

## PECAN VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET

October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026

**ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 16, 2025** 





## ORDER ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026 Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District

| Upon motion offered by Tim Pennell                | , and seconded by Marvin Suge/     |
|---|------------------------------------|
| the attached budget for fiscal year 2026 was adop | oted by the following record vote: |
|   |                                    |
| Aye   | Nay                                |
| Velinda Geffert                                   |                                    |
| Tim Pennell                                       |                                    |
| Marvin Sager                                      |                                    |
| Darnell Knippa                                    |                                    |
| Clem Warkow                                       |                                    |
|   |                                    |
| On this 16th day of September 2025.               |                                    |
| Darnell Knippa, President                         | -                                  |
| ATTEST:   |                                    |
| Welmba Meffert                                    |                                    |
| Velinda Geffert, Secretary/Treasurer              |                                    |

# Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026

This budget will raise less revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of -\$1,735, which is a -0.87 percent decrease from last year's budget.

The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$697.

The 2026 Fiscal Year Budget for Pecan Valley Groundwater District was adopted by a record vote of 5-0, on 09/16/2025; the members of the governing body voted on the budget as follows:

FOR: Tim Pennell, Pct. #1
Darnell Knippa, Pct #2
Velinda Geffert, Pct #3
Marvin Sager, Pct #4
Clem Waskow, Precinct At Large

**AGAINST: NONE** 

**PRESENT and not voting: NONE** 

**ABSENT: NONE** 

#### **Property Tax Rate Comparison**

|   | <u> 2025-2026</u> | <u>2024-2025</u> |
|---|-------------------|------------------|
| Property Tax Rate:                                | \$0.00199/100     | \$0.00199/100    |
| No New Revenue Tax Rate:                          | \$0.00201/100     | \$0.00199/100    |
| No New Revenue Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate: | \$0.00201/100     | \$0.00199/100    |
| Voter Approval Tax Rate:                          | \$0.00217/100     | \$0.00214/100    |
| Debt Rate:  | \$0.00000/100     | \$0.00000/100    |

Total Debt Obligation for Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District secured by Property Taxes: \$0

#### **Annual Budget Requirements under Texas Water Code 36.154**

#### Section 36.154 ANNUAL BUDGET

- a) The Board shall prepare and approve an annual budget.
- b) The budget shall contain a complete financial statement, including a statement of :
  - 1. The outstanding obligations of the district;
  - 2. The amount of cash on hand to the credit of each fund of the district;
  - 3. The amount of money received by the district from all sources during the previous year;
  - 4. The amount of money available to the district from all sources during the ensuing year:
  - 5. The amount of the balances expected at the end of the year in which the budget is being prepared;
  - 6. The estimated amount of revenues and balances available to cover the proposal budget; and
  - 7. The estimated tax rate or fee revenues that will be required.
- c) The annual budget may be amended on the board's approval.

The following information is developed for the purposes of complying with the budgeting requirements established under Texas Water Code Chapter 36 and Local Government Code Chapter 140.

#### **Outstanding Obligations of the District**

Texas Water Code 36.154 (b)(1)

As of August 31, 2025, the District has the following outstanding obligations and commitments:

| Description of Commitments | FY 2025 Commitment |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Debt                       | \$0                |
| Total                      | \$0                |

### Amount of Cash on Hand by Fund Texas Water Code 36.154 (b)(2)

As of August 31, 2025, the District has the following cash or cash equivalent balances:

| Fund                    | Current Balance |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Checking                | \$43,515        |  |  |  |
| Savings                 | \$218,706       |  |  |  |
| Certificates of Deposit | \$3,567,392     |  |  |  |
| Total                   | \$3,829,613     |  |  |  |

### Amount of Money Received by the District during Previous Year Texas Water Code 36.154 (b)(3)

The District received the following money during Fiscal Year 2024:

| Revenue Type                        | Received Money |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| Property Tax Revenue - Current Year | \$203,205      |  |  |  |
| Property Tax Revenue - Delinquent   | \$1,790        |  |  |  |
| District Fees                       | \$215,979      |  |  |  |
| Interest Income                     | \$150,459      |  |  |  |
| Total                               | \$571,433      |  |  |  |

