

Upper Llano River WPP Coordination Committee Meeting – July 25, 2018

Tyson Broad
Watershed Coordinator
Llano River Field Station



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Llano River Field Station
Texas Tech University
Junction, TX

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Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan Strategies & Updates



**KEEP GATE
CLOSED**

7 Exclosures Constructed

RIPARIAN RESTORATION



46 miles of river treated

BRUSH CONTROL FOR WATER SUPPLY



BRUSH CONTROL FOR WATER SUPPLY



Photo : Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burn Association

GENERAL SCIENCE



**Dye-Tracing
Study**



WORKSHOPS



Texas Well Owner Network

Rainwater Harvesting Class

June 9, 2018

9:00 to 12: noon

FREE

Texas Tech University - Junction
Center

Address: 254 Red Raider Ln, Junction,
TX 76849

Location Phone: 325-446-2301

Class Information Number:
972-952-9688

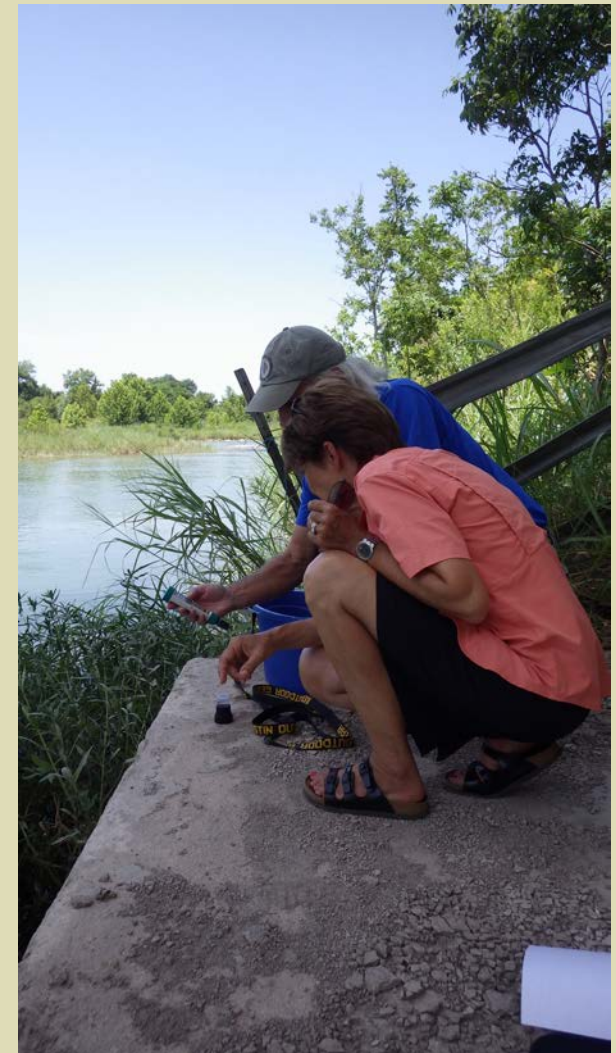
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Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan

Newsletter Issue No. 5
January 2018

2017 Year in Review

Welcome to the fifth Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan (WPP) newsletter and thank you for your continued interest in preserving our valuable natural resource.

In late 2016, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) accepted the Upper Llano River WPP – without suggesting any changes! This remarkable achievement reflects the hard work and dedication the Coordination Committee and Working Groups put into developing a holistic plan that finds creative ways to protect the Upper Llano.

Now a new phase of work begins – *Implementation*. To guide this work, the Coordination Committee has been reorganized, consisting of both previous members as well as some new faces.

During 2017, the Llano River Field

Station was also active in helping guide the implementation of the WPP. Dr. Tom Arsuffi and Tyson Broad (who replaced Dr. Emily Seldomridge in April 2015) have been promoting the plan to community leaders and organizations, hosting workshops to address issues identified in the WPP, and seeking funding to implement management measures.

The Field Station has also served as a base for research into ways to improve the effectiveness of management measures identified in the WPP.

We hope you enjoy this edition of the newsletter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [Tom Arsuffi](#) or [Tyson Broad](#) at the Field Station in Junction.

