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## Large-Scale Rainwater Harvesting at Texas Public Schools

Bandera High School, Bandera, Texas

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**Our objective:** Texas House Bill 3391 encourages school districts to implement rainwater harvesting systems. The purpose of this book is to share our experience and to encourage the conservation of water. We think our rainwater collection system is a good idea and we are imagining how it might be implemented at a variety of other schools. In 2013 Bandera received 22 inches of rainfall. We caught and sprayed onto the baseball field a half a million gallons of rainwater. That is approximately 5% of the total water pumped out of the aquifer that is used by the high school for all purposes during a year.

**Disclaimer:** We are not civil, structural or mechanical engineers. We are not plumbers, electricians or licensed irrigators. **We have consulted** with engineers, plumbers, licensed irrigators and others and have tried to build this system according the the best management practices. The information included in this book is to give you an idea of what is possible and what it cost us. (Remember, our only costs were for materials...no labor, overhead, taxes, insurance or profit.) If you want to build a system at your school, you will need to engage the help of several professionals to carry out the plans successfully. Brand names are given only to give you a starting place on building your own system.

#### **Introduction**

- Bandera HS is one of 1445 high schools, 1591 middle schools and 4001 elementary schools in Texas<sup>1</sup>. Most of these schools have large roofs, large parking lots, and large areas of grass that need to be watered. Usually the water used for irrigating the athletic fields comes from the potable water supply for the school. The idea of this project is to reduce the use of potable water by substituting minimally treated rainwater caught and stored on the site for irrigation.
- Bandera High School has its "own" well and pumps its "own" water out of the Lower Trinity Aquifer. We use about 9,000,000 gallons per year (27.5 Acre-feet). Approximately half of this goes to irrigate athletic fields. David Jeffery, Geologist with the *Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District* has drawn a map of the "cone of depression" in the aquifer (see figure below) surrounding the town of Bandera. The water coming out of the aquifer has been dated to thousands of years ago which indicates that the recharge is happening very slowly (like when it rains out by Ozona). When water is pumped under these conditions, we refer to it as "mining" "fossil water." It can be likened to pumping oil out of an oil well. The oil (or the water) does not get replenished in our era or epoch or eon or any time soon.



 They<sup>2</sup> say you cannot farm west of 100 °W in the United States unless you irrigate your crop. In Bandera, grass will not stay green unless you irrigate it during the dry spells between rainfalls. Grass needs about one inch of water per week to stay green. That is about 50,000 gallons per week for our baseball field. We water our field three times per week spraying on about 1/3" each time. This is not the best way to water grass but it allows the field to be used on a daily basis. Map from Texas Manual on Rainwater Harvesting<sup>4</sup>



• These "case studies" will examine other schools and their sites and propose designs for rainwater systems for their particular location and topography. We will try to do some economic evaluation based on the prices we paid for materials here at BHS and the dollar cost of water at the various other schools. One evaluation does not involve dollars but is important nevertheless. That is, how much water is there? We need to conserve water for the doubling of the population we are looking forward to in Central Texas<sup>3</sup> in the next fifty years.

#### Chapter 1. Bandera High School by Brad Flink

#### THE LOCATION

Bandera High School is a Class 3A high school with about 800 students. It is the only high school in the Bandera Independent School District. It sits just outside of the city limits of Bandera in Bandera County. It is in the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District and sits on top of the Lower Trinity Aquifer from which it draws its water. David Jeffery is the District Geologist.

It is in Region J of the Texas Water Development Board's Regional Water Planning Areas. Connie Townsend is the Regional Water Planner.

Bandera High School sits right next to the Medina River which flows into the San Antonio River which flows into San Antonio Bay.

Bandera H.S. is within the Hill Country Priority Groundwater Management Area as designated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. Bandera H.S. is in the SouthTexas Watermaster Area, John Paul Jones is the Watermaster.

Bandera High School does not buy water from a supplier, it has its own well.

The electricity is supplied by the Bandera Electric Coop which buys it from the Lower Colorado River Authority.

Republic Services handles the trash disposal and any waste (silt) the tanks generate.

#### THE NEED

Bandera High School sits at 99° west longitude. Our average rainfall is 26"/year. Our evaporation rate is 65"/year and the average length of drought in Bandera is 100 days<sup>4</sup>. When you are trying to capture and use rainwater...what really matters is the size of your collection area, the volume of your tanks, and how many times during the year the tanks will be filled or partially filled, and then sprayed out on the fields and then refilled again without overflowing. This is determined by rainfall amounts and the time between rainfalls. If the tank is too small and it overflows, you lose the chance of using that rainfall later. Another consideration is the hot sun. In May of 2012 we had three inches of rain. One week later we were spraying water on the field. A three inch rain does not eliminate the need for irrigation for the next three weeks. It means that our storage should be big enough to catch a two or three inch rain based on the size of catchment area we have, assuming the grass area is big enough to utilize the water.



