

SPECIAL DISTRICT LOCAL LAWS CODE  
TITLE 6. WATER AND WASTEWATER  
SUBTITLE H. DISTRICTS GOVERNING GROUNDWATER  
CHAPTER 8861. MENARD COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER DISTRICT

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 8861.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

- (1) "Board" means the district's board of directors.
- (2) "Director" means a board member.
- (3) "District" means the Menard County Underground Water District.

Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.

Sec. 8861.002. NATURE OF DISTRICT. The district is a groundwater conservation district in Menard County created under and essential to accomplish the purposes of Section [59](#), Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.

Sec. 8861.003. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC USE AND BENEFIT. (a) The district is created to serve a public use and benefit.

(b) All land and other property included in the district will benefit from the works and projects accomplished by the district under the powers conferred by Section [59](#), Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.

Sec. 8861.004. DISTRICT TERRITORY. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), the district includes the territory in Menard County unless the district's territory has been modified under:

- (1) Subchapter J or K, Chapter [36](#), Water Code; or
  - (2) other law.
- (b) The district does not include the territory in the

Hickory Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 as that territory existed on May 24, 1991.

(c) The boundaries of the district form a closure.  
Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.

#### SUBCHAPTER B. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Sec. 8861.051. COMPOSITION OF BOARD; TERMS. (a) The district is governed by a board of five directors.

(b) Directors serve staggered four-year terms.  
Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.

Sec. 8861.052. ELECTION DATE. Every two years, on the uniform election date in May or another date authorized by law, the appropriate number of directors shall be elected.  
Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.

Sec. 8861.053. COMPENSATION; EXPENSES. A director is not entitled to compensation for service on the board but may be reimbursed as provided by board rules for expenses incurred in carrying out the business of the district.  
Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.

#### SUBCHAPTER C. POWERS AND DUTIES

Sec. 8861.101. GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT POWERS AND DUTIES. The district has the rights, powers, privileges, functions, and duties provided by the general law of this state, including Chapters [36](#) and [49](#), Water Code, applicable to groundwater conservation districts created under Section [59](#), Article XVI, Texas Constitution.  
Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.

Sec. 8861.102. AUTHORITY OF DISTRICT TO REQUIRE PERMITS FOR CERTAIN WELLS. The district may require a permit for a well used for domestic purposes or to provide water for livestock, poultry, or wildlife if the well is:

- (1) on a tract of land smaller than 100 acres;
- (2) less than 500 feet deep; and
- (3) drilled, completed, or equipped so that the well is capable of producing more than 9,000 gallons of groundwater per day.

Added by Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 112 (S.B. [1026](#)), Sec. 1.05, eff. April 1, 2015.