

Kerr County Soil & Water Conservation District



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Meet Sid! I've hidden him inside this Newsletter. The first person to find him and post it on the Kerr County SWCD's Facebook page gets a prize!

~Missie Dreiss, Kerr County SWCD District Technician



Native Tree Sale

Orders Due Tuesday November 1st

5 gal. \$35 ~ 15 gal. \$140 ~ 30 gal. \$310

5 gal. American Beauty Berry

5 gal. Button Bush

5 gal. Elbow Bush

5 gal. Esperanza "Gold Star

3 gal. Pride of Barbados

5 gal. Sage, Compact Texas

5 gal. Sage, Green Texas

5 gal. Eve's Necklace

5 gal. Mexican Buckeye

5 gal. Mexican Plum

5 gal. Texas Redbud

5 gal. Rusty Blackhaw Viburnum

5 gal. Prairie Flame Leaf Sumac

15 and 30 gal. Montezuma Cypress

15 & 30 gal. Burr Oak Live Oak

30 gal. Live Oak

Download order form at:

www.kerrcounty.swcd.com

15 & 30 gal. Cedar Elm



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The Fall Fish Restocking Program was a huge success. Thank you to the crew at Henneke Fish Hatchery and all our buyers for supporting the Kerr County SWCD's Scholarship Programs! If anyone is still interested in buying live fish give me a call. Ask me about larger fish like 1.5-2lbs Bass!

SUGGESTED STOCKING RATES

BASS: I acre New Lake: 400 Bluegill Mediums, 4000 Fathead Minnows, 1000 Golden Shiners, 100 Red Ear. Let the above forage fish spawn twice before adding 100 Medium bass.

BASS: I acre Old Lake: 600 Bluegill Medium, 6000 Fathead Minnows, 3000 Golden Shiner Minnows, 100 Medium Red Ear

CATFISH: I acre lake Fed- 1000 (4"-6") catfish, 1000 Perch, 10,000 Fathead Minnows, 100 Medium Red Ear

CATFISH: I acre Non- Fed- 300 Catfish, 300 Perch, 6000 Fathead

Minnows, 100 Medium Red Ear



District Directors:

Zone 1

Barbara Oates

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Jack Thorn, Vice-Chairman

Zone 3

Paula Russ, Secretary

Zone 4

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Zone 5

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Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

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Preston Stull

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OFFICE HOURS:

NRCS 8:00-4:30 Mon-Fri

SWCD 9:00-3:00 Tues-Thurs

(830) 896-4911x3



Plant ID Pasture Walk

What is the name of that plant? Is it good for anything?





When: October 20, 2022 9:00 am—1:30 pm

Where: La Quinta Real Ranch Cost: \$35 Lunch Included

RSVP by October 17th to 830-896-4911x3 or missie.dreiss@tx.nacdnet.net

Directions:

At the intersection of 173 and the loop, continue on 173 towards Bandera. After passing Comanche Trace about 3 miles take a right at FM 2771 (Lower Turtle Creek) and go another 3 miles until you begin to descend the hill. There are 2 large oaks across from a set of mailboxes. Iron gate will be open and have 667 on it. Come down the road 7/10 of a mile and park by the barn.

We will have the opportunity to identify and discuss management of 100's of native plants both important to wildlife and grazing with local experts in a small group setting. We will see plants like Sideoats, KR, Silver and Little Bluestem, Buffalograss, Tall Dropseed, Texas Wintergrass, Vine Mesquite, Texas Cupgrass, Orange Zexmenia, Wild Patunia, Antelope Horn Milkweed, Curly Mesquite and many other rare and important species. Space is limited RSVP today!

This event will be in a pasture setting and may include limited physical exertion. You agree that any risks taken are your own decision with no liability to landowners or Pasture Walk partners and personnel.



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Be on the lookout for our 2023 Calendars! If you haven't already placed your ad you still have time! A \$120 Donation will get you a business card size ad.

Email me today!!!

It's time to plant Wild Flower

Seeds. Texas Native Wildflower Mix (FALL) & Starburst Wildflower Mix (FALL) are available for \$25 Per Pound-

Prices are subject to change due to availability.

NRCS Announces Conservation Assistance Funding for FY2023

Temple, Texas, Oct. 4, 2022 — The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas announced Fiscal Year 2023 financial assistance opportunities for agricultural producers and landowners for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Environmental Quality Incentives Program - Conservation Incentives Program (EQIP-CIC) and Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP). While

NRCS accepts applications for these programs yearround, producers and landowners should apply by the state-specific application "due by" dates to be considered for fiscal year's funding.

Texas Application Cutoff Dates

EQIP: Nov. 4, 2022

EQIP-CIC: Nov. 4, 2022

RCPP: Nov. 4, 2022

CSP: Feb. 24, 2023

Report Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) Losses

NAP provides financial assistance to you for crops that aren't eligible for crop insurance to protect against lower yields or crops unable to be planted due to natural disasters including freeze, hail, excessive moisture, excessive wind or hurricanes, flood, excessive heat and qualifying drought (includes native grass for grazing), among others.

To receive payment, you had to purchase NAP coverage for 2022 crops and file a notice of loss the earlier of 15 days of the occurrence of the disaster or when losses become apparent or 15 days of the final harvest date.

For hand-harvested crops and certain perishable crops, you must notify FSA within 72 hours of when a loss becomes apparent.

Eligible crops must be commercially produced agricultural commodities for which crop insurance is not available, including perennial grass forage and grazing crops, fruits, vegetables, mushrooms, floriculture, ornamental nursery, aquaculture, turf grass, ginseng, honey, syrup, bioenergy, and industrial crops. Deadline to apply for 2023 NAP is December 1, 2022 and deadline for acres reported is December 15, 2022.

Submitting Production Losses for Disaster Declarations

Farmers and ranchers know all too well that natural disasters can be a common, and likely a costly, variable to their operation. The Farm Service Agency (FSA) has emergency assistance programs to provide assistance when disasters strike, and for some of those programs, a disaster designation may be the eligibility trigger. When natural disaster occurs, there is a process for requesting a USDA Secretarial disaster designation for a county. You can play a vital role in this process.

If you have experienced a production loss as a result of a natural disaster, you may submit a request to your local FSA county office for your county to be evaluated for a Secretarial disaster designation. Once a request is received, the county office will collect disaster data and create a Loss Assessment Report. The County Emergency Board will review the Loss Assessment Report and determine if a recommendation is sent forward to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture for the designation.

Disaster Assistance for 2022 Livestock Forage Losses

Producers in Kerr County are eligible to apply for 2022 Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) benefits on small grain, native pasture, improved pasture, annual ryegrass.

LFP provides compensation if you suffer grazing losses for covered livestock due to drought on privately owned or cash leased land or fire on federally managed land.

County committees can only accept LFP applications after notification is received by the National Office of qualifying drought or if a federal agency prohibits producers from grazing normal permitted livestock on federally managed lands due to qualifying fire.

You must complete a CCC-853 and the required supporting documentation no later than January 30, 2023 for 2022 losses.

For more information, contact Tamara Hayes at the Kerr County USDA Service Center at (830) 896-4199x103 or visit fsa.usda.gov/nap.