Photo showing parking lot, channels, collector boxes, 12" and 15" pipes, tanks and pump house

#### THE SITE

Bandera High School is sited on a hilltop. Our building site is about 53 acres. The buildings are placed in the middle on the highest point, the parking lots are below the buildings and the fields are below the parking lots. This topography allowed us to place our tanks below the parking lots (and buildings) allowing rainwater to be collected from the roofs *and* parking and piped into the tanks through gravity flow. Not only were the elevations fortuitous, the existing ground at the bottom of the tank footings was a solid limestone ledge, level and at least one foot thick. This gives our tanks a non-moving foundation, hopefully minimizing future cracks and leaks. Different building sites will encounter different conditions.

Bandera High School is a campus of about six separate buildings. Total area of the roofs is 142,000 square feet. We have asphalt parking areas and roads totaling 258,000 sq.ft. We have four athletic fields

## of the following sizes: football 100,000, baseball 114,000, practice 58,000 and softball 33,000. Total impervious area is 400,000 sq. ft. Total grass area is 305,000 sq. ft. THE RAINWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM



#### Tank floor plan and section

As of 2013 we have built two concrete tanks that each hold 42,000 gallons. We keep 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  feet of water in the tanks which allows us to catch a about 70,000 gallons before they overflow. We catch water off of the faculty parking lot which is 60,000 s.f. A one-inch rain will generate (60,000s.f. x .6 gal/s.f.) 36,000 gallons. A two-inch rain will fill up both tanks. The tanks are hooked up to water the baseball field only. That amounts to almost two weeks of watering. The school also has a football, softball and practice field-therefore, we could use more tanks, pumps, and piping. We have plenty of collection area. Our system is designed to be automatic. No man power is needed except to set the timer on the sprinkler system. When there is no rainwater, the tank is filled (up to 1 1/2') with potable water from the school's water system. This is a drawback because we have to pressurize water twice. This occurs when we are in a dry period and was done for the sake of automation. We cut into the existing sprinkler system to hook up our rainwater system. We have an RPZ, backflow preventer, and air gap between the potable system

and our non-potable rainwater. The pump is a variable speed pump that runs on 460 volts. We have an *Amiad* filter with a 300 micron stainless steel screen filter in the pump house before the water goes to the sprinkler system.

Our cast-in-place concrete tanks are 30 feet in diameter which works out just right for the *Symons* forms supplied by *CMC Construction Services*. We used stainless steel ties with neoprene washers with the formwork. The foundation we built (similar to a house foundation) had a 5" slab, 12" by 18" perimeter beam and also 12"x18" beams crossing the middle at the interior. The walls are 8 feet tall and 8 inches thick. The concrete was 3000 psi (straight cement, no fly ash) with a 4 ½" slump with pea gravel and fibers. We vibrated it a lot! The wall reinforcing was 1/2" bars at 12 "on center both ways with an extra bar added at the top perimeter. We took the wall rebar (and our roof beam) over to *Southwest Galvanizing* and had them galvanized. This added \$800 to the cost but we are trying to make our tanks last 50 years. The joint between the walls and the floor is waterproofed with <u>CS-231 Controlled Expansion Waterstop Sealant</u> by *Conseal*. We also used this to seal around our pipe penetrations in the walls and slab.

We plastered the interior of the tank where we had honeycomb. We used acrylic-based concrete bonder in the liquid for the plaster. Once the big voids were covered, we painted the interior walls and floor with two coats of <u>Tamoseal</u> cement based waterproofing finish available at *I-10 Building Materials*.

The roof is R-Panels attached to galvanized Z-purlins which are bolted to the top of the wall and are supported by a steel beam (which was also galvanized) across the middle of the tank. The purpose of the roof is to keep out light, mosquitoes, bats, leaves and trash and minimize evaporation.

We will need to clean out the silt from the tank perhaps every other year. It will be tested before we dump it back on our site or haul it to a waste site. We had it tested at *San Antonio Testing Lab* for the RCRA8 (heavy metals) and TPH (total petroleum hydrocarbons). The metals were within background levels. The TPH was a little high. We will treat the silt with "Micro-Blaze" from <u>Verde Environmental</u> in Houston, Tx. to reduce the TPH. We will then test it again before we can hopefully dispose of it on our site.

We test the water in the tank on a monthly basis for coliforms and e.coli and the water has usually tested suitable for swimming. In other words,.. no e.coli. One time the e.coli was high and we added a gallon of bleach to 20,000 gallons in the tanks. That treatment took care of the bacteria. We have locks on the roof hatches and warning signs to keep kids out of the tanks. It is a "confined space" and must be treated as such. To enter the tank safely we have tested the atmosphere with a *QRAEII* tester and have not found dangerous conditions. We also have signs around the baseball field stating "Non-potable water, do not drink."

Water is directed off of the parking lot by the curbs which feed into channels that pour into concrete "collector boxes." The water then enters either a 12" or a 15" pipe and flows into the top of the tank by gravity. It is a "dry pipe" system. We have 1⁄4" hardware cloth screens that keep the leaves and large trash out of the tanks. We also have hardware cloth screens inside the tanks over the outlets at the bottom of the tanks.





Section through Collector Box

#### **ECONOMICS**

The cost of our system so far has been \$25,000 for each tank, collector box and pipe. The pump house and equipment and underground piping cost about \$15,000. Our total cost so far has been about \$65,000. This is for materials only. Students have provided the labor. If a school does not have a Building Trades program, then a contractor would have to be involved.

The electric bill for pumping water averages about \$75 per month or \$900 per year.

