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CERTIFICATION OF SUFFICIENT SIGNATURES

I, Diana L. McRae, Voter Registrar of Walker County, have completed the signature verification for the petition for the creation of an Emergency Services District in Walker County, Texas. The name of the proposed District shall be "Walker County Emergency Services District No. 3".

BACKGROUND: June 20, 2019 unless otherwise stated

- Walker County Judge Danny Pierce received a petition for the creation of an Emergency Services District. *Health and Safety Code Sec. 775.011(a)*
- The petition must be signed by at least 100 qualified voters who own taxable real property in the proposed district. *Health and Safety Code Sec. 775.011(a)*
- The petition contents/requirements must comply with both the Election Code Sec. 277.002 and the Health and Safety Code Sec. 775.013.
- Receipt of petition by Voter Registrar for signature verification

RESULTS of the petition verification stated below:

Number of signatures filed	247
Number of signatures verified	247
Number of signatures found sufficient	176
Number of signatures found not sufficient	71

CONCLUSION:

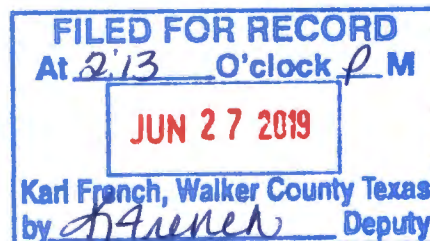
Based on the above verification, the petition has been declared **valid** by the Walker County Voter Registrar as having met the minimum requirements of sufficient signatures of registered voters and does meet the required elements as required by Election Code Sec. 277.002 and the Health and Safety Code Sec. 775.011(a) and 775.013.

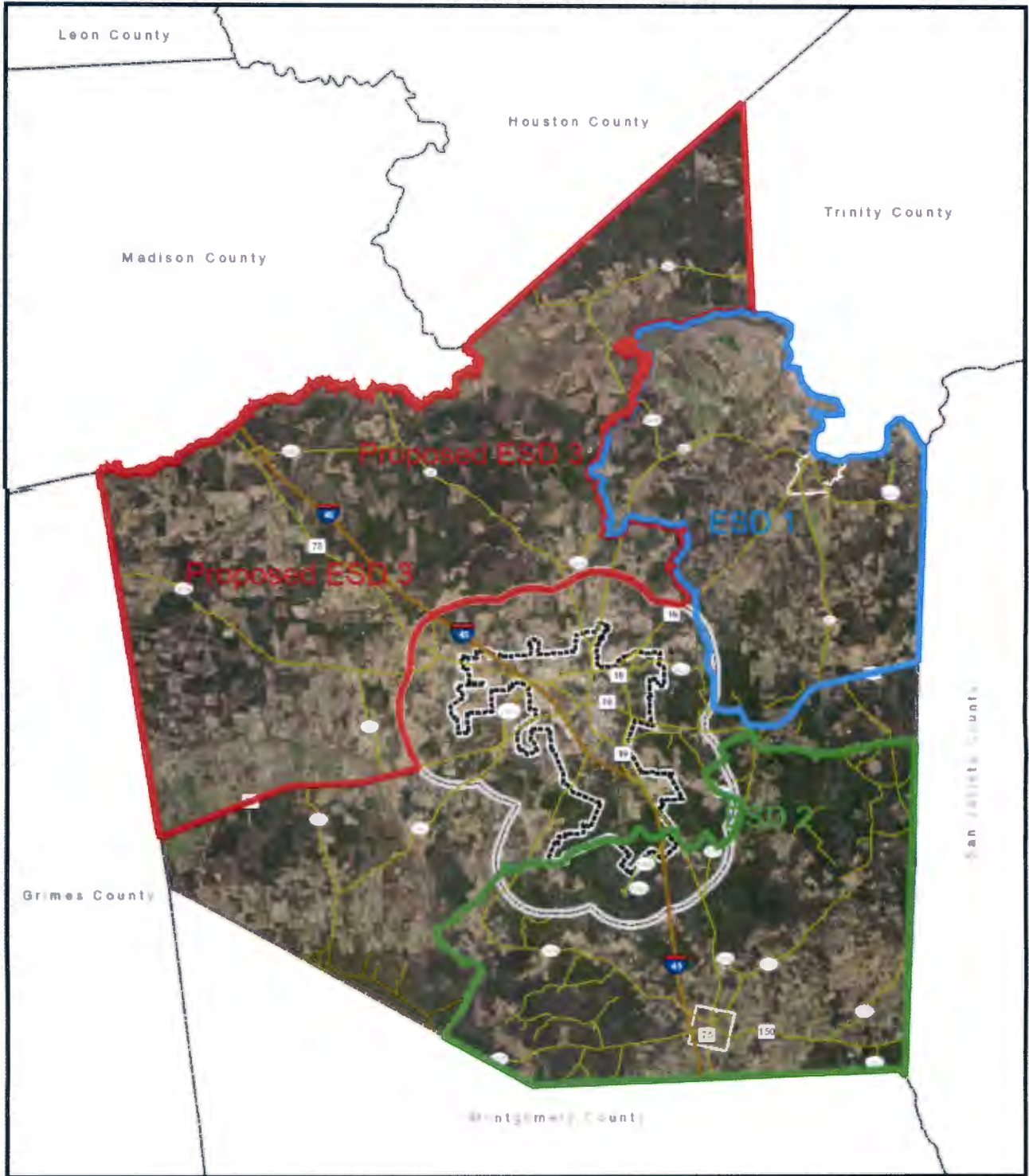
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN THIS DOCUMENT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Signed this 27th day of June 2019.

