



Voter Guide for the 2020 Election:

Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District

Board of Directors District 2

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Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors District 1: term of office is 4 years

The Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District (TGRGCD) was created for the purpose of conserving, preserving, recharging, protecting and preventing waste of groundwater from the Trinity Aquifer in northern Bexar County. The District was also created in response to the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission designating a portion of the Trinity Aquifer within Bexar County as a Priority Groundwater Management Area in January 2001.

The TGRGCD Board has five directors who are elected by geographical districts. District 2 encompasses the largest geographic area in the TGRGCD area. The boundaries are Highway 16 in the Helotes area on the west, Camp Bullis on the east, Loop 1604 on the south, and the Bexar County line on the north. Small parts of Kendall and Comal Counties also reside within D2.

Duties: ensure that the water in the Trinity Aquifer is managed in a reasoned and balanced manner to allow for growth in the area, while still preserving the ability of residents or their water suppliers to draw water for their families.

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1. What experience and knowledge qualifies you to serve as a Director for District 2 for the Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District Board?

duMenil: I have served on the board since 04/14/2011, first as Secretary and now as President of the Board since 2015. I have over 40 years of experience in the development and management of public infrastructure. I gained that experience through a successful career with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and working in both public and private sectors. I am a Certified Floodplain Manager and have a strong working knowledge of both stormwater management principles and groundwater protection, preservation and conservation. Since I have been the President of the board, our net worth has nearly doubled.

Scharf: I chaired the Coalition that created the Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District

2. What is the most pressing issue facing the Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District and what do you hope/plan to do about it?

duMenil: The most pressing issue facing the District at this time is the management of the groundwater resource within the existing enabling legislation, that being, the Texas Water Code, Chapter 36 and more specifically, HB 2005 (2001). My plan to address this issue is to develop new District rules to address existing and changing conditions to include the implementation of operating permits. I also hope to work with local state representatives to champion legislation in the upcoming legislative sessions that allow for the successful stewardship of this precious resource. I also want to identify, cap or plug all abandoned wells.

Scharf: Contamination and drying up the fragile Trinity Aquifer along with potential brush fires. Design and distribute feasible plans to protect against these deadly hazards.



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3. What are the citizens who live in District 2 of the Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District telling you about water problems?

duMenil: To answer this question, it is important to understand that the majority of the groundwater pumped (79%) is used for municipal water supply. The remainder is used for irrigation, domestic wells, quarries, agriculture and small businesses in that order. I think the majority of the citizens in District 2 want to know that their individual access to a clean and ample water supply will remain unimpeded by actions taken by the increasing surge of residential and commercial development. I also know they are concerned about the potential exportation of water outside of the District and the effects on the aquifer.

Scarf: Act and act quickly on these imminent threats.

Kendall County

Early Voting at two locations: Tuesday, October 13 through Friday, October 30

Kendall County Courthouse Annex

221 Fawn Valley Drive

Boerne

Boerne City Hall

447 North Main Street

Boerne

Check the Kendall County Election Department website (see below) for times which vary.

Election Day: Tuesday - November 3 Locations open 7:00am to 7:00pm

A citizen who is registered to vote in Kendall County can vote at one of eleven locations.

Check the Kendall County Election Department website (see below) for list of locations.

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