



2012 Conservation Development Symposium

Protecting the Watershed - - Right Where We Live

May 10, 2012 | Lewisville, TX

Program Description

Location & Time: Upper Trinity Regional Water District
900 North Kealy, Lewisville, Texas 75057

Symposium Theme: On May 10th in Lewisville, Texas, the Upper Trinity Conservation Trust and the University of North Texas are hosting the 2012 Conservation Development Symposium to raise awareness of watershed issues and to discuss ways in which watersheds can be managed and protected to safeguard water quality and enhance the quality of life in our neighborhoods and communities.

Participants: Watershed protection and conservation land development involve many stakeholders and many disciplines - - all have a key role. Therefore, the Symposium can be of benefit to environmental professionals and anyone interested in or responsible for watershed protection and conservation of resources in the land development process.

- Professionals who work in...
 - * water resource protection
 - * land use planning
 - * site planning / design
 - * best management practices
 - * construction/ maintenance of stormwater infrastructure
- Local, state and federal government administrators
- Landowners, developers, real estate agents
- Land use / development planners, engineers and landscape architects

Speakers and Keynote: Along with our many notable speakers, we are excited to announce **Mr. Randall Arendt** as the Keynote for the Symposium. Mr. Arendt is a nationally known planner, author and advocate of “conservation planning,” and has designed several developments within the North Texas region.

Program agenda: Themed “**Protecting the Watershed - - Right Where We Live**”, the Symposium will provide the attendee an opportunity to learn more about:

- Importance of watershed protection and land conservation;
- Conservation development design principles and planning techniques;
- Riparian corridor protection;
- Green infrastructure strategies to address erosion and water quality protection;

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- Economic benefits of preserving open space, from a developer's perspective, within a master-planned community; and,
- A local town's experience with conservation developments.

Registration Cost: \$75 per person, Continental Breakfast and Lunch Provided

CEUs and CMs (pending) will be available.

Symposium Outline

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM Continental Breakfast & Registration
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM 2012 Conservation Development Symposium
3:00 PM to 5:00 PM Tour of Local Developments (Optional)

Tour of Local Developments Available

As part of the Symposium, tours will be available of two local "conservation development" projects - also illustrating open space / riparian corridor / watershed protection principles.

- **Chimney Rock Estates** in Flower Mound is a conservation development with 48 one-acre lots surrounding 51 acres of land which has been placed in a permanent conservation easement for the purpose of protecting habitat, open space, views, water and woods.
- **Lantana** is a 1,700 acre master planned community, featuring protected riparian corridors and preserved open space. With a commitment to environmental and watershed protection, Lantana provides more than 400 acres of permanent greenbelts, wildlife habitat and hike & bike trail systems.

The guided tours will include representatives from the respective developments to discuss design features, benefits, concepts and results. Transportation will be provided for each tour, and will return by 5:30 PM. Please register for one of the tours if you're interested in participating.

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