



About the Republican Primary Race for Bastrop County Judge!

We are not endorsing in the Bastrop County Judge race.
But, we have some important news for you to know. Read this and share!

The leader of Bastrop County – our County Judge -- will be determined in the Republican primary.
There is no contest in November.

Early voting thru Friday, March 2. Election Day is Tuesday, March 6.
Poll information at BastropVotes.org or call 512.581.7160

Most Bastropians know our groundwater is under siege. But please consider this before you vote:

- The mega-permit demands by private water dealers and municipalities from Austin to San Antonio currently amount to far more than the aquifer recharges.
- Our own Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District has bowed to pressure and tipped the balance for water marketers over landowners who choose not to sell their water.
- Most recently Lost Pines joined an appeal with profiteering End Op/Recharge to overturn Judge Carson Campbell's decision to grant landowners a seat at the table in the End Op dispute.
- Just last week, Lost Pines pulled a publicity stunt – essentially a “fake vote” -- to make it appear the board is united in this appeal, when it is not.
- Neither Bastrop candidate has spoken about water, yet our County Judge appoints five voting members of Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District.
- Before you vote in this primary, ask yourself what role our County Judge should play in protecting our shared aquifer.

These three mega-permits *alone* will pump over 39 billion gallons of our shared groundwater every year:

- Should we know our County Judge's position on the challenge by local landowners of private marketer **End Op's Project** in Bastrop and Lee counties?
- Should he speak out about massive projects like **Vista Ridge** (the “San Antone Hose”) and its 142-mile pipeline through Bastrop and six other counties?
- Will he speak out on **LCRA's application** for a new project to pump groundwater from under Bastrop County's “Boy Scout Ranch”, one of the few remaining intact Republic of Texas land grants!