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Mill Creek Watershed Partnership

A Note from the Watershed Coordinator

Happy Earth Day! Since 1970, Earth Day has been observed on April 22 to promote respect for our planet and raise awareness of environmental problems. The Mill Creek Watershed Partnership is celebrating this year's Earth Day by organizing the community-wide Mill Creek Cleanup Event. We invite you to join us in this effort and help to keep our watershed beautiful! Scroll down to learn more about the 2021 Mill Creek Cleanup Event and other exciting happenings!

What wonderful weather we have been having lately! Despite the record-breaking freezing temperatures earlier this year, wildflowers are in full bloom all around. Feel free to share your photos of wildflowers on our <u>Facebook</u> page, because spring has finally sprung in Texas!

Don't forget to follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> to connect with fellow stakeholders and stay up-to-date on the events.

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Funding for this effort is provided through a Clean Water Act §319(h) Nonpoint Source Grant administered by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

2021 Mill Creek Cleanup Event

The Mill Creek Watershed Partnership is pleased to announce the 2021 Mill Creek Cleanup Event scheduled for **April 10, from 9am to 1pm**. If you own land in the Mill Creek Watershed, you are invited to participate by cleaning up your property! Registration is required. To learn more and register for the 2021 Mill Creek Cleanup Event, please visit the <u>Event Registration page</u>.



This Event would not have been possible without the generous support of our partners and sponsors. We want to thank everyone who has helped us to make this watershed-wide effort happen!



Virtual Homeowner Maintenance of Septic Systems Course

Need to become certified to maintain your septic system? Great news! Starting April 1, 2021, the Homeowner Maintenance of Septic Systems course is offered <u>online</u>! Once registered, you will have 30 days to complete this class. Upon completion, contact your TCEQ authorized agents to finalize the certification process.

For Austin County residents

Erica Resendez at 979-865-5911 or planning3@austincounty.com

For Washington County residents

Mark Marzahn at 979-277-6290 or mmarzahn@wacounty.com



COURSE INFORMATION

An aerobic septic system, or aerobic treatment unit (ATU), uses oxygen to breakdown both dissolved and solid constituents into gases, cell mass, and non-degradable material contained in wastewater. This online course will teach you how to properly maintain and operate your ATU.

Topics

- Understand the basic operation and maintenance activities for an ATU
- Be a better consumer in the onsite wastewater treatment industry
- Have the knowledge needed to understand and communicate with maintenance providers



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Course Details

Cost: \$150

Duration: 30 days from sign-up date

To register, go to tx.ag/EnrollAerobicTreatment and click 'Enroll Now'.

Available to Texans in approved counties starting **April 1**.

Visit <u>tx.ag/HomeAerobicTreatmentSystems</u> for more information.

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Free Scrap Tire Collection Event



Precinct 1

Saturday, April 10, 2021

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Precinct 1 Barn 754 West Main Street, Bellville Precinct 2

Friday, April 9, 2021

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM 321 FM 109, New Ulm

Saturday, April 10, 2021

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM 321 FM 109, New Ulm Precinct 3

Friday, April 9, 2021 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

151 Lux Road, Sealy

Saturday, April 10, 2021

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM 151 Lux Road, Sealy Precinct 4

Friday, April 9, 2021

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM 151 Lux Road, Sealy

Saturday, April 10, 2021

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM 151 Lux Road, Sealy

This is not a business or commercial collection (only for Austin County residents clean - up).



*** Tires must be removed from rims ***

For more information call (979) 865-5911 ext. 2267. Funded by grant from TCEQ and H-GAC





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