So far we have not caught any air- conditioning condensate but that is highly recommended if possible. Our air conditioner units are scattered over the roofs and the condensate flows into the gutters and evaporates.

Construction cost ÷ life of tank 30 years	65,000 <b>( note: this is materials only)</b> <u>÷ 30</u> \$ 2166/ yr
Operating and Maintenance electricity maintenance	900/yr 300/yr

\$3366 /yr

Water caught: 500,000 gallons

Water Production Cost-- 3366/500,000 gal. = 3.0067/gallon = 3.67/100 gallons (If we use 50 years for the life of the tank, the cost is reduced to 3.50/100 gallons.)

This compares to about \$.55/100 gallons from the city of Bandera at the Middle School

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Stephen Colley/Architecture Dr. Hari J. Krishna, P.E., Contract Manager Chapter 2 Rainwater Collection for Bandera Middle School by Tommy Garcia

Bandera Middle School is located in the city of Bandera, TX.

557 students attend Bandera Middle School and there is not a Building Trades Program at the school, but there is one at the nearby high school.

The school currently gets its water from the city of Bandera which pumps it out of the Lower Trinity Aquifer. Water costs \$.60/100 gallons.

The system we are proposing for Bandera Middle School consists of catching water off of the roofs and storing the water in two above-ground concrete tanks. The untreated water will then be used to irrigate the football field. This system assumes we will catch water off of 60,000+ square feet of roof area. A one inch rain should produce about 37,500 gallons of water. Two tanks would be able to catch and store 65,000 gallons when empty.

Bandera Middle School recieves on average 28" of rain per year. With 60,000s.f. of roof area we could catch over a million gallons of water per year. (60,000sfx.625 gal/sf x28"= 1,050,000 gallons). A more realistic estimate would be that we would catch 60% of the total possible... say 630,000 gallons. At .60/100 gallons, that equals \$3780 worth of water per year.

Our system would cost about \$100,000 for materials and labor. If we produced 3780 worth of water per year it would pay for itself in 26 years.



Cost Estimate for rainwater collection system		stem	em Bandera Middle School					
<u>Amount</u>	<u>units</u>	<b>Description</b>	<u>Materials</u> <u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Materials</u> total	<u>Labor</u> <u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Labor</u> Total	<u>Misc. or</u> subcontractors	
		General Requirements						
1	ea	permits	100	100				
1	ea	safety equipment	500	500				
		engineers					5000	
		Site Work						
		Fencing						
100	lin. Ft	Silt fence	0.5	50				
200	lin. ft.	dig ditches subcontractor	2	400				
		Tanks						
2	ea	Concrete Tanks	23000	46000				
		guess at the labor for a contractor to do the						
		work				25000		
		Gutters and downspouts						
332	lin. Ft.	Gutters	1	332				
17	ea	downspouts with funnel and screen	30	510				
1	ea	roofwasher	200	200				
800	lin. Ft.	6" trunkline	2.89	2312				
		ditching					2000	
		Pump House and pumps						
1	ea	pump house or "hot box"	5000	5000				
1	ea	pump/controller/pressure tank/ valves	5500	5500				
1	ea	filter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700				
2	ea	water meters	500	1000				
1	ea	RPZ (reduced pressure zone)	500	500				
		plumberhook up RPZ		0			500	
100	lf	3" Sched 40 fill pipes	3	300				
1000	lf	3" sched. 40 pipes to field	3	3000				
		electricianhook up electrical/ pump		0			1500	
1	ea	electrical Supply. (poles/transformers/	1000	1000				
		switchgear						
		1 - 1 - 1		67404		25000		
				67404		25000	9000	
		sum total of all					101404	

Chapter 3. Rainwater Collection System for Boerne High School by Bobby Ketterer

Boerne High School (BHS) is located in the city of Boerne, Texas. 881 students attend Boerne and there may be a Building Trades Program in the future at the school. The school currently gets its water from the city of Boerne which pumps it out of the Middle Trinity Aquifer, Canyon Lake and Boerne Lake. Water costs \$.51/100 gallons (for 65,000 gallons).

The system we are proposing for BHS consists of catching water off of the roofs and storing the water in several above-ground concrete tanks. Catching water off the roofs would be much cleaner than off the parking lots and would be nearly potable. This system assumes we will catch water off of 85,000 square feet of roof area. A one inch rainfall should produce about 42500 gallons of water. When empty, two tanks would be able to catch and store 70,000 gallons.

Boerne receives on average 34" of rain per year. With 85,000 square feet of roof area, we would catch 1,445,000 gallons of water per year. A more realistic estimate would be that we would catch 60% of the total possible. That would give a total of 867,000 gallons of water.

Our system would cost about \$75,000 for materials only (assuming the students would build it.) If we produced \$4400 ( $867000/100 \times .51$ ) worth of water per year it would pay for itself in 17 years.



