



April 4, 2015

Morels!



Save the Date

Oasis Pipeline Fire Recovery Workshop April 18, 2015 <u>Details</u> Register On-line These tasty morel mushrooms were recently found along the Llano/San Saba Watershed divide. Have any others readers found morels on their lands?

Most folks are <u>surprised to know</u> morels are able to grow in Central Texas. But they can be found in moist areas away from direct sunlight.

The last time morels were found in this location was 2007, a very wet year; perhaps an optimistic forecast of the year to come.

Note of caution: It is illegal to harvest morels on Texas Parks and Wildlife properties.



Oasis Pipeline Wildfire

James Murr at the *Junction Eagle* has started a three-part series on the upcoming workshop about the Restoration and Recovery of the Oasis Pipeline Fire. This 2011 event was, unfortunately, the perfect storm for a wildfire of this magnitude. Yet despite the devastation, there have

been some remarkable recoveries.

The upcoming workshop on April 18th offers a unique opportunity to witness how best management practices have (or have not) worked with nature to provide the best opportunities for these lands to recover.

Space is limited for this free workshop, so <u>register</u> <u>online today</u>. Closes April 12th

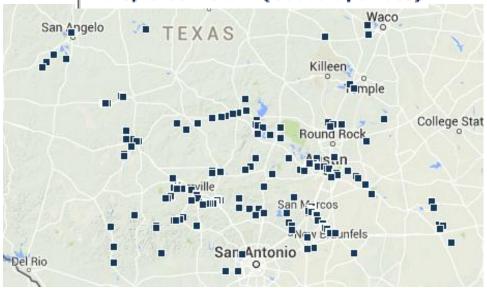
Thanks to the Junction Eagle for allowing us to post this article.







Micropterus treculii (Guadalupe Bass)



Fishes of Texas

This map above is from the <u>Fishes of Texas website</u> and shows the species collection location of Guadalupe Bass in Texas. This great website is a synthesis of the spatial and temporal distribution of Texas' freshwater fish fauna. The Fishes of Texas database includes records on specimen collections going back to the mid 1800's.

"Our efforts have focused on standardizing, merging and subjecting the data to a rigorous error detection and correction process and making it available to researchers, natural resource managers and the public."

Do you want to know all of the species collected in the North Llano? Go to Data and under Geography, select the North Llano from HUC (Hydrologic Unit Code) Name.

Reader Comment

As always, the newsletter is interesting. Regarding "Feral Hog Education", ours are already too flippin smart' they don't need no more schoolin'.

Thanks for the laugh.

If folks want to learn how to outsmart hogs, be sure to attend Hill Country Master Naturalist program on April 25th in Kerrville. (see upcoming events)



Appeals Court rules in favor of farmers & ranchers - Texas Tribune

As it stands, the decision would require some cities, power generators or others with more "junior" river rights to pay up or go thirsty when severe drought strikes.

The Texas Farm Bureau, which challenged a Texas Commission on Environmental Quality policy giving cities preferential treatment in certain water squabbles, applauded the ruling.

The TCEQ said it was "disappointed" in the decision and planned to appeal it to the Texas Supreme Court.

Read article

For our birding friends

Yes, you are saying to yourself, I am not going to fall for this again. A few issues ago, there was a <u>link to a nesting falcon</u>. Ha Ha.

Well, here is a <u>webcam link</u> to nesting bald eagles with fledglings. Really.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

South Llano Watershed Alliance Board Meeting

Hacienda Maria-Native American Seed

April 7, 2015

Junction, Texas

Members welcome

draft agenda

Feral Hog Education

Hill Country Master Naturalist

April 23rd 2015

Kerrville, Texas

details

Tour of 700 Springs

Kimble County Historical Society

April 25, 2015

Junction, Texas

<u>details</u>

