

**TEXAS MASTER NATURALISTS
HILL COUNTRY CHAPTER
LAND MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

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Nature Oriented Organizations

Native Plant Society of Texas—Kerrville Chapter: Meets 2:00 pm the first Tuesday of the month at Riverside Nature Center. 830-589-7549, www.npsot.org/kerrville

Native Plant Society of Texas—Fredericksburg: Meets 7:00 pm the last Tuesday of every month at the Gillespie Co. Ag Bldg. 830-990-0749, www.npsot.org/Fredericksburg

Native Plant Society of Texas—Boerne: Meets 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at Cibolo Nature Center. www.npsot.org/boerne

Kerr County Cactus and Succulent Society: Meets the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at the Kerrville Public Library.

Friends of the Fredericksburg Nature Center meet the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm. For more info, call Jane Crone 830-990-9823, www.fredericksburgnaturecenter.org

Texas Master Naturalists, Hill Country Chapter: Usually meets the fourth Monday of every month at 7:00 at Riverside Nature Center, 830-997-4843, <http://grovesite.com/tmn/hcmn>

Riverside Nature Center: 150 Francisco Lemos St, Kerrville, open from dawn to dusk, free, over 100 native trees and shrubs plus many native flowers. 830-257-4837.

www.riversidenaturecenter.org

Cibolo Nature Center: Off Rt. 46 in Boerne, 100 acres of prairie, woodlands and streams, many workshops and seminars on nature topics, 830-249-4616, www.cibolo.org

Kerr Wildlife Management Area: 13 miles from Hunt on 1340, 5000+ acre research facility operated by Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. "First Friday" workshops the first Friday of the month for most months deals with habitat management, grazing, deer management, prescribed burns, 830-238-4483

Native Plant Nurseries/Seeds

Natives of Texas: 11 miles west of the Guadalupe River in Kerrville on Rt. 16 (Medina Hwy), 830-896-2169

Medina Garden Nursery: south Medina at 13417 Hwy 16, 830-589-2771

Friendly Natives, 1107 N. Llano St., Fredericksburg, 830-997-6288

Native American Seed, Junction, get catalog at 1-800-728-4043 or www.seedsource.com

Douglas King Seed: San Antonio, 210-661-4191, Turner Seed: www.turnerseed.com ,

Prescribed Burn Consultants

The Nature Conservancy, Dan Snodgrass, Johnson City, 830-868-4830

Hill Country Prescribed Burning Assn., Inc. , Kerrville, TX 78028, 830-896-4911

Gillespie Chapter, Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burn Assoc.,

<http://www.gillespiecountyswcd.org/GPBA.html>

Ag/Wildlife Tax Valuations

TPWD: http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/conservation/private_lands/agricultural_land/

Texas Wildlife Assn. 800-839-9453, www.texas-wildlife.org

County Tax Assessors: Bandera: 830-796-3731, Gillespie: 830-997-6519, Kendall: 830-249-9343, Kerr: 830-792-2243

Miscellaneous

A website with accurate information on oak wilt in Texas is www.texasoakwilt.org

USDA/NRCS Soil Surveys: <http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/>

Rainwater Harvesting: TX Water Development Board: www.twdb.state.us/iwt/rainwater.asp

The Selah Bamberger Ranch Preserve: Johnson City, justifiably famous for land restoration and education, 830-868-2630, www.bambergerranch.org

A book by Master Naturalist Jim Stanley, "Hill Country Landowner's Guide", TAMU Press, discusses most of the land management issues we have in the Hill Country.

