

August 31, 2012

9/19	<b>Riparian Workshop</b>	Downtown Goliad	3 CEU(s)
10/6	<b>WMA Banquet</b>	JWMHB, Goliad Co Fairgrounds	2 CEU(s)
10/24	<b>STFRS and Private App. Training</b>	Victoria Community Center	8+ CEU(s)
11/28	<b>Tri Co CEU Day</b>	JWMHB, Goliad Co Fairgrounds	5 CEU(s)

**SOUTH TEXAS FARM AND RANCH SHOW**

**October 24 & 25**

**8+ CEU(s) \$10/day**



The South Texas Farm and Ranch Show will be October 24 and 25, at the Victoria Community Center. There are a number of events planned and pamphlets will be available soon in our office. If you have questions please feel free to call the Victoria County Extension office at 361-575-4581 and RSVP your attendance. The cost is only \$10/day.

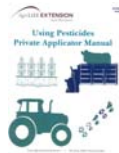
**PRIVATE APPLICATOR TRAINING**

**October 24 Cost \$10 with books**

**6:30 am registration @ Annex 3**

**7:30 am—11:30 am—Training**

**2:00 pm—Testing**



In conjunction with the South Texas Farm and Ranch Show, we will be having our Private Applicator Pesticide License Training. This training is to obtain a license and no CEU's will be provided. For more information you may contact this office. We have study guides sets available for \$40.

**TRI COUNTY CEU DAY**

**Dec 1 @ JWMHB**

**5 CEU(s) \$10/hr**



In cooperation with Bee and Refugio Counties, we will be sponsoring a CEU seminar to be held at JWMHB, Goliad Co Fairgrounds. The cost will be \$10/ hour. Although we are offering 5 hours, if you only need two, you only need to be present for two presentations that day. In the five hours, 2 hours will be in Laws and Regulations and 2 hours will be in Integrated Pest Management.

**SOIL AND FORAGE TESTING CAMPAIGN**

**Forage samples starting at \$5**

**Soil samples starting at \$10**

**DEADLINE to submit October 1**



The Crops Committee is going to help livestock producers this fall with a soil and forage testing campaign offering free postage. Soil and forage probes are available from the Extension office. Submittal forms available in the office or on the web.

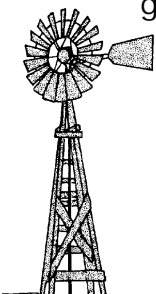
<http://soiltesting.tamu.edu/webpages/forms.html>

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**Goliad County Agricultural Newsletter**

Sep ★ Oct ★ Nov ★ Dec



**The Oil Spill Prevention, Control, and Counter Measures (SPCC) program (40 CFR Part 112)** is a set of federal regulations within the United States of America Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response that govern the control of oil, greases, and fuels. The objective of the SPCC program is to prevent oil spills into waters of the United States and adjoining shorelines. Oil spills can cause injuries to people and damage to the environment. A key element of this program calls for facilities that store oil products, including agricultural operations, to have an oil spill prevention plan, called an **SPCC Plan**. The development and implementation of an SPCC plan is intended to prevent oil spills from damaging or contaminating water resources.

### What is considered a Farm under SPCC?

Under SPCC, a "Farm" is: "a facility on a tract of land devoted to the production of crops or raising of animals, including fish, which produced and sold, or normally would have produced and sold, \$1,000 or more of agricultural products during a year."

### Which Farms are covered by SPCC?

Any farm that stores, transfers, uses, or consumes **oil or oil products**, such as diesel fuel, gasoline, lube oil, hydraulic oil, adjuvant oil, crop oil, vegetable oil, or animal fat, and

Stores more than **1,320 U.S. gallons** in above-ground containers or more than **42,000 U.S. gallons** in completely buried containers, and

Could **reasonably** be expected to discharge oil to **navigable waters of the U.S. or adjoining shorelines**, including interstate waters and lakes, rivers, streams, and certain groundwater sources (Specifically the Edwards and Trinity Aquifers in Texas).

### What should be done if a Farm is covered by the SPCC Program?

The SPCC Program requires the development and implementation of an SPCC Plan for any Farm covered by SPCC. Farms that currently have an SPCC Plan should maintain the existing plan with updates to reflect any on-farm changes. Operations that do not currently have an SPCC Plan should develop and implement one immediately.

Depending on the size of the operation, the SPCC Plan may need to be certified by a Registered Professional Engineer (P.E.) familiar with the design and practice of SPCC Plans. This policy was implemented

to ensure that site-specific oil spill containment and countermeasures designs are appropriately applied across varying locations, climates, and operating conditions. Operations that will require certification by a P.E. include any operation that has a total stationary storage capacity of more than 10,000 gallons, an underground storage tank (UST), any single tank larger than 5,000 gallons, or has had a spill in recent years.

