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Rainwater Harvesting: *Innovative Uses and Water Security*

The Texas Water Symposium provides perspectives from landowners, policy makers, scientists, water resource experts and regional leaders.

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Water, essential for life, is our most precious and valuable natural resource. But water supply and quality are under increasing pressure from a growing population. How will we protect this resource and plan for a sustainable future? There is a great need for a water-literate public; decisions being made today have far reaching and long lasting effects for our children and future generations.

Thursday, December 7, 2017

Historic Kendall County Courthouse -- Upstairs Courtroom
201 E San Antonio Ave, Boerne, TX 78006
Doors open at 6:30, Program 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Moderator: Bob Webster – Cow Creek GCD Director, Owner Shades of Green Nursery

Panelists:

Rep. Jason Isaac – Texas State Representative, District 45

John Kight – Rainwater Harvesting Advocate

Ana Gonzalez PhD. – Environmental Scientist, City of Austin Watershed Protection

Troy Dorman PhD. P.E. – Director, Tetra Tech Engineering

Declining aquifer levels and the rapidly rising cost of water supply and management has prompted suppliers, builders, and homeowners across the region to turn to alternative sources of water. As we look to a long-term future of increasing population growth and demand on groundwater resources, how can individuals, businesses, and cities create sustainable water supply in innovative ways? How can we incentivize water independence and conservation?

Increasingly, these stakeholders are turning to rainwater as a viable source of water for landscape irrigation, in-home and commercial uses. Cities are now utilizing rainwater harvesting as an innovative stormwater management strategy. Texas, and the Hill Country, is known as a region of rainwater harvesting innovation nationwide.

Join our moderator and panel in a conversation about sustainable natural solutions to our growing water needs in the Hill Country.

Thank you for helping Texas Water Symposium celebrate 10 years of water exploration!