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Watershed Week in Review

Llano River Watershed Alliance

Stream Bank Restoration Workshop Presentations Available



For folks who were unable to attend the Stream Bank Restoration Workshop last Friday, Bruce Cole has kindly given us permission to post copies of the presentations on the website.

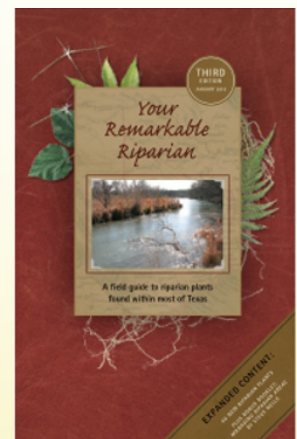
Presentations

[South Llano Presentation](#)

[BANCS Model Presentation](#)

[Stream Structures Presentation](#)

New Remarkable Riparian



The latest version of *Your Remarkable Riparian*, along with Steve Nelle's *Your Remarkable Riparian Owner's Manual* were provided to attendees at last week's Stream Bank Restoration Workshop.

Unfortunately, these great resources are no longer free, but are available for order through the [Remarkable Riparian Website](#)

Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan

Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan Available for Public Comment.

Readers of this newsletter are invited to provide comments on the draft Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan during the 30-day formal public comment period, June 8 through July 8.

The plan, developed by the Upper Llano Watershed Coordination Committee, is available for [Download on our website](#). The Alliance participated as a stakeholder in the Coordination Committee and is providing its website for hosting documents and information related to the Plan.



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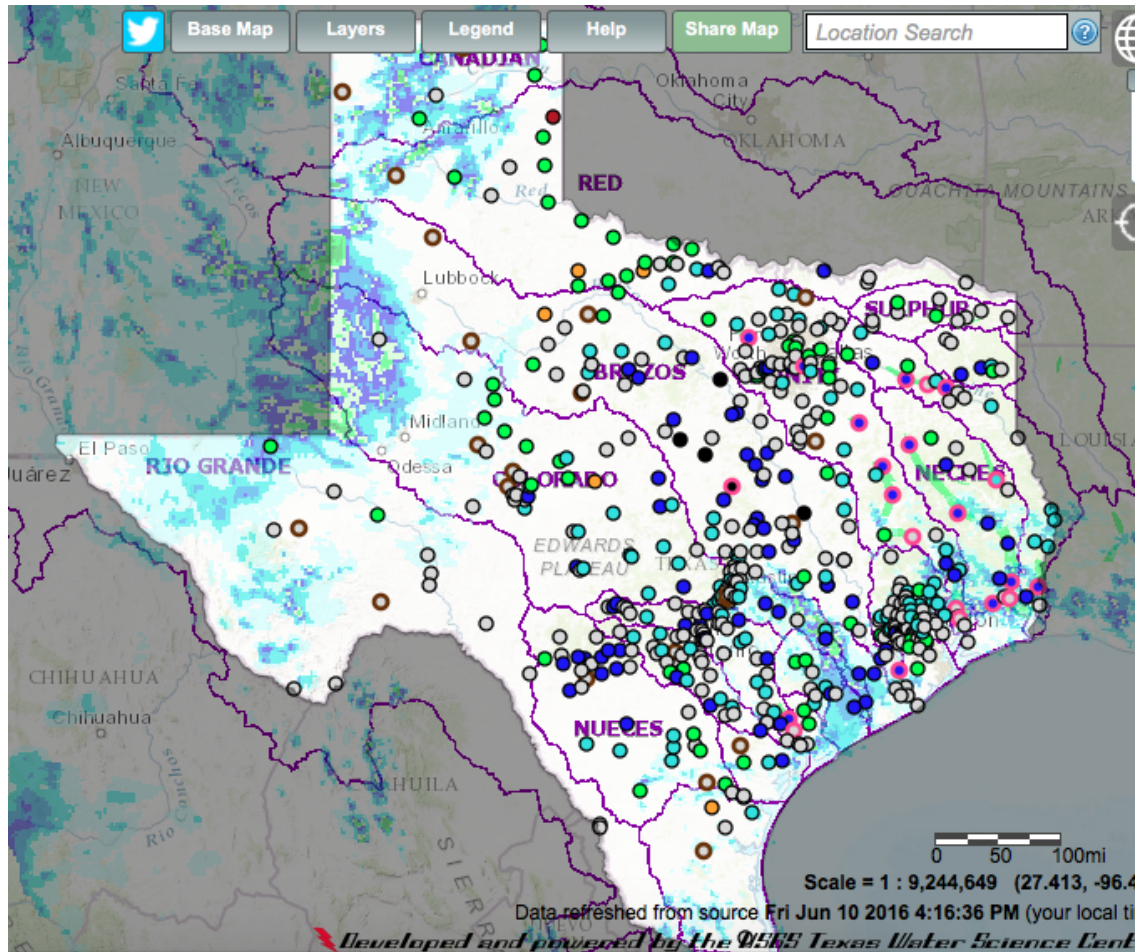
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Written comments should be submitted to Tyson Broad at P.O. Box 186, Junction, Texas 76849 or e-mailed to southllanoriver@gmail.com. All comments must be received by 5 p.m., Friday, July 8, 2016.

