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Re: Proposed Desired Future Conditions

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my comments regarding the adoption of proposed DFCs which will be presented at the GMA-12 meeting April 27, 2026.

Sincerely, I request that the GMA 12 vote to keep the current DFCs as they stand, and NOT revise them which would increase greater drawdowns. To increase levels per the Brazos Valley GCD request, will place a great risk of well failures on the domestic/livestock well owners, at a time we citizens continue to see well failures and further mitigation.

At this last session, The Texas Legislature provided authority to discern if GCDs need curtailment of permitted production based on the condition of aquifers when drawdowns approach the DFC. What does it say, to increase the DFCs when approaching permits and current permits are already reaching the level? GCDs have also been authorized to include future permits in their decision of DFC sustainability. If it is the intention of GCDs to protect our resource and that that resource is not sustainable, given the studies we now have, it would be a tragedy to continue increasing allowable drawdowns.

Further, I invite you to listen to the Natural Resources Committee interim hearing dated February 10, 2026 in which Dr. Mace addressed the committee. He stated that our groundwater is not sustainable at current drawdowns, and yet we are pumping 6 times over the amount. To continue to increase pumping knowing this, is insanity at the least and even more, a total disregard for the purpose of GCDs which is to protect our groundwater.

Sincerely,

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