

Green Stormwater Infrastructure Workshop rescheduled for November 9 at the Caldwell County Justice Center, Lockhart

LOCKHART – The Plum Creek Watershed Partnership and Caldwell County welcome the public to attend an upcoming Green Stormwater Infrastructure Workshop rescheduled for November 9 at the Caldwell County Justice Center, Lockhart, TX.

The Justice Center is located at 1703 S. Colorado Street (U.S. Hwy 183) in Lockhart.

Sign in begins at 8 a.m. in the Justice Center Multipurpose Room with the hands-on portion of the workshop set to conclude by 1 p.m. There is no cost to attend the workshop. Coffee and light snacks will be provided.

“This workshop is a combination of in-class presentations and a site tour to examine green stormwater infrastructure in practice. Attendees will also receive hand’s-on experience as our day concludes with the final installation of the new Justice Center rainwater harvesting system. Dr. Fouad Jaber will address linkages between land use types, water quality, and community character as well as reducing storm water runoff volume and improving water quality through use of green stormwater infrastructure,” said Nick Dornak, Plum Creek Watershed Coordinator.

Dr. Fouad Jaber, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Specialist in Integrated Water Resources Management, will explain how different “smart growth” techniques can help mitigate the harmful effects of urbanization on stormwater volume and water quality.

“We are very fortunate to have, Dr. Jaber, one of the state’s top educators on smart growth BMPs guiding this project and leading our workshop. As we weigh the impacts of massive flooding and continued contamination of our surface waters across the state, I’m confident attendees will come away with a greater understanding of the importance of a paradigm shift in 21st century urban development,” added Dornak.

RSVPs may be submitted online at <http://plumcreek.tamu.edu/> or by email to ndornak@plumcreekwatershed.org. Please include “GSI Workshop” in the subject line. For questions or to RSVP by phone, call the Plum Creek Watershed Partnership at 512-213-7389.

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Funding for the development and support of the Plum Creek Watershed Protection Plan is provided through a Clean Water Act grant provided by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. For more information on how you can help restore and protect Plum Creek, go to <http://plumcreek.tamu.edu/>.