## Boerne High School



		Boerne High School	estimate				
			materials		labor unit		misc. or
amount	units	description	unit cost	materials total	cost	labor total	subcontractors
		1 General requirements		0			
1	ea	permits	100.00	100	)		
		Engineering		0			3,000.00
1	ea	safety equipment	1,000.00	1,000			
				C			
				C			
				C			
		2 Site Work		0			
		fencing		0			
100	) If	silt fence	0.50	50			
				C			
				C			
		3 Tanks		0			
2	ea	concrete tank	23,000.00	46,000			
				0			
				0			
				0			
		4 gutters and downspouts		0			
		gutters	2.65	0			
28	ea 🛛	downspout/roof washers	50.00	1,400			
1300	) If	6" Trunklines	4.00	5,200			
				0			
				0			
		5 pump house and pumps		0			
1	ea	pump house or "hot box"	5000	5000			
1	ea	pump/controller/pressure tank/	5500	5500			
1	. ea	filter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700			
2		water meters	E00	1000			
	. ea	BP7 (reduced pressure zone)	500	500			
	. ea	nlumbor, book up PD7	500	500			500.00
100	lf	2" Sched 40 fill pipes	2	300			500.00
100	) If	3" sched 40 nines to field	3	3000			
1000		electrician hook un electrical/	5	5000			
				U U			1 000 00
1	ea	electrical Supply	1000	1000	1		1,000.00
-		(poles/transformers/ switchgear	1000	1000			
				0			
				0			
		total		70.750		0.00	4.500.00

Fredericksburg High School (FHS) is located on highway 16 in Fredericksburg, Texas. It is a 3a school that currently serves around one thousand students in grades 9-12 and has a Building Trades program. The school currently gets its water from the city of Fredericksburg which pumps it out of the Ellenberger aquifer for \$.63/100 gallons.

The system we are proposing for FHS consists of catching water off of the contributing parking lots and storing the water in two above ground concrete tanks. The untreated water will then be used to irrigate the game field or practice fields. This system assumes we will catch water off of around 80,000 square feet of student and faculty parking lot. A one inch rainfall should produce about 50,000 gallons of untreated water. Two tanks would be able to catch and store 70,000 gallons. Fredericksburg receives an average of 32" of precipitation per year. With about 80,000 square feet of parking lot we would be able to catch an average of 1,600,000 gallons of water per year. However, a more realistic estimate would be that we would catch 50% of the total possible, which would be 800,000 gallons. At .63/100 gallons, that equals around \$5000 worth of water. Our system would cost about \$78,000 for materials only (we are assuming the students would build it.) If we produced \$5000 worth of water per year it would pay for itself in 16 years. Another way to look at this would be that 600,000 gallons would provide water for the field for 12 weeks.





Fredericksburg High School

Cost estimation	ate for rai	nwater collection systemFredericks	burg				
			materials unit		labor unit		misc. or
Amount	Units	Description	cost	materials total	cost	labor total	subcontractors
		1 General Requirements					
		Permits		100			
		Safety Equipment		500			
		engineers					5000
		2 Site Work		0			
		Excavation For Underground Tank					
1		andnew retaining wall	2000	2000			4500
2		Silt Fence/sq. ft	0.5	1			
				0			
		3 Tanks					
2		Concrete Tank	23000	46000			
		4 Collector Boxes And Pipes					
1	ea	Concrete Collector Box	1000	1000			
120	if	15" pipe	12.41	1489.2			
		5 Pump Hotbox					
1	ea	pump house or "hot box"	5000	5000			
				5500			
1	ea	pump/controller/pressure tank/	5500	5500			
1		filter (recirculate velves (times)	700	700			
1	ea	hiter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700			
Z	ea	BPZ (reduced pressure zope)	500	1000			
I	ea	nlumber book up PD7	500	500			500
100	lf	3" Sched 40 fill pipes	2	300			500
500	lf	3" sched 40 nines to field	3	1500			
500		electrician book un electrical/	5	1500			1500
		numn		0			1300
1	62	electrical Supply	1000	1000			
1	24	(poles/transformers/ switchgear	1000	1000			
		(poies) ir ansionnersy switchgear					
		Total		66590.2			11500

#### Chapter 5 <u>Hondo High School</u> by Dillon Vikari

Hondo High school is located in the city of Hondo TX. 500 students attend Hondo and there is a building trades program at the school. The school currently gets its water from the city of Hondo which pumps it out of the Edwards aquifer. Water cost 57 cents for 100 gallons.

The system we are proposing for Hondo consists of catching water off the roofs and storing the water in two below ground concrete tanks. The untreated water will then be used to irrigate the practice field. This system assumes we will catch 60000 square feet of roof area. A one inch rainfall should produce about 37500 gallons of water./Two tanks would be able to catch and store 65000 gallons.

Hondo receives an average of 26 of rain per year. With 60000 square feet of roof area we could catch 975000 gallons of water per year. A more realistic estimate would be 60 percent of the total possible.. say 585,000 gallons. That equals \$3335 worth of water.

Our system would cost about \$79,000 for materials only and would take 24 years to pay for it.



