

— Livestock Producers Eligible for Drought Assistance with USDA-FSA —

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds drought-impacted producers that they may be eligible for financial assistance through the [Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program \(ELAP\)](#) to cover above normal expenses for hauling water or feed to livestock or hauling livestock to forage or grazing acres.

For eligible producers in qualifying counties, ELAP provides financial assistance for:

- the transportation of water to livestock;
- the above normal cost of mileage for transporting feed to livestock,
- the above normal cost of transporting livestock to forage/grazing acres.*

**Hauling livestock one-way, one haul per animal reimbursement and no payment for "empty miles."*

Eligible livestock include cattle, bison, goats and sheep, among others, that are maintained for commercial use and located in a county where qualifying drought conditions occur.

Transporting Livestock-ELAP provides financial assistance to livestock producers who are hauling livestock to a new location for feed resources due to insufficient feed or grazing in drought-impacted areas. As with transporting feed, the payment formula for transporting livestock excludes the first 25 miles and any mileage over 1,000 miles. The reimbursement rate is 60% of the costs above what would normally have been incurred during the same time period in a normal (non-drought) year.

Transporting Water-For ELAP water transportation assistance, producers must be transporting water to eligible livestock on eligible grazing land where adequate livestock watering systems or facilities were in place before the drought occurred and where water transportation is not normally required. ELAP covers costs associated with personal labor, equipment, hired labor, and contracted water transportation fees. Cost of the water itself is not covered. The ELAP payment formula uses a national average price per gallon.

Transporting Feed-ELAP provides financial assistance to livestock producers who incur above normal expenses for transporting feed to livestock during drought. The payment formula excludes the first 25 miles and any mileage over 1,000 miles. The reimbursement rate is 60% of the costs above what would normally have been incurred during the same time period in a normal (non-drought) year.

Reporting Losses-For calendar year 2022 forward, producers must submit a notice of loss to their [local FSA office](#) **within 30 calendar days** of when the loss is apparent. Producers should contact FSA as soon as the loss of water or feed resources are known. ELAP eligibility, documentation of expenses is critical. Producers should maintain records and receipts associated with the costs of transporting water to eligible livestock, the costs of transporting feed to eligible livestock, and the costs of transporting eligible livestock to forage or other grazing acres.

More Resources-On farmers.gov, the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet](#), and [Farm Loan Discovery Tool](#) can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local [USDA Service Center](#).

Local FSA Office- Austin County
Steven Pawelek, County Executive Director
1351 West Main St., Suite A, Bellville, TX 77418; Phone: 979-865-3138 Ext-2

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Events

- August 1-31st: Collection of Hay Samples for Austin County Hay Show
- August 5th: Private Applicator Training — Austin County Extension Office, Bellville, 12:45 pm
- August 9th: Mill Creek Partnership Meeting — Washington County Expo Sales Facility, Brenham, 5:30 pm
- August 12th: Feathers, Furs & Farming-Assistance Programs for Wildlife Habitat — Weimer Community Center, Weimer, 1 pm
- August 13th: Mill Creek Cleanup Day — Bleiblerville VFD, Bleiblerville, 9 am
- August 19th: New Landowners Series- Horticulture — Cat Spring Ag Hall, Cat Spring, 1:00 pm (3 CEUs)
- August 26th: Fall Horticulture Seminar — American Legion, Sealy, 12:30 pm (1 CEU)
- September 16th: New Landowners Series- Forage &/or Livestock Production — Colorado County, 1:30 pm
- October 7th: Fall Forage Program — Austin County Fairgrounds, Bellville, 8:30 am (3 CEUs)
- October 21st: New Landowners Series- Wildlife Mgt. & Native Prairie Restoration — Fayette County, 1:30 pm
- November 1-28th: Austin County Pecan Show Entries may start getting dropped off at the Extension office

Electronic Ag Newsletter Mailing List

We have so many great things going on with our Ag program in Austin County and we are engaging more people than ever. We would like to provide everyone the opportunity to receive updates quickly. In order to make sure everyone receives the most up to date information and upcoming events as we have them on our schedule, we encourage everyone to provide us with an email address. Email is the quickest way for us to get in touch with everyone on a last minute program in another county or a reminder about a program, as well as our preferred method of delivering our Ag Newsletter which are sent out monthly.

If you are currently receiving the paper copy we ask that call or stop by our office to provide us with your email address. Thank you for your understanding. Our goal is to serve our clientele as efficiently as possible.

You can also subscribe to our newsletter from our website. Simply go to our website, <http://austin.agrilife.org/> and complete the form located on the home page.

If you are currently receiving our Ag newsletter via email, thank you and you need to do nothing further. Please remember to update your email address if it should change.

AUSTIN COUNTY HOG BOUNTY

Austin County Commissioners Court is offering a bounty on feral hogs, which has been in place since 2019. Participants will be awarded \$5 per feral hog harvested in Austin County, with biological evidence provided of harvest in the form of a pair of feral hog ears. Each pair must be placed in an individually sealed bag and dropped off at 1 of the 3 drop off locations. Three local feed stores in the county, Steinhauer's in Sealy, Linseisen's Feed & Supply in Bellville, and Lindemann Store in Industry, will serve as the drop off locations.

