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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 956 By: Seliger

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the creation of the Northern Dallam County Groundwater  
1-11 Conservation District; providing authority to impose a tax and  
1-12 issue bonds.

1-13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
1-14 SECTION 1. Subtitle H, Title 6, Special District Local Laws  
1-15 Code, is amended by adding Chapter 8853 to read as follows:

1-16 CHAPTER 8853. NORTHERN DALLAM COUNTY GROUNDWATER  
1-17 CONSERVATION DISTRICT

1-18 SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1-19 Sec. 8853.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

1-20 (1) "Board" means the board of directors of the  
1-21 district.

1-22 (2) "Director" means a board member.

1-23 (3) "District" means the Northern Dallam County  
1-24 Groundwater Conservation District.

1-25 Sec. 8853.002. NATURE OF DISTRICT. The district is a  
1-26 groundwater conservation district created under and essential to  
1-27 accomplish the purposes of Section 59, Article XVI, Texas  
1-28 Constitution.

1-29 Sec. 8853.003. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. (a) The district is  
1-30 created to serve a public use and benefit.

1-31 (b) All land and other property in the district will benefit  
1-32 from the works and projects that are to be accomplished by the  
1-33 district under this chapter.

1-34 (c) Any fees imposed by the district are necessary to pay  
1-35 for the costs of accomplishing district purposes, including the  
1-36 conservation and management of groundwater resources, as provided  
1-37 by this chapter and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

1-38 Sec. 8853.004. INITIAL DISTRICT TERRITORY. (a) The  
1-39 district is initially composed of the territory described by  
1-40 Section 2 of the Act enacting this chapter, except that the  
1-41 territory does not include any territory that was added to the North  
1-42 Plains Groundwater Conservation District before the effective date  
1-43 of the Act enacting this chapter.

1-44 (b) The boundaries and field notes contained in Section 2 of  
1-45 the Act enacting this chapter form a closure. A mistake made in the  
1-46 field notes or in copying the field notes in the legislative process  
1-47 does not affect the district's:

1-48 (1) organization, existence, or validity;

1-49 (2) right to issue any type of bond for the purposes  
1-50 for which the district is created or to pay the principal of and  
1-51 interest on a bond;

1-52 (3) right to impose a tax; or

1-53 (4) legality or operation.

1-54 [Sections 8853.005-8853.020 reserved for expansion]

1-55 SUBCHAPTER A-1. TEMPORARY PROVISIONS

1-56 Sec. 8853.021. APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY DIRECTORS.

1-57 (a) Not later than the 30th day after the effective date of this  
1-58 chapter, the Dallam County Commissioners Court shall appoint six  
1-59 temporary directors to represent the district at large.

1-60 (b) To be eligible to serve as a temporary director, a  
1-61 person must be a registered voter in Dallam County.

1-62 (c) Temporary directors serve until the date initial  
1-63 directors are elected under Section 8853.023.

2-1 Sec. 8853.022. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF TEMPORARY  
 2-2 DIRECTORS. As soon as practicable after all the temporary  
 2-3 directors have qualified under Section 36.055, Water Code, a  
 2-4 majority of the temporary directors shall convene the  
 2-5 organizational meeting of the district at a location in the  
 2-6 district agreeable to a majority of the directors. If an agreement  
 2-7 on location cannot be reached, the organizational meeting shall be  
 2-8 at the Dallam County Courthouse.

2-9 Sec. 8853.023. INITIAL DIRECTORS' ELECTION. (a) The  
 2-10 temporary directors shall hold an election to elect the initial  
 2-11 directors of the district.

2-12 (b) The temporary directors shall have placed on the ballot  
 2-13 the names of all candidates for an initial director's position who  
 2-14 have filed an application for a place on the ballot as provided by  
 2-15 Section 52.003, Election Code.

2-16 (c) Section 41.001(a), Election Code, does not apply to an  
 2-17 election held under this section.

2-18 (d) Except as provided by this section, an election under  
 2-19 this section must be conducted as provided by Sections  
 2-20 36.017(b)-(i), Water Code, and the Election Code. The provision of  
 2-21 Section 36.017(d), Water Code, relating to the election of  
 2-22 permanent directors does not apply to an election under this  
 2-23 section.

2-24 Sec. 8853.024. INITIAL DIRECTORS. (a) The six initial  
 2-25 directors of the district serve on the board until permanent  
 2-26 directors are elected under Section 8853.055. The six initial  
 2-27 directors shall be elected from the district at large.

