

GMA-10 Public Comment Form

90-Day Public Comment Period

Proposed Desired Future Conditions

Dear Interested Member of the Public:

On April 27th, 2026, the Groundwater Management Area 10 Joint Planning Committee (GMA-10) adopted proposed Desired Future Conditions (DFCs) for the Austin Chalk, Buda Limestone, Edwards Balcones Fault Zone, Saline Edwards GMA 10 Northern Subdivision, Leona Gravel, and Trinity aquifers within the management area. In addition, GMA-10 has classified certain aquifers or portions of those aquifers as non-relevant for the purposes of joint planning. As summary of these proposals and relevant aquifer designations follows:

Aquifer	2026 Desired Future Conditions
Trinity (Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer)	Minimum water level elevation during any three-year time span in state well 5764613 is 642 ft msl. Minimum water level elevation during any three-year time span in state well 5764922 is 638 ft msl. Minimum water level elevation during any three-year time span in state well 5857513 is 563 ft msl. Minimum water level elevation during any three-year time span in state well 5858431 is 555 ft msl.
Trinity (Comal County)	Average drawdown not to exceed 55 feet in 2080 as compared with aquifer levels in 2020.
Trinity (Medina County)	Average drawdown not to exceed 18 feet in 2080 as compared with aquifer levels in 2011.
Trinity (Plum Creek Conservation District)	Average drawdown not to exceed 16 feet in 2080 as compared with aquifer levels in 2018.
Trinity Aquifer and Trinity Hydrostratigraphic Unit (Uvalde County)	Average drawdown not to exceed 60 feet in 2080 as compared with aquifer levels in 2018.
Trinity (Bexar County)	Average drawdown not to exceed 29 feet in 2080 as compared with aquifer levels in 2020.
Trinity (Non-District Guadalupe County)	Average drawdown not to exceed 28 feet in 2080 as compared with aquifer levels in 2020.
Trinity (Non-District Travis County)	Average drawdown not to exceed 10 feet in 2080 as compared with aquifer levels in 2020.
Austin Chalk (Uvalde County)	No drawdown (including exempt and non-exempt use) through 2080.
Buda Limestone (Uvalde County)	No drawdown (including exempt and non-exempt use) through 2080.

Edwards Balcones Fault Zone (Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer & non-district Travis County)	Spring flow at Barton Springs during average recharge conditions shall be no less than 49.7 cubic feet per second (cfs) averaged over an 84-month (7-year) period.
Edwards Balcones Fault Zone (Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer & non-district Travis County)	Spring flow of Barton Springs during extreme drought conditions, including those as severe as a recurrence of the 1950s drought of record, shall be no less than 6.5 cfs average on a monthly basis.
Edwards Balcones Fault Zone (Kinney County)	The water level in well 70-38-902 shall not fall below 1,184 ft mean sea level.
Leona Gravel (Uvalde County)	No drawdown (including exempt and non-exempt use) through 2080.
Saline Edwards (GMA10 Northern Subdivision)	No more than 75 feet of regional average potentiometric surface drawdown due to pumping when compared to pre-development conditions through 2080

On April 29th, 2026, notice of these proposals was sent to each of the six Groundwater Conservation Districts (GCDs) within GMA-10. Therefore, the official 90-day public comment period related to the proposed DFCs began on Friday April 29th, 2026, and will close on July 27th, 2026. Public comments can be submitted directly to your local GCD at any time before the 90-day public comment closes. Also, each GCD will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed DFCs related to that GCD, as may be applicable. To find out the time, date, and location for your local GCD's public hearing, please contact them directly as follows:

Groundwater Conservation District	Contact Information
Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District	GMA-10 Contact c/o Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District 1124 Regal Row Austin, Texas 78748 (512) 282-8441 cflatten@bseacd.org
Comal Trinity Groundwater Conservation District	GMA-10 Contact c/o Comal Trinity Groundwater Conservation District P.O. Box 664 Spring Branch, TX 78070 (830) 885-2130 admin@comaltrinitygcd.com
Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District	GMA-10 Contact c/o Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District P.O. Box 369 / 503 S. Ann St. Brackettville, TX 78832 (830) 563-9699 kinneyh2o@att.net
Medina County Groundwater Conservation District	GMA-10 Contact c/o Medina County Groundwater Conservation District

	1607 Avenue K Hondo, TX 78861 (830) 741-3162 gm@mcgcd.org
Plum Creek Conservation District	GMA-10 Contact c/o Plum Creek Conservation District P.O. Box 328 Lockhart, TX 78644 (512) 398-2383 daniel.meyer@pccd.org
Uvalde County Underground Water Conservation District	GMA-10 Contact c/o Uvalde County Underground Water Conservation District 200 East Nopal St., Suite 203 Uvalde, TX 78801 (830) 278-8242 ucuwcd@sbc.global.net

To help the GCDs give your comments their due consideration, GMA-10 is providing this public comment form for your use in preparing and submitting comments during the 90-day public comment period. Every section of this public comment form reflects factors the GCDs must consider and document as we make these DFC decisions. To that end, we encourage you to complete as much of the public comment form as possible. You may also attach additional pages, if necessary. Please note, in accordance with Subsection 36.108 (d-2) of the Texas Water Code, the GCDs will only consider public comments that are determined to be relevant.

Completed public comment forms should be submitted to directly to your local GCD at the contact information listed above. Copies of your completed public comment forms, along with any other relevant public comments received during the 90-day public comment period, will be reviewed by your local GCD and will be reflected as part of the public comment summaries each GCD will prepare and submit to GMA-10.

Thank you for taking time to participate in this very important process. If you have any questions, please contact your local GCD representative at the contact information provided above.

Contact Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Representing: _____

Proposed Desired Future Condition(s)

Please be as detailed as possible in describing your proposed DFC. Include the quantifiable value and a description of the method for measuring or calculating the value. Please attach additional pages, if needed.

Aquifer	Proposed DFC and Measuring/Calculating Method

Consideration of Proposed Desired Future Condition(s)

The Texas Water Code requires that GMA-10 develop DFCs that “provide a balance between the highest practicable level of groundwater production and the conservation, preservation, protection, recharging, and prevention of waste of groundwater and control of subsidence in the management area.” In the space below, or on additional attached pages, please provide your considerations with regard to the nine items that must be considered, per the Texas Water Code, for the proposed DFC(s).

Consideration 1 – “Aquifer uses or conditions within the management area, including conditions that differ substantially from one geographic area to another:” _____

Consideration 2 – “The water supply needs and water management strategies included in the state water plan:”

Consideration 3 – “Hydrological conditions, including for each aquifer in the management area the total estimated recoverable storage as provided by the executive administrator, and the average annual recharge, inflows, and discharge:” _____

Consideration 4 – “Other environmental impacts, including impacts on spring flow and other interactions between groundwater and surface water:” _____

Consideration 5 – “The impact on subsidence:” _____

Consideration 6 – “Socioeconomic impacts reasonably expected to occur:” _____

Consideration 7 – “The impact on the interests and rights in private property, including ownership and the rights of management area landowners and their lessees and assigns in groundwater:” _____

Consideration 8 – “The feasibility of achieving the desired future condition:” _____

Consideration 9 – “Any other information relevant to the specific desired future conditions:” _____
