



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
Mayor Pro Tem Lisa Prewitt, City of San Marcos
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?

Judge Sarah Eckhardt, Travis County
Councilwoman Shirley Gonzales, City of San Antonio
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
- 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 Aguirre, 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

Moderator: Sarah Schlessinger, Executive Director, Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts

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 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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