



19 May, 2010

Board of Directors
Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District
P.O. Box 1027
Smithville, TX 78957

Re: Resolution to protect the Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer and Colorado River groundwater-surface water relationship in the desired future conditions of Groundwater Management Area 12.

Dear Board of Directors:

Environmental Stewardship is hereby submitting the subject resolution to the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors along with a request that the resolution be placed on the June board meeting agenda for consideration and adoption.

The resolution contains paragraphs we are requesting be included in the Groundwater Management Area 12 desired future conditions. These paragraphs describe actions that we are requesting be taken to protect the groundwater-surface water relationship between the Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer, the Colorado River, and associated streams and springs of the region.

Based on the information presented to the LPGCD by Mr. Hutchinson and other State and regional entities over the past several years, it appears likely that the desired future conditions being submitted by GMA-12 to establish managed available groundwater will result in irreversible changes in the river-aquifer relationship. Given the importance of these water resources to our region, we believe it is imperative that actions be taken to monitor for such impacts and take corrective actions should they occur.

We appreciate the efforts of the District to protect these natural resources by balancing the human demand for water against environmental needs. We look forward to working with the District in planning, funding, and implementing the requested program over the next few years. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,
Environmental Stewardship

Steve Box
Executive Director

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