

WHOM DO I ASK? (alphabetical list)

Local, State & Federal Offices

Function or Responsibilities

<p>Gillespie Prescribed Burn Association (GPBA) 1906 N. Llano St., #106, Fredericksburg, TX 78624 http://www.gillespiecountyswcd.org/GPBA.html See also http://www.ranchmanagement.org/</p>	<p>GPBA helps local members control unwanted brush by using prescribed fire. Annual dues: \$35. (\$15 goes to parent org. EPPBA; \$20 stays here for equipment and other expenses). GPBA loans water sprayers, drip torches, signs, 2-way radios, & weather test kits to members. Annual meeting in Jan., more training during the year.</p>
<p>Gillespie County Soil & Water Conservation District (GC SWCD) 1906 N. Llano St., #106, Fredericksburg, TX 78624 (830) 997-3349 ext. 3 phone http://www.gillespiecountyswcd.org</p>	<p>M, W, TH, F. 8:30-12:00 and 1:00 - 4:30. Sponsors educational agricultural events with NRCS, TX AgriLIFE Extension, etc. Also works with Gillespie WCID & local prescribed burn association. Hosts district web page and writes two newsletters/year. Conservation awards, Seed sales, Equipment rentals, Fish sales, Contractors Lists.</p>
<p>Hill Country Underground Water Conservation District 508 South Washington, Fredericksburg, TX 830-997-4472 Phone hcuwcd@kctc.com e-mail http://www.hcuwcd.org/ Created in 1987, the boundary follows county lines.</p>	<p>“District was created for conserving, preserving, recharging, controlling subsidence, protecting & preventing waste of groundwater in the aquifers, and to implement proper management techniques to address local groundwater conditions within Gillespie County.” File new well registrations here.</p>
<p>Recycling Center for Fredericksburg, TX 302 East Ufer Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624 (830) 997-5157</p>	<p>Open : Mon. – Wed & Fri. from 7:30 am - 5:00 pm and Saturday from 8:00 am - 12:00 noon. Closed Sunday & Thursday. Accepts sorted newspaper, cardboard, magazines, aluminum cans, plastic.</p>

<p>Texas AgriLIFE Extension Service, Gillespie County 95 Frederick Rd, Fredericksburg, TX 78624 (830) 997-3452 phone (http://texasextension.tamu.edu/) Decky Spiller is the County Extension Agent.</p>	<p>Educational programs, publications, and staff well versed in agriculture and natural resources issues. Help with rangelands and wildlife management. Info on Gillespie County trappers, pesticide licenses, raising livestock, killing bees, and growing fruit trees, grapes, etc. Insect ID, plant ID, 4-H, FFA, youth stock shows, hay show, soil test kits. Meeting room for educational classes or meetings</p>
<p>Texas AgriLIFE Research 113 Jack K. Williams Administration Building 2142 TAMU, College Station, TX 77843 (979) 845-8486 Phone (http://agriliferesearch.tamu.edu/)</p>	<p>Conducts research, develops new technology, and provides information that supports agriculture & natural resources.</p>
<p>Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) (http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/) Region #13 - San Antonio Office for Gillespie, Kerr, Kendall, Bandera Counties, (210) 490-3096 Region #11 – Austin Office for Llano, Blanco, Hays Counties, (512) 339-2929 Region #8 – San Angelo Office for Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, or Menard Counties, (325) 655-9479</p>	<p>Environmental regulatory agency. Implements federal and state laws, permits, and assessments relating to air quality, water resources, and waste management. Permits wells for public water supply. Call your regional TCEQ office before you conduct a prescribed burn.</p>
<p>Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Austin, Texas (512) 463-7476 (http://www.agr.state.tx.us/)</p>	<p>Provides agribusiness marketing assistance, regulates sale, use, & disposal of pesticides. Regulates weighing and measuring devices for agribusiness commercial transactions.</p>
<p>Texas Forest Service Robert E. Edmonson, Staff Forester Forest Pest management – Oak Wilt P. O. Box 1718 Johnson City, Texas 78636 (830) 868-7949 office phone tfsjc@moment.net e-mail</p>	<p>Forest Pest management -- Oak Wilt We refer people here when they have problems with their trees.</p>
<p>Texas Forest Service, 102 E. San Antonio St., #A, P.O. Box 1032, Fredericksburg, TX (830) 997-5426 phone; (http://txforestservice.tamu.edu/)</p>	<p>Leadership and technical assistance for forests, trees, and related resources such as tree improvement, pest management, wildfires, prescribed burning, etc.</p>

