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Dear Citizens of the Plum Creek Watershed:

Texas Cooperative Extension and the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board are partnering with local citizens to protect and improve water quality in Texas' watersheds by helping to develop and implement watershed protection plans. Watershed Protection Plans are designed to restore and/or protect surface waters impacted by nonpoint source pollution by implementing best management practices. Plum Creek, which runs through Hays and Caldwell Counties, has been selected for development of a Watershed Protection Plan based on water quality data for bacteria and nutrients. We would like to invite you to participate in solving these water quality issues by attending one of three kick-off meetings of the Plum Creek Watershed Partnership.

Scheduled for April 10 in Lockhart, April 25 in Kyle, and April 26 in Luling, these meetings will provide an overview of what we know about Plum Creek water quality and how you can become involved in developing and implementing a Watershed Protection Plan for Plum Creek. Key local partners supporting the process include the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority, Plum Creek Conservation District, Caldwell-Travis SWCD and Hays County SWCD. Watershed protection plans are driven by the local community as local stakeholders help identify the potential causes and sources as well as select and promote implementation strategies that will improve water quality conditions and protect water resources in the region now, and into the future.

Your active participation is pivotal to the success of this project. In order to successfully develop and implement a Plum Creek Watershed Protection Plan, Texas Cooperative Extension and the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board need you. Please attend one of the three meetings scheduled in April. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Nikki Dictson with TCE at 979.458.3478 or n-dictson@tamu.edu, or Brian Koch with TSSWCB at 979.532.9496 or bkoch@tsswcb.state.tx.us. For further information, please visit <http://pcwp.tamu.edu/>. We want to thank you in advance for your dedication to the success of this project.

Sincerely,

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