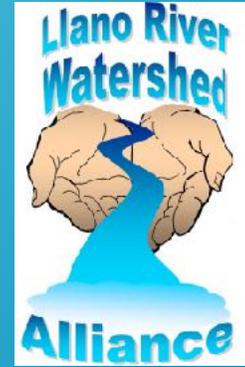


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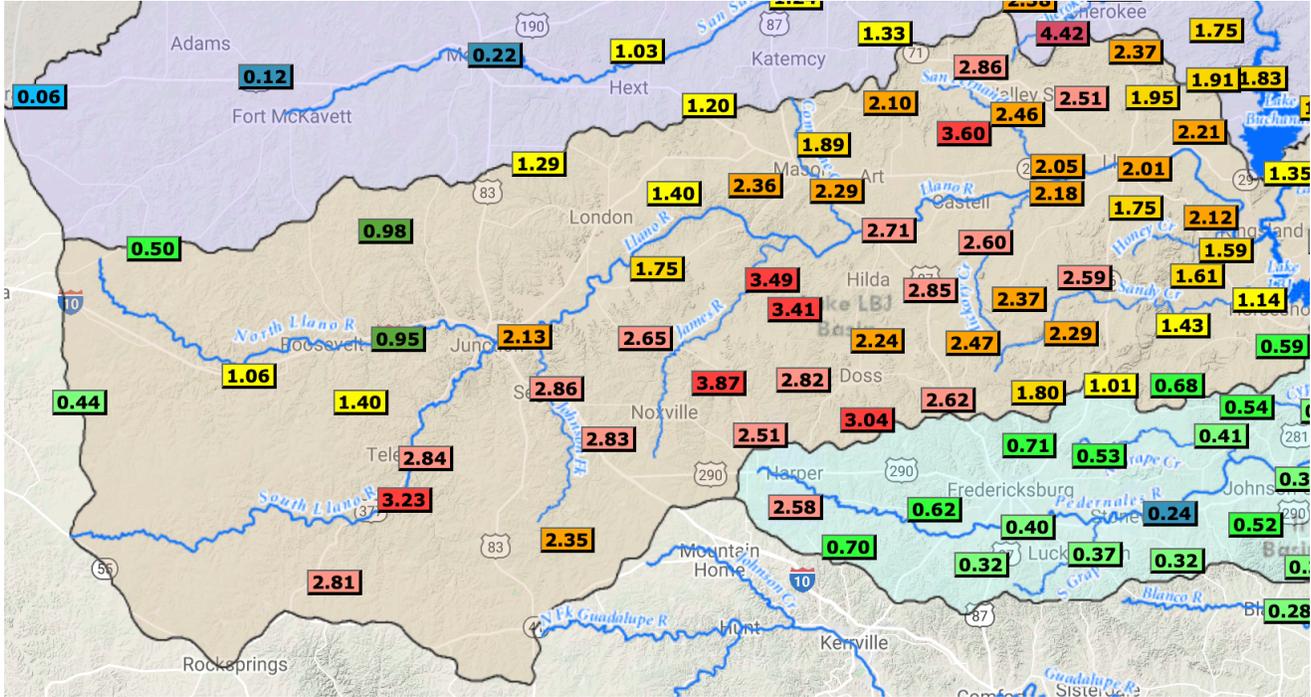
Texas Parks and Wildlife's Texas Water Specialist Program is an extension of the Texas Master Naturalist Program. All of the Webinars as part of the Program are available on the Texas Water Specialist website.

Learn about Texas Water Law, Aquatic Invasive Species, Guadalupe Bass, Macroinvertebrates, and much more.

Binge Watching Encouraged

Rains Give Rivers a Boost

Low Water Crossings Closed



Two-day rainfall totals March 19 & March 20 LCRA Hydromet



*State Park Crossing South Llano River
March 20, 2020
Photo Source : SLRSP Facebook Page*



The National Weather Service is predicting a 6 foot rise of the Llano near Mason, with the peak occurring afternoon on Saturday. This is not significant flooding, but moving kayaks to higher ground is recommended.

TPWD Closures and Program Cancellations

Texas State Parks to Close Public-Serving Facilities and Programs Starting at 12 p.m. March 19; Law Enforcement, Boat Registration Offices Close to Public Visitation

After careful evaluation of the ongoing public health situation, Texas State Parks will be limiting park programming and closing public access to park headquarters, visitor centers and park stores starting at 12 p.m. Thursday, March 19.

“Our main priority has always been the health and wellbeing of our visitors and staff, and in order to maintain this standard to the best of our abilities TPWD facilities will be modifying operations as a precautionary step towards protecting public health,” said Carter Smith, Executive Director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. “While we have worked hard to provide access to state parks through much of Spring Break, we have now reached a point where changes are imperative for safety reasons. I am grateful to our State Parks team and volunteers for their valiant work during this exceedingly difficult time and thank our visitors for their patience and understanding as we continue to evaluate additional measures to ensure the safety of everyone in the parks.”

As part of these operational changes, parks will be suspending all cash transactions where feasible. Visitors are encouraged to utilize the self-pay stations, the online reservation system and credit card transactions at this time. Other reduced services include the suspension of equipment rentals and interpretive programs. Park visitors should check the [Texas State Parks Alert Map](#) regularly for the latest

Texas Highways features Junction Business



We want our wildflowers the way we want a lot of things: to be made in Texas. That requires native seeds, which can be hard to find because they occur in areas without human intervention and are not widely sold at nurseries. But the push for native seeds has taken root as Texans are searching for drought-resistant landscaping.

Bill Neiman of Native American Seed, a cultivator of seeds for wildflowers and grasses, is the guru of this scene. Neiman used to own a nursery in Flower Mound, but the heat wave of 1980 crippled his nonnatives. This led him to an epiphany: Natives, which were blooming in the countryside near his nursery at that time, were the future.

In 1989, Neiman and his wife, Jan Neiman, founded Native American Seed in Argyle but moved to Junction in 1995...[continue reading](#)

Some Good News for our Sandy Creek Friends



Collier Withdraws Permit Application

We have just learned that Collier Materials has officially withdrawn their application for a permit from TCEQ to develop a sand mine on Sandy Creek. Save Sandy Creek, a community of concerned citizens who organized to fight against the industrialization of Sandy Creek, wishes to thank Collier Materials for their withdrawal. Save Sandy Creek will continue to work with our neighbors to facilitate the removal of the sand sediment in Lake LBJ. We encourage Collier Materials to consider joining us in this worthwhile effort. Save Sandy Creek also wishes to thank all our supporters who put aside their personal interests to work with us to the lake area community's mutual benefit.

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