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#### Hondo High School



		Hono	ndo High Schoolestimate					
amount	units	Description	materials unit cost	materials total	labor unit cost	labor total	misc. or subcontractors	
		1 General Requirements		0				
1	ea	safety materials	500	500				
1	ea	permits	200	200				
1	ea	scaffolds /tools	1000	1000				
				0				
		engineerscivil					3000	
		Structural					1000	
							1000	
				0				
		2 Site Work		0				
		excavation for underground		0			4500	
		tank/ dirt stockpiled on site						
200	lf	fencing	2	400				
100	lf	silt fence	0.5	50				
				0				
				0				
		3 Tanks	22000	0				
2	ea	concrete 42,000 gallons with R-	22000	44000				
		panel rool		0				
				0				
				0				
				0				
		4 Collector boxes and pipes		0				
1	ea	concrete collector box and curb	2000	2000				
		and gutter(150 lf)						
100	lf	15" dia. Corrugated steel pipe	12.41	1241		·		
				0				
200	lf	overflow pipe 15" dia.	12.41	2482	=	. —		
				0				
				0				
		5 Gutters and downshouts		0				
100	lf	Gutters	2	200		-		
5	ea	down spouts/ roof washer	100	500	<u> </u>			
5	ea	down spoutfunnel/screen/4"	50	250	20			
		SDR 35			a b			
50	lf	6" SDR35 trunklines	2.89	144.5				
				0	— ž			
				0				
				0	به			
		6 Pump house and Pumps		0				
1	еа	nump house or "hot box"	5000	5000	2			
1	ea	pump/controller/pressure tank/	5500	5500				
-		valves						
1	ea	filter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700				
2	00	water meters	500	1000				
1	ea	RPZ (reduced pressure zone)	500	500				
		plumberhook up RPZ		0			500	
100	lf	3" Sched 40 fill pipes	3	300				
200	lf	3" sched. 40 pipes to field	3	600				
		electricianhook up electrical/		0			1500	
		pump						
1	ea	electrical Supply.	1000	1000				
		(poles/transformers/ switchgear						
				0				
				0				
				0				
		Total	1	67567.5	0	0	11500	

#### Chapter 6. <u>Junction High School</u> by Jamison Landolt

Junction High School is located in the city of Junction, Tx. Currently there are 194 students attending Junction High school. There is no Building Trades program at the school, but there is an Ag. department. The school currently gets its water from the shallow wells in the alluvial sands of the south Llano River. The school has also drilled a well into the Edwards-Trinity aquifer in order to irrigate the athletic fields.

The system we are proposing for Junction is comprised of catching water off of the roofs and storing the water in two above ground concrete tanks. The untreated water could then be used to irrigate the football field. Using this system we assumed we will catch water off of 90,700 square feet of roof area as shown on the site plan. A one inch rainfall should produce about 56,000 gallons of water. Two tanks would be able to catch and store 70,000 gallons per rainfall event.

Junction receives an average of 23" of rain per year. With 90,700 square feet of roof area we could catch 1,288,000 gallons of water per year. A more realistic estimate would be that we would catch 60% of the total possible... around 700,000 gallons. At \$ .44/100 gallons, that equals \$3080 worth of water.

Our system would cost around \$77,000 for materials only (this is assuming the students build it.) If we produced \$3080 per year it would pay for itself in about

twenty five years. Another way to look at the benefit of catching this amount of water would be that it would provide an extra 16 weeks of irrigation for the football field. Also, since we are catching water off of all the roofs, the possibility of using it for potable uses in the future would be relatively easy to do.

## Schematic Site Plan Jamison Landolt 9/11/13 Total Area: 163837 Scale: 1"=100'





	Cost estim	nate for the construction of rain	water collection	system a	at Junctio	n High Scho	ool
			Materials unit	Materials	Labor unit		Misc. or
Amount	Units	Description	cost	total	cost	Labor total	Subcontact
	1	General Requirements		0			
		Permits	100	100			
		Safety equipment	500	500			
				0			
		engineers		0			5000
				0			
				0			
	2	site work		0			
100	lf	Silt fence	0.5	50			
				0			
		ditching for trunklines		0			2000
				0			
				0			
				0			
	3	Tanks		0			
	3			0			
2	63	Concrete tank	23000	46000			
2	ea		23000	40000			
				0			
				0			
				0			
		Guttors and downshouts		0			
	5			0			
200	0			0			
200	π	Gutters	3	600			
30	ea	downspouts with funnel and screen	50	1500			
				0			
	16			0			
800	If	6" SDR35 trunklines	2.89	2312			
				0			
			-	0			
	6	Pumphouse and pump					
1	еа	pump house or "hot box"	5000	5000			
1	ea	pump/controller/pressure tank/ valves	5500	5500			
1	еа	filter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700			
2	ea	water meters	500	1000			
1	ea	RPZ (reduced pressure zone)	500	500			
		plumberhook up RPZ		0			500
100	lf	3" Sched 40 fill pipes	3	300			
1000	lf	3" sched. 40 pipes to field	3	3000			
		electricianhook up electrical/ pump		0			1500
1	ea	electrical Supply. (poles/transformers/ switchgear	1000	1000			
		Total		68062			9000

by Jonathon Skipper

Leakey School (K-12) is located in the City of Leakey, TX in Real County. 268 students attend Leakey and there is not a Building Trades Program at the school, however they have an Ag Department. The school currently buys its water from the city of Leakey which pumps it out of shallow wells in the alluvial sands of the Frio River. Water costs .16/100 gallons, however in the recent droughts; some of the wells are running dry.