Handwritten signature of Diana L. McRae in blue ink.

Diana L. McRae, Tax Assessor-Collector
Walker County, Texas





DISCLAIMER

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PETITION TO CREATE WALKER COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3

SERVICES:

The proposed District is to be created and operated under the provisions of Article iii, Section 48-e, Texas Constitution, and the statutory legislation, as amended, and to provide the following services, in such extent and manner as may be determined from time to time by the commissioners of such District: **fire prevention, suppression and extinguishment, hazardous material incident responses, EMS first responder and rescue services.**

EXHIBIT "A"

That the boundaries of the proposed Walker County Emergency Services District No. 3 are;

Commencing at the intersection of the south right-of way line of State Highway 30 West with the Walker County - Grimes County line;

Thence, the line follows in a northerly direction along the Walker County - Grimes County line, being the centerline of North Bedia Creek, to the Walker County - Madison County line junction on the Jones, K (A-301) Tract 1;

Thence, the line follows the Walker County - Madison County line being the center line of Bedia Creek, to the Walker County - Houston County line where they intersect in the Trinity River, north-east of Holcomb, JJ (A-239) Tract 2;

Thence, the line follows the Walker County - Houston County line to the Walker County - Trinity County line where they intersect on the Millsaps, M (A-338) Tract 1;

Thence, the line follows the Walker County - Trinity County line south to the north bank of the Trinity River where it intersects at the south-east corner of the Ortega, J (A-34) Tract 6;

Thence, the line will continue west along the north shore of the Trinity River to the junction of the Trinity River and Nelson Creek, (North-west boundary line of the current ESD 1);

Thence, the line will follow Nelson Creek to its junction with Baldwin Creek on the Grooms, WM (A-215) Tract 1, (West boundary line of current ESD 1);

Thence, the line will follow Baldwin Creek to its intersection at Farm to Market 2628 on the Woodland Hills Lake, Lot 27 Reserve A, (South-west boundary line of the current ESD 1);

Thence, the line will follow Farm to Market 2628 to the east to its intersection with Farm to Market 980, (South boundary line of the current ESD 1);

Thence, at the intersection of Farm to Market 2628 and Farm to Market 980 the line will turn north and follow Farm to Market 980 to Lake Falls Road, (East boundary line of the current ESD 1);

Thence, at the intersection of Farm to Market 980 and Lake Falls Road the line will turn east following Lake Falls Road to the southern property line of the Edinburgh, C (A-19) Tract 30.1 to its junction with Harmon Creek, (South boundary line of the current ESD 1);

