



2010 Southwest States RC&D Training Conference



Sunday – March 14, 2010

- 1:00 - 5:30 pm **Registration** Promenade – 2nd Floor
- 3:30 - 5:30 pm **President's Reception** Promenade – 2nd Floor
- 4:00pm **Entertainment – Billy Cates, Songs of the Chisholm Trail**
- 3:30 - 6:30 pm **Visit Exhibit Displays and View Auction Items**
Promenade and Grand Crystal Ballroom – 2nd Floor
- Evening **Dinner on Your Own - Enjoy down town restaurants, music, theater, events and nightlife**
- 7:00 pm **Hospitality Suite**

[View list of speakers and their bios](#)

Monday – March 15, 2010

- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm **Registration and Visit Exhibit Displays** Promenade – 2nd Floor
View/Bid on Auction Items – Grand Crystal Ballroom
- 8:30 – 8:45 am **Opening Ceremony** – Grand Crystal Ballroom 2nd Floor
Color Guard – USMC MAG-41 Color Guard
National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation – Jim Cooper, President Bluebonnet RC&D
- 8:45 – 9:15 am **Welcome to Fort Worth - Greetings and Announcements**
Marva Beck, President, Texas State Association of RC&D Councils and
South West States Association of RC&D Councils
- 9:15 – 9:45 am **Todd Staples, Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture**
- 9:45 – 10:00 am **Refreshment Break - Promenade – 2nd Floor**
- 10:00 – 10:30 am **Tom Christensen, Regional Conservationist - NRCS, Central Region**
- 10:30 – 11:00 am **Anne Dubey, Director - NRCS Director of the Resource Conservation, Development and Community Assistance Division**
- 11:00 – 11:30 am **Don Gohmert, State Conservationist – Texas NRCS**
Texas RC&D Success Stories
- 11:30 - 1:00 pm **Lunch Guests:** **Ask Andrea - Andrea Ridout & The Solar Man - Dan Lepinski**
Nationally Syndicated Mother Earth News Radio Personalities
heard on USA Radio Network and NPR stations

Monday – March 15, 2010 Continued

Afternoon Breakout Sessions – 3rd Floor

	Texas Ballroom A	Texas Ballroom B	Texas Ballroom C/D
1:00 – 1:45	Urban Interface: How GLCI and RC&D Can Make a Difference Kent Ferguson and Jeff Goodwin, NRCS	RC&D 101 National RC&D Speaker Andy Gordon	Future of Rural Communities Greenbuilding of Greensburg, KS - Bob Mosier
2:00 – 2:45	Recycling 101 North Texas Corporate Recycling Association – Shirlene Sitton, City of Denton	Marketing of RC&D Brenda Muncrief, Wild Wonders Graphic Design	Biofuels – Electric Generation for the Rural Economy – Allen Smith, NRCS

2:45 – 3:15 pm

Refreshment Break Promenade – 2nd Floor

Afternoon Breakout Sessions continued – 3rd Floor

	Texas Ballroom A	Texas Ballroom B	Texas Ballroom C/D
3:15 -4:00	Water Conservation, pollution prevention and Storage through Wetland Creation Darrel Andrews, Tarrant Regional Water District	Ag Waste Recycling - Carl Gaines, JLG Brokerage	Grant Writing Review – Theresa Pirtie Leftwich, Reclamation Station
4:15 - 5:00	Water Conservation and Ground Water Districts in Texas - Mark McPherson, McPherson LawFirm, PC	Marketing Strategies Lori de la Cruz, Blue Marble Media	Household Hazardous Waste Urban and Rural Programs M. May, Kaufman County Environmental Co-op Rex Johnson, City of Fort Worth

6:00 pm

Hospitality Suite - Come early to meet friends and set dinner plans, come later to visit after dinner. Hosts will be available with maps and recommendations.