The system we are proposing for Leakey consists of catching water off of the roofs and storing the water in above-ground concrete tanks. The untreated water could then be used to irrigate the football field. Water caught off of roofs can easily be treated up to potable quality, unless lead was used in the old roofing system so in the future this water could be used for potable purposes. This system assumes we will catch water off of 70,000 square feet of roof area. A one inch rainfall should produce about 43,750 gallons of water. Two empty tanks would be able to catch and store 70,000 gallons.

Leakey receives on average 26 inches of rain per year. With 70,000 s.f. of roof area we could catch 1.1 million gallons of water per year. (70000 x .625 gal/s.f. x 26" =1,137,500g). A more realistic estimate would be that we would catch 60% of the total possible... say 680,000 gallons. At .16/100 gallons, that equals \$1092 worth of water.

Our system would cost \$83,500 for materials only (we are assuming the students would build it). If we Produced \$1092 worth of water per year, it would pay for itself in 76 years. Another way to look at the benefit is that in 680,000 gallons of water would be 14 weeks of watering the football field.



Leakey Schools



Cost Estimate For Rainwater Collection System- Leakey High School										
			Materials unit	Materials	Labor	Unit	Labor	Misc. or		
Amount	units	Description	Cost	Total	Cost		Total	Subcontractor		
		1 General Requirements								
1	each	Permits	100.00	100						
1	each	Safety Equipment	500.00	500		σ				
1	each	Scaffold/Tools				- P				
						금				
		Engineers Civil				Ĕ		3,000		
		Structural				2		1,000		
		licensed irrigator				ab		1,000		
	2	2 Site Work				Ž				
		fencing		Ì						
100	lf	silk fence	0.50	50		Ğ				
						z				
		3 Tanks								
2	ea	Concrete Tank	22,000.00	44,000						
		4 Gutters and Downspouts and Pipes								
600	lf	Gutters	2.65	1,590	Г					
50	ea	Downspouts w/ funnel and screen	30.00	1,500						
2600	lf	6" trunk line	2.89	7,514						
2600	lf	dig ditches	2.00	5,200						
						P				
		5 Pump Houses and Pumps				ab				
1	ea	Pump, Controller, Pressure tank, and Valves	5,500.00	5,500		-		500		
1	ea	Filter/timer/valves	700.00	700		Žp	<u>ا</u>			
1	ea	Water Meters	300.00	300		, p				
1	ea	RPZ	500.00	500		t d				
800	lf	3 In. pipe to field	3.00	2,400		2 S				
50	lf	3 in fill pipe	3.00	150						
1	ea	"Hot Box" or Pump House	5,000.00	5,000						
1	ea	electrical Supply	2,000.00	2,000				1,000		
		Subtota		77,004				6,500	Grand Total	83,504

Chapter 8Sabinal High Schoolby Wyatt ClemensonSabinal High School is located in Sabinal Texas on Highway 90 about 50 miles west of SanAntonio. Sabinal is a 1A school with about 140 students. There is not a building trades programin Sabinal. The school currently gets its water from the Edwards Aquifer at \$.23/100 gallons.

The system we are proposing for Sabinal consists of catching water off of the roofs and parking lots and storing the water in two under-ground tanks. The untreated water will then be used to irrigate the football field. This system assumes we will catch water off of 150,000s.f of impermeable surface. A one inch rainfall would produce 93,750 gallons of rainwater in which 56,000 gallons would probably be caught. Two empty tanks would be able to store 70,000 gallons of water.

Sabinal receives on average 26" of rain per year. With 150,000s.f. of roof and parking lot we could catch 1,462,500 gallons a year which would equal \$3,363 worth of water.

Our system would cost about \$85,000. Our system would pay for itself in 25 years.



Sabinal High School



	Sabinal High School									
amount	units	Description	materials unit cost	materials total	labor unit cost	labor total	misc. or subcontractors			
		1 General Requirements		0						
1	ea	safety materials	500	500						
1	ea	permits	200	200						
1	ea	scaffolds /tools	1000	1000						
				0						
		engineerscivil					3000			
		Structural					1000			
		licensed irrigator					1000			
				0						
		2 Site Work		0						
		excavation for underground tank/		0			4500			
		dirt stockpiled on site								
		excavate for footings.					2000			
		fencing		0						
100	lf	silt fence	0.5	50						
				0						
		3 Tanks		0						
2	ea	concrete 42,000 gallons with R-	22000	44000						
		panel roof								
225	lf	retaining walls around tanks	18	4050						
				0						
		4 Collector boxes and pipes		0						
1	ea	concrete collector box	500	500						
40	lf	12" PVC pipe to tank	13.71	548.4						
350	lf	curb and gutter	5	1750						
			-	0						
				0						
		5 Gutters and downspouts		0						
11	ea	down spout funnel/screen/4"	50	550						
11	cu	SDB 35	50	550						
900	lf	6" SDB35 trunklines	2 89	2601						
500			2.05	0	=:					
				0						
		6 Pump bouse and Pumps		0	de la					
1	62	numn house or "hot hoy"	5000	5000						
1	ea	pump/controller/pressure tank/	5500	5500						
1	cu	valves	5500	5500						
1	ea	filter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700	0					
			, 30	, 30	ac					
2	ea	water meters	500	1000						
1	ea	RPZ (reduced pressure zone)	500	500						
		plumberhook up RPZ		0			500			
100	lf	3" Sched 40 fill pipes	3	300						
400	lf	3" sched. 40 pipes to field	3	1200	), te					
		electricianhook up electrical/		0	Ň		1500			
		pump								
1	ea	electrical Supply.	1000	1000						
		(poles/transformers/ switchgear								
				0						
		Total		70949.4	0	0	13500			
		grand total					84449.4			

Chapter 10 Rainwater collection system for Southside High School by Greg Macias

Southside High School is located in the city of San Antonio, TX. Over 1400 students attend Southwest high school and it does have a Building Trades Program at the school.

