

# Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District

## Fee Schedule (effective October 1, 2023)

### Production & Permit Fees

Minimum Fee \$3.50 per well per month  
(Monthly administrative fee charged to all non-exempt wells regardless of the amount of water produced from the well. This fee is also charged monthly to non-exempt wells with zero pumpage.)

Minimum Fee & Permit Analysis \$10.00 per well permit per month  
(Monthly administrative fee charged to all non-exempt wells regardless of the amount of water produced from the well. Takes effect on all permits issued for 30-year terms, including operating permits, aggregation permits and transport permits. This fee is also charged monthly to non-exempt wells with zero pumpage.)

Production Fee \$0.06 per 1000 gallons  
(Monthly charge for production from a non-exempt well)

Transport Fee \$0.11 per 1000 gallons

Excess Pumpage Fee \$0.11 per 1000 gallons

The total of the production fee, transport fee and excess pumpage fee shall not exceed \$0.17 per 1000 gallons.

The excess pumpage fee is effective for water pumpage after December 1, 2010.

### Well Development Application Fee

Exempt Well No Fee  
(Approved application would be valid for 1 year)

Non-exempt Well \$75.00  
(Approved application would be valid for 2 years)

### Well Log Deposit

Exempt well \$100.00

Non-exempt well \$100.00

Note: This deposit is refundable if all documents including the drillers log are received by the District within 60 days after drilling and/or completion of the well.

If the required documents are received by the District over 60 but less than 120 days after completion of the well, \$50.00 of the deposit is refunded.

If the required documents are received by the District 120 or more days after completion of the well, none of the deposit is refunded.

### **Operating Permit Application Fee**

#### **New well after 07/01/2004 (or after annexation of county into District)**

Exempt well No fee required

Non-exempt well

Well completed with less than an eight (8) inch inside casing diameter \$375.00

Well completed with eight (8) inches or greater inside casing diameter \$375.00

Phase I-a Hydrogeologic Report  
District Prepared \$1,500.00  
Applicant Submits/District Reviews \$500.00

Phase I-b Hydrogeologic Report  
District Prepared \$7,500.00  
Applicant Submits/District Reviews \$1,500.00

Final operating permit application fee will be fee plus the actual cost of reviewing and processing the permit application. If actual cost exceeds the deposit, the balance will be negotiable between the entities and due prior to permit issuance. If actual cost is less than the deposit, the excess will be refunded. Permit fee is not refundable.

A non-exempt well operating permit is issued for a maximum period of thirty (30) years and the fees shown above are due and payable before issuance of a permit.

#### **If well existed on 07/01/2004 (or when county was annexed into District)**

Exempt Well	No fee required
Non-exempt Well	\$250.00

The operating permits for these existing non-exempt wells will be issued for period thirty (30) years.

**Transport Permit Application Fee**

Exempt or Non-exempt well

Well completed with less than an eight (8) inch inside casing diameter	\$375.00
Well completed with eight (8) inches or greater inside casing diameter	\$375.00
<u>PLUS</u> Permit review deposit	\$750.00

Final transport permit application fee will be fee plus the actual cost of reviewing and processing the permit application. If actual cost exceeds the deposit, the balance will be due prior to permit issuance. If actual cost is less than the deposit, the excess will be refunded. Permit fee is not refundable.

Transport permits shall be issued for time periods that are compliant with Texas Water Code 36.122(i).

**Permit Amendment Fee**

Minor Amendment	\$150.00
Note: See Rule 8.10 for definition of minor amendment	
Major Amendment	\$375.00
<u>PLUS</u>	
Phase I-a Hydrogeologic Report	
District Prepared	\$1,500.00
Applicant Submits/District Reviews	\$500.00
Phase I-b Hydrogeologic Report	
District Prepared	\$7,500.00
Applicant Submits/District Reviews	\$1,500.00

Final major permit amendment fee will be fee plus the actual cost of reviewing and processing the amendment application. If actual cost exceeds the deposit, the balance will be due prior to permit issuance. If actual cost is less than the deposit, the excess will be refunded. Permit amendment fee is not refundable.

**Aggregation Permit Application Fee**

Aggregation Permit \$50.00 per well

Note: Fee is charged per well to be aggregated. The aggregation permit fee is charged and due for each well for which the permit is to be issued.

**Returned Check Fee**

Returned check \$25.00

**Special Fee**

Special fee (minimum fee) \$75.00

Note: Actual fee charged at staff time rate plus cost of consultants engaged by District to assist in plan review. This fee may be assessed by the General Manager in any situation where action or a service is requested to be provided by the District and a specific fee schedule is not established. This fee may also be applicable to a variety of special cases including closed loop heat exchange wells, special or innovative well developments or closures, and special inspections or requests from local government or private entities including hydrogeologic studies or reports.

**Staff Time**

Staff time \$50.00/hour

Note: This fee is the hourly rate charged by the District as the cost for work performed by staff or employees of the District. This fee is assessed separately for each District staff member involved where the fee is designated or where the General Manager determines the fee to be applicable to accomplish a specific action or task or provide a specific service.

**Copies**

Copies of District documents	see rate below
Standard paper copy (8.5 by 11 or 8.5 by 14)	\$0.10/page
Oversize copies	actual cost Minimum charge \$0.50/page
Certification of copies	\$1.00/instrument