

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



AN INTERIM ORDER concerning the petition by Vorwerk Farms, LLC, for the creation of Williamson County Municipal Utility District No. 52; TCEQ Docket 2025-0119-DIS.

On April 3, 2025, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission) considered during its open meeting a request for hearing filed by Williamson County regarding the petition by Vorwerk Farms, LLC, (Petitioner) for the creation of Williamson County Municipal Utility District No. 52. The Petition seeks creation of a municipal utility district with road powers pursuant to Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution; Texas Water Code Chapters 49 and 54; and 30 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 293 in Williamson County.

The Commission evaluated the request for hearing under the requirements in the applicable statutes and Commission rules, including 30 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 55, Subchapter G. The Commission also considered the responses to the request for hearing filed by the Petitioner, Executive Director, and the Office of Public Interest Counsel. No replies or other comments were filed.

After evaluation of all relevant filings, the Commission determined to grant the hearing request of Williamson County and refer the matter to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) for a contested case hearing on the Petition. The Commission also referred this matter to the Commission's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Program to run concurrently with the SOAH preliminary hearing scheduling process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY that:

- 1) The hearing request of Williamson County is hereby GRANTED;
- 2) The Chief Clerk shall REFER this matter to SOAH for a contested case hearing on the Petition;
- 3) This matter is REFERRED to the Commission's Alternative Dispute Resolution Program to run concurrently with the SOAH preliminary hearing scheduling process; and
- 4) If any provision, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Order is for any reason held to be invalid, the invalidity of any portion shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Order.

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For the Commission

4/8/25
Date Signed