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

Tuesday – March 16, 2010

8:00 - 12:00 noon **Registration** Promenade – 2nd Floor

Grand Crystal Ball Room

8:00 - 8:30 am **Louisiana RC&D Success Stories – Fran Bartee**
Missouri RC&D Success Stories - Steven Radcliff

8:30 - 9:15 am **EPA Region VI Pollution Prevention Activities - David Bond**

9:15 - 10:00 am **Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Supplemental Environmental Program - Sharon Blue**

10:00 – 10:15 am **Morning Refreshment Break – Promenade 2nd Floor**

10:15 - 11:00am **Keep America Beautiful - Cecile Carson**

11:00 am – 12:00 **Illegal Dumping Panel Discussion: Education, Enforcement, and Community Support**
John Ockels, Kyle Lewis and Patty Robertson

Tuesday – March 16, 2010 Continued

12:00 pm – 5:00 pm **LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

Self Guided Tours for Fort Worth Historic and Cultural Awareness

Optional docent tours at Sid Richardson Museum at 1:30pm and Amon Carter Museum at 3:15pm

Charter Bus transportation will be available from the Hilton Hotel to Sundance Square the Stockyards and Cultural Arts areas continuously between 12:00 and 5:00 pm

Down Town Fort Worth – Sundance Square

Historic Tarrant County Courthouse, Sid Richardson Museum of Western Art, the Water Gardens, Bass Performance Hall, restaurants, and shopping

Historic Stockyards at Main and Exchange

Original stock yards, Stock Exchange and Museum, Billy Bob's Texas, shopping and restaurants

Fort Worth Museum District

Kimball Museum of Art, Museum of Modern Art, Amon Carter Museum, National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame, Cattle Raisers Museum, Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, Fort Worth Botanic Gardens, Will Rogers Coliseum

www.sundancesquare.com Sundance Square in down town Fort Worth

www.cartermuseum.org Amon Carter Museum

www.sidrichardsonmuseum.org Sid Richardson Museum of Western Art

www.cattleraisersmuseum.org Cattle Raisers Museum

www.cowgirl.net National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame

www.basshall.com Bass Performance Hall

www.fortworthstockyards.org Historic Stockyards

www.stockyardsmuseum.org Stockyards Museum

www.billybobstexas.com Billy Bob's Texas

www.kimbellart.org Kimball Museum of Art

www.themodern.org Museum of Modern Art

www.fwmuseum.org Fort Worth Museum of Science and History

www.fwb.org Fort Worth Botanic Gardens

www.fortworthgov.org/publicevents/wrwc Will Rogers Coliseum

www.fortwortharchitecture.com Tarrant County Courthouse, museums and all notable architecture of Ft.

5:30 -9:00 pm

Dinner Banquet and Live Auction

Grand Crystal Ballroom – 2nd Floor

5:30 Cocktails

6:30 Dinner seating at

7:15 Awards

7:30 Music by Brian Burns

8:00 pm – Silent Auction Closes

Live Auction followed by dancing and more music from Brian Burns

9:00 pm

Hospitality Suite Opens after Banquet

Wednesday – March 17, 2010

7:00 – 9:00 am

Morning Refreshment Break

Grand Crystal Ballroom

8:00 – 9:00 am

RC&D Administrative Assistant Training –Texas D AmberGibson/AndyGordon

9:00 - 9:30 am

Kansas RC&D Success Stories – Bob Mosier

Oklahoma RC&D Success Stories – Coleta Bratten

9:30-10:30 am

A Conversation About RC&D Program Performance - Ann Dubey, NRCS

Wednesday – March 17, 2010 Continued

10:30 - 11:30 am **RC&D State Association Business Meetings** (on both 2nd and 3rd floors)

Arkansas Texas Ballroom A

Kansas Texas Ballroom B

Louisiana Texas Ballroom C

Missouri General Worth

Oklahoma Texas Ballroom D

Texas Grand Crystal Ballroom

11:30 - 12:30 pm **Southwest States RC&D Business Meeting**
Grand Crystal Ballroom

Adjourn at end of meeting.

Thank you for coming to Fort Worth, Texas!

