

Discussion of the Draft Sections of the Geronimo and Alligator Creeks WPP

Management Measures Proposed for the Geronimo and Alligator Creeks Watershed Protection Plan

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Management Measures

- Urban nonpoint sources
- Wastewater nonpoint sources
- Agricultural nonpoint sources

Urban Management Measures

- Dog waste
 - Enhance funding for the City of Seguin pet spay/neuter program and expand it to the entire watershed
 - Identify areas to install pet waste stations within the watershed and seek funding to purchase and install
 - Help to establish pet waste ordinances for the city of Seguin
 - Conduct an outreach and education program to dog owners in the watershed about the importance of proper pet waste management, in light of the two new “dog parks”

Urban Management Measures

- Urban stormwater runoff
 - Seek funding for an engineering analysis for both cities to identify and prioritize new and retrofitted stormwater management practices that should be implemented
 - Provide an outreach and education program dealing with urban stormwater management with components for city personnel and the general public
 - Coordinate with the Geronimo and Alligator Creeks Flood Study to provide input on flood mitigation structures to improve water quality in stormwater runoff

Wastewater Management Measures

- Incorporate the Cities of New Braunfels and Seguin Sanitary Sewer Overflow Initiatives agreement with TCEQ into the WPP
- Seek funding for educational programs for homeowners with septic systems
- Seek funding sources to provide for repair/replacement/upgrade of failing septic systems

Wastewater Management Measures

- Explore ways to expand sanitary sewer systems to areas served by septic systems
- Continue with current inspection and enforcement programs for septic systems
- Seek funding for annual household hazardous waste cleanups in the watershed

Agricultural Management Measures

- Develop Water Quality Management Plans for livestock and cropland operations in the watershed
- Pursue funding to create a new position for the local SWCD to assist agricultural producers with design and implementation of WQMPs
- Organize and conduct annual feral hog education workshops for landowners and managers
- Provide educational programs for agricultural producers targeting nonpoint source pollution control to include Riparian Workshops

Watershed Coordinator

- Pursue funding for a Watershed Coordinator position located in the watershed
- The Watershed Coordinator would assist locally with technical and financial assistance for implementation of management measures and outreach programs
- Additional duties could include: oversight of project activities, seek additional funding for project partners, organize/coordinate Partnership meetings, website maintenance, tracking and reporting implementation

Timeline

- October- Provide stakeholders with the second section of the draft WPP
- November- Partnership meeting
- End of December- Deliver all four sections of the complete draft WPP to the stakeholders
- January 2011- Begin to discuss and review final draft
- Early February- Conduct public meetings in New Braunfels and Seguin to receive comments on draft WPP
- Late February- Partnership reviews and comment on final draft report
- March- Partnership approves the final WPP

Flood Protection Plan for Geronimo and Alligator Creeks' Watersheds Public Meeting

Wednesday, November 4, 2010
Navarro ISD Elementary Cafeteria
380 Link Road
Seguin, Tx 78155
6:30 – 8:30 pm