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Land Stewardship Workshop for Women

Women of the Land is a land stewardship training program designed specifically for women landowners, land managers, hunters, and wildlife enthusiasts. This workshop is designed to encourage women to become active land managers, develop and hone their management skills, and network with women of similar interests. The Texas Wildlife Association (TWA), in partnership with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and with support from the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, will host this event.

The 2010 *Women of the Land* workshop will be held at La Bandera near Carrizo Springs, Texas, May 14th – 16th. The cost is \$200 for TWA members and \$235 for non-members. The registration fee covers meals, lodging, and materials. Non-members will receive a one-year membership to the Texas Wildlife Association. Registration is limited to 40 participants and is now open to first time and repeat attendees.

Much of this workshop will be conducted in the field. Topics to be discussed include habitat, land ethics, soils and hydrology, plant identification, wildlife identification and biology, pond management, nature photography, watershed management, income diversification, and contract negotiations. Instructors will be wildlife and natural resource professionals from the private sector, Texas Wildlife Association, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service, Texas AgriLife Extension, and other organizations.

If you or someone you know is interested in the *Women of the Land* program, please visit the Texas Wildlife Association website at <http://www.texas-wildlife.org> or contact Courtney Hollimon at 800-TEX-WILD, 210-826-2904, or chollimon@texas-wildlife.org.

Texas Wildlife Association - The Texas Wildlife Association is a statewide organization that is an active advocate in the state and national political arenas for wildlife and natural resource conservation. Education of our young people and our growing urban populations, increasingly disconnected from the land, is critical to understanding our natural resources and maintaining rural lifestyles.

