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PROGRAM

*Seventy-second
Annual State Meeting
of
District Directors*

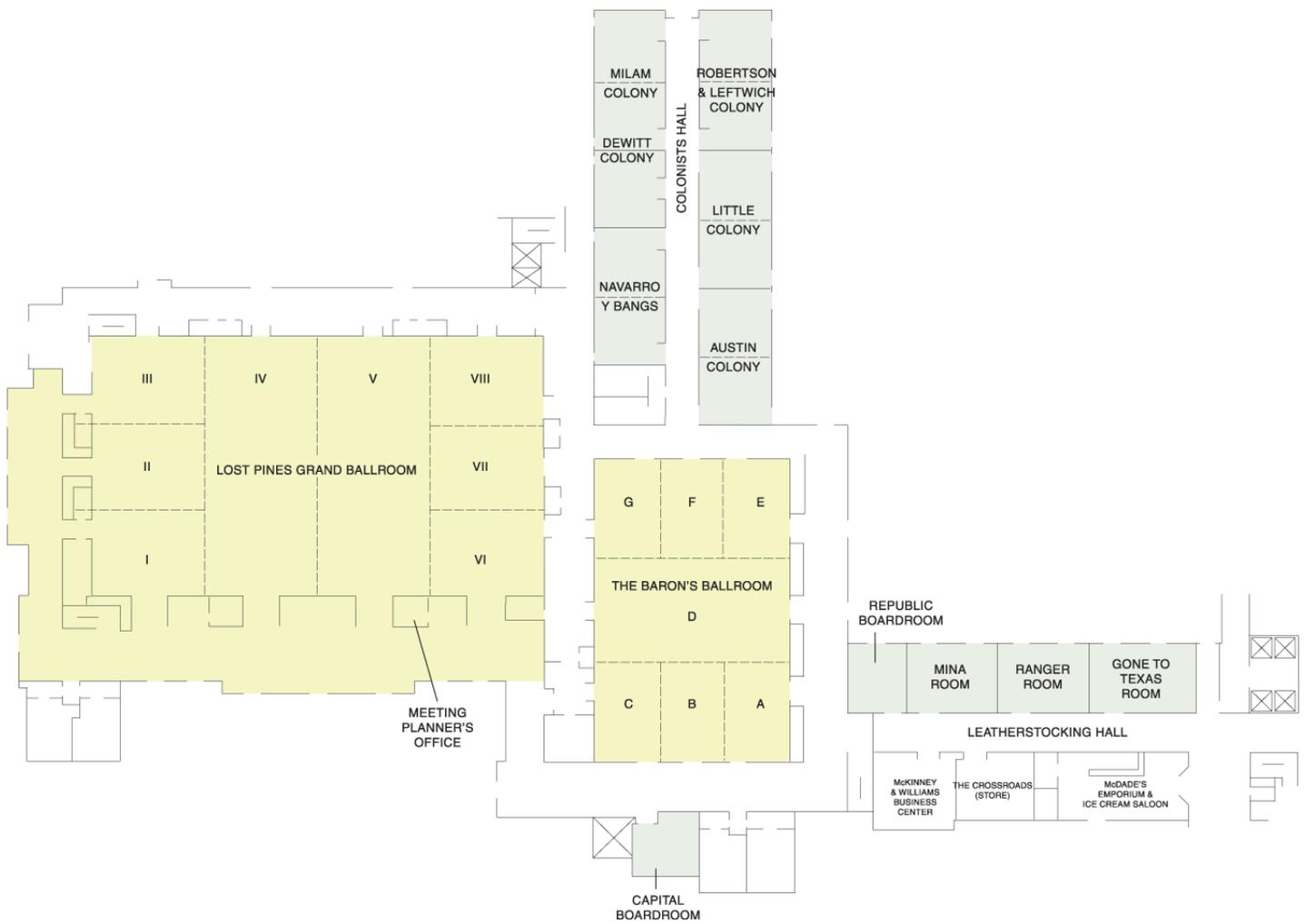
TEXAS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

October 29-31, 2012

**Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort
Bastrop, Texas**

HYATT REGENCY LOST PINES RESORT AND SPA

Meeting Rooms



ROOM DIRECTORY

Registration:

- *Pre-registration* pick-up is located in the Lost Pines Foyer
- *On-site registration* is located in the in the Lost Pines Foyer

Headquarters Room: Located in Republic Boardroom

*Coffee and soft drinks courtesy of
Capital Farm Credit*

*Spouses Luncheon and Program tickets may be purchased
at the On-site State Meeting Registration Desk.*

DOOR PRIZES

Door prizes are provided by the Area Associations of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Drawings will be held at the “Legislative Appreciation Banquet” on Monday evening, at various times during the General Session on Tuesday and at functions for the spouses.

You must be present at the drawing to win. Persons are eligible for one (1) Door Prize only.

MONDAY

October 29, 2012

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Pre-registration Pick-up and On-site Registration –
Lost Pines Foyer

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

11:00 a.m. Association Board of Directors – Austin Colony Room

12:30 p.m. Resolutions Committee – Robertson-Leftwich Room

1:00 p.m. Soil and Water Stewardship Committee – Ranger Room

1:00 p.m. Texas Association of Watershed Sponsors – Barons Room D

1:30 p.m. DDQ Committee (Not Shown on the Program) – Capital Boardroom

2:00 p.m. Public Information Committee – DeWitts Colony Room

2:00 p.m. District Director Workshop – Barons Room EFG

NRCS Programs and Services –

3:00 p.m. Association of Texas Conservation District Employees Meeting –
Little Colony Room AB
Lori Ziehr; Computer Specialist, USDA-NRCS, Temple

3:30 p.m. Invitational Meeting - “Legislation Committee” –
Lost Pines Room 6-7-8

5:00 p.m. Area Discussion Sessions –

Area I – Barons ABC

Area II – Austin Colony

Area III – Lost Pines 6-7-8

Area IV – Barons D

Area V – Barons EFG

MONDAY

October 29, 2012

7:00 p.m.

