

TexasWater

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Water, essential for life, is our most precious and valuable natural resource. But water supply is limited and under increasing pressure from a growing population. How will we protect this resource and plan for a

sustainable future? There is a great need for a water-literate public; decisions being made today have far reaching and long lasting effects for our children and future generations.

The Texas Water Symposium Series provides perspectives from policy makers, scientists, water resource experts and regional leaders. Join us as we explore the complex issues and challenges in providing water for Texans in this century. Each session is free and open to the public. The hour-long program begins at 7:00 pm, followed by discussion time with Q&A. The events are recorded and aired on Texas Public Radio one week later.

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Doors open at 6:30, Program 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Balancing Rural and Urban Water Needs: How Local and Regional Planning Activities Ensure Long-Term Supplies

Moderator: State Representative-Elect Andrew Murr Schreiner University, CACC River Room, 2100 San Antonio Hwy, Kerrville, TX 78028

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State Representative-Elect Andrew Murr, House District 53, Hill Country Counties include: Bandera, Crockett, Edwards, Kerr, Kimble, Llano, Mason, Medina, Menard, Real, Schleicher and Sutton

Panelists:

Suzanne B. Scott, General Manager of the San Antonio River Authority, and Chairman of the Guadalupe/San Antonio Bay and Basin Stakeholder Committee

John Ashworth PG, Hydro-geologist at LBG-Guyton, and Plateau Regional Water Planning Group (Region J) Professional Consultant

Tommy Mathews, PG, REM - President Westward Environmental, Inc., Guadalupe Blanco River Authority Director from Kendall County - Board Vice Chair, Former Cow Creek GCD Representative - Board President (2000-2014)

Difficult decisions lie ahead as urban areas demand more water, rural areas experience loss of spring flow, and our region faces increased challenges brought by population growth and drought. Are Central Texas' water planning processes on track to balance the needs of its rural and urban users and protect the natural water resources that sustain our ecologic and economic health?

Our panelists will discuss their experiences with water planning processes; what's working and what needs to improve. Learn how you can participate and make your voice heard. Please join us!