



Texas Riparian & Stream Ecosystem Program Proper Functioning Condition Training

June 17-18, 2015

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Bell County Annex Bldg.

1605 N. Main Street, Belton, Texas 76513

Online RSVP and Agenda: naturalresourcestraining.tamu.edu/schedule

This free workshop will provide an introduction to the riparian assessment method known as PFC or Proper Functioning Condition. The PFC method was developed by a team of experts including the National Riparian Service Team. As a training and education tool, PFC is useful to help the layman understand the interrelationship of hydrology, fluvial geomorphology and riparian vegetation. The bases of PFC are the physical processes that produce the functionality of a riparian area. Using the PFC definition, a properly functioning riparian area will have adequate vegetation, landscape formation, or large woody material to dissipate energy, reduce erosion, protect banks, trap sediment, build floodplains, store water, provide floodwater retention, provide groundwater storage and sustain baseflow. When these physical processes are working properly, then the stream and riparian area are able to provide for many of the important values desired by society, such as water quality, sustained flows, fish and aquatic habitat, wildlife habitat, livestock forage, and recreational value. The PFC method uses a 17-point checklist to assess these functional processes. Day 2 will be in the field working through the assessment to answer the checklist items. To RSVP go online to naturalresourcestraining.tamu.edu/schedule. For more information and to register please contact Nikki Dictson at 979-458-5915 or n-dictson@tamu.edu.

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