Texas Tech University Llano River Field Station and Texas Water Resources Institute worked with the Upper Llano River Watershed Coordination Committee to develop and implement the plan.

The Plan contains strategies to address emerging watershed issues related to feral hogs, loss of riparian habitat, spread of Ashe juniper, and urban storm water runoff, to name a few of the topics. The Coordination Committee developed these strategies based on nearly three years of water quality and aquatic sampling, as well as watershed modeling. A four-page Executive Summary of the Plan highlights the issues in the watershed and the strategies to address them.

USGS unveils new Texas Water Dashboard



The US Geological Survey recently released their [Texas Water Dashboard](#), a website devoted to providing data on floods and rainfall, rainfall predictions, and even camera feeds from their gaging stations. This website was developed in partial response to the deadly Memorial Day floods of 2015.

Users of the database can access a map to view the latest stream flow conditions for a selected gage, as well as the rate of change in flow and stage. All of these data can be examined against a backdrop of current radar conditions and projected rainfall totals over the next seven days.

The website also provides up-to-the-minute Twitter feeds for USGS flood predictions, rainfall totals, and developing storms. On the other end of the spectrum, the website provides drought and up-to-the-minute wildfire info.

Learn about the *Birds and the Bats* at South Llano River State Park this weekend



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Geocaching 101

Saturday, June 11th, 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Meet at the Acorn Blind

(down the path from the restrooms, between campsites 39 and 41)



Find out the fun of Geocaching, an outdoor treasure hunt you can do anywhere in the world using a GPS unit (provided) or your smartphone! We will practice finding some practice caches, and then hunt for an official Geocache Challenge cache! Good walking shoes, drinking water, and bug spray are recommended. All ages welcome!



Bat Bonanza!

Saturday, June 11th, 8:15 pm - 9:00 pm

Meet at the Acorn Blind

(down the path from the restrooms, between campsites 39 and 41)

Bats get a bad rap--but did you know they actually help people and nature? Find out the truth about this amazing mammal. After a presentation, we will walk nearby and see if we can spot the bats hunting their insect prey! Presentation will be outdoors, so dress accordingly.

Birding 101

Sunday, June 12th, 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Meet at the Fawn Trail parking lot
(behind Park Headquarters)



Summer Tanager

How do you tell all those colorful birds apart? Join the park ranger to learn binocular and bird ID tips, followed by a short bird walk. Binoculars provided, or bring your own. Good walking shoes and drinking water are recommended, and please dress for the weather.

Park programs are open to the public and free with park entrance fee