



LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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LOST PINES GCD CLARIFIES ROLE IN EDGECONNEX PROJECT

District issues public statement regarding proposed data center

[GIDDINGS, TX | June 25, 2026] – The Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District (LPGCD) has issued a public statement to clarify its role regarding the proposed EdgeConneX data center in Cedar Creek.

The statement addresses recent references made during Bastrop County Town Hall meetings that implied a partnership between LPGCD and EdgeConneX. The District would like to clarify that no such partnership exists.

The statement also explains the District's involvement to date, including a single meeting to discuss groundwater permitting requirements and the issuance of an exempt test well permit to evaluate the availability of brackish groundwater. In addition, it clarifies that the proposed site is located over brackish groundwater in the Trinity Aquifer rather than the fresh Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer.

The District's complete public statement is attached.

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 water supplies for current and future generations.

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Public Statement Regarding the EdgeConneX Data Center in the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District

The Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District (LPGCD) remains committed to the responsible management and long-term sustainability of groundwater resources within Bastrop and Lee Counties. As stewards of these vital aquifers, we believe it is important to provide clear, transparent, and accurate information regarding the proposed EdgeConneX data center development located on Wolf Lane in Cedar Creek, Texas.

During recent Bastrop County Town Hall meetings, materials displayed by EdgeConneX referenced a “partnership” with LPGCD. The District would like to clarify that LPGCD does not have any partnership with EdgeConneX. The District does not agree with this representation and has requested that any references implying such a partnership be removed to avoid public confusion.

To date, representatives of EdgeConneX have met with LPGCD staff on one occasion to discuss potential brackish groundwater permitting. This type of consultation is part of the District’s standard service to landowners and entities within the District seeking information about groundwater permitting and regulatory requirements.

The District has issued an exempt test well permit to EdgeConneX, authorizing the drilling of an exploratory well to a depth of approximately 4,000 feet. The purpose of this test well is to collect data necessary to evaluate the availability, quality, and feasibility of brackish groundwater production.

It is also important to clarify the hydrogeologic conditions at the proposed EdgeConneX campus. The site is not located above any fresh groundwater aquifer. The Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer, the primary fresh groundwater source in the area, extends no closer than approximately two miles east of the site. The groundwater underlying the campus is within the Trinity Aquifer and is considered brackish.

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The LPGCD will continue to provide factual information to the public and will ensure that any future groundwater permitting applications are evaluated in accordance with District rules and with the long-term protection of local groundwater resources as the highest priority.

Sincerely,

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