

**NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN  
THE NORTHERN BLACKLANDS ZONE  
BOLL WEEVIL ERADICATION PROGRAM**

In accordance with the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, §74.118 (Vernon Supp. 1999) and 4 Tex. Admin. Code §3.73, the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation hereby provides notice to growers in the Northern Blacklands Boll Weevil Eradication Zone that they are required to participate in the eradication program established by referendum for the Northern Blacklands Zone.

The Northern Blacklands Eradication Zone consists of all of Montague, Cooke, Grayson, Fannin, Lamar, Red River, Bowie, Cass, Morris, Titus, Franklin, Hopkins, Delta, Hunt, Rockwall, Collin, Denton, Wise, Jack, Parker, Tarrant, Dallas, Kaufman, Rains, Van Zandt, Henderson, Navarro, Ellis, Johnson, Hood, Somervell, Bosque, Hamilton and Hill counties; and those parts of McLennan and Limestone counties north of State Highway 84.

Participation includes: (1) timely reporting to the Foundation of information requested regarding acreage and location of all commercial cotton fields and of noncommercial patches of cotton grown for ornamental, research or other purposes, as provided in the Texas Agricultural Code, §74.121; (2) payment of the assessment established by referendum ending on January 21, 2005, in the amount and manner approved for the Northern Blacklands Zone, and (3) compliance with any rules or procedures established by the Texas Department of Agriculture or the Foundation for implementation of the eradication program in the Northern Blacklands Zone. Upon notification by the Foundation of a producer's failure to timely comply with participation requirements stated above, the Department may assess an administrative penalty in accordance with 4 Tex. Admin. Code §3.74 or take other appropriate remedial action as provided by Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D. Any questions regarding the participation requirements may be directed to Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, TX 78711, (512) 463-3285.

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TX. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE  
P.O. BOX 12847  
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78711  
512-463-3285

# NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER FIELDS

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, Sec. 74.117 as amended, the Texas Department of Agriculture and the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation hereby notify cotton growers in the Northern Blacklands Boll Weevil Eradication Zone of the schedule to enter fields or premises for the purposes of carrying out the boll weevil eradication program in the zone, including mapping of fields, insect monitoring, inspection and treatment functions.

The Foundation will enter fields or premises during reasonable daylight hours for the purposes of mapping, trapping and monitoring for the cotton boll weevil. These activities will be initiated on or about January 1, 2026, and the trapping and monitoring function will continue weekly throughout the year. Treatment for the cotton boll weevil with ultra-low volume malathion or other registered insecticides by air and/or ground equipment will begin on or about March 31, 2026. Inspection and treatment activities will continue during reasonable daylight hours throughout the year, as indicated by trap captures and crop stage, until there is no hostable cotton in the zone.

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To mitigate risk, beekeepers should notify the Foundation of beehive locations near cotton fields. The Foundation will monitor treatments in these locations where bees are present to ensure the security of hives.

For more information regarding this program, please call the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation at (800) 687-1212.

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**HOPKINS-RAINS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT #445**

530 N. HILLCREST, SUITE 2  
SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS 75482

Board of Directors Meeting  
December 16, 2025  
USDA Service Center  
530 N. Hillcrest Dr., Suite 2  
Sulphur Springs, TX  
9:00 AM

NOTICE OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE HOPKINS-RAINS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.041 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT: The regular meeting of the board of directors of the Hopkins-Rains SWCD will be held at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at the USDA Service Center in Sulphur Springs, Texas.

**AGENDA**

The Hopkins-Rains SWCD will convene as posted to take action on the following agenda.

**Call To Order**

**Opportunity For Public Comment**

**Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting**

**Review and approval of Financial Reports**

**Old Business**

**New Business**

- Approve Technical Assistance Reimbursement
- Approve Director Quarterly Claims
- Approve Matching Funds Request
- Discuss and approve possible WQMP items
- Approve payment of bills and disbursements

**Agency Reports**

**Set next meeting date**

**Adjourn**

The Hopkins-Rains SWCD may meet in executive session on any of the above items, pursuant to the Texas Open Meeting Act, Tex. Gov't Code Section 551. A person with disabilities who require special accommodations and/or alternative means for communication of program information (braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) associated with this meeting should contact Andy Wright at 903/348-7285 at least two weeks prior to the meeting with his/her specific requests. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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# RAINS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1

**TO BE HELD ON: Monday, December 15, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.**

**TO BE HELD AT: Emory VFD Station**

The subjects to be discussed /considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

- I. OPEN - CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE AND INVOCATION
- II. OPEN FORUM.
- III. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION
  - A. Consider/discuss/take action on Run & Fireman Activity Reports for prior month(s).
    - 1. Hopkins County EMS
    - 2. East Tawakoni Volunteer Fire Department
    - 3. Emory Volunteer Fire Department
    - 4. Point Volunteer Fire Department
  - B. Treasurer's Report
  - C. Approve prior month reimbursement affidavits & payment of accounts.
  - D. Approve minutes from prior meeting(s).
- IV. ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD COMMENTS/ACTIVITIES

**Reminders:** ETVFD—9/30 Reimbursement FYE Balance Due = \$26,249.01

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## EXECUTIVE SESSION

During the course of the meeting covered by this notice, should the board determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board be required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by Section 551.071 through 551.076 of the Texas Government Code shall be by the board at the date, hour, and place given in this notice or shortly thereafter. Sections 551.071 - Consult with an Attorney; 551.072 - Real Property; 551.073 - Prospective Gifts; 551.075 - Conference with Employees; 551.076 - Security Devices.

DocuSigned by:

*Ken Player*

Ken Player, President

12/8/2025

Date and Time

Note: Notice posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.