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**Re: April 27, 2026 GMA 12 Vote Adopting Proposed Carrizo Aquifer  
Desired Future Conditions; Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Westbrook:

I am writing as the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District delegate to the GMA12 regarding the April 27, 2026 Groundwater Management Area 12 vote to adopt proposed desired future conditions for the Carrizo Aquifer. The minutes of the April 27, 2026 do not accurately reflect the action taken on the proposed Carrizo Aquifer Desired Future Condition (“DFC”).

Under Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code, GMA 12 serves a critical joint-planning function by bringing the districts within the management area together to evaluate groundwater availability data, develop Desired Future Conditions (“DFCs”) using the best available science, consider the statutory factors, and propose and adopt desired future conditions; for that reason, accurate minutes are essential to

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preserve the official record of the motions made, the understanding of the members, and the actions actually taken.

The GMA12 April 27th meeting minutes, attached as Attachment A, contains the following errors:

Just prior to the passed Carrizo Proposed DFC motion, Mr. Westbrook made a motion to keep the current Carrizo DFC using the PS3-19 pumping file. However, after discussion with Mr. Bailey, Mr. Westbrook rescinded that motion and PS3-19 was changed to PS4-2 in the passed motion.

The following statement in the draft GMA12 April 27th meeting minutes is incorrect:

“Mr. Westbrook moved to adopt DFCs currently in place for the Carrizo Aquifer using the **PS4-2 mod v8** with modifications from POSGCD pumping files and was seconded by Mr. Van Dresser.”

This passage should read:

“Mr. Westbrook moved to adopt DFCs currently in place for the Carrizo Aquifer using the **PS3-19** with modifications from POSGCD pumping files and was seconded by Mr. Van Dresser.”

After discussion with Mr. Bailey, Mr. Westbrook and Mr. Van Dresser rescinded the motion and second.

The best available science, PS4-2 mod v8, is correctly referred to in the passed motion approving the proposed Carrizo DFCs. However, the values in the motion that passed are incorrect:

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Mr. Westbrook moved to adopt DFCs currently in place for the Carrizo Aquifer **using the PS4-2 mod v8** with modifications from POSGCD pumping files and was seconded by Mr. Bailey.

The DFC values in this motion for the Carrizo aquifer are expressed in average water level drawdown across each entire district from 2011 through 2079 as follows: **METGCD 48; BVGCD 84; POSGCD 146; LPGCD 134; FCGCD 140.**

The motion does correctly show the best available science, i.e., the Groundwater Availability Model PS4-2 mod v8, used to develop the Carrizo Aquifer DFC. However, in short, the values in the motion for POSGCD are supported by the PS3-19 model, while the motion only expressly calls out the PS4-2 mod v8 model run. *See Attachment B* (Presentation slide showing PS4-2v8 values). The minutes must be revised to accurately reflect the values in PS4-2mod v8. The revised minutes should read:

Mr. Westbrook rescinded his motion to use PS3-19 and moved to adopt DFCs currently in place for the Carrizo Aquifer using the PS4-2 mod v8 with modifications **(that'll have to be made primarily)** to POSGCD pumping files and was seconded by Mr. Bailey.

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The DFC values in this motion for the Carrizo aquifer are expressed in average water level drawdown across each entire district from 2011 through 2079 as follows: **METGCD 45; BVGCD 83; POSGCD 146; [LPGCD 139](#); FCGCD 173.**

As could be the case for other General Managers, my interpretation of that passed motion was based upon PS4-2v8. Mr. Westbrook had just rescinded his motion to use PS3-19 and my vote was based on the understanding that all districts would use the PS4-2v8 model run, with only Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District modifying its well file in order to lower its Carrizo proposed DFC - as stated in the final passed motion.

For that reason, I am clearly stating that, I did not knowingly vote for the Carrizo PS3-19 value of 134 feet. I voted for the PS4-2 mod v8 Carrizo drawdown of 139 feet, which was consistent with my past actions at the GMA and with the motion. Throughout the proposed DFC discussions and votes on April 27, I was not advocating for PS3-19. To the contrary, I consistently advocated for PS4-2 mod v8 because PS3-19 is outdated and is not the best available science. Given that position, it would make no sense for me to knowingly accept PS3-19 for Lost Pines GCD while providing POSGCD the opportunity to use PS4-2 mod v8, in particular after the motion to use PS3-19 had just been rescinded.

Equally important, POSGCD disregarded my request to change the Lost Pines GCD Carrizo proposed DFC in the meeting minutes. See Attachment C (Email correspondence related to the April 27, 2026 minutes). I am calling for this issue to be addressed directly because the minutes should accurately reflect both the motion and the understanding on which district representatives cast their votes. This correction is

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necessary for the final submission of the Explanatory Report to the Texas Water Development Board.

In light of the foregoing, Lost Pines GCD asks all General Managers in GMA 12 to correct the meeting minutes to reflect my request regarding the proposed Carrizo DFCs. At a minimum, the record should be clear that I did not knowingly support PS3-19 and that my vote was cast with the understanding that the Carrizo proposed DFC for Lost Pines GCD would be based on PS4-2v8, with a drawdown value of 139 feet, consistent with the motion.

I appreciate your attention to this matter. I expect to address this issue at the next GMA 12 meeting.

Sincerely,

Elvis Hernandez, General Manager  
Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District

#### Enclosures

Attachment A - GMA12 April 27th meeting minutes

Attachment B - PS4-2v8 drawdowns

Attachment C - email correspondence

11 The POSGCD number in the model would have been 170, but the GMA 12 agreed to an adjustment for their Carrizo DFC.

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