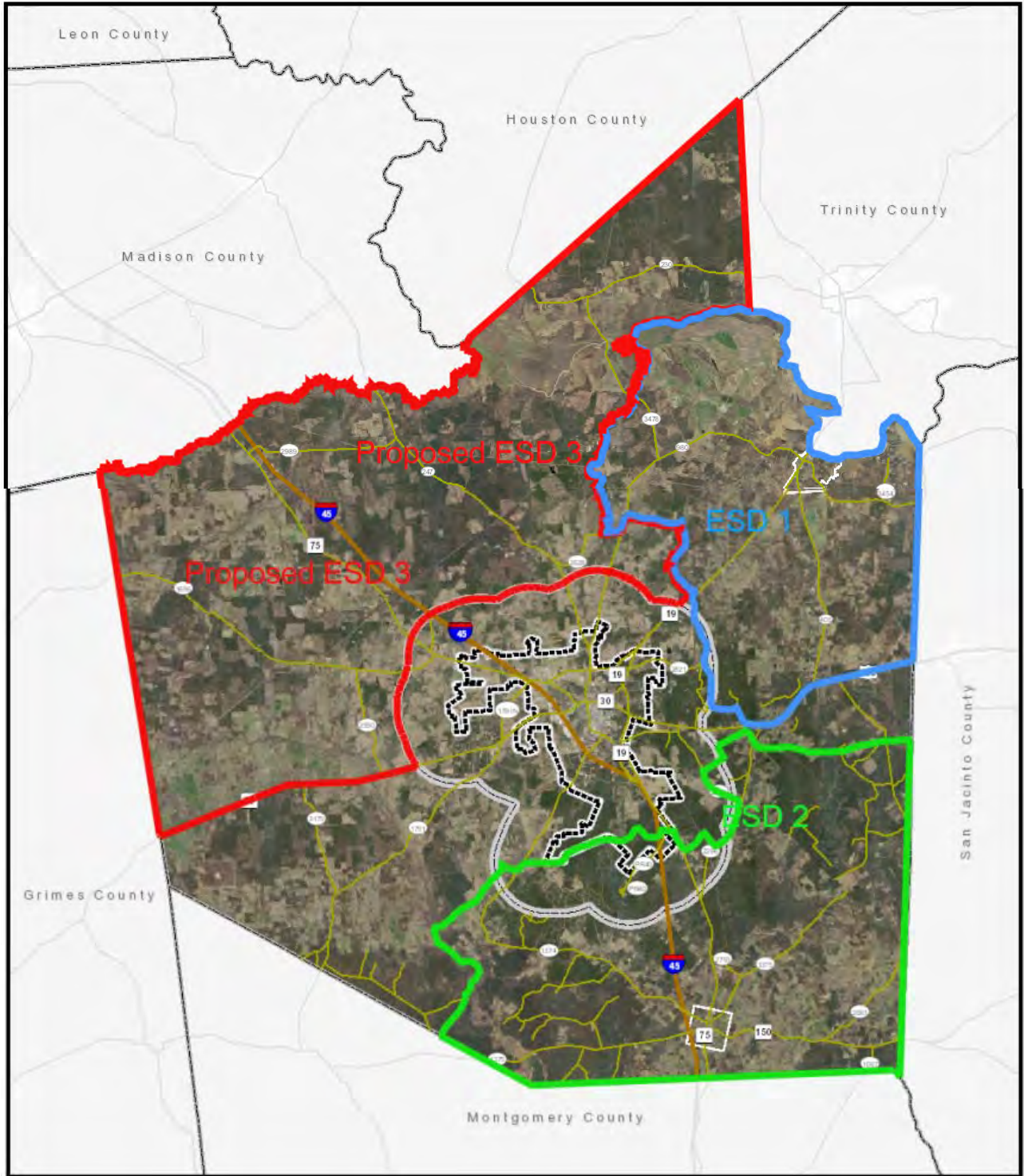
Thence, the line will follow south on Harmon Creek's west bank to its junction on State Highway 19, on the Huntwood-Section 1, Block 4, Lot Reserve C, (West side boundary line of the current ESD 1);

Thence, the line will follow south on the western right-of-way of State Highway 19 to where it intersects with the current ETJ line of the City of Huntsville, Texas on the Parker, J (A-36) Tract 1;

Thence, the line will follow the north side of the current City of Huntsville ETJ line to its junction of the south right-of-way line on State Highway 30 West, on the Lamb, GA (A-326) Tract 12.3;

Thence in a westerly direction along the south right-of-way line of State Highway 30 West to its intersection with the Walker County - Grimes County line; hence being the place of the beginning point;

There is saved and excepted from this boundary description any part of the extra-territorial jurisdiction or corporate area of the City of Huntsville, Texas.



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Crabbs Prairie & Pine Prairie Volunteer Firefighters need YOUR Help!



VOTE YES for Emergency Services District No.3

**Election Day – November 5, 2019
(Early voting October 21, 2019-November 1, 2019)**

<p><u>What is an ESD?</u> Emergency Services Districts (ESDs) are political subdivisions of the State of Texas. They are created by voters in an area to fund fire protection, emergency medical services, or both. More than 300 districts are operating in Texas, and more are added at almost every uniform election. We have 2 operating in Walker County.</p>	<p><u>What is the process?</u> Residents may sign a petition for an ESD. The County receives the petition for creation and the County Commissioner’s Court holds a hearing. If the Commissioners Court finds the District is “feasible and will promote public safety, welfare, health and convenience” of residents of the proposed District, it will grant the petition for election.</p>
<p><u>Where does the funding come from?</u> An ESD would collect taxes based on appraisals of real estate property, and sales tax. Under the Texas Constitution, an ESD may levy a tax rate of no more than 10 cents per \$100 of property value in their district. For a home on the tax rolls at \$150,000, that’s an annual tax of \$150, or \$12.50 a month.</p>	<p><u>What would the funding be used for?</u> ESD revenues may be used to purchase new equipment and build facilities. More importantly for some areas, it means more time to focus on training and the provision of emergency services – thus saving lives and property - rather than fund-raising and other activities for Volunteer fire and emergency services.</p>
<p><u>How are ESDs governed?</u> Once an ESD is approved by the voters, it is governed by a board of five commissioners who are appointed by the County Commissioners Court to two-year staggered terms. This is who sets the tax rate. By law, ESD boards must meet at least once a month. All meetings are subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act. ESDs must also comply with the Texas Public Information Act concerning open records requests and records retention. ESDs are required by law to file an Annual Report with the Texas Department of Agriculture by January 1st of each year.</p>	<p><u>Other benefits of an ESD.</u> The establishment of an ESD may result in a better Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating within the service area, and lower insurance premiums for businesses and homeowners. An ESD can provide the reliable tax revenue to assure fire protection or emergency medical service in an area. It’s important to note that ESDs are political subdivisions of the state, apart from counties. Even though ESD commissioners are appointed by County Commissioners Courts, they are independent governments.</p>

