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One Year Later ...

In April, a lighthearted April Fools' post from the Fulshear Economic Development Corporation announcing a fictional Disney theme park generated plenty of laughs across social media.



While clearly intended as a joke, the post also reflected something else: **communities across Texas have become increasingly familiar with ambitious development announcements, bold projections, and the many questions that often follow.**

One year ago, when questions first began emerging about the proposed TexasLand USA development south of Hempstead, **many residents were led to believe the project was essentially a "done deal."**

Today, the conversation looks very different.

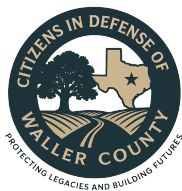
Large-scale speculative development proposals are not approved simply because they are announced—they move through public processes that deserve careful review and informed community participation.

The proposed Brazos River Improvement District (BRID) **remains under review by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)**. Questions surrounding infrastructure, district authority, water resources, drainage, financing, and long-term feasibility remain topics of active discussion.

Public records have been reviewed. Hundreds of public comments have been submitted. Elected officials have engaged in the process. Community members continue seeking information and answers.

As the regulatory review continues, **CDWC has evolved from an initial grassroots effort into a formally organized 501(c)(4) community advocacy organization** focused on long-term monitoring, transparency, public education, and responsible community engagement.

The following update highlights key developments from April through June 2026 as the review process continues.



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Government & Agency Outreach

CDWC continues maintaining communication with public officials and agencies involved in decisions affecting the community.

During Q2, **Senator Lois Kolkhorst formally submitted correspondence to TCEQ requesting additional public process consideration, including a request for a Contested Case Hearing (CCH).**

Maintaining open lines of communication with public officials remains an important part of ensuring transparency and accountability as the process continues.

TCEQ Process Update

TexasLand USA's effort to pursue special district powers through the proposed Brazos River Improvement District (BRID) remains under review by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

The public comment period concluded on March 9, 2026 following substantial community participation, including numerous public comments and hearing requests submitted by residents and adjacent landowners.

As of this newsletter, no hearing has been scheduled and no final recommendation has been issued regarding the proposed district application.

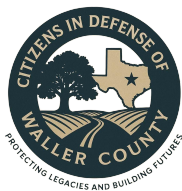
CDWC will continue monitoring filings and notices closely and will share updates if the process advances to the next stage.

Regulatory Review & Legal Support

As the proposed Brazos River Improvement District (BRID) continues through the TCEQ review process, **CDWC has taken steps to secure legal representation** to assist with ongoing procedural review and evaluation of the application materials.

Because meaningful participation in complex regulatory proceedings often requires significant preparation well before decisions are made, CDWC has focused much of its recent effort on research, document review, and consultation regarding potential future procedural developments.

Current efforts include review of district documents, monitoring regulatory developments, evaluating procedural options, and preparing for potential future participation opportunities should the process advance to later stages of review.



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While no hearing has been scheduled and no outcome is guaranteed, CDWC believes it is important to be informed, organized, and prepared should additional opportunities for public participation arise.

Outreach & Activity Highlights

Social Media Growth:

CDWC's Public Facebook Page has now grown to 128 followers, while our Private Facebook Group — our "living room" for more in-depth community discussion — has grown to 164 members.

Community Reach:

A recent Nextdoor post sharing CDWC's **"No Means No."** op-ed in The Waller County Express generated approximately **1,500 views within 48 hours**, while additional personal community shares generated more than **400 additional views**.

Petition Support:

Community support continues to grow steadily, with the Change.org petition now reaching **1,937 signatures**.

Community Visibility:

One year later, many of the original community signs and banners placed throughout the area have weathered months of wind, rain, storms, and Texas heat right alongside the community members who placed them.

As CDWC enters its second year of community advocacy efforts, updated signs and banners are now available through the Get Involved page, providing residents with new opportunities to help raise awareness and show continued community engagement.

Op-Ed Publication:

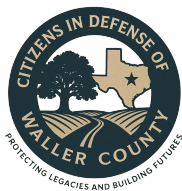
CDWC's op-ed **"No Means No."** was published in The Waller County Express during Q2, continuing efforts to keep factual, community-centered perspectives visible in the broader public conversation.

Get Involved – Stay Connected – Support the Effort

Whether you'd like to stay informed, order a community sign, make a contribution, or learn more about the project, our Get Involved page brings together everything you need in one place.

 Visit the **Get Involved** page

<https://texasland-usa.com/get-involved>



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Make an impact:

One of the most powerful tools is simply **sharing information and participating in conversations**. Comments, shares, and discussions help accurate information reach more neighbors across Waller County.

Support the effort:

CDWC is entirely volunteer-driven, and basic expenses are covered out-of-pocket by community members. Current needs include:

- Legal review and procedural preparation
- Printing and outreach materials
- Updated community signs and banners

If you'd like to help, donations of any size are appreciated.

👉 Support here:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/donate-to-save-rural-waller-county>

Looking Ahead

The TCEQ process may continue moving slowly, and periods of limited visible activity are not uncommon in complex regulatory matters. Regardless of timing, CDWC will remain vigilant, continue monitoring developments closely, and keep the community informed as the process moves forward.

One year later, what was initially presented — and by many assumed — to be a "done deal" has evolved into a much broader public conversation involving regulatory review, infrastructure questions, transparency efforts, and sustained community engagement.

Over time, increased public scrutiny and community involvement have also helped bring greater attention to the speculative nature and long-term implications of the proposed development and special district structure.

As CDWC enters its second year, our communications will also continue to evolve. While this concludes our quarterly newsletter series, future updates will be shared through our new Community Update format, along with regular website posts, social media, and our ongoing column in the Waller County Express. We look forward to keeping you informed as the process continues.