The future of Jacob's Well is uncertain. In Texas, 63 out of 281 significant springs have altogether failed. *

Get your feet wet and jump into water protection.

BECOME A JACOB'S WELL VOLUNTEER

Come join us for 2 Saturdays of training with area Scientists, Environmental Educators, and Others like you who care.

2012 VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Saturdays, April 14 + April 28 9:00am – 2:30pm

Cost: \$25 Suggested Donation

Lunch: Please bring your own lunch and utensils.

We will provide drinks and snacks.

Location: Camp Jacob 221 Woodacre Dr. Wimberley, Texas



JACOB'S WELL is the largest perennial spring in the Trinity Aquifer flowing out of one the longest underwater caves in Texas. This national treasure is threatened by pollution and increased groundwater pumping caused by rapid development in the area. The spring provides a base flow of thousands of gallons of crystal clear water per minute to form Cypress Creek and the favorite Blue Hole swimming area. This beautiful spring flowed through the 1950's drought of record; yet in the last decade, Jacob's Well stopped flowing twice.

Educating the community about water may be the single most effective tool we have to save the spring, by promoting awareness and conservation. Come join the mission of the Wimberley Valley Watershed Association to insure that Jacob's Well and the waters that flow all the way to the Gulf of Mexico are clean, clear, and flowing.

Current volunteering opportunities include school education, public tours, booth participation at local festivals, trail and prairie restoration, newsletter and communications, and event coordination.

We ask for a commitment of 24 hours a year (excepting Master Naturalists, whose hours belong to the MN program).

PRESENTERS:

Doug Wierman, Geologist offering Aquifer 101

Krista McDermid/Jean Krejca, Biologists with Zara Environmental, Endangered Species and Hydrology Consultants **Gregg Tatum**, Co-Director of the Jacob's Well Exploration Dive Team

Nico Hauwert, Senior Hydrologist and Senior Environmental Scientist City of Austin Watershed Protection

Jason Pinchback, General Land Office

Hays County Master Naturalists + JWNA Volunteers with Interpretive Demonstrations

Steve Jester, Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust

David Baker, Executive Director Wimberley Valley Watershed Association

Jack Hollon, President Wimberley Valley Watershed Association

Interested?

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