

Dear Sir,

You are invited to attend the upcoming Smart Growth Workshop on March 25th, 2014 from 8:30am – 3:00pm at the GBRA River Annex at 905 Nolan Street in Seguin. The goal of the workshop is to better equip decision makers so that they are able to consider the impacts of nonpoint source pollution in their daily activities.

Topics addressed in the workshop will include:

- linkages between land use types, water quality, and community character
- reducing storm water runoff volume and improving water quality through use of Low Impact Development (LID) techniques such as use of permeable pavements, rain gardens, vegetated swales, “curbless” streets, and others to enhance flood control
- other issues that are relevant to decision makers like you.

The workshop will be a combination of in-class presentations and outdoor demonstrations. Dr. Fouad Jaber, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Specialist in Integrated Water Resources Management, will explain how different Smart Growth techniques can help mitigate the harmful effects of urbanization on stormwater volume and water quality. The workshop is hosted by GBRA and AgriLife Extension as part of implementation of the Geronimo and Alligator Creeks Watershed Protection Plan (<http://www.geronimocreek.org/>).

The workshop and catered lunch are free, however, I ask that you register in order to reserve your seat. Also, please feel free to pass this invitation to others who might have an interest in attending. If you have any questions about the workshop or want to register, contact me at 979-845-6980 or wling@ag.tamu.edu

Thank you,

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