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Dear Aransas Creek Stakeholder:

The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, Nueces River Authority and the Bee Soil and Water Conservation District cordially invite you and your neighbors to an upcoming meeting regarding the Recreational Use Attainability Analysis (RUAA) for Aransas Creek. The meeting will be on Thursday, September 27th from 6:00 – 7:00 PM at the Skidmore-Tynan High School cafeteria at 213 West Walton Street in Skidmore. A map to the meeting location is enclosed, along with the meeting agenda.

Aransas Creek is 20 miles long, beginning west of Beeville to its confluence with the Aransas River. Aransas Creek currently exceeds the state water quality standard for contact recreation and is listed as impaired on the *Texas Integrated Report* due to elevated levels of E. coli.

The meeting will provide an update on the Aransas Creek RUAA and will present findings from the first field survey.

Local landowner cooperation is crucial to identify the locations most used for contact recreation. Input is needed from local city and county officials, landowners, and the general public on their knowledge of how the stream has been used historically. Since decisions made about Aransas Creek will affect landowners, industries, municipalities, and other residents, stakeholder participation is fundamental to the success of this study.

An agenda and map of the study area are included with this letter. Additional information on the project is available on the project website at:

<https://www.tsswcb.texas.gov/managementprogram/aransaruaa>

If you have any questions, please contact me at (361) 653-2110 or ssugarek@nueces-ra.org

Sincerely,

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