

Mid-East Texas Groundwater Conservation District

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Public Notice

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The **Mid-East Texas Groundwater Conservation District** ("District") will hold a Public Hearing to consider two (2) Water Well Drilling/Operating Permit applications submitted by Mitsui E&P USA, LLC for two (2) water wells in Freestone County. The location of the wells is described below:

1. MEP Pate Pond #3, 761 FM 1848, Buffalo Texas; Latitude 31.511667 North, Longitude -96.051389 West on a 483.68± acre tract.
2. MEP Pate Pond #4, 761 FM 1848, Buffalo Texas; Latitude 31.513333 North, Longitude -96.045000 West on a 483.68± acre tract.

The proposed production from each well from the Carrizo Aquifer is proposed to be 490 gallons per minute. Mitsui seeks to produce 1,451.04 acre-feet annually aggregated between these two (2) wells and the existing MEP Pate Pond Wells #1 and #2 previously permitted on the 483.68± acre tract. The beneficial use of these wells will be to supply groundwater for hydraulic fracturing operations within the district for not more than 20 years.

The Water Well Drilling/Operating Permit Applications will be considered by the Board of Directors of the District at a Regular Meeting/Public Hearing to be held **Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 6:00 pm at the Fairfield City Council Chambers, 527 E. Commerce St. in Fairfield, TX.** This meeting is open to the public and anyone wishing to make comments regarding the Water Well Drilling/Operating Permits may do so at a time designated by the Board of Directors. The applications have been deemed administratively complete, and staff are recommending the application be approved.

Comments for information regarding the permit applications may be made by contacting the Mid-East Texas GCD at 936-348-3212 or by email at david_metgcd@att.net.

Signed this the 10th day of September 2026



David M. Bailey, General Manager