The school currently gets its water from the city of San Antonio which it pumps out of the Edwards aquifer. Water costs about \$.35/100 gallons. Our system will be collecting water off of the roofs and parking. We have approximately 400,000 square feet of collection area. One inch of rain will generate about 200,000 gallons of water. The water will be used to help reduce the costs of watering the football field, baseball field, and softball field. With 28" of rain per year, the school could catch 5 million gallons per year. More realistically, we could catch 1 million gallons a year. At .35/100 gal. , that equals \$3,500 worth of water. Our system will cost about \$83,000. It would pay for itself in 24 years.

The two tanks will be buried under ground.





Chapter 10 Rainwater collection system for Southwest High School by Tylor Perry

Southwest High School is located in the city of San Antonio, TX. Over 3000 students attend Southwest high school and it does have a Building Trades Program at the school.

The school currently gets its water from the city of San Antonio which it pumps out of the Edwards aquifer. Water costs about \$.35/100 gallons. The system we are proposing for Southwest High School consists of catching water off of the parking lot and storing it in plastic pipes by <u>ADS</u> (64,000 gal.) laid in an existing concrete ditch. The untreated water will be used to water the practice fields. The system will catch water off of a 280,400 square foot segment of a parking lot.

With 28" of rain per year, the school could catch 5 million gallons per year. More realistically we could catch 1 million gallons a year. At .35/100 gal., that equals \$3,500 worth of water. Our system will cost about \$83,000. It would pay for itself in 24 years.

Editor's note: We were trying to make use of the existing drainage ditch as the storage reservoir. There may be other ways to make a long concrete ditch leak-proof. Another method would be to construct a dam in the drainage ditch (making it a settling pond) with 15" dia. pipes leading to concrete tanks set below the hill similar to our idea for Warren High School. One problem to consider is the flood plain of the river and the fact that an empty tank would become a boat in a flood.



## Southwest High School



		Sou	thwest Hig	h School			
Amount	Units	Description	materials unit cost	materials total	labor unit cost	labor total	misc. or subcontractors
		General Requirements		0			
1	each	safety materials	500	500			
1	each	permits	100	100			
		permite	100	100			
		engineers civil					3000
		Structural					1000
							1000
							1000
				0			
				0			
		Site Work		0			
100	lt	silt fence	0.5	50			
				0			
				0			
		Tanks		0			
1200	lf	36" dia. ADS plastic	40	48,000			
		corrugated PIPE(64000 gal.)					
98	су	concrete cover	85	8,330			
186	су	gravel fill	5	930			
				0			
		Collector boxes and pipes		0			
1	ea	concrete collector box at end	1500	1 500			
-	cu	of ADS Plastic nines	1500	1,500			
				0			
				0			
				0			
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				0	e e		
		6 Pump house and Pumps		0	ק		
1	ea	pump house or "hot box"	5000	5000			
1	ea	pump/controller/pressure	5500	5500	<u> </u>		
		tank/ valves			<u> </u>		
1	ea	filter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700	O O		
					at		
2	ea	water meters	500	1000			
1	ea	RPZ (reduced pressure zone)	500	500			
		plumberhook up RPZ		0	נה		500
100	lf	3" Sched 40 fill pipes	3	300	) t		
1000	lf	3" sched. 40 pipes to field	3	3000	ž		
		electricianhook up electrical/		0			1500
		pump					
1	ea	electrical Supply.	1000	1000			
-	cu	(noles/transformers/	1000	1000			
		switchgear					
		Switchgean					
				-			
				0			
		Iotal		76410	0	0	7000
		Grand Total					83410

Chapter 11 Rainwater collection system for Tivy High School by Keano Jannell Tivy High School is located in the city of Kerrville, TX.

1333 students attend Kerrville and there is a Building Trades Program at the school.

The school currently gets its water from the city of Kerrville which pumps it out of the Guadalupe River and the Trinity aquifer.

Water costs \$ .54/100 gallons for 65, 000 g.

The system we are proposing for Kerrville consists of catching water from the parking lot. The water will be stored in front of the school in two partially dug in concrete tanks. The untreated water will then be used to irrigate the practice field and baseball fields. This system assumes we will catch off a 171, 000 square feet of a parking area. A one inch rainfall should produce about 106, 000 gallons of water. Two tanks would be able to catch and store 70, 000 gallons maximum per rain event.

Kerrville receives on average 32" of rain per year. With 171, 000 square feet of parking lot we could catch 3, 392, 000 gallons of water per year. (171, 000 S.F. x .625 gal/ S.F. x 32"= 3, 392, 000 gallons) A more realistic estimate would be that we would catch 30% of the total possible... 1, 000, 000 gallons. (We will lose some due to a huge collection area). At \$ .54/100 gallons, a million gallons equals \$5, 400 worth of water.

