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S.B. No. 792

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to authorizing the Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District to use revenue from export fees to fund road and water infrastructure projects.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 8865.003, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 8865.003. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC PURPOSE ~~[USE]~~ AND BENEFIT.

SECTION 2. Section 8865.003(a), Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The district is created to:

(1) serve a public use and benefit; and  
(2) design, construct, acquire, finance, improve, operate, or maintain water infrastructure and macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

SECTION 3. Subchapter C, Chapter 8865, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 8865.104 to read as follows:

Sec. 8865.104. WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AND ROAD PROJECTS. (a)  
The district may use money collected under Section 8865.151 from export fees to design, acquire, construct, finance, improve, operate, and maintain water infrastructure and macadamized,

1 graveled, or paved roads, or improvements, including storm  
2 drainage, in aid of those roads.

3 (b) The district may convey to this state, a county, or a  
4 municipality for operation and maintenance, a road constructed  
5 under Subsection (a).

6 (c) A road project must meet all applicable construction  
7 standards, zoning and subdivision requirements, and regulations of  
8 each municipality in whose corporate limits or extraterritorial  
9 jurisdiction the road project is located.

10 (d) If a road project is not located in the corporate limits  
11 or extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality, the road  
12 project must meet all applicable construction standards,  
13 subdivision requirements, and regulations of each county in which  
14 the road project is located.

15 (e) If the state will maintain and operate the road, the  
16 Texas Transportation Commission must approve the plans and  
17 specifications of the road project.

18 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.