



**Barton Springs
Edwards Aquifer**
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Aquifer District Seeks Nominations for Groundwater Stewardship Awards

Drought conditions in Central Texas continue, and the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District is asking area groundwater users to take extra steps to conserve and protect groundwater supplies that are increasingly stressed. This year's Groundwater Stewardship Awards will be particularly meaningful because the District remains in Stage III Critical Drought and groundwater levels and spring flow are far below average.

Every other year, the District presents the Groundwater Stewardship Awards to deserving individuals, organizations, companies or agencies that have made exemplary efforts to help protect and conserve water resources in the District's jurisdictional area. The District is now seeking nominations in these categories: Water Conservation, Education, Research, Water Quality Protection, and Innovation. Additionally, District staff will nominate a Permittee of the Year.

An individual, group, company or agency may be nominated in any one category, and anyone can nominate a deserving entity. The District's Board of Directors will select the recipients; awards may not be given in every category, and categories may be added if needed. District staff, Board members, and projects that are solely the District's are not eligible.

Nominations must be received in the District office by Tuesday, September 17th by 5 p.m. Nomination forms are available on the District's website at: www.bseacd.org or by contacting the BSEACD office at 512-282-8441.

BSEACD is a groundwater conservation district charged by the Texas Legislature to preserve, conserve, and protect the aquifers and groundwater resources within its jurisdiction, which includes parts of three Central Texas counties. It is governed by a Board of five elected directors and staffed with hydrogeologists, groundwater regulatory compliance specialists, environmental educators, geospatial systems specialists, and administrative support personnel.

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