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Watershed Week in Review

Llano River Watershed Alliance
and
Llano River Field Station

Weekly Newsletter

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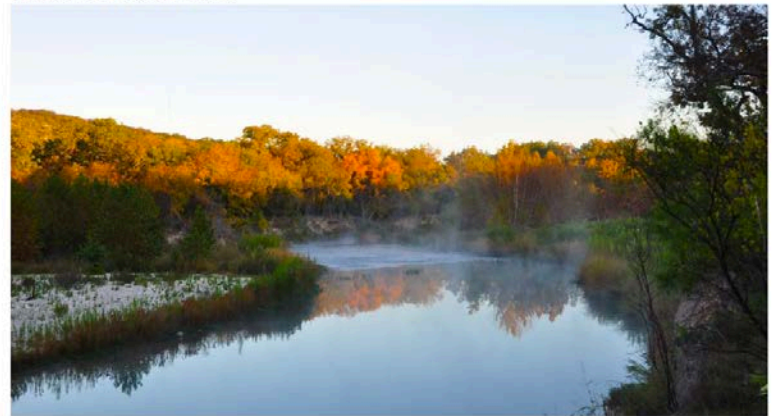


NFWF

Five Star & Urban Waters Restoration Program
Full Proposal Project Narrative

WATERSMART COOPERATIVE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PHASE I
GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018

EXPANDING STAKEHOLDER NETWORKS AND ENGAGEMENT IN
IMPLEMENTING THE UPPER LLANO RIVER WATERSHED
PROTECTION PLAN



This proposal was prepared in response to the **Funding Opportunity Announcement No. BOR-DO-18-F005**.

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GRANTS SUBMITTED



Regional Conservation
Partnership Program



BYLAWS

Appendix B: Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan Coordination Committee Ground Rules

The following are the Ground Rules for the Upper Llano Watershed Coordination Committee (hereafter referred to as the Committee) as agreed upon by the members of the Committee.

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Committee is to provide local input into the Upper Llano Watershed Protection Plan (WPP). The watershed plan will be developed by the stakeholders through the Committee with support from the Texas Tech Llano River Field Station and the Texas Water Resources Institute (TWRI). The Director of the Texas Tech Llano River Field Station shall serve as the Watershed Coordinator.

WORKING GROUPS

- Invasive Species – Aquatic & Terrestrial
- Riparian Protection & Management
- Water Quality, Conservation & Flow
- Upland Management
- Water Supply Enhancement

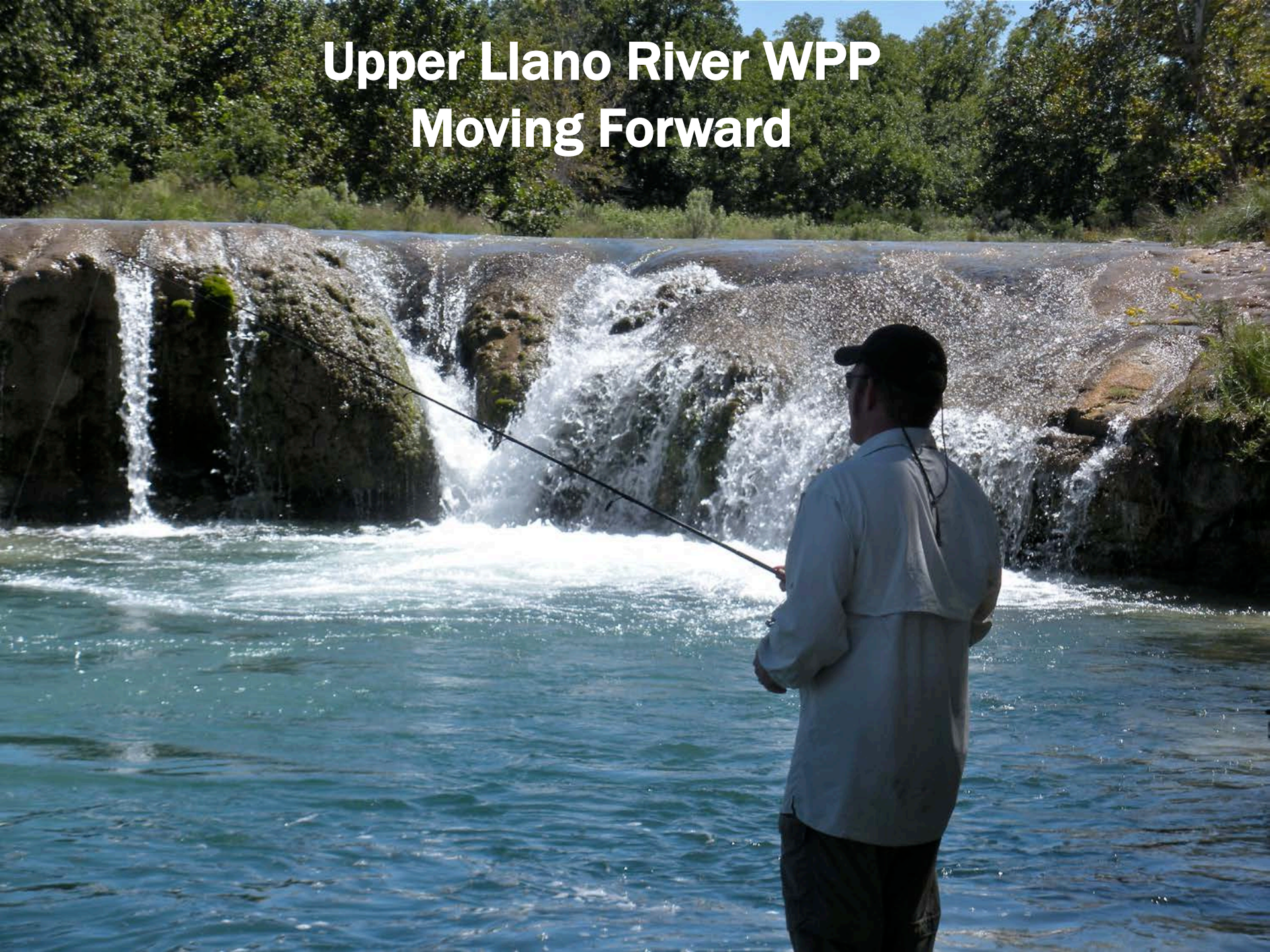
Additional Working Groups?

