

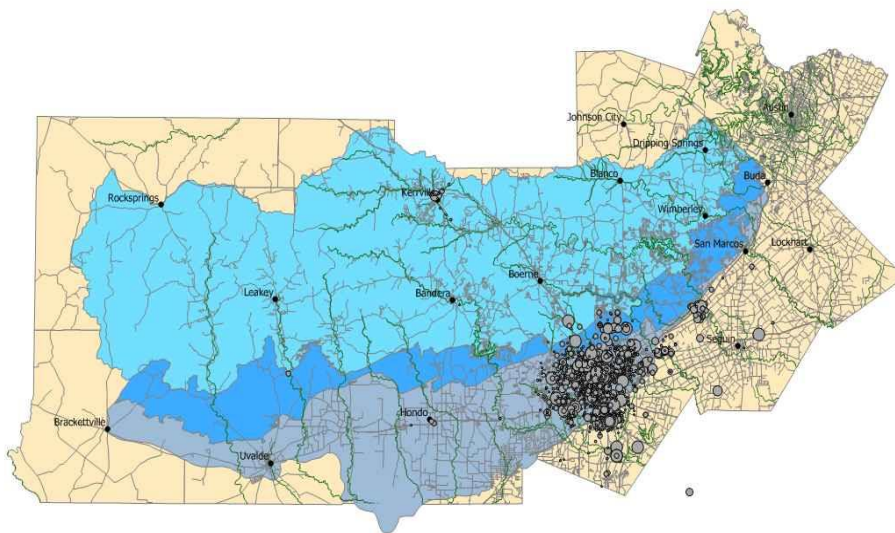


Dear GEAA members and friends,

This is the point in the 83<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Session when your voice will make all the difference in the world. During the next few weeks, bills good and bad will be scheduled for votes in the House and the Senate.

[H.B. 824 - Callegari](#) - a bill that would exempt sewage spills under 1,000 gallons from the current requirement that all spills be reported to TCEQ - is scheduled for a vote in the House of Representatives on April 30th.

Please let [your representative](#) know that [you oppose this bill](#). In order to address persistent problems before they become big problems, TCEQ needs to be made aware of all sewage spills. [GEAA's](#) recently released [studies on sewage spills](#) within the Hill Country would have painted a completely different picture of the condition of our sewage infrastructure had the reporting requirements proposed by HB 824 been in effect. We can't let the Legislature just sweep problems with wastewater infrastructure under the rug.



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And, you are invited to meet your fellow state and local parks supporters and learn how we can restore funding for Texas parks so that future generations can continue to enjoy the great Texas outdoors! Keep Texas Parks Open is

hosting a series of Town Hall events this spring, and we're coming to your area! It's free and open to the public; so, please help us spread the word.

**San Antonio Parks Forum**

**Monday, April 29**

**7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

**University Presbyterian Church (SoL Center)**

**300 Bushnell Ave., San Antonio, TX 78212**

**(Pizza will be provided)**

***Featured Speakers:*** John Crompton, Texas A&M Distinguished Professor; George Bristol, Texas Coalition for Conservation; Yaira Robinson, Texas Interfaith Power and Light; Doug McMurry, Phil Hardberger Park Conservancy

***Event Hosts:*** Phil Hardberger Park Conservancy, San Antonio Interfaith Power and Light, Sierra Club Lone Star Chapter, Texas Audubon Society, Texas League of Conservation Voters Educational Fund

**Learn more**

**at [www.KeepTexasParksOpen.com](http://www.KeepTexasParksOpen.com) and [RSVP online](#).**

Many thanks to all of you who communicate with your legislators on these important issues. As always, stay tuned for more and have a great weekend!

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