2-28 (b) The six initial directors shall draw lots to determine  
 2-29 which three directors serve a term expiring June 1 following the  
 2-30 first regularly scheduled election of directors under Section  
 2-31 8853.055 and which three directors serve a term expiring June 1  
 2-32 following the second regularly scheduled election of directors.

2-33 Sec. 8853.025. EXPIRATION OF SUBCHAPTER. This subchapter  
 2-34 expires September 1, 2012.

2-35 [Sections 8853.026-8853.050 reserved for expansion]

2-36 SUBCHAPTER B. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2-37 Sec. 8853.051. DIRECTORS; TERMS. (a) The district is  
 2-38 governed by a board of six directors.

2-39 (b) Directors serve staggered four-year terms, with two or  
 2-40 three directors' terms expiring June 1 of each even-numbered year.

2-41 (c) A director may serve not more than two consecutive  
 2-42 terms. A director may serve a third or subsequent term if the  
 2-43 director has not served in the preceding four years.

2-44 Sec. 8853.052. METHOD OF ELECTING DIRECTORS. The directors  
 2-45 of the district are elected as follows:

2-46 (1) three directors from Area A, as described by  
 2-47 Section 2 of the Act enacting this chapter; and

2-48 (2) three directors from Areas B and C, as described by  
 2-49 Section 2 of the Act enacting this chapter.

2-50 Sec. 8853.053. ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE FOR PROPERTY  
 2-51 OWNERS. A person who owns property in the district is not required  
 2-52 to reside in the territory of the district as required by Section  
 2-53 11.001(a)(2), Election Code, to be eligible to vote in a district  
 2-54 election.

2-55 Sec. 8853.054. DIRECTOR ELIGIBILITY; QUALIFICATION.

2-56 (a) To be eligible to serve as a director a person must be:

2-57 (1) a registered voter; or

2-58 (2) a property owner in the area described by Section 2  
 2-59 of the Act enacting this chapter that the person seeks to represent.

2-60 (b) Each director must qualify to serve in the manner  
 2-61 provided by Section 36.055, Water Code.

2-62 Sec. 8853.055. ELECTION DATE. The district shall hold an  
 2-63 election to elect the appropriate number of directors on the  
 2-64 uniform election date prescribed by Section 41.001, Election Code,  
 2-65 in May of each even-numbered year.

2-66 Sec. 8853.056. VACANCIES. If a vacancy occurs on the board,  
 2-67 the Commissioners Court of Dallam County shall appoint a person who  
 2-68 is qualified under Section 8853.054 to fill the vacancy for the  
 2-69 unexpired term.

3-1 Sec. 8853.057. COMPENSATION. (a) Sections 36.060(a),  
3-2 (b), and (d), Water Code, do not apply to the district.

3-3 (b) A director is entitled to receive compensation of not  
3-4 more than \$50 a day for each day the director performs the duties of  
3-5 a director. The compensation may not exceed \$3,000 a year.

3-6 (c) A director is entitled to receive reimbursement for the  
3-7 director's reasonable expenses incurred while engaging in  
3-8 activities on behalf of the district.

3-9 [Sections 8853.058-8853.100 reserved for expansion]

3-10 SUBCHAPTER C. POWERS AND DUTIES

3-11 Sec. 8853.101. GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT POWERS  
3-12 AND DUTIES. Except as otherwise provided by this chapter, the  
3-13 district has the powers and duties provided by the general law of  
3-14 this state, including Chapter 36, Water Code, applicable to  
3-15 groundwater conservation districts created under Section 59,  
3-16 Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

3-17 Sec. 8853.102. APPLICABILITY OF DISTRICT RULES REGULATING  
3-18 GROUNDWATER. District rules regulating groundwater adopted under  
3-19 this chapter apply to all persons except as exempted under Section  
3-20 36.117, Water Code, or this chapter.

3-21 Sec. 8853.103. CONTRACTS. The district may contract with  
3-22 any person, public or private, for any district purpose.

3-23 Sec. 8853.104. REGISTRATION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR  
3-24 CERTAIN EXEMPT WELLS. The district may adopt rules that require the  
3-25 owner or operator of a well or class of wells exempt from permitting  
3-26 under Section 36.117, Water Code, to register the well with the  
3-27 district and, except for a well exempt from permitting under  
3-28 Section 36.117(b)(1), to report groundwater withdrawals from the  
3-29 well using reasonable and appropriate reporting methods and  
3-30 frequency.