#### Amount of Money available to the District during the Ensuing Year Texas Water Code 36.154 (b)(4)

As of September 30, 2024, the District had the following amounts of money available for the ensuing year (FY 2025):

| Fund      |  | Available Funds |
|-----------|--|-----------------|
| Committed | Committed for Future GW Studies          | \$400,000       |
| Committed | Committed for Future Legal Contingencies | \$1,370,000     |
| Committed | Committed for Future Technology          | \$50,000        |
| Operating | District Operating                       | \$1,481,744     |
|           | Total Equity                             | \$3,301,744     |

#### Amount of Expected Balances at the End of the Fiscal Year Texas Water Code 36.154 (b)(5)

The District projects the following fund balances at the end of the Fiscal Year 2025:

| Fund      |  | Expected Balances at End of Fiscal Year 2025 |
|-----------|--|--|
| Committed | Committed for Future GW Studies          | \$400,000                                    |
| Committed | Committed for Future Legal Contingencies | \$1,370,000                                  |
| Committed | Committed for Future Technology          | \$50,000                                     |
| Operating | District Operating                       | \$1,769,850                                  |
|           | Total                                    | \$3,589,850                                  |

### Estimated Amount of Revenues and Balances Available for Proposed Budget Texas Water Code 36.154 (b)(6)

The District estimates a total fund balance of \$3,589,850 at the end of Fiscal Year 2025.

The District estimates the balance of the Committed Fund Balances at the end of Fiscal Year 2025 to be \$1,820,000. The District has committed the money for future groundwater studies/research, legal contingencies, and technology needs.

The District estimates the balance of the Operating Fund at the end of Fiscal Year 2025 to be \$1,769,850.

The District estimates revenue from sources other than tax revenue in Fiscal Year 2026 to be \$287,214.

#### **Estimated Required Tax Rate**

**Texas Water Code 36.154 (b)(7)** 

The District anticipates expenditures in Fiscal Year 2026 to be \$485,642.

The District estimates that a 2025 tax rate of \$0.00199/\$100 of taxable value is required for Fiscal Year 2026. The 2025 tax levy is estimated to be \$196,928.

## Actual Expenditures of the Preceding Year and Proposed Budget associated with Notices Required by Law to be Published in a Newspaper Local Government Code 140.0045(a)(1)

The District typically incurs costs associated with publishing newspaper notices for budget preparations, rule-making efforts, and permitting activities.

| DESCRIPTION  | AMOUNT  |
|--|---------|
| Actual Expenditures of the Preceding Fiscal Year (FY 2024) | \$1,509 |
| Budgeted Expenditures of the Current Fiscal Year (FY 2025) | \$3,500 |
| Proposed Expenditures of the Next Fiscal Year (FY 2026)    | \$3,500 |

# Actual Expenditures of the Preceding Year and Proposed Budget associated with Directly or Indirectly Influencing or Attempting to Influence the Outcome of Legislation or Administrative Actions Local Government Code 140.0045(a)(2)

| DESCRIPTION  | AMOUNT |
|--|--------|
| Total Expenditures of the Preceding Year (FY 2025) | \$0    |
| Total Proposed Budget for FY 2026                  | \$0    |

## PECAN VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Fiscal Year 2026 Budget

October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026

|  | FY 2024-2025 ADOPTED |         |                 | FY 2025-2026 |  |
|--|----------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------|--|
|  | BUDGET               |         | PROPOSED BUDGET |              |  |
| REVENUE                                      |                      |         |                 |              |  |
| Ad Valorem Taxes ( \$.00199/\$100 valuation) | \$                   | 199,370 | \$              | 196,928      |  |
| Delinquent Ad Valorem Taxes                  | \$                   | 1,500   | \$              | 1,500        |  |
| Exempt Well Registration Fees                | \$                   | 2,400   | \$              | 2,400        |  |
| Non-Exempt Well Registration Fees            | \$                   | 400     | \$              | 400          |  |
| Production Permit Fee                        | \$                   | 1,000   | \$              | 1,000        |  |
| Production Sur Charge Fee                    | \$                   | 10,000  | \$              | 10,000       |  |
| Deferred Revenue                             | \$                   | 130,049 | \$              | 173,214      |  |
| Investment Interest                          | \$                   | 87,500  | \$              | 100,000      |  |
| Credit/Debit Transaction Fees                | \$                   | 500     | \$              | 200          |  |
| Late Fees                                    | \$                   | -       | \$              | -            |  |
| Miscellaneous Income                         | \$                   | -       | \$              | -            |  |
| Public Information Requests                  | \$                   | -       | \$              | -            |  |
| Total Revenue                                | \$                   | 432,719 | \$              | 485,642      |  |

