

Texas Watershed Planning Short Course

Mayan Dude Ranch

Aug. 17-21, 2009 – Bandera, Texas

Comprehensive watershed protection plans that outline strategies for preserving or restoring watersheds have become the accepted approach to protecting Texas surface waters. Using a watershed approach to restore impaired water bodies addresses the problems in a holistic manner, and stakeholders in the watershed are actively involved in developing the management strategies and plans.

The goal of the Texas Watershed Planning Short Course is to equip watershed coordinators and water professionals with the tools they need to plan, coordinate and implement watershed protection efforts. This four-day course will cover:

- Partnership Building
- Identifying Solutions
- Watershed Characterization
- Designing an Implementation Program

Individuals interested in or responsible for watershed protection and restoration including employees and volunteers with federal, state, county, and local agencies; soil and water conservation districts; universities; consulting firms; non-governmental organizations; and watershed groups will benefit from this course. This course will be especially beneficial to those pursuing or receiving Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Grant funds, as the course provides guidance on meeting EPA's nine key elements of a watershed protection plan.

Agenda

Click [HERE](#) for a past Short Course Agenda or visit: <http://watershedplanning.tamu.edu/>, for a tentative agenda.

Registration Information

To register online, visit <http://agrilifevents.tamu.edu>. For more information contact Courtney Swyden at cmswyden@ag.tamu.edu or Kevin Wagner at klwagner@ag.tamu.edu or (979) 845-1851. Registration forms can also be mailed/faxed to: Texas AgriLife Extension, 2139 TAMU, College Station, TX 77843-2139 (Please include acct. # 228100-60010). Fax: (979) 862-4511.

Cost

Early registration fee, \$350 (postmarked by July 17). Registration postmarked on or after July 17, \$375. Registration fee does not include lodging and meals.

Instructors

- Kenneth Banks, City of Denton
- Bill Carter, TCEQ
- Tom Davenport, EPA Region 5
- Nikki Dictson, Texas AgriLife Extension
- Daren Harmel, USDA-ARS
- Larry Hauck, TIAER
- Bill Jarocki, NW Environmental Finance Center
- Ann Kenimer, Texas AgriLife Research
- Bruce Lesikar, Texas AgriLife Research
- Charlie MacPherson, TetraTech
- Jennifer McDonnell, TetraTech
- Eric Mendelman, River Systems Institute
- Randy Rush, EPA Region 6
- Kevin Wagner, TWRI
- Aaron Wendt, TSSWCB
- Clint Wolfe, Texas AgriLife Research

Venue

The course will be held at the **Mayan Dude Ranch** at <http://www.mayanranch.com/index.html> located in Bandera, 47 miles northwest of San Antonio, high in the beautiful Hill Country of Texas.

A block of rooms has been reserved at a special rate of \$121 per night. This rate includes all meals and lodging. To receive this special rate, reservations must be made by July 31, 2009. When making your reservation, please identify yourself as attending the "Short Course."

Click **HERE** for a map to the ranch or visit: <http://www.mayanranch.com/Bandera%20Map.html>.

Please note that all attendees are responsible for their own reservations.

Travel Information

Airports

San Antonio International Airport (SAT) is only 60 minutes away. This airport is serviced by 21 air carriers. For a list of SAT air carriers click **HERE** or visit: <http://www.sanantonio.gov/aviation/airlines.asp>.

Car Rental

Car rentals are available at the San Antonio International Airport. For reservations, call the rental of your choice or go to the following web site for links to the individual carriers: <http://www.sanantonio.gov/aviation/carrentals.asp>.

- Advantage Rent-A-Car 1-800-777-5500
- Alamo Rent-A-Car 1-800-GOALAMO
- Avis Rent-A-Car 1-800-230-4890
- Budget Rent-A-Car 1-800-527-0770
- Dollar Rent-A-Car 1-800-800-4000
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car 1-800-736-8222
- The Hertz Corporation 1-800-654-3131
- National Car Rental 1-800-CARRENT
- Thrifty Car Rental 1-800-367-2277

Collaborators

- Texas Water Resources Institute, Texas A&M AgriLife
- Texas AgriLife Extension Service
- Texas AgriLife Research
- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Texas Institute for Applied Environmental Research
- River Systems Institute, Texas State University

Funding Agencies

- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency



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Registration Form

REGISTER ONLINE: [HTTP://AGRILIFEVENTS.TAMU.EDU](http://agrilifevents.tamu.edu)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Name to appear on badge _____

Agency/Organization _____

Business Mailing Address _____

City _____ County _____

State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Any Special Needs (dietary or other) _____

Registration fee includes all course materials. Course will be filled on a first-come, first served basis and only 40 seats are available.

*** Please note: to be eligible for this discounted rate, **non-federal** funds should be used for course registration.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Registration (postmarked by July 17, 2009) | \$350.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration (postmarked on or after July 17, 2009) | \$375.00 |

Method of Payment

- Check /Money Order
- MasterCard Visa Discover

Cardholder's Name _____

Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Billing Zip Code _____ 3 digit security on back of card _____

Mail/Fax Completed Form To:
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