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AstroTourism in the Texas Hill Country: Opportunities and Momentum

Whether from downtown San Antonio and Austin, or from across the globe, people are headed to the Hill Country to enjoy the night skies. This panel will look at community and regional strategies for further developing this growing portion of our region's tourism economy.

Panelists: Michelle Fischer, City of Dripping Springs; Wayne Gosnell, Blanco County Friends of the Night Sky; Patricia Moore, and Bandera County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Moderator: Cindy Luongo Cassidy, Texas Chapter, International Dark-Sky Association

Cultivating a Hill Country for All - Inspiring Stewardship, Conservation, and CommunicationAcross the 17 counties of the Hill Country, there are many groups working to spread messages of conservation and stewardship, one person at a time. This panel will spotlight some of these groups and examine what it takes to connect and inspire the hearts and minds of diverse, young audiences across the region.

Panelists: Justine Salsbury, Shield Ranch Foundation/El Ranchito Summer Camp; Amelia DeVivo, Austin Youth River Watch; April Sansom, Bamberger Ranch; Josie Gutiérrez, San Antonio Chapter, Latino Outdoors; Alex Bailey, H. E. Butt Foundation Moderator: Leah Cuddeback, Hill Country Alliance

A vision for the Texas Hill Country: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5tJZDdJeis