

SOAH Docket No. 900-25-03101

NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On JPD Backyard Finance, LLC's Application for Operating Permit

Notice is hereby given that JPD Backyard Finance, LLC ("Applicant") submitted an operating permit application to Southwestern Travis County Groundwater Conservation District ("SWTCGCD") on February 28, 2023, seeking authorization to withdraw up to 3,700,492 gallons (11.36 acre-feet) of groundwater per year from the Lower Trinity Aquifer to maintain a site water feature, from which water will be diverted for on-site irrigation use.

The Applicant seeks authorization to produce groundwater from two Lower Trinity Aquifer wells located in Travis County at 13801 Bee Cave Parkway, Austin, TX 78738 [Latitude 30.311472, Longitude -97.95356 ("Well No. 1"); and Latitude 30.312153, Longitude -97.952981 ("Well No. 2")]. The SWTCGCD General Manager proposes the SWTCGCD Board approves the application with certain special permit conditions.

A prehearing conference is set for **10:00 AM (CT) on November 20, 2024**, remotely via Zoom videoconference. 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.405(c). The audio portion of the hearing will be recorded, and it will be the official record of the proceeding. Attend the hearing in one of these ways:

To join by computer or smart device, go to
<https://soah-texas.zoomgov.com> and
enter:

To join by telephone (audio only), call
+1 669 254 5252, and enter:

Meeting ID: 161 548 3184
Video Passcode: GC7NPR66

Meeting ID: 161 548 3184
Telephone Passcode: 64690165

At the prehearing conference, the ALJ will address and discuss with the parties the following issues:

- party status;
- procedural and discovery schedule;
- pending motions;
- hearing on the merits;
- issues to be addressed in this proceeding;
- possible referral to mediation;
- adequacy of notice of this proceeding; and
- any other issues that will assist in the fair disposition of this case.

If any party or potential party has a pending motion or other issue that will need to be addressed by the ALJ at the prehearing conference, that motion or pleading shall be filed no later than **November 13, 2024**.

In compliance with 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.401:

“Parties that are not represented by an attorney may obtain information regarding contested case hearings on the public website of the State Office of Administrative hearings at www.soah.texas.gov, or in printed format upon request to SOAH.”

Groundwater permit application hearings and contested case hearings on groundwater permit applications are authorized under Texas Water Code, Chapter 36, Subchapter M; Texas Special Districts Code, Chapter 8871; and Rule 6 of the SWTCGCD Rules.

***CERTIFICATE OF POSTING:** Texas Government Code, Open Meetings, Section 551.054. This Notice was posted November 9, 2024, on the SWTCGCD website and at the SWTCGCD Office. Notice was also provided to the Travis County Clerk’s Office.*