

# Plum Creek Watershed Partnership Steering Committee Meeting

Kyle City Hall, Falcon Room  
October 15, 2024

# Plum Creek Watershed Updates

Here are some updates on the PCWP.

- Watershed Coordinator (WC ) attended the 4-H Kickoff event at Lockhart State Park (8/31/24)
- No action taken on Air Quality permit; permit was withdrawn (9/27/2024)
- WC will be attending the TSSWCB Annual Meeting

Would monthly updates on PCWP activities be beneficial?



Negley Elementary: STREAMS Night

# Feral Hog Trap Loan Program Proposal

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension - Wildlife Services did not award Caldwell County for the Feral Hog Abatement Grant for FY25. Here are updates on the progress of Feral Hog Trap Loan Program:

- Program proposal and project development is near completion
- Still establishing all project partners
- Searching for and acquiring funding



Pig Brig net trap system



# Feral Hog Trap Loan Program Proposal

Specifics we know at this time

- PCWP could only provide technical support
- Planned out for a two year pilot period
  - Estimated funding cost: ~ \$28,000

Hurdles that still need to be addressed

- Funding and continued support
  - Searching for grants, potential for donations or sponsorships (more for outreach)
- Marketing



[Coping with feral hogs](#)

# Youth Education: WaterFest Event

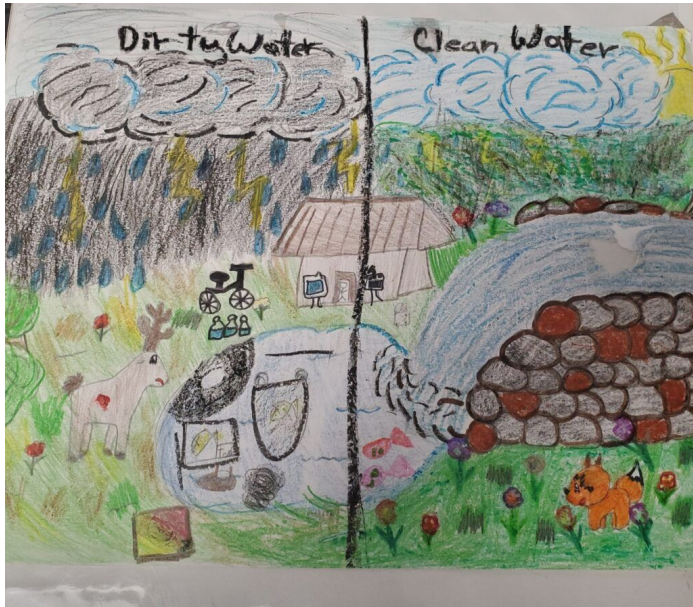
Last Public Stakeholder meeting the idea of a youth education event was proposed. WaterFest would be an educational water celebration focused on science, nature, and art. What makes up WaterFest?

- Completely free event (3rd-5th grade audience)
- Half day event
- Unique event theme with art and poetry competition
- Educational activities
- Exhibitors presentations and booths



Waterfest (Water Quality Forum)

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Current hurdles to making WaterFest happen

- Getting buy in from watershed ISDs
- Gathering volunteers and exhibitors
- Finding suitable venue (if not hosted at individual school)
- Potential funding (transportation and activity supplies)

# Adult Education & Outreach

Let us outline some goals for adult education and outreach for 2025. Here are some potential events PCWP could host.

- Workshops
  - OSSF workshop and 6-hour homeowner certification course
  - Environmental Law workshop - Civilian focus
  - Invasive Species course - plants and animals
  - Texas Stream Teams training
  - AgriLife Extension Courses
- Outreach
  - Plum Creek Coffee Hour / First Friday
  - Family friendly celebrations
  - Feral hog programs
  - Regular volunteering efforts



Lone Star Healthy Streams Workshop



# Upcoming events and plans

- Plum Creek Coffee Hour
  - Early December, Time: TBD
- Keep Lockhart Beautiful Annual Fall Cleanup
  - November 9th at Lockhart City Park

And more to come soon!





# Next Meeting

The next meeting will be a Public Stakeholder meeting.

**Thursday January 30, 2025**  
**Lockhart State Park, Recreation Hall at 5:30pm**

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What topics or guest presenters would you like to have  
for the upcoming Public Stakeholder meeting?