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THIRD COURT OF APPEALS DENIES LCRA’S MOTION FOR REHEARING

[GIDDINGS, TX | November 12, 2024] – The Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District (LPGCD) is pleased to announce that the Third Court of Appeals has denied the Lower Colorado River Authority’s (LCRA) Motion for Rehearing. This decision affirms the court’s earlier ruling, ensuring that LCRA’s permits will remain as issued by the District. This marks a significant victory for LPGCD and the Intervenors, further validating the District’s authority to responsibly manage and protect local groundwater resources.

The court’s decision to deny LCRA’s request to reconsider its earlier ruling—concerning the legal deadlines for judicial review and the *End Op* opinion—reaffirms that LCRA’s suit was untimely filed outside the legally mandated 55-day timeline. As a result, LCRA’s lawsuit has been dismissed for lack of jurisdiction, and the permits issued by LPGCD will stand.

“We are incredibly pleased with the Court’s final decision,” said Jim Totten, LPGCD’s General Manager. “This outcome reinforces the importance of adhering to legal deadlines and recognizes the thorough, fair process undertaken by LPGCD in managing and protecting our groundwater resources,” Totten said.

ABOUT THE LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District is dedicated to the protection and conservation of groundwater resources in Bastrop and Lee Counties. Through educational programs, community outreach, and strategic resource management, the District strives to ensure sustainable groundwater supply for current and future generations.

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