

Lone Star Healthy Streams: Clean Water for Texans



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At Issue:

- Impaired Texas water bodies
 - 303d List (Clean Water Act 1972, 1977)
 - 197 in 2004, additional 204 for 2006
 - Nutrients, bacteria
- Probable sources
 - Urban, livestock, wildlife
- Prior recommendations for livestock...
 - Fence out the stream?
- Lone Star Healthy Streams
 - Funded through 319

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- Evaluate and validate “value-added” BMPs.
 - Alternative water, portable shade, concrete water crossings, etc.
- Develop educational materials for state-wide delivery based on BMP evaluations.
 - Examine other state educational programs.
 - Web-based delivery, fact sheets, Power Point?
- Develop educational program for state-wide delivery based on BMP evaluations.
 - What’s the best delivery methodology?
- NOTE: Educational programs are designed to “inform”, not “alarm”.

Where to next...???

- Complete current project(s).
 - Validation and educational materials.
- Evaluate additional BMPs.
 - Re-evaluate LSHS and make appropriate changes.
 - Select BMP to validate and locate site.
 - Obtain additional validation information.
- We need and value your input!

A scenic view of a river flowing through a valley. The river is the central focus, with a calm surface reflecting the sky. The banks are lined with trees and shrubs, some of which appear to be in autumn. In the background, there are rolling hills under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and natural.

Thanks for coming today!