



PIPES, PEOPLE, PAVEMENT AND THE FUTURE OF WATER IN THE HILL COUNTRY

9AM-4PM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4TH 2018

LBJ STUDENT CENTER BALLROOM, TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Lunch included, networking reception to follow

8:30 – 9:00am

Coffee and Registration

9:00 – 9:15am

Welcome Remarks

Jim Walker, Director of Sustainability, UT Austin

In memoriam: **Kent Butler (via YouTube)**, “Groundwater and Public Policy”

9:15 – 10:15am

People: The Hill Country is growing at an incredible rate, with our population expected to double in the next 35 years. How do we address the challenges of the population growth we are expecting, while simultaneously looking for opportunities presented by these new residents and development in our region?

Chris Schreck, Director of Planning and Economic Development, CAPCOG

Grant Fisher, Water and Data Director, Pecan Street

Fred Arce, Vice President HDR Engineering, and Water Committee Chair, Greater San Antonio Chamber of commerce

Councilwoman Shirley Gonzales, City of San Antonio

Judge Sarah Eckhardt, Travis County

10:15 – 10:45am

Morning Keynote: *One Water in Texas: Growth as a Water Source*

Sharlene Leurig, Chair, Austin Water Forward Task Force and Project Director, Meadows Center for Water and the Environment

10:45 – 11:00am

MORNING BREAK

11:00am -12:00pm

PAVEMENT: As we build in the Hill Country, increases in impervious cover will have profound impacts on our water quality, flooding risk, and water quantity. How can we utilize innovative new ways of thinking about the role of the built environment in stewarding water resources?

Hank Smith, Principal / Owner, Texas Engineering Solutions

Karen Bishop, Senior Supervisor, San Antonio River Authority

Ana Aguierre, Chair, Southeast Combined Neighborhood Plan Contact Team, City of Austin

Nancy Pappas, Managing Director, New Braunfels Utility

Chris Herrington, Supervising Engineer, City of Austin Watershed Protection Department

12:00 – 1:00pm

LUNCH BREAK

1:00 – 1:30pm

AFTERNOON KEYNOTE: *Innovative water solutions and how to make them reality*

George Hawkins, Founder, Moonshot LLC, and Former CEO and General Manager, DC Water

1:30 – 2:30pm

PIPES: As drought, increased demand, and development pressures strain existing resources, communities are increasingly looking to new sources of water to meet future needs. What are the true costs of moving water in Central Texas, and are their untapped opportunities within the existing built environment?

Graham Moore, Executive Director, Alliance Regional Water Authority (Formerly Hays Caldwell Public Utility Agency)

Robert Mace, Chief Water Policy Officer, Meadows Center for Water and the Environment

Lauren Ross, President, Glenrose Engineering

Jim Walker, Director of Sustainability, UT Austin

2:30 – 2:45pm

AFTERNOON BREAK

2:45 – 3:45pm

The Future of Collaboration for Water in the Hill Country.

Conversations are often had about the need for greater regional collaboration and coordination to manage water resources that cuts across political boundary lines. How do local elected officials see this conversation shifting into transformative action moving forward from today's event?

Mayor Steve Adler, City of Austin

Mayor Todd Purcell, City of Dripping Springs

Rep. Donna Howard, TX House of Representatives District 48

Commissioner Kevin Wolff, Bexar County and Chair, AAMPO

Commissioner Brigid Shea, Travis County

Former Commissioner Will Conley, Hays County and Chair, CAMPO

3:45 – 4:00pm

Audience conversation and closing remarks

4:00 – 6:00pm

Networking Reception

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