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## The Geronimo Flow

Geronimo & Alligator Creeks Watershed Partnership



Happy New Year! I hope your holiday season was filled with joy and that your January is off to an excellent start! For 2024, the Geronimo and Alligator Creeks Partnership is ready to provide quality educational events, engaging outreach, and meaningful volunteer opportunities to improve local water quality - just like last year. If you're interested in joining our efforts, you can find a calendar of upcoming events on the last page of this newsletter. The cornerstone of our work is invested stakeholders! Anyone who comes to an educational program, connects with us at an outreach event, or volunteers a few hours with our Spring Cleanup event can make a significant and meaningful contribution to our ability to do this work. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who has given their valuable time to reduce nonpoint source pollution and protect Geronimo and Alligator Creeks!

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**GERONIMO & ALLIGATOR** WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP

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# YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR LOCAL WATER QUALITY!

Our watershed protection plan is rooted in the understanding that for meaningful improvement of water quality, many individual stakeholders have to make the decision to change their behavior. Nonpoint source pollution can't be addressed without community wide action.



But how can one person make a difference for local water quality? It can start with something as simple as sharing this newsletter with a friend. You can also consider attending one of our educational events. Each one

provides practical steps to reducing nonpoint source pollution. We offer a variety of courses that address watershed stewardship at home, on farms and ranches, and in urban settings. Each time someone attends a class and adopts a new practice, nonpoint source pollution can be reduced. And the

impact doesn't stop there! When you share your story of change with your community, they can also learn and adopt new practices. The Geronimo and Alligator Creeks Watershed Partnership also offers volunteer events where participants can get outside and make a measurable difference. The annual cleanup events have removed over 33,000 lbs. of trash from the watershed! If you want to learn more about these opportunities, consider attending an upcoming event or reach out to the watershed coordinator!



# Watershed Calendar

## Spring

#### Jan 25 - Maintenance of Aerobic Septic Systems: Certification

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Guadalupe County Extension Office. Treatment processes, safety, and inspection will be covered, and participants in Guadalupe County will be certified to maintain their own systems. The course and a light breakfast are FREE but preregistration is required. Find all the details at www.geronimocreek.org

#### March 22 - Turfgrass Management Program

This program is designed for turfgrass professionals and will include up to 5 Texas Department of Agriculture pesticide applicator CEUs

#### **April - Spring Stream Cleanup**

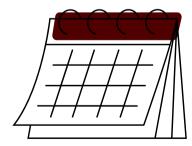
Join us for the 11'th annual spring cleanup! Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt, breakfast tacos, and coffee. More importantly, you can help make a real difference in your watershed!

### Summer

**Healthy Lawns Healthy Waters** 

### Fall

Low Impact Development Workshop



Fall Stream Cleanup

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