596			Irrigation	456	Rice	1254	2.75	
				Irrigation	40	Waterfowl	40	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	544	Rice	2312	4.25	
				Irrigation	40	Waterfowl	40	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	456	Rice	1711	3.75	
				Irrigation	40	Waterfowl	40	1.00	5397

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	Gertson Farms Partnership	OP-05012101							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 2246			Irrigation	175	Rice	743.75	4.25	
				Irrigation	40	Waterfowl	40	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	175	Rice	743.75	4.25	
				Irrigation	40	Waterfowl	40	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	175	Rice	743.75	4.25	
				Irrigation	40	Waterfowl	40	1.00	2351.25

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	Peter Dan Gertson, Jr.	OP-05010602							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 600			Irrigation	75	Rice	318.75	4.25	
				Irrigation	30	Waterfowl	30	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	75	Rice	318.75	4.25	
				Irrigation	30	Waterfowl	30	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	75	Rice	318.75	4.25	
				Irrigation	30	Waterfowl	30	1.00	1046.25

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	James Gangl	OP-A08062311							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 609			Irrigation	66	Rice	198	3.00	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	67	Row Crop	67	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	67	Rice	201	3.00	
				Irrigation	66	Row Crop	66	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	66	Rice	198	3.00	
				Irrigation	67	Row Crop	67	1.00	797

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	Janet Holub	OP-16022402							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 570			Irrigation	94	Rice	154	1.64	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	95	Row Crop	95	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	95	Rice	155	1.63	
				Irrigation	94	Row Crop	94	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	94	Rice	154	1.64	
				Irrigation	95	Row Crop	95	1.00	747

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	Janet Holub	OP-A13032804							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 750			Irrigation	97	Rice	291	3.00	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	97	Row Crop	97	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	97	Rice	291	3.00	
				Irrigation	97	Row Crop	97	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	97	Rice	291	3.00	
				Irrigation	97	Row Crop	97	1.00	1164

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	Janet Holub	OP-A12022101							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 867			Irrigation	76.5	Rice	229	2.99	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	76.5	Row Crop	76	0.99	
2027				Irrigation	76.5	Rice	229	2.99	
				Irrigation	76.5	Row Crop	76	0.99	
2028				Irrigation	76.5	Rice	229	2.99	
				Irrigation	76.5	Row Crop	76	0.99	915

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	Carl Hunter	OP-13032806							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 360			Irrigation	40	Row Crop	40	1.00	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	40	Rice	120	3.00	
2027				Irrigation	40	Row Crop	40	1.00	
				Irrigation	40	Rice	120	3.00	
2028				Irrigation	40	Row Crop	40	1.00	
				Irrigation	40	Rice	120	3.00	480

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	Carl Bain	OP-A13112103							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 600			Irrigation	58	Rice	170	2.93	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	64	Row Crop	64	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	58	Row Crop	58	1.00	
				Irrigation	64	Rice	188	2.94	
2028				Irrigation	58	Rice	170	2.93	
				Irrigation	64	Row Crop	64	1.00	714

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	Patsy Ruth Cox Family Trust	OP-A13032808							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 540			Irrigation	60	Rice	180	3.00	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	60	Row Crop	60	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	60	Rice	180	3.00	
				Irrigation	60	Row Crop	60	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	60	Rice	180	3.00	
				Irrigation	60	Row Crop	60	1.00	720

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	Kathy Bodungen	OP-13032807							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 330			Irrigation	35	Rice	105	3.00	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	35	Row Crop	35	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	35	Rice	105	3.00	
				Irrigation	35	Row Crop	35	1.00	
2028				Irrigation	35	Rice	105	3.00	
				Irrigation	35	Row Crop	35	1.00	420

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	Debra Lauritsen	OP-24041902							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 930			Irrigation	140	Rice	420	3.00	
	Permitting for 3 years			Irrigation	113	Row Crop	113	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	140	Row Crop	140	1.00	
				Irrigation	113	Rice	339	3.00	
2028				Irrigation	140	Rice	420	3.00	
				Irrigation	113	Row Crop	113	1.00	1545

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	Paul & Patricia Bruton	OP-04101502							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 165			Irrigation	55	Row Crop	55		
2027	Increased Acres			Irrigation	55	Rice	165		275
2028				Irrigation	55	Row Crop	55		

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	Paul Bruton	OP-25042903							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 50			Irrigation	20	Row Crop	20		
2027	Permitting for 3 years			Irrigation	20	Rice	60		100
2028				Irrigation	20	Row Crop	20		

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	Earl Schmidt	OP-20123003							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 444			Irrigation	16	Aquaculture	48	3.00	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	132	Row Crop	120	0.91	
2027				Irrigation	24	Aquaculture	72	3.00	
				Irrigation	132	Row Crop	120	0.91	
2028				Irrigation	24	Aquaculture	72	3.00	
				Irrigation	132	Row Crop	120	0.91	552

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	Gann Stienke & Gann	OP-A13082805							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 510			Irrigation	60	Rice	180	3.00	
	Increased Acres			Irrigation	60	Row Crop	60	1.00	
2027				Irrigation	60	Rice	180	3.00	
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	Mary Louise Dobson Foundation	OP-13043004							
2026	Previous Permit Amount 2850			Irrigation	100	Waterfowl	100	1.00	
				Irrigation	300	Rice	1275	4.25	
2027	Rice 3 Years			Irrigation	100	Waterfowl	100	1.00	
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2028				Irrigation	100	Waterfowl	100	1.00	
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