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"Well", Why Should I...

Why Should I... register my groundwater well?

- A properly located registered well ensures that new wells are adequately spaced from your own to prevent interference and drawdown interference tests can accurately account for your well's location.
- By registering your well, you are providing valuable data that is needed to preserve and protect groundwater resources in Burnet County.
- There are no charges or fees associated with registering your well.
- The District can't reach out to you to provide important information if we don't know your well is there.
- Well registration is required for all groundwater wells in Burnet County.

Why should I...keep my contact information updated with the District?

 In the event the District needs to notify you of hearings, drought reductions, or other important information, we may reach out by email or mail. (Form linked below)

Why Should I...be sure to transfer ownership of a well if I purchase property in Burnet County?

• If ownership of a well is not properly transferred, we may continue to send important notices to the prior owner of record. Transferring ownership is easily completed with the form linked below.

Transfer of Ownership

Are You Prepared For A Freeze?



The coldest months in the hill country are approaching; are you prepared for the falling temperatures? Here are a few steps to prepare your well and/or well house for freezing temps:

- Insulate exposed pipes with foam insulation sleeves. This includes indoor unheated areas.
- Keep your well house or enclosure properly insulated or heated. It is recommended to install new weather stripping and repair the roof, if needed.
- Check for and repair leaks before freezing weather.
- Cover any exposed outdoor faucets.
- Know where your shut off valves are.

Remember the "4 P's" during cold weather!

People- check on your family, friends, and neighbors

Pets- Bring your pets inside

Pipes- cover and insulate your pipes

Plants- bring plants inside

Thank You Homer!

Homer Will served as Precinct 3 Director for The Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District from 2020-2024. His dedication to protecting groundwater was recognized at the November 20th board meeting, where he was presented with a plaque. We are grateful for his service during his term.



What About the Drought?

The District is still experiencing a severe drought and the Board will discuss and assess the latest information at the upcoming Drought Hearing on December 20th, 2024 at 9:00 am at the Reed Building. We invite you to attend or watch the livestream that will be linked on our website: 2024 Meeting Notices



Conservation Tip of the Month

Conserving water during winter months is largely about preparedness - by preparing your home & pipes for a potential freeze, you reduce the likelihood of a pipe break and large water leak.

Here are a few tips we suggest:

- 1. Make sure all outdoor exposed pipes, faucets, etc., are covered or insulated.
- 2. Drain all outdoor hoses and lawn irrigation systems.
- 3. If you must let a faucet drip during a hard freeze, collect the water for re-use when possible.
- 4. Be on the lookout for leaks after a freeze (indoor & outdoor) and know where the water shut-off valve is located. By shutting off water when a pipe breaks, you can save hundreds of gallons of water.

Upcoming Events

Drought Hearing and Board Meeting: December 20th, 9:00 am

Location: Reed Building, 402 E Jackson St, Burnet TX

Office closed for Christmas: December 24-25, 2024

Office closed for New Year's Day: January 1, 2025

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