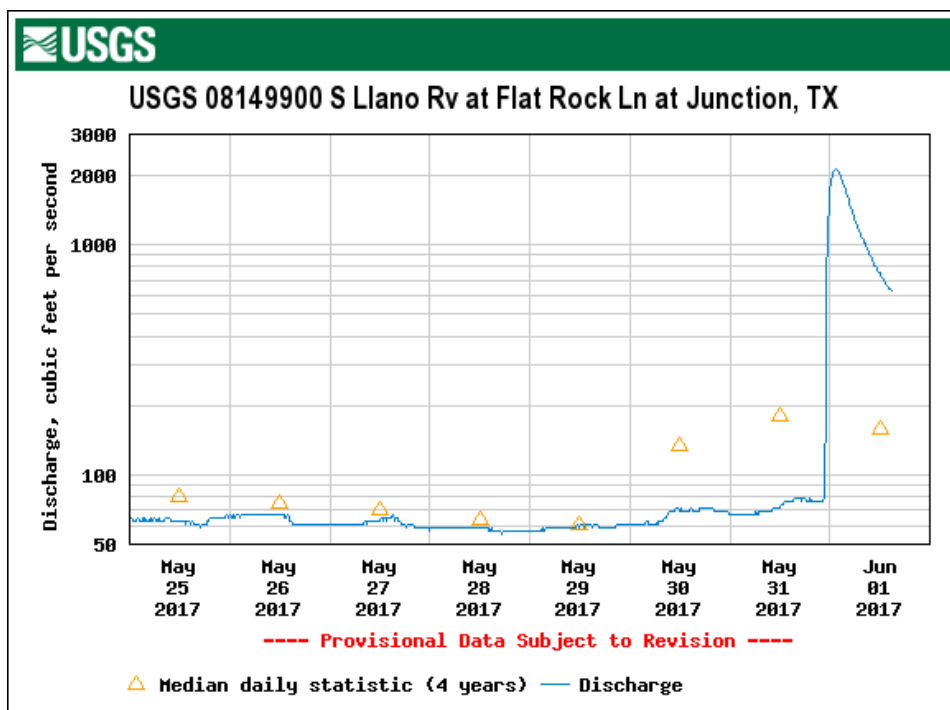


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# Watershed Week in Review

Llano River Watershed Alliance

## South Llano gets first rise of the year



Nearly 3 inches of rain above Telegraph sent a pulse flow down the South Llano River this morning. The South Llano River gage near Flatrock peaked at over 2,000 cfs a little after midnight Friday morning. This is the largest flow on the South Llano since September 26<sup>th</sup> of last year, when the gage peaked at 12,500 cfs.

## Future Scientists



Fourth graders from Coleman ISD recently had a chance to learn about macroinvertebrates in the South Llano River. Aquatic Biology is one of the many courses taught at the [Texas Tech Junction Outdoor School](#).

# TIRE RECYCLING

**Residential Only, No Commercial  
CARS, PICKUPS, & SEMIS**  
(no farm equipment tires)



**Saturday 8am-12pm (NOON)**

## JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup>

**BEHIND CITY HALL  
730 Main Street, Junction TX**

**Sponsored by Leon Bosque RC&D, Inc.**

**In conjunction with Texas Commission on  
Environmental Quality enforcement action.**

**Contact Dennis Dunagan for Information  
210-414-3968**

A 2<sup>nd</sup> chance to  
get rid of your  
tires

Due to the success of the May 20<sup>th</sup> tire recycling effort (the tire truck was full by 10:30am), Kimble County is having another Tire Recycling event for those who were unable to recycle their tires.

NOTE: The Tire Recycling Event is solely for residents of Kimble County

## Restoring a Kimble County Ranch with NRCS Programs

*By Donnie Lunsford, Public Affairs Specialist NRCS*



Almost 49 years ago, Jose Murillo was looking for work on a ranch in the Hill Country near Junction when he came upon a rancher working his cattle. Murillo was 17 years old at the time and needed room and board. Rancher Jim Henry saw potential in the young man and gave him an opportunity. Days turned into months and months into years. Owners Jim and Ann Wright gave the ranch to the Murillo family upon their passing in 2004. Murillo and his wife are grateful to own the ranch that gave them their start as a young couple.

[Continue reading](#)

## Volunteer opportunity: controlling invasive Chinaberry along the South Llano

On Monday, June 12th, join Hill Country Alliance, Texas Parks & Wildlife, Texas Tech, Native American Seed, and the Llano River Watershed Alliance at the Llano River Field Station in Junction, TX, to learn about riparian (river-side) ecosystems, non-native invasive plants, and how to steward riparian systems.

Volunteers will help restore riparian habitat along the Llano River by controlling non-native, invasive

Chinaberry trees with hand-tools (e.g. hand saws, loppers). Chinaberry have encroached on this reach of river, displacing native plant species that insects, fish, and wildlife depend on for habitat needs.



Photo : National Park Service

**Drinks, snacks, and hand-tools will be provided.**

**Please bring work gloves, a refillable bottle of water, appropriate fieldwork clothing (e.g. long pants and shirt, closed-toe shoes, a hat) and sunscreen.**

*[For more information...](#)*

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## Registration Deadline Approaching



The Hill Country Chapter of Texas Master Naturalist is accepting applications until June 30<sup>th</sup> for classes next fall.

Classes meet twelve Wednesdays starting August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Class size is limited to forty people.

[Click here for more information](#)

## Events at South Llano River State Park this weekend

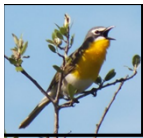


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### Family Park Programs South Llano River State Park Phone: (325) 446-3994



Yellow-breasted Chat

#### Bird Walk

Friday, June 2nd, 8:30 am - 10:00 am

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

Join us as we walk the trails, sit in the blind, and see what we can spot! Good walking shoes, sun protection, and drinking water are recommended. Binoculars provided, or bring your own. All ages and skill levels welcome.

#### National Trails Day: Fawn Trail Nature Hike

Saturday, June 3rd, 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Meet at the Walk-in Campground parking lot

Celebrate National Trails Day with a morning hike on our Fawn Trail, as we find out more about the plants and animals of the Hill Country. This hike is 3 miles round-trip, and is moderate in difficulty -- parts of the trail are steep and rocky, and others are more flat. Hiking boots or good walking shoes, sun protection, and plenty of drinking water are recommended. All ages welcome.

No pets, please.



#### Skins, Skulls, and More!

Saturday, June 3rd, Drop in between 3:00 pm and 4:00 pm

Held at the Acorn Blind

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

Stop by the Acorn Blind between 3:00 and 4:00 to see and touch animal furs and skulls, and find out what a skull can tell us about how that animal survives! Children must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Birding 101

Sunday, June 4th, 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Meet at the Acorn Blind

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

How do you tell all those colorful birds apart? Join us as we share binocular tips and tricks, and find out easy ways to identify birds. We will sit in the blind and then if time permits, we will go on a short bird walk. Binoculars provided, or bring your own. Good walking shoes and drinking water recommended. All ages and skill levels welcome.



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