<p>Texas Natural Resources Information System Austin, Texas (512) 463-8337 (http://www.tnris.state.tx.us/)</p>	<p>Part of Texas Water Development Board. Distribution center for US Geological Survey maps. Serves as clearinghouse for digital, spatial, & natural resource data.</p>
<p>Texas Parks & Wildlife 340 E Main St, Fredericksburg, TX (830) 997-2032, (http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/)</p>	<p>Administers state fish and wildlife laws. Provides fisheries and wildlife management technical support. Staffs law enforcement, state parks, and wildlife management areas. Issues permits for grass carp. Permits take about 5 weeks to obtain, so plan ahead!</p>
<p>Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board, Temple, Texas (254) 773-2250 (http://www.tsswcb.state.tx.us/)</p>	<p>Coordinates programs of the local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, water quality, water management, and conservation systems planning</p>
<p>Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory College Station, Texas (979) 845-3414 (http://tvmdl.tamu.edu/)</p>	<p>Responsible for information concerning animal diseases. Performs diagnostic testing services</p>
<p>Texas Water Development Board P. O. Box 13231, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas, 78711-3231 (512) 463-7847 (http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/)</p>	<p>Statewide water planning and administration of water supply, wastewater treatment, flood control, and agricultural water conservation projects.</p>
<p>USDA Farm Services Agency (FSA) 1906 North Llano, #107, Fredericksburg, TX 78624 (830) 997-3453 ext. 2, (http://www.fsa.usda.gov/)</p>	<p>Administers cost-share, commodity, conservation reserve, and farm loan programs.</p>
<p>USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) 1906 N. Llano St., #106, Fredericksburg TX 78624 (830)-997-3349 ext. 3; (830) 990-4338 fax (http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/)</p>	<p>Mon.-Fri. 8:00-12:00 and 1:00 - 4:30. Technical help and consultation for soil, water, and other natural resource conservation and management efforts. A source for info on federal cost shared agricultural programs. Answers questions about soil erosion, plant identification, planting grass, animal stocking rates, weed & brush control.</p>
<p>USDA Rural Development 1906 N Llano St, #102, Fredericksburg, TX 78624 (830) 997-8902, Covers Bandera, Blanco, Gillespie, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Llano, Mason, and Menard Counties. (http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/)</p>	<p>USDA helps rural communities meet basic needs by: Building water and wastewater systems, Financing decent, affordable housing, Supporting electric power and rural businesses, including cooperatives, and Supporting community development with information and technical assistance.</p>

<p>USDA Wildlife Services & TX A&M Wildlife Damage Management Service State Office in San Antonio, Texas (210) 472-5451 or Toll Free: 1-866-4USDAWS District Office: 409 Mill Run, Suite 1, Kerrville, TX 78028. Phone: 830-896-6535.</p>	<p>A joint program of USDA & TX A&M University that provides assistance for managing nuisance wildlife & damage control. Help with trapping feral hogs.</p>
<p>U.S. Geological Survey (http://www.usgs.gov/). National Spatial Data Infrastructure Partnership Office (Liaison for: TX) U.S. Geological Survey, 8027 Exchange Drive Austin, TX 78754, Phone: (512) 927-3583</p>	<p>For topographical and aerial maps that can be downloaded or ordered already printed. On the website, go to the maps, imagery and publications page.</p>
<p>Web Soil Survey, (http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/)</p>	<p>Powered on the internet by NRCS; it helps you access and use soil data for your local area. Soil surveys are sorted by state and county.</p>

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