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GBRA to Host Clean Rivers Program Steering Committee Meeting

SEGUIN, TX – The annual meeting of the Guadalupe River Basin Steering Committee is from 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) River Annex in Seguin. The steering committee was established as part of the Clean Rivers Program to solicit public input on local water quality issues.

Each year, GBRA and the Upper Guadalupe River Authority (UGRA) convene the committee meeting to provide direction for Clean Rivers Program activities in the Guadalupe River Basin, as well as develop and monitor the work plan. Through these efforts, citizens and communities gain a greater appreciation for their natural resources and the importance of making water quality protection a part of their daily lives.

The meeting agenda includes an overview of the Clean Rivers Program, City of New Braunfels Wildlife Feeding Ordinance, Headwaters at the Comal, American Eel Studies, National Fish Conservation, One Water Wimberley ISD Primary School, Wastewater Treatment Process, and TCEQ Permitting Process.

Speakers include Nathan Pence, GBRA executive manager of environmental science and community affairs; Tara Bushnoe, UGRA natural resources coordinator; Michael Jones, Wimberley Valley water resource specialist, Lee Gudgell, GBRA water quality project manager; Mark Enders, City of New Braunfels watershed program manager; Nancy Pappas, Headwaters at the Comal managing director; Stephen Curtis, Texas Parks and Wildlife aquatic biologist; Travis Tidwell, Texas Parks and Wildlife kills and spills biologist; Nick Dornack, The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment director of watershed services; Mike Urrutia, GBRA deputy executive manager of operations; and Ward Ling, Texas A&M AgriLife Geronimo and Alligator Creeks watershed coordinator.

The meeting is open to the public from throughout the Guadalupe River Basin. The GBRA River Annex is at 905 Nolan St. in Seguin.

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About

The Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority 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.

The Upper Guadalupe River Authority was created as a conservation and reclamation district by the Texas Legislature in 1939. The mission of the UGRA is to protect, develop and manage the water quantity, quality and sustainability in the Guadalupe River watershed in Kerr County.