- Funding
- Implementation & Outreach
- Prescribed Burning

“Group” Working Groups?

- Stewardship
- Adaptive Management
- Funding
- Outreach

Upper Llano River WPP Moving Forward



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- Questions :**
- 1) Does the CC wish to replace members?***
 - 2) Is a stakeholder group under-represented?***
 - 3) Does CC wish to nominate and appoint now?***

WATERSHED COORDINATOR

Role:

- Facilitate continued progress with implementation of WPP
- Seek additional funding
- Coordinate updates for WPP
- Coordinate outreach and education

WATERSHED COORDINATOR

Funding is complete
August 2018

Llano River Watershed Alliance
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A Proposal to the
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Expand the Reach of the Llano River Watershed Alliance



**Objective 6: Support
Implementation of Upper Llano
River Watershed Protection Plan**

Activity: The Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan was accepted by EPA in 2016 and implementation began in 2017. The Alliance is an active participant in the implementation of the Plan and is available to assist with grant preparation, outreach, and volunteer coordination.

Oct 2018-September 2020
Tyson Broad: 6 hours/week

WATERSHED COORDINATOR

Questions:

- Does the WPP need a Watershed Coordinator?
- If yes...What should be the role?
 - Same role as before or different priorities?
- Is six hours / week sufficient for now?
 - Additional staffing?
 - Source of staffing?
 - Funding?

NEED FOR NON-PROFIT ENTITY?

- Grant Funding
 - Handling of Funds
 - Matching Funds for Grants
 - Grant Reporting
 - Outreach and Education
-
- Existing or New?

COLLABORATION WITH NGO OR OTHER?

Potential Collaborators

- Texas Wildlife Association
- Llano River Watershed Alliance
- Others (Hill Country Alliance, Headwaters Group)

Others Organization?

- For example...Plum Creek Watershed Partnership managed by GBRA with interlocal agreement for match

What type of structure works best for Upper Llano?

Is more information necessary?

Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan

A man in a white shirt and dark cap is fishing with a rod and reel in a river. He is standing in the foreground, looking towards a wide waterfall in the middle ground. The waterfall is composed of several cascades over dark, mossy rocks. The water is white and frothy as it falls. The background is a dense line of green trees under a clear blue sky. The overall scene is bright and sunny.

Next Meeting?
Topics?