3-31 Sec. 8853.105. PROHIBITION ON DISTRICT PURCHASE, SALE,  
3-32 TRANSPORT, OR DISTRIBUTION OF WATER. The district may not  
3-33 purchase, sell, transport, or distribute surface water or  
3-34 groundwater for any purpose.

3-35 Sec. 8853.106. NO EMINENT DOMAIN POWER. The district may  
3-36 not exercise the power of eminent domain.

3-37 Sec. 8853.107. ENFORCEMENT. (a) The district may enforce  
3-38 this chapter as provided by Chapter 36, Water Code, and this  
3-39 section.

3-40 (b) In addition to or instead of a remedy under Chapter 36,  
3-41 the district may impose an additional fee under Section 8853.151 on  
3-42 a person producing groundwater in violation of a district rule or  
3-43 order, including the failure or refusal to comply with a rule or  
3-44 order to reduce or cease groundwater usage.

3-45 (c) The fee imposed may not exceed an amount equal to 10  
3-46 times the amount of a fee imposed under Section 8853.151.

3-47 [Sections 8853.108-8853.150 reserved for expansion]

3-48 SUBCHAPTER D. GENERAL FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

3-49 Sec. 8853.151. FEES. (a) The board by rule may impose  
3-50 reasonable fees on each well:

- 3-51 (1) for which a permit is issued by the district; and
- 3-52 (2) that is not exempt from district regulation.

3-53 (b) A production fee may be based on:

- 3-54 (1) the size of column pipe used by the well; or
- 3-55 (2) the amount of water actually withdrawn from the  
3-56 well, or the amount authorized or anticipated to be withdrawn.

3-57 (c) The board shall base the initial production fee on the  
3-58 criteria listed in Subsection (b)(2). The initial production fee:

- 3-59 (1) may not exceed:
  - 3-60 (A) \$1 per acre-foot for water used for  
3-61 agricultural irrigation; or
  - 3-62 (B) 4.25 cents per thousand gallons for water  
3-63 used for any other purpose; and
- 3-64 (2) may be increased at a cumulative rate not to exceed  
3-65 three percent per year.

3-66 (d) In addition to the production fee authorized under this  
3-67 section, the district may assess an export fee on groundwater from a  
3-68 well that is produced for transport outside the district.

3-69 (e) Fees authorized by this section may be:

- 4-1 (1) assessed annually;
- 4-2 (2) used to pay the cost of district operations; and
- 4-3 (3) used for any other purpose allowed under Chapter
- 4-4 36, Water Code.

4-5 Sec. 8853.152. BOND DEBT LIMIT. The total debt created by  
 4-6 the issuance of bonds and notes by the district under Subchapter F,  
 4-7 Chapter 36, Water Code, may not exceed \$500,000 at any time.

4-8 [Sections 8853.153-8853.200 reserved for expansion]

4-9 SUBCHAPTER E. LANDOWNER OPTION TO JOIN DISTRICT

4-10 Sec. 8853.201. APPLICABILITY OF SUBCHAPTER. This  
 4-11 subchapter applies to a landowner who owns land that includes a  
 4-12 portion of the boundary between the North Plains Groundwater  
 4-13 Conservation District and the district.

4-14 Sec. 8853.202. PETITION. (a) Not later than the first  
 4-15 anniversary of the effective date of the Act creating this chapter,  
 4-16 a landowner may petition the Texas Commission on Environmental  
 4-17 Quality to remove the land from the North Plains Groundwater  
 4-18 Conservation District and add the land to the district.

4-19 (b) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall  
 4-20 grant the petition.

4-21 Sec. 8853.203. EXPIRATION OF SUBCHAPTER. This subchapter  
 4-22 expires on the first anniversary of the effective date of the Act  
 4-23 creating this chapter.

