

Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District Wimberley Valley Watershed Association

# Jacob's Well Monitoring Project

Measuring the quantity and quality of Jacob's Well Spring





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#### Scope of project

- 1. April 1, 2005 September 31, 2006
- 2. Not yet funded beyond water year 2006

#### Primary goals of the project

- 1. Install and maintain gaging station at spring.
- 2. Collect and publish discharge and water quality data
- 3. Identify baseline water quality of the spring.



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"The karst spring is like a perfectly placed well in other aquifers. Water discharging from a karst spring carries an imprint of everything upstream in the aquifer." White, 2002.

#### **Characterization Techniques for Karst Aquifers**

- 1. Water budget
- 2. Tracer tests
- 3. Spring hydrographs
- 4. Spring water chemistry
- 5. Wise use of test wells
- 6. Modeling karst aquifers

White, W., 2002, Karst hydrology: recent developments and open questions, Engineering Geology, 65, p. 85-105.

**Continuous Data** 



# Data collected in the first 11 months of the project

- <u>Real time water data (7-day)</u>
- Real time water data (31-day)
- <u>Daily mean values (330-day)</u>
- Water Quality Sample collected Nov. 17, 2005



Jacobs Well Spring nr Wimberley, TX (DAIL)

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(DAILY MEAN Discharge FROM DCP, IN cfs) \* 1 (DAILY MEAN Stream velocity Z VELOCITY, FROM ADV, IN feetsec) \* 1



#### More information found at USGS Texas Water Science Center webpage:

http://tx.usgs.gov/

### Jacob's Well Project page:

http://tx.usgs.gov/aquifer/projects/jacobswell.htm