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New Plum Creek Watershed Kiosk at Kyle City Hall

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SEGUIN – Want to know more about the Plum Creek Watershed, water treatment or watersheds, in general? Then plan to explore the new Plum Creek kiosk at the Kyle City Hall.

The Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) and the City of Kyle invite the public to view a new interactive kiosk, and learn more about the serious subject of water.

The kiosk displays educational modules by touch screen, and the user can listen to mini-lessons on a myriad of water subjects, such as watersheds and nonpoint source pollution, the wastewater treatment process, and the operation and maintenance of aerobic and conventional septic systems.

“The kiosk will also include links to real-time data for Plum Creek, which means that folks will be able to look at the current temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, conductivity, turbidity, and flow,” said Cinde Thomas-Jimenez, GBRA environmental education administrator.

Plum Creek begins in Hays County just north of Kyle and runs through Kyle continuing south through Caldwell County, passing Lockhart and Luling, and eventually joins San Marcos River at their confluence north of Gonzales County. Plum Creek is 52 miles in length and has a drainage area of 389 square miles.

“For historical data, including bacteria, the kiosk also will have links to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Clean Rivers Program, GBRA, the Plum Creek Watershed Partnership, and the city of Kyle’s website,” said Thomas-Jimenez. Visitors may use the kiosk during the city hall’s business hours.

Plum Creek is considered to be an “impaired waterbody” due to elevated levels of bacteria in the creek. It also exhibits high levels of nutrients such as ammonia-nitrogen, nitrate-nitrogen and phosphorus.

“We would really like the citizens of Kyle to become more acquainted with our creek,” said Kyle Mayor Lucy Johnson. “If we work to have a clean and healthy Plum Creek, then we also know our community is clean and healthy. This educational kiosk is a great window into the quality of Plum Creek and our city.

“The Plum Creek kiosk was designed by skilled professionals at GBRA, and funded by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Nonpoint Pollution Grant Program.

The GBRA was established by the Texas Legislature in 1933 as a water conservation and reclamation district. GBRA provides stewardship for the water resources in its 10-county statutory district, which begins near the headwaters of the Guadalupe and Blanco rivers, ends at San Antonio Bay, and includes Kendall, Comal, Hays, Caldwell, Guadalupe, Gonzales, DeWitt, Victoria, Calhoun, and Refugio counties.



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