4-24 SECTION 2. Except as provided by Subchapter E, Chapter  
 4-25 8853, Special District Local Laws Code, as added by this Act, the  
 4-26 Northern Dallam County Groundwater Conservation District initially  
 4-27 includes all the territory contained in the following area:

4-28 AREA A

4-29 Beginning at the northwest corner of Dallam County, Texas,  
 4-30 which point is also the northwest corner of the Panhandle, State of  
 4-31 Texas, and a point in the east boundary line of the State of New  
 4-32 Mexico;

4-33 Thence eastward along the north boundary line of Dallam  
 4-34 county, Texas, and the south boundary line of Cimarron County,  
 4-35 Oklahoma, to a point on said boundary line which is the northeast  
 4-36 corner of Section 2, Block No. 17, C. S. S. Survey;

4-37 Thence south along the east section line Sections 2, 5 and 20,  
 4-38 to a point in the southeast corner of Section 20, Block No. 17, C. S.  
 4-39 S. Survey;

4-40 Thence west along the south section line of Sections 20 and  
 4-41 21, to the southwest corner of Section 21, Block No. 17, C. S. S.  
 4-42 Survey, continuing west on the south section lines of Sections 18,  
 4-43 17, 16, 15, 14 and 13, of Block No. 1, F.D.W. Subdivision;

4-44 Thence north approximately 0.8 miles along the east section  
 4-45 line of Fractional Sections 27 B and 27, to a point in Fractional  
 4-46 Section 27, of the M. E. Hays Subdivision;

4-47 Thence west to a point on the east section line of Section 25  
 4-48 approximately 0.8 miles north of the southeast corner of Section  
 4-49 25, M. E. Hays Subdivision;

4-50 Thence south along the east section line of Section 25, to the  
 4-51 southeast corner of section 25, of the M.E. Hays Subdivision;

4-52 Thence west along the south section line of Section 25, to the  
 4-53 southwest corner of Section 25 of the M.E. Hays Subdivision;

4-54 Thence south along the east section line of Section 33, to the  
 4-55 southeast corner of Section 33 of the M.E. Hay Subdivision;

4-56 Thence west along the south section line of Section 33 to the  
 4-57 southeast corner of Section 32 all in the M.E. Hays;

4-58 Thence south along the east section line of Sections 41, 50,  
 4-59 59, 68, 75, 82, 88 and Fractional Section 93, to the southeast  
 4-60 corner of Fractional Section 93, all in the M. E. Hays Subdivision,  
 4-61 said line being also the north boundary line of the Block No. 7 C. S.  
 4-62 S. Survey;

4-63 Thence east along the boundary line of the M. E. Hays  
 4-64 Subdivision and Block No. 7, C. S. S. Survey, to the northeast  
 4-65 corner of Section 79, which point is also the northwest corner of  
 4-66 Section 80, both sections being in Block No.7, C. S. S. Survey;

4-67 Thence south along the east section line of Section 79 to the  
 4-68 southeast corner of the Section 79 of Block No. 7, C. S. S. Survey;

4-69 Thence east along the north section line of Section 62 to the

5-1 northeast corner of Section 62, of Block No. 7, C. S. S. Survey;  
 5-2 Thence south along the east section line of Section 62, to the  
 5-3 southwest corner of Section 60, Block No. 7, C. S. S. Survey;  
 5-4 Thence northwest along the east section line of Section 59  
 5-5 and 58, to the northeast corner of Section 58, all in Block No. 7, C.  
 5-6 S. S. Survey;  
 5-7 Thence west along the north section line of Sections 58, 57,  
 5-8 56, 55, 54, 53, 52, 51, to a point on the northwest corner of Section  
 5-9 51, all in Block No. 7, C. S. S. Survey;  
 5-10 Thence north along said state line to the northwest corner of  
 5-11 Dallam County, Texas, the point of the beginning of this survey.

## AREA B

5-12 Beginning at the northeast corner of Section 13, Block 18, C.  
 5-13 S. S. Survey which point is also the most southerly west corner of  
 5-14 Section 16, Block M-27, T. C. R.R. Co Survey;  
 5-15 Thence west along the north section line of Sections 13, 12,  
 5-16 11, 10, 9, 8 and 7 to the northwest corner of Section 7, all in Block  
 5-17 18, C. S. S. Survey;  
 5-18 Thence south along the west section line of Sections 7 and 20,  
 5-19 to the southwest corner of Section 20 all in Block 18, C. S. S.  
 5-20 Survey;  
 5-21 Thence east along the south section line of Sections 20 and 19  
 5-22 to the southeast corner of Section 19, all in Block 18, C. S. S.  
 5-23 Survey;  
 5-24 Thence south along the west section line of Section 35, to the  
 5-25 northeast corner of Section 35, of Block 18, C. S. S. Survey;  
 5-26 Thence west along the north section line of Sections 45 and  
 5-27 46, to the northwest corner of Section 46, of Block 18, C. S. S.  
 5-28 Survey;  
 5-29 Thence south along the west section line of Section 46 to the  
 5-30 southwest corner of Section 46, of Block 18, C. S. S. Survey;  
 5-31 Thence east along the south section line of Sections 46, 45  
 5-32 and 44, to the southeast corner of Section 44, all in Block 18, C. S.  
 5-33 S. Survey;  
 5-34 Thence south along the west section line of Section 62, to the  
 5-35 southwest corner of Section 62, of Block 18, C. S. S. Survey,  
 5-36 Thence east along the south section line of Sections 62, 63  
 5-37 and Fractional Sections 64 and 65, to the southeast corner of  
 5-38 Fractional Section 65, all in Block 18, C. S. S. Survey;  
 5-39 Thence north along the boundary line of Block 18, C. S. S.  
 5-40 Survey and Block M-27, T. C. R.R. Co Survey, to the west section  
 5-41 line of Section 1, Block M-27, T. C. R.R. Co. Survey, said point  
 5-42 being the northeast corner Section 13 of Block 18, C. S. S. Survey,  
 5-43 the point of the beginning of this survey.