Thank You for Supporting your Local Volunteer Firefighters!

Proposed ESD 3 Map / List Info

When reviewing the list there are several roadways that are partially in the proposed area

Partial Roadway

Armadillo Ranch Road – Only 201 and 216 Armadillo Ranch Road included (COH ETJ line)
FM 1696 West - begins at 230 FM 1696 West / at the COH ETJ line – goes to County Line
FM 247 - begins at 887 FM 247 / at the COH ETJ line – goes to County Line
FM 2628 - begins at 20 FM 2628 and ends at 187 FM 2628 at the ESD 2 Line
FM 980 - begins at 789 FM 980 / at the COH ETJ line – goes to 1142 FM 980 at the ESD 2 Line
Heritage Oak (Canyon Ranch) Only 106, 111,116, 126 and 130 Heritage Oak Included (COH ETJ line)
I-45 N – begins at 1726 I-45N at the COH ETJ line – goes to County line
Lost Oaks Court (Canyon Ranch) Only 10 and 14 Lost Oaks Court Included (COH ETJ line)
Scott Road – begins at 403 Scott Road / at the COH ETJ line and goes to the end of road at 170 C Scott Road.
SH 19 – begins at 2685 SH 19 / at the COH ETJ line and goes to 2069B SH 19 at the ESD 2 line
SH HWY 30 – begins at 4618 SH 30 W / at the COH ETJ line – only North Side Properties included – (Even Numbers) and goes to County line.
SH 75 N – begins at 1946 SH 75 N / at the COH ETJ line – goes to the County line
Wire Road – begins at 617 Wire Rd / at the COH ETJ line – goes to 777 Wire Road at FM 2550

Entire Roadway

A.O. Reeves Lane	Kate Bolden Road	Shiloh Lane
A. R. Kirk	Kennedy Lane	Spring Circle Drive
Allen Drive	Kings Point Road	Spring Circle Loop
Andrew Street	Koonce Road	Sutterfield Lane
Archie Road	Kuykendall Road	Tara Lane
Bawden	Lacee Lane	Teel Road
Birdwell	Little Thicket Estate	Thomas Spur
Bishop Road	Loma Road	Victoria Way
Bo Brown Road	Lost Indian Camp Road	Wallace Road
Bob O Link	Marjorie Lane	Ward Ranch Road
Brooks Lane	Mcshane Lane	West Oak Drive
Bybee Circle	Meadow Link	Whippoorwill Street
Camp Coyote	Morgan Road	White Oak Drive
Canal Road	Mossback Street	Whitetail Lane
Catfish Lane	Mt Zion Church Road	Wildflower Street
Chandlers Way	Murphy Farm Road	Wiley Road
Cogans Grove	Oak Trail Road	Wire Road Loop
Cross Street	Oates Brothers Road	Wood Road
Cypress Glenn	O'Bannon Ranch Road	Woodland Hills Drive
Davidson Road	Old Johnson Farm	Young Road
Davis Road	Old Midway Road	
Dicky Loop	Olde Oaks Drive	
Eisenhower Lane	Outback Alley	
Ellen Lane	Paula Lane	
Ellis Spring	Phil Wood Road	
Finch Lane	Philo Road	
Flynt Road	Pine Prairie School Road	
FM 230	Pinedale Road	
FM 2550	Pinedale Subdivision Road	
FM 2989	Piney Woods Road	
Frazier Lane	Plantation Road	
Frizzle Road	Plum Ridge Road	
Grossie Lane	Powell Road	
Guerrant Road	Raintree Street	
Hall Ranch Road	Ramp Road	
Hall Road	Red Bird Lane	
Hardy Lane	River Driver	
Harper Branch	Roark Road	
Hoke Road #1	Roberts Road	
Hopewell Road	Roberts Spur	
Houston Hoke Road	Rodgers Lane	
J.C. Walker Loop	Ron Walker Lane	
Jacob Street	Round Prairie Road	
Joe Smith Road	Sandra Rodgers Road	
John Kay Road	Scales Ranch Road	
Jordy Road	Shawn Lane	