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|   | FY 20 | 24-2025 ADOPTED<br>BUDGET | FY 2025-2026<br>PROPOSED BUDGET |         |
|---|-------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| EXPENDITURES                            |       |                           |                                 |         |
| Board Wages                             | \$    | 23,000                    | \$                              | 23,000  |
| General Manager Wages                   | \$    | 84,509                    | \$                              | 89,579  |
| Administrative Assistant Wages          | \$    | 44,315                    | \$                              | 47,000  |
| Personnel - Other (Direct Deposit Fees) | \$    | 300                       | \$                              | 500     |
| Retirement                              | \$    | 7,000                     | \$                              | 7,300   |
| Payroll Taxes (SS, M/C, Unemployment)   | \$    | 13,000                    | \$                              | 13,500  |
| Health Insurance                        | \$    | 23,700                    | \$                              | 24,100  |
| Accounting Fees                         | \$    | 15,000                    | \$                              | 15,000  |
| Appraisal District                      | \$    | 2,700                     | \$                              | 3,000   |
| Bonds and Insurance                     | \$    | 9,000                     | \$                              | 12,000  |
| Capital Outlay                          | \$    | 4,000                     | \$                              | 20,000  |
| Computer Maintenance                    | \$    | 1,000                     | \$                              | 1,000   |
| Convenience Fees                        | \$    | 3,000                     | \$                              | 1,000   |
| Copier Expense                          | \$    | 1,000                     | \$                              | 1,100   |
| Dues & Subscriptions                    | \$    | 4,500                     | \$                              | 6,000   |
| Education                               | \$    | 5,000                     | \$                              | 5,000   |
| Internet                                | \$    | 1,500                     | \$                              | 1,500   |
| Legal Fees                              | \$    | 17,000                    | \$                              | 20,000  |
| Maintenance of Property                 | \$    | 16,000                    | \$                              | 17,000  |
| Postage                                 | \$    | 1,800                     | \$                              | 1,800   |
| Public Notices                          | \$    | 3,500                     | \$                              | 3,500   |
| Research & Consultation                 | \$    | 14,000                    | \$                              | 26,000  |
| Supplies                                | \$    | 3,000                     | \$                              | 3,000   |
| Telephone                               | \$    | 1,800                     | \$                              | 1,800   |
| Tx 4-H Water Ambassadors Program        | \$    | 2,500                     | \$                              | 2,500   |
| Travel                                  | \$    | 6,500                     | \$                              | 7,500   |
| Utilities                               | \$    | 6,000                     | \$                              | 6,500   |
| Vehicle Expense                         | \$    | 3,000                     | \$                              | 3,500   |
| Water Level Monitoring                  | \$    | 3,000                     | \$                              | 3,500   |
| Water Quality Testing                   | \$    | 15,000                    | \$                              | 15,000  |
| Website and Email                       | \$    | 1,500                     | \$                              | 1,500   |
| Well Plugging Program                   | \$    | 7,500                     | \$                              | 10,000  |
| GMA-15 Joint Planning (4th Cycle - DFC) | \$    | -                         | \$                              | -       |
| Miscellaneous Expense                   | \$    | -                         | \$                              | -       |
| Contingency                             | \$    | 88,095                    | \$                              | 91,963  |
| Total Expenditures                      | \$    | 432,719                   | \$                              | 485,642 |

Ad Valorem Tax Collection based on \$9,895,868,234 Valuation

Ad Valorem Tax Rate Adopted for 2025 = \$0.00199/\$100 Valuation (LESS than 2025 No New Revenue Rate)