## AREA C

5-44 Beginning at a point which is the southeast corner of Section  
 5-45 159, which point is also the northeast corner of Section 184 all in  
 5-46 Block No. 1-T, T. & N. O. RR. Co Survey;  
 5-47 Thence west along the south section line of Sections 159,  
 5-48 158, 157, 156 and 155 in Block No. 1-T, T. & N. O. RR. Co Survey, and  
 5-49 continuing west along the south section line of Sections 7 and 8 to  
 5-50 the southwest corner of Section 8, in Block No. 1, I. & G. N. RR. Co  
 5-51 Survey,  
 5-52 Thence north along the west section line of Section 8 to the  
 5-53 northwest corner of Section 8 in Block No. 1, I. & G. N. RR. Co  
 5-54 Survey;  
 5-55 Thence west along the south section line of Sections 94 and 93  
 5-56 to the southwest corner of Section 93 in Block No. 47 1/2, H. T. C.  
 5-57 RR. Co. Survey,  
 5-58 Thence north along the west section line of Section 93 to the  
 5-59 northwest corner of Section 93 in Block No. 47 1/2, H. & T. C. RR.  
 5-60 Co. Survey;  
 5-61 Thence west along the south section line of Sections 97 and 98  
 5-62 to the southwest corner of Section 98 in Block No. 47 1/2, H. & T. C.  
 5-63 RR. Co. Survey;  
 5-64 Thence north along the west section line of Section 98 to the  
 5-65 northwest corner of Section 98 in Block No. 47 1/2, H. & T. C. RR.  
 5-66 Co. Survey;  
 5-67 Thence west along the south section line of Sections 104 and  
 5-68  
 5-69

