

**Resolution Thanking Representative John Cyrier
for
His Leadership and Support of Groundwater Conservation Districts**

WHEREAS, Representative John Cyrier has consistently supported Groundwater Conservation Districts in general and Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District specifically; and

WHEREAS, Representative John Cyrier recognizes that Groundwater Conservation Districts are the first defense against over-production of our aquifers, threatening both private property rights and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the 84th Legislature in 2015 saw an unprecedented amount of legislation directed at groundwater policy and the operation of Groundwater Conservation Districts; and

WHEREAS, without the support and assistance of Representative John Cyrier, and his very capable staff members, Groundwater Conservation Districts and groundwater protection generally would have suffered legislative setbacks, reducing the options available to protect private property rights and groundwater supplies; and

WHEREAS, Representative Cyrier filed several bills to help Groundwater Conservation Districts statewide, including H.B. No. 3163 providing governmental immunity to all Groundwater Conservation District Directors, and H.B. No. 3161 requiring export permits to be reduced before in-district-use permits would have to be reduced; and

WHEREAS, Representative Cyrier filed H.B. No. 3116 requiring the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District to recognize and protect historic groundwater usage against future reductions; and

WHEREAS, Representative Cyrier co-authored H.B. No. 1248 providing for greater efficiency in processing and renewing groundwater production permits; and

WHEREAS, H.B. No. 1248, H.B. No. 3116 and H.B. No. 3163 all passed the House of Representatives under Representative Cyrier's leadership, and H.B. No. 3163 passed the Senate and was signed into law by Governor Abbott, and S.B. No. 854, the Senate Companion bill to H.B. No 1248 passed both Houses of the Legislature and was signed into law by Governor Abbot.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors hereby commends Representative John Cyrier for his ongoing support of the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District, groundwater protection and private property rights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be posted on the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District's website, provided to Representative John Cyrier, and submitted to any local media that may be requested by Representative John Cyrier.

ISSUED:



President, Lost Pines Groundwater
Conservation District Board of Directors

Date: 7-19-16