Legislative Appreciation Banquet
Lost Pines 1-2-3-4-5

Keynote Speaker

Honorable Susan Combs (*Invited*)
Comptroller of Public Accounts

Menu

Following the Appreciation Banquet –
Please remain and participate in an Auction to benefit the Association of
Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Tuesday

October 30, 2012

7:30 a.m. **Resolutions Committee** – Robertson-Leftwich Room

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Pre-registration Pick-up and On-site Registration**
Lost Pines Foyer

8:30 a.m. **General Session** – Lost Pines 1-2-3-4-5

Presiding – Barry Mahler, Chairman, Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, Iowa Park

National Anthem – Kenda Mahaffey; District Employee; Bedias Creek SWCD

Presentation of Colors – Bastrop High School Navy ROTC Color Guard

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG

“I pledge allegiance to the flag
of the United States of America
and to the Republic for which it stands,
one Nation under God, indivisible,
with Liberty and Justice for all.”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS STATE FLAG

“Honor the Texas flag;
I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas,
one state under God, one and indivisible.”

TUESDAY

October 30, 2012

Invocation –

Welcome –

Welcome –

Address –

Presentation of the FFA Soil and Water Stewardship Public Speaking Leadership Development Award -

Presentation of Outstanding SWCD Award – Harris County SWCD #442
Award Sponsored by Agricultural Workers Mutual Auto Insurance Company

Presentation of Outstanding Teacher Award – Wendy Thompson,
Brazos Valley SWCD #557 – *Award Sponsored by HOLT AgriBusiness*

Presentation of State Poster Award – Alex Corpuz, Victoria SWCD #346

Address – Carter Smith, Executive Director; Texas Parks And Wildlife
Department; Austin

Special Presentation – Jule Richmond, President, Association of Texas SWCDs,
Blanket

Address – Thomas G. Boggus, State Forester and Director, Texas Forest
Service; TAMU System; College Station

Address – Tom Maynard, Executive Director, Texas FFA Association;
Austin

Address – Billy R. Bradford, Jr., Chairman; Texas Water Development
Board; Austin

Address – Tom Christisen

Presentation of State Essay Award – (Ages 13 and under) Lindsey May,
Lamb County SWCD #130

Presentation of State Essay Award – (Ages 14 to 18) Ryder Cude,
Wichita Brazos SWCD #544

Address – Jule Richmond, President, Association of Texas SWCDs, Blanket

Address – Salvador Salinas, State Conservationist, USDA-Natural Resources
Conservation Service, Temple

TUESDAY

October 30, 2012

12:00 Noon

Lunch on Your Own

Association Board of Directors' Invitational Lunch with Area Association Officers – Little Colony A-B Room

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Concurrent Workshops #1

Climate And What It Means to You

John W. Nielsen-Gammon; Regents Professor and Texas State Climatologist;
Department of Atmospheric Sciences; TAMU; College Station
– Lost Pines 4

Estate Planning

The following topics will be covered: (i) basics of estate planning, (ii) explanation of estate tax and gift tax, (iii) discussion of imminent changes to estate and gift tax law in January 1, 2013, (iv) estate-planning issues and techniques for land owners and ranchers...how to keep the family farm, and (v) taking advantage of the large gift giving opportunity of 2012 to reduce estate tax.
- Lost Pines 5

2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Concurrent Workshops #2

Endangered Species - Lost Pines 4

Pesticide Laws & Regulations: Back To Basics –

What you used to know but may have forgotten about pesticide laws and regulations- a quick review of the laws and regulations that landowners need to comply with, such as reading the label, keeping records and an update on NPDS.

- Lost Pines 5

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Business Session – Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts – Lost Pines 4

Earl Garber; NACD President-Elect

Election of Officers

Resolutions

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

District Employee Consultation – DeWitt's Colony Room

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

NRCS Employees Meeting – Lost Pines 5

TUESDAY

October 30, 2012

12:00 noon

Spouses Luncheon and Program

Luncheon will be held at the Hyatt Regency – Lost Pines 6-7-8

Luncheon Menu

*Assorted Breads and Coffee and Tazo Tea
Maple Glazed Roast Porkloin
With Rice Pilaf and Sautéed Green Beans
Key Lime Pie*

Auxiliary Business Session

A short business session will be conducted following the luncheon.

2:00 p.m.

Program

Program presented by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) on the GO TEXAN Program. Following the TDA Presentation, attendees will proceed to the Pecan Grove Farms for a tour of their operation, a stop at the river for Pecan pie and tea and then proceed to their specialty store.

\$10.00 per person

**Spouses Luncheon and Program tickets may be purchased at the
On-site State Meeting Registration Desk**

WEDNESDAY

October 31, 2012

8:00 a.m. – Noon

Agricultural Tours

8:00 a.m. – Pre Tour Video – Lost Pines 4

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Conservation Tour – Lost Pines State Park

Attendees will view a film of the 2011 Wildfire at Bastrop State Park and then tour the park to see the effects of the fire and the recovery efforts being made to hold soil in place and to re-vegetate and re-forest the area as well as rebuild the infrastructure in and around the park.

The tour will be returning to the Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort.

Limited to 2 Buses - \$15.00 per person

MEETING EXHIBITORS

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USDA-NRCS
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