



WELLS ON THE WEB

The District recently added a new feature to its web site. Now available is the link to wells which are included in the District's data base and for which a gps location is available. When a newly drilled well is inspected, District staff captures the gps coordinates of that well and other wells on that property. The coordinates allow the well to be included in the District's mapping system. The exact well locations can be valuable for producers, domestic wells owners, drillers and relators.

The map can be accessed on the "MAPS" tab. Other maps and information are also available on the web site.

Visit us at: www.spuwcd.org



Essay Scholarship Program

In its continuing effort to encourage water conservation education, the South Plains Underground Water Conservation District has established a scholarship program.

Graduating seniors within the District are eligible to apply for the scholarships. Applicants must write a 500 word essay on the topic chosen by the District. A \$1,000 and a \$500 scholarship are available to each high school.

The 2019/2020 essay topic is:

Groundwater Conservation Districts are the State's preferred method of groundwater management. How does your local groundwater conservation district (gcd) help manage this natural resource? Does your local gcd benefit your community? Why or why not?

To date, the District has awarded \$20,855 in scholarships. For additional information regarding the scholarships, see your counselor or contact the District office.

Rainwater Harvesting Awareness Week

SPUWCD observed the third annual Rainwater Harvesting Awareness Week the first week of May.

During this week, the District staff seeks opportunities to raise awareness about the importance of rainwater harvesting. This year, the education trailer was set up at 3 different locations around town. A rain barrel was given away at each location. On Thursday evening, the District hosted their 8th annual Rainwater Harvesting Workshop. Attendees at the workshop learned about rainwater harvesting and received instruction on installing their own system.

At this year's workshop, the first "Every Rain Drop Counts" award was given to Terry and Sandra Davis for implementing rainwater harvesting at their home.



Calendar of Events

- November 28-29—Thanksgiving Holiday
Office closed
- December 24-25—Christmas Holiday
Office Closed
- December 10—Board Meeting
District Office
- January 1, 2020—New Year's Day Holiday
Office Closed

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2019 RAINFALL

The map below shows rainfall from the District's 36 rain gauges through October 31st. The average of all the rain gauges, through that date, is **11.55"**. Growing season rainfall (April-September) averaged **9.93"**.

This table shows the comparison of average rainfall for previous years. The average annual rainfall for the District is **17.80"**. Monthly rainfall totals are available for viewing on the District website: www.spuwcd.org.

Average Annual Rainfall—District Rain Gauges					
2018	17.19"	2015	22.98"	2012	9.32"
2017	14.58"	2014	17.39"	2011	2.84"
2016	16.41"	2013	9.88"		

