



**Notice Date: July 27, 2017**

**Request for Letters of Interest to Serve on the Board of Managers for Subdistrict #4 (San Luis Creek Response Area)**

The Rio Grande Water Conservation District (District) is pleased to announce that on July 21, 2017, Judge Patti Swift signed an order approving Subdistrict #4. The next step in the Subdistrict process is to form a Board of Managers. The Board of Managers will initially be charged with preparing the bylaws that will define the Board's governance and its relationship with the District Board of Directors. The Board is also tasked with the preparation of the final version of the Plan of Water Management and with the general supervision and operational management of Subdistrict #4, including setting the budget and developing Annual Replacement Plans.

The District Board of Directors requests letters of interest from Subdistrict members who are interested in volunteering to serve on the Subdistrict #4 Board of Managers. As outlined in the Petition to Establish Subdistrict #4, a timeline of 30 days is allowed from the date of this notice for setting up the initial Board of Managers. Any individual who wishes to serve on the Board of Managers must submit a letter of interest which clearly describes their qualifications to serve on the Board of Managers. It is important to include any information in your letter of interest which will assist the Board of Directors in identifying those individuals that are best qualified to serve on the Board.

To serve on the initial Subdistrict #4 Board of Managers you must be a Subdistrict well owner and own land that is included in the Subdistrict or be a designated representative of a landowner. A representative of an owner is limited to a full-time employee of the landowner who is specifically charged with the management and operation of the farm unit. Designated representatives will serve in a representative capacity in the landowner's absence. A Subdistrict Member who wants to designate a representative to serve in their absence must submit a letter to the Board of Directors identifying the person they wish to designate and that individual's qualifications to serve as a representative of the landowner.

The Board of Managers will be comprised of five (5) Board of Managers and one (1) ex-officio member. The ex-officio member is a non-voting member and serves as the liaison between the Board of Directors and the Board of Managers. The Board of Directors of the District Board will appoint individuals to the Board of Managers from the pool of eligible applicants. If less than five eligible applicants apply, the Board of Directors may allow the Board of Managers to operate with as few as three (3) members until the vacant seats can be filled. The ex-officio member may be a member of the District's Board of Directors and may be unaffiliated with Subdistrict #4. If a member of the Board of Directors will not serve in the ex-officio capacity, the Board of Directors will publish notice of the vacancy and accept applications for the position.

Managers will serve four (4) year terms with no term limits. Initial terms will be staggered as follows: two members will serve a two (2) year term; two members will serve a three (3) year term; and, one member will serve a four (4) year term. The ex-officio member will serve a term of indeterminate length but the appointment must be confirmed by the Board of Directors at least every second year.

**If you are interested in serving on the Board of Managers for SD#4, please submit a letter of interest by August 31, 2017**, to Cleave Simpson, 8805 Independence Way in Alamosa, CO, 81101, or to [cleave@rgwcd.org](mailto:cleave@rgwcd.org). You may also fax a letter to (719) 992-2026. If you have any questions about any of the information in this request, please call the Rio Grande Water Conservation District's office at (719) 589-6301.