

**AGENDA**  
**Managing Wet Weather with Green Infrastructure Workshop**  
**San Antonio Texas**  
**February 17-18, 2009**  
**San Antonio Convention Center Rm 001**  
**200 E. Market St.**

Day 1

- 7:45 - 8:30 **Registration**
- 8:30 - 8:45 **Conference Opening** (Robert Browning, City of San Antonio Chief Stormwater Engineer with Department of Public Works; Miguel Flores is the Director, Water Quality Protection Division with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 Dallas, Texas)
- 8:45 - 9:15 **Managing Wet Weather with Green Infrastructure** (Abby Hall, EPA)  
Introduction to green infrastructure; description of EPA's program and support for green infrastructure, discuss use of green infrastructure in wet weather management.
- 9:15 - 10:00 **Benefits of Green Infrastructure** (Steve Wise, Center for Neighborhood Technology)  
Water quality & quantity, energy savings, urban heat island reduction, etc. Summaries of what we know to-date about benefits of green infrastructure approaches.
- 10:00 - 10:15 **Break**
- 10:15 - 11:00 **Large Scale Bioretention** (Dr. Ming-Han Li, Texas Transportation Institute)  
Proposed research on stormwater management with bioretention and roadside vegetation management for improving stormwater quality and reducing soil erosion for Central Texas conditions.
- 11:00 - 11:45 **Local Incentives** (Abby Hall, EPA)  
Summaries of local incentives that communities have used to encourage the use of green infrastructure approaches
- 11:45 - 1:00 **Lunch** outside in Hemisphere Park
- 1:00 - 1:45 **Soils and Plant Selection** (Emily Manderson, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Research Center) Research on plant selections and soil conditions when using green infrastructure for managing stormwater in Central Texas.
- 1:45 - 2:30 **Operation and Maintenance** (Chris Kloss, Low Impact Development Center)  
Important elements of green O&M; approaches taken by communities with developed/developing green infrastructure controls, including policies, guides, etc.
- 2:30 - 2:45 **Break**
- 2:45 - 3:30 **Retrofit** (Chris Kloss, Low Impact Development Center)  
Transportation rights-of-way (roads, curbs, sidewalks) and parking lots are often the 'low hanging fruit' and discussion of relevant policy issues and summaries of what several communities have done in this area

- 3:30 - 4:30 **What Else Do We Need To Know Expert Panel**
- Abby Hall, EPA
  - Steve Wise, CNT
  - Chris Kloss, LID Center
  - Michael Barrett, Center for Research in Water Resources (Edwards Aquifer Technical Guidance Manual)
  - Emily Manderson, Environmental Designer, Wildflower Research Center
  - Andy Johnston, Erosion Engineer for Jacobs, Carter and Burgess
  - Laith Alfaqih, LID Engineer for CH2M Hill
  - Dr. Ming-Han Li, Landscape Architect Texas A&M University and TTI

Day 2

- 8:00 – 8:35 **Codes and Ordinances** (Abby Hall, EPA)
- 8:35 – 8:45 **Local Drainage codes** (Bob Browning, City of San Antonio)
- 8:45 – 8:55 **Water Quality for the County’s MS4 Permit** (Andrew Winter, Bexar County)
- 8:55 – 9:10 **Tree, Landscape, Parks/Open Space codes** (Debbie Reid, City of San Antonio)
- 9:15 – 9:30 **Break**
- 9:30 – 12:30 **Break-Out Work Session** - opportunities and issues for codification (Bob Ashcroft, Facilitator)