6-1 103 to the southwest corner of Section 103, which point is also the  
6-2 northeast corner of section 101, all in Block No. 47 1/2, H. & T. C.  
6-3 RR. Co. Survey  
6-4 Thence south along the east section line of sections 101, 88,  
6-5 87, 74, 63, 50, 39, 25, 16 and 5 of Block No. 47 1/2, H. & T. C. RR.  
6-6 Co. Survey and continuing south along the east section line of  
6-7 sections 1, 8, and 9 of Block 1, B. S. & F. Survey to the southeast  
6-8 corner of section 9, Block 1, B. S. & F. Survey;  
6-9 Thence west along the south section line of section 9 and  
6-10 continuing west along the south section line of sections 21, 20, and  
6-11 19, to the southwest corner of section 19, all in Block 1, Brooks &  
6-12 Burleson Survey;  
6-13 Thence north along the west section line of section 19 to the  
6-14 northwest corner of section 19 all in the Block 1, Brooks & Burleson  
6-15 Survey;  
6-16 Thence west along the south section line of sections 13 and 14  
6-17 to the southwest corner of section 14 all in Block 1, Brooks &  
6-18 Burleson Survey;  
6-19 Thence north along the west section line of section 14 to the  
6-20 northwest corner of section 14 of Block 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey;  
6-21 Thence west along the south section line of section 1 to the  
6-22 southwest corner of section 1 of Block 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey;  
6-23 Thence south along the east section line of sections 3, 15, 28  
6-24 and 29 to the southeast corner of section 29 all in Block 1, Brooks &  
6-25 Burleson Survey;  
6-26 Thence west along the south section line of section 29 of  
6-27 Block 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey and along the south line of D B  
6-28 Hill Survey, to the northeast corner of section 31 of Block 1, C. S.  
6-29 S. Survey;  
6-30 Thence south along the east section line of section 31 to the  
6-31 southeast corner of section 31 of Block 1, C. S. S. Survey;  
6-32 Thence east along the north section line of section 25 to the  
6-33 northeast corner of section 25 of Block 1, C. S. S. Survey;  
6-34 Thence south along the east section line of section 25 to the  
6-35 southeast corner of section 25 of Block 1, C. S. S. Survey;  
6-36 Thence east along the north section line of sections 21 and 22  
6-37 of Block 1, C. S. S. Survey and continuing east along the north  
6-38 section line of Section 7 of Block Z, O K Mapes Survey and  
6-39 continuing east along the north section line of sections 47, 46, 45  
6-40 and 44 of Block 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey to the northeast corner  
6-41 of section 44 of Block 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey;  
6-42 Thence north along the west section line of section 19 to the  
6-43 northwest corner of section 19 of Block 1. B. S. & F. Survey;  
6-44 Thence east along the north section line of sections 19 and 20  
6-45 of Block 1, B. S. & F. Survey and continuing east along the north  
6-46 section line of sections 6, 5 and 4 of Block SUB, W. H. Pardue Survey  
6-47 also being a common point with the northwest corner of Section 7 of  
6-48 Block 1 A, C. T. R. R. Survey;  
6-49 Thence south along the west section line of Sections 7 and 6  
6-50 to the southwest corner of Section 6 of block 1 A, C. T. R. R.  
6-51 Survey;  
6-52 Thence east along the south section line of section 6 to the  
6-53 southeast corner of Section 6 of Block 1 A, C. T. R. R. Survey;  
6-54 Thence south along the west section line of Sections 4, and 1  
6-55 of Block 1, A, C. T. R. R. Survey and continuing south along the west  
6-56 section line of Section 1A, J. A. Ritchey Survey to the southwest  
6-57 corner of section 1A, J. A. Ritchey Survey;  
6-58 Thence east along the south section line of Section 1A, J. A.  
6-59 Ritchey Survey and continuing east along the south line of Section 2  
6-60 of the S. Clark Survey to the southeast corner of Section 2 of the S.  
6-61 Clark Survey;  
6-62 Thence north along the east section line of Section 2, S.  
6-63 Clark Survey to a point this line intersects with the south section  
6-64 line of section 1 of Block 7T, T. N. O. R. R. Survey;  
6-65 Thence east along the south section line of Section 1 to the  
6-66 southeast corner of Section 1 of Block 7T, T. N. O. R. R. Survey;  
6-67 Thence north along the east section line of Section 1, 4, 5  
6-68 and 8 to the northeast corner of Section 8 of Block 7T, T. N. O. R.  
6-69 R. Survey, also being a common point with the northwest corner of

7-1 Section 393 of Block 1T, T. & N. O. R. R. Survey;  
7-2 Thence east along the north section line of Sections 393,  
7-3 394, 395, 396 and 397 of Block 1T, T. & N. O. R. R. Survey until this  
7-4 line intersects with the common section of Dallam County and  
7-5 Sherman County in Texas;

7-6 Thence north along the east boundary of Dallam County which  
7-7 line is also the west boundary of Sherman County to a point which is  
7-8 the southeast corner of Section 159, in Block No. 1-T, T. & N. O. RR.  
7-9 Co Survey, the point of the beginning of this survey.

7-10 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable, the North Plains  
7-11 Groundwater Conservation District shall submit a metes and bounds  
7-12 description of the territory described by Section 2 of this Act that  
7-13 has been added to the North Plains Groundwater Conservation  
7-14 District before the effective date of this Act to the:

7-15 (1) Northern Dallam County Groundwater Conservation  
7-16 District; and

7-17 (2) Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

7-18 SECTION 4. (a) The legal notice of the intention to  
7-19 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this  
7-20 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a  
7-21 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,  
7-22 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished  
7-23 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,  
7-24 Government Code.

7-25 (b) The governor has submitted the notice and Act to the  
7-26 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

7-27 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed  
7-28 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor,  
7-29 lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of representatives  
7-30 within the required time.

7-31 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this  
7-32 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect  
7-33 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled  
7-34 and accomplished.

7-35 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
7-36 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
7-37 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
7-38 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
7-39 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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