

24-1204. Contents of petition; form. The petition required by K.S.A. 24-1203, and amendments thereto, shall set forth:

(1) The proposed name of the district, which name shall end with the words "watershed district number _____." If the district is located in two or more counties the name of the district shall end with the words "watershed joint district No. _____." It shall be the duty of the secretary of state to assign a number to each such district in the order in which petitions for their organization are received thereby.

(2) A description of the lands to be included within the proposed district, separated as to subwatersheds, if any, and identified by section numbers and fractions thereof, and other platted areas as appropriate.

(3) A statement of the purposes for which the district is to be organized.

(4) A statement of the number of persons that will constitute the board of directors of the district, which shall be an uneven number of not less than three and not more than 15, together with the names and addresses of the persons who will constitute the original steering committee.

(5) Any other matter deemed essential.

(6) A prayer for the organization of the districts as a nonprofit corporation.

A map showing the lands to be included in the district and subwatersheds therein, prepared in consultation with the chief engineer, shall be attached to the petition as an exhibit and incorporated therein by reference. The petition shall be in substantially the following form:

BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of _____ Watershed (Joint) District Number _____, _____ and _____ counties, Kansas.

PETITION

Come now the undersigned persons and state that they are landowners within the proposed boundaries of the aforementioned watershed district, hereinafter more fully described, and that each signer states that the signer's respective post-office address is set forth beside the signer's name. That the purposes for which this district is organized are (state purposes). That a steering committee for the organization of the district is hereby fixed and constituted with _____ members; that the names of persons who will serve on the original steering committee, of which the first named shall be acting chairman, and their respective addresses are as follows:

(List names and addresses.)

The governing body of the district shall be constituted in a board of directors composed of (number) qualified voters.

That attached hereto, marked Exhibit A and made a part hereof as fully as if set forth herein, is a map showing the lands proposed to be included in the district and subwatersheds therein:

That the lands proposed to be included in the district and subwatersheds therein are described as follows:

(Description of lands by subwatersheds.)

That the lands proposed to be included in the district and subwatersheds therein do not embrace the territorial limits of any incorporated city, or any part thereof, except those specifically described in the petition.

Wherefore, the undersigned, individually and collectively, pray that a watershed district be organized in the manner provided by law, for the purposes set forth herein, and that the secretary of state and the chief engineer of the division of water resources of the Kansas department of agriculture proceed diligently in the performance of their duties so that the organization of this proposed district may be completed and approved at the earliest possible time.

Submitted to the secretary of state this _____ day of _____, ____.

History: L. 1953, ch. 477, § 4; L. 1955, ch. 201, § 3; L. 1957, ch. 226, § 1; L. 1959, ch. 172, § 3; L. 1961, ch. 193, § 4; L. 1987, ch. 122, § 1; L. 2004, ch. 101, § 74; July 1.