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S.B. No. 1009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to administrative completeness requirements for permit  
3 and permit amendment applications for groundwater conservation  
4 districts.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 36.113(c), Water Code, is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 (c) A district may require that only the following be  
9 included in the permit or permit amendment application, as  
10 applicable under the rules of the district:

11 (1) the name and mailing address of the applicant and  
12 the owner of the land on which the well will be located;

13 (2) if the applicant is other than the owner of the  
14 property, documentation establishing the applicable authority to  
15 construct and operate a well for the proposed use;

16 (3) a statement of the nature and purpose of the  
17 proposed use and the amount of water to be used for each purpose;

18 (4) a water conservation plan or a declaration that  
19 the applicant will comply with the district's management plan;

20 (5) the location of each well and the estimated rate at  
21 which water will be withdrawn;

22 (6) a water well closure plan or a declaration that the  
23 applicant will comply with well plugging guidelines and report  
24 closure to the commission; [~~and~~]

1 (7) a drought contingency plan; and

2 (8) other information:

3 (A) included in a rule of the district in effect  
4 on the date the application is submitted that specifies what  
5 information must be included in an application for a determination  
6 of administrative completeness; and

7 (B) reasonably related to an issue that a  
8 district is authorized to consider under this chapter.

9 SECTION 2. Section 36.114(h), Water Code, is amended to  
10 read as follows:

11 (h) An application is administratively complete if it  
12 contains the ~~[application requires]~~ information set forth under ~~[in~~  
13 ~~accordance with]~~ Sections 36.113 and 36.1131. A district shall not  
14 require that additional information be included in an application  
15 for a determination of administrative completeness.

16 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.