A Farm may be eligible to self-certify an initial or amended SPCC plan if the operation has a total stationary oil storage capacity between 1,320 and 10,000-gallons in aboveground containers, no underground storage tanks, no storage tanks larger than 5,000 gallons and *the farm has not had one or more oil spill in the recent past.*

### When should an SPCC Plan be developed and implemented?

Farms in operation on or before 16 August 2002 must maintain or amend their *existing* SPCC Plan by **10 May 2013**. Any Farm that started operation after 16 August 2002, but before 10 May 2013, must prepare and implement an SPCC Plan on or before **10 May 2013**.

**Note:** Any Farm in operation before 16 August 2002 that does not currently have an SPCC Plan, must prepare an SPCC Plan **immediately**.

### What steps are necessary for a Farm covered by SPCC?

1. Write, or hire someone to write, an SPCC Plan
2. Self-certify or have a Professional Engineer (P.E.) certify the SPCC plan, as necessary.
3. Implement the SPCC Plan. *This will require that all oil storage facilities and spill controls such as secondary containment and overflow prevention procedures and/or devices are installed, upgraded, and in proper order.*
4. Revise and update the SPCC Plan as needed, or at a minimum interval of every five years. This process will require documentation and may also require plan re-certification as changes occur that affect the potential for an on-Farm oil spill (e.g., installation of a new container or relocation of an old container). If a reportable spill occurs, the EPA may dictate changes to an SPCC Plan.

**OPTION** to prepare your own SPCC Plan using a form provided by the EPA. A copy of the template form can be downloaded at

[www.epa.gov/oem/docs/oil/spcc/tier1template.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/oem/docs/oil/spcc/tier1template.pdf)

## STREAMSIDE LANDOWNER WORKSHOP

Sept 19 — 9 am - 4 pm

Downtown Goliad

FREE

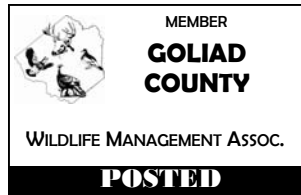


Landowners who have property located along streams, known as riparian areas, may benefit from a free workshop being offered by the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust (GBR Trust) and the Goliad County Soil and Water Conservation District on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 4pm in Goliad. Experienced specialists from agencies such as Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and the private sector will be on hand to deliver the program which features both a classroom session and a site visit to a riparian area.

Functional streamside, or riparian, areas provide a wide range of benefits to both people and wildlife, and interest in function and management of these areas has been growing steadily throughout the state.

Workshop topics will include an introduction to riparian areas, riparian vegetation and hydrology along with sessions on coastal prairie wildlife, streamside birdlife and ecotourism. Following the classroom session in the morning, participants will be taken on a field trip to a riparian area to observe and discuss some of the principles and concepts presented.

Lunch also will be provided, but space is limited. **Pre-registration is required.** Please contact Steve Jester with the GBR Trust at (830) 660-3486 or [sjester@gbitrust.org](mailto:sjester@gbitrust.org) to reserve a place in the workshop.



## BANQUET

Oct 6 — 7 am - 1 pm

JWMHB

FREE to members

The 2012 Annual Banquet of the Goliad County Wildlife Management Association will be held on October 6, with doe permit issuance starting at 7:00 a.m., registration at 8:00 a.m. with the program starting at 8:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Julie Wimberly Memorial Homemaking Building located next to the Memorial Auditorium at the County Fairgrounds, with lunch provided by Werner's catering. **\$10 for non members**

## 3rd Annual HOG OUT

After placing 5th in the 2011 HOGOUT we are attempting to win it all and this being only our second year. You know we have the main product to work with! The contest will take place between Oct 1 and Dec 31. We must certify your feral hog takes with pig tails. Bounty money will be issued along with eligibility to participate in the Hog Contest. This event encourages counties to lower feral hog populations.

## \$1250 Hog Contest

The Goliad Co WMA directors have decided to encourage participation in taking feral hogs by initiating a Hog Contest. Categories and time lines are still being finalized but we know we will offer at least \$1250 in prize money. Hog bounty funds can also be applied to contest applicants.

## \$5 Hog Bounty

The Goliad Co WMA thanks to the San Antonio River Authority still has close to \$2000 to hand out in form of bounties. \$5 per hog tail can be claimed at the Extension Office during our regular hours. You may freeze tails and bring them to town at one time (they also don't smell as bad when frozen). These tails starting Oct 1. go towards our HOG OUT.



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### AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES INFORMATION

If you need any special accommodation, please contact Brian Yanta at 361-645-8204 10 days prior so we can consider your request.

If you have any special dietary needs, please contact Brian Yanta at 361-645-8204 10 days prior to the event.

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### Goliad Ag Newsletter on the Web

<http://goliad.agrilife.org/newsletters/>

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I hope you find this information useful. If I can assist you in any way please contact me!

Sincerely,

