



Plum Creek Watershed Partnership Meeting

Lockhart, Texas
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Meeting Overview and Introductions

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Discussion and Update on Long-term Sustainability Meetings with Cities and Counties, GBRA and PCCD and New Implementation Proposal

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Meetings with Counties and Cities to Update and Discuss Sustainability

- May 17, 2010 – Caldwell County Commissioners Court Meeting
- June 4, 2010 – GBRA and TSSWCB
- June 8, 2010 – Hays County Commissioners Court Meeting
- June 15, 2010 – Kyle City Council Meeting
- August 10, 2010 – Lockhart Public Works Director and City Manager
- August 31, 2010 – Sustainability meeting with partner entities
- November 2, 2010 – Sustainability meeting with partner entities



Meetings with Counties and Cities to Update and Discuss Sustainability

- January 20, 2011 – Luling City Council Meeting
- February 2, 2011 – Hays County Commissioner Mark Jones
- February 2, 2011 – Umland City Council Meeting postponed again due to weather – rescheduled for Wed., March 2nd
- February 7, 2011 – Caldwell County Judge Tom Bonn
- March 1, 2011 – Sustainability meeting with partner entities



Sustainability Discussion

- 3 year implementation project administration funding will end August 2011
- GBRA led the effort to develop and submit a proposal for additional 319(h) grant funds from TSSWCB for a watershed coordinator
- Currently working on inter-local agreement with partner entities and 40% match requirement



Sustainability Discussion

- Entities that have reviewed the inter-local agreement and provided legal comments:
 - Kyle, Lockhart, Luling, and GBRA
- Entities that have approved signing the inter-local agreement once finalized and providing match funding include:
 - PCCD, Lockhart, Luling, and GBRA
- Caldwell County is evaluating the possibility of providing the office space and utilities for the local position
- Additional presentations and meetings are being planned for Caldwell County, Hays County, Buda and Kyle.



Update on Plum Creek Watershed Signs Request to TXDOT

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Update on Lockhart CWA §319 Implementation Grant

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Update on Plum Creek Feral Hog Education Program

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Education Program for Feral Hog Management in the Plum Creek Watershed

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Presentations/Meetings

- ❑ 12/4/10 – Lockhart Kiwanis Club
- ❑ 1/10/11 – Buda Lions Club
- ❑ 1/11/11 – Lockhart Lions Club
- ❑ 1/12/11 – Luling Kiwanis Club
- ❑ 1/20/11 – Hays County Conservation Expo Planning Meeting
- ❑ 2/8/11 – Geronimo Creek Watershed Partnership
- ❑ 2/10/11 – San Marcos Kiwanis Club

Upcoming Articles

- ▣ Feral Hog Ownership
- ▣ Movement of Live Feral Hogs
- ▣ Feral Hog Disease Concerns

Landowners

- ▣ Two site visits
- ▣ Approved three landowners for reporting on website
- ▣ Two landowner reports
- ▣ Four public reports

Feral Hog Management Workshop

- Covers feral hog biology, behavior, laws, regulations, and management strategies
- Draws landowners from the watershed and throughout the region
- Offers TDA credit
- The next workshop will be February 23, 2011 in Luling



Available resources

- <http://pcwp.tamu.edu/FeralHogs/>
- Publication links
 - Recognizing Feral Hog Sign
 - Snaring Feral Hogs
 - Building a Feral Hog Snare
 - Placing and Baiting Feral Hog Traps
 - Box Traps for Capturing Feral Hogs
 - Corral Traps for Capturing Feral Hogs
 - Door Modifications for Feral Hog Traps
- Site visits for landowners
- Presentations for groups



Project Funding

- Provided through a Clean Water Act §319(h) nonpoint source grant from the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency



Questions?



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Implementation of Agricultural Best Management Practices

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Technical and Financial Assistance for Ranchers and Farmers in the Plum Creek Watershed



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Update

- To Date:
 - 6 WQMPs certified
 - All at different stages of implementation
 - 555 acres under plan
 - 110 acres of grass planted
 - 800 feet of fence constructed
 - Will be implementing additional pasture/hayland planting, livestock watering facilities, and additional cross-fencing

*Have had additional interested producers, however, they have not officially applied for the program

Thanks

Questions?

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Federal Farm Bill Programs Available in the Plum Creek Watershed

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Next Steps

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Watershed Events

- Feral Hog Workshop in Luling Feb. 23
- Kyle Cleanup Event and Enviro-Tour on Saturday, February 26, 2011 at 9:30 – noon at Steeplechase Park and surrounding areas
- Landowner Riparian Workshop for the Plum Creek Watershed Partnership in coordination with SMRF and TPWD will be held on Monday, May 2nd from 9 am to 4 pm in San Marcos.
 - Morning will be at San Marcos Activity Center.
 - Afternoon will be in the field.



PCWP Steering Committee Meeting

**Thursday, May 5, 2011
6:30 to 9:00 pm
Lockhart State Park, Lockhart**