A limit of 20 pairs per household per month is allowed. All feral hogs must be harvested in Austin County and signed paperwork must be filled out completely to collect money.

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Hay Show Samples

The Beef & Forage Committee of Austin County is encouraging beef cattle producers to turn in a sample of their hay for analysis at six (6) different locations throughout Austin County, from August 1-31st. The analysis will give producers very useful information about the quality of the hay they are feeding to their livestock, and the test will help them determine what additional level of supplements may be needed during the winter. The test will show the crude protein level, total digestible, and acid detergent fiber (ratio of leaf to stem). The testing campaign and Hay Show is open to any hay producer from Austin or surrounding counties.

Producers may submit as many samples as they wish for analysis in each of the following categories:

- 1) **Improved (Hybrid) Bermudagrass** (Except T-85) (e.g., Coastal, Jiggs, Alicia)
- 2) **Other Bermudagrasses** (e.g., Common Bermudagrass, Tifton 85)
- 3) **Warm Season Annual Grasses** (e.g., Rice Straw, Hay Grazer, Sudan Crosses, Sorghum Alum)
- 4) **Other Warm Season Perennial Grasses** (e.g., Eastern Gamagrass, Bluestem, Johnsongrass, Kleingrass, Bahiagrass)
- 5) **Cool Season Grasses** (e.g., Wheat, Oats, Cereal Rye, Ryegrass)
- 6) **Legumes** (e.g., Clover, Peanut, Cowpea)
- 7) **Legume/Grass Mixtures** (e.g., Rye/Clover, Oats/Vetch)

There is no entry fee, however the deadline for entering is Wednesday, August 31st. Please refer to the Austin County Hay Show Guidelines available online at <https://austin.agrilife.org/hay-show/> and at each of the drop off locations.

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Feathers, Furs, & Farming– Assistance Programs for Wildlife Habitat

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension in Austin and Colorado Counties are partnering with Texas Parks & Wildlife to host a Feathers, Furs, and Farming program on August 12, 2022. The focus of this program is all about Assistance Programs for Wildlife Habitat. During this program we will discuss the Grassland Restoration Incentive Program (GRIP), Pastures for Upland Birds (PUB), and Landowner Incentive Program (LIP). Each of these programs offer financial assistance for landowners who utilize them. The goal of this program is to help landowners understand the purpose of each program and how to navigate the process. Additionally, we will hear from members of the Fayette County Prairie Chapter and Texas Master Naturalists.

The event will be held at the Weimar Civic Center located at 1754 IH-10 in Weimar. Registration will be from 1:00 -1:30 pm with the program beginning at 1:30 pm and concluding at 5 pm. Cost of attendance is \$15 per person or \$20 per couple. If you have any questions, please call the Austin County Extension Office at 979-865-2072, the Colorado County Extension Office at 979-732-2082, Mark Lange TPWD Wildlife Biologist for Colorado Counties at 979-732-3458, or Jon McLeod TPWD Wildlife Biologist for Austin/Fort Bend Counties at 832-595-8999.

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FALL FORAGE PROGRAM-OCTOBER 7TH

The Beef & Forage Committee of Austin County would like to invite you to attend the annual Austin County Hay Show and Fall Forage Seminar to be held on Friday, October 7, 2022, at the Austin County Fairgrounds. Registration for the program will be at 8:30 am with the program starting at 9:00 am.

This year's program will cover the following: Livestock Health Program, Sandbur Control Methods, and Controlling Invasive Grasses in Hay Pastures. Presenters include Dr. Tom Hairgrove, Dr. Josh McGinty, and Dr. Jamie Foster with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Three (3) Continuing Education Units (CEU's) credits will be provided to those with a pesticide applicators license (3 General).

The program will cost \$30 per person. After the program, there will be a presentation of awards for the Austin County Hay Show and lunch.

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Austin County Pecan Show Entries Due 11/28

The Horticulture Committee of Austin County will host its Annual Pecan Show on Thursday, December 1, 2022, at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office located at 800 E Wendt St, Bellville, TX 77418. There will be a short educational program followed by an awards presentation.

Entries for this year's show must be delivered to the AgriLife Extension Office during normal business hours, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm (Noon) and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, beginning Tuesday, November 1st through Monday, November 28th. All entries must be submitted by 5:00 pm on Monday, November 28th to be entered in the show.

Each entry must be in a brown paper bag (provided at office) and entry card filled out. Individuals may make as many entries as they wish of different pecan varieties, and each entry must consist of 50 pecans of the same variety. There is no entry fee to enter. Anyone from Austin County may enter or from a surrounding county that does not have a county pecan show.

Ten (10) pecans will be randomly selected by the Committee for judging. Included in the judging will be kernel weight percent, color, fill and blemishes. Top placing pecans from all entries that qualify will be forwarded on for judging at the regional pecan show and from there to the state contest.

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Fall Horticulture Seminar– August 26th

The Horticulture Committee of Austin County and the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office of Austin County will be hosting a Fall Horticulture Seminar on Friday, August 26, 2022, at American Legion Post #442 located at 1630 Meyer St, Sealy. Program registration will begin at 12:30 pm with