Our system would cost about \$73, 000 for materials only (we are assuming the students would build it.) If we produced \$5, 400 worth of water per year it would pay off for itself in 14 years.



## **Tivy High School**



Two 42,000 gal. concrete tanks

mount	units	Description	materials	materials	labor unit	labor	misc. or
	-		unit cost	total	cost	total	subcontractors
		1 General Requirements		0			
1	ea	safety materials	500	500			
1	ea	permits	200	200			
1	ea	scaffolds /tools	1000	1000			
				0			
		engineers civil		Ŭ			3000
		Structural					1000
							1000
		Iterised in igator					1000
				0			
		<b>P C</b> <sup>1</sup>		0			
		2 Site Work		0			
		excavation for underground		0			2500
		tank/ dirt stockpiled on site					
200	lf	fencing	2	400			
100	lf	silt fence	0.5	50			
	$\Box$					$\bot$ —	
				0			
				0			
		3 Tanks	1	0			
2	ea	concrete 42.000 gallons with R-	22000	44000			
2		panel roof	22000	1,000			
		panerroor		0		+	
				0			
				0			
				0			
				0		' –	
		4 Collector boxes and pipes		0	5	2	
1	ea	concrete collector box and curb	2000	2000			
		and gutter				2	
50	lf	15" dia. Corrugated steel pipe	12.41	620.5	2	2	
				0	-	=	
				0		5	
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				0		5	
		6 Pump house and Pumps		0	Z	Z ≕ _	
1	ea	pump house or "hot box"	5000	5000		+	
1	ea	pump/controller/pressure tank/	5500	5500			
		valves					
1	ea	filter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700			
2	63	water meters	500	1000		-	
1	00	PD7 (reduced prossure zone)	500	1000		1	
1	ed	nrz (reuceu pressure zone)	500	500		+	F00
400	14		-	0		-	500
100	IT IE	3 Sched 40 fill pipes	3	300		-	
200	IT	3 schea. 40 pipes to field	3	600			
		electricianhook up electrical/		0			1500
		pump				_	
1	ea	electrical Supply.	1000	1000			
		(poles/transformers/ switchgear					
				0			
				0			
				0			
	1			0		1	
	1		1	0	1	1	1

#### Chapter 12 Rainwater Collection System for Earl Warren High School by Rachel Barker

Earl Warren High School is located in the city of San Antonio, TX. 2548 students attend with a focus on Building Trades at the Construction Careers Academy. The school currently gets its water from city of San Antonio which pumps it out of the Edwards Aquifer. Water costs \$.35/100 gallons.

The system we are proposing for Earl Warren High School consists of catching water out of the existing storm ditch and storing the water in two above-ground concrete tanks. This ditch appears to be the drainage for about 11 acres of fields, parking and buildings plus the adjacent subdivision. The untreated water will then be used to irrigate the athletic fields. This system assumes we will catch water off of 200,000 square feet of area. A one inch rainfall should produce about 100,000 gallons of water. That would more than fill up two tanks.

Earl Warren receives on average 32" of rain per year. With 200,000 square feet of catchment area we could catch a total of four million gallons of rain per year. A more realistic estimate would be that we would catch a million gallons with 2 tanks. At .35/100 gallons, that equals \$3, 500 worth of water.

Our system would cost about \$73,000 for materials only (we are assuming the students would build it.) If we produced \$3, 500 worth of water per year it would pay for itself in 21 years.





Cost estimate for rainwater collection systemWarren High School									
Sections			Materials		Labor unit		Misc. or		
or Units	Units	Descripition	unit cost	Materials Total	cost	labor total	subcontractors		
		1General Requirements		0					
1	ea	permits	100	100					
1	ea	Safety equipment	1500	1500					
				0					
				0					
				0					
		2 Site Work		0					
100	lin. Ft.	Silt Fence	0.5	50					
				0					
				0					
				0					
				0					
		3 Tanks		0					
2	ea	Concrete Tank	23000	46000					
				0					
				0					
				0					
		4 Collector Boxes and pipes		0					
700	ft	12" PVC sdr 35	13.71	9597					
1	ea	concrete dam	500	500					
_				0					
				0					
				0					
				0					
		6 Pump House and Pumps		0					
1	63	nump house or "hot hox"	5000	5000					
1	02	nump/controller/pressure tank/	5500	5500					
1	Ca	valvos	5500	5500					
1	02	filter/recirculate valves/timer	700	700					
1 2	ea	water maters	500	1000			1200		
Z	ea	PDZ (reduced processing zone)	500	1000 E00			1200		
1	ea	RPZ (reduced pressure zone)	500	500			E00		
500	IE	plumberhook up RP2	2	1500			500		
500	11 12	3 Sched 40 millipipes	3	1500					
500	IT	3 sched. 40 pipes to field	3	1500					
		electriciannook up electrical/		0			4500		
		pump	1000	1000			1500		
1	ea		1000	1000					
		(poies/transformers/ switchgear							
				-					
				0					
		Total		69947			3200		