



Guadalupe County Groundwater Conservation District



May 4, 2026

To: Board President or Designated Representative of the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District, Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District, Guadalupe County Groundwater Conservation District, McMullen Groundwater Conservation District, Medina County Groundwater Conservation District, Plum Creek Conservation District, Uvalde County Underground Water Conservation District, and Wintergarden Groundwater Conservation District.

RE: Groundwater Management Area 13 – Proposed Desired Future Conditions

Dear Board President or Designated Representative:

Groundwater Management Area 13 (GMA 13) approved the following proposed desired future conditions for the Southern Portion of the Carrizo-Wilcox, Queen City, and Sparta aquifers at a meeting held on April 22, 2026.

Using Groundwater Availability Model (GAM) Scenario 26.17 ([GAM Run 26.17](#)) as the foundation for the fourth round of Desired Future Conditions, each Groundwater Conservation District (GCD) within Groundwater Management Area 13 (GMA 13) selected either to combine or split aquifers by model layer as described in the table below:

Aquifer Name	Model Layer
Sparta	3
Queen City	5
Carrizo-Upper Wilcox	7
Middle Wilcox	8
Lower Wilcox	9

And expressed as either one or more of the following statements:

- average outcrop drawdown measured in feet - calculated from the end of 2017 conditions through year 2080;
- average overall drawdown measured in feet - calculated from the end of 2017 conditions through year 2080;
- percent saturated thickness remaining in 2080 - calculated from the end of 2017 conditions through year 2080; and/or
- percent artesian head remaining in 2080 - calculated from the end of 2017 conditions through year 2080.



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Groundwater Management Area 13 (GMA 13) designated the following aquifers non-relevant for the purposes of joint planning at meetings held on March 20, 2026 and April 22, 2026.

Declarations of non-relevant aquifers in Groundwater Management Area 13:

Groundwater Management Area 13 does hereby document, record, and confirm that the Edwards (Balcones Fault Zone), Gulf Coast, Trinity, and Yegua-Jackson aquifers are not relevant for purposes of joint planning within Groundwater Management Area 13 and therefore do not require the establishment of desired future conditions by Groundwater Management Area 13, nor the determination by the Texas Water Development Board of Modeled Available Groundwater for those aquifers in Groundwater Management Area 13.

These desired future conditions were proposed in accordance with Sections 36.108 (d) – (d-2) of the Texas Water Code. The designated representatives of the Groundwater Conservation Districts in the management area voted to propose the Desired Future Conditions for adoption at a joint planning meeting properly noticed and held on April 22, 2026, following consideration at several previous meetings of the nine factors set forth in Section 36.108 (d) TWC, hydrological studies, Groundwater Availability Models and GAM Runs, Technical Memoranda, public input and other information. All materials related to this planning cycle are publicly available on the GMA 13 website:

<https://www.gma13.org/dfc-materials/current-cycle>.

As of the date of this letter, a 90-day public comment period commences, during which each district must hold a public hearing. At the completion of the public comment period which ends at 5 PM on **Monday, August 3, 2026**, each district must submit a summary report to the GMA 13 Administrator containing copies of all postings, all relevant comments received, any suggested changes to the proposed desired future conditions and the basis for those revisions, and any supporting materials, including new or revised groundwater availability model run results. These summary reports will be discussed at the next GMA 13 meeting scheduled for **September 18, 2026**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Kelley Cochran'.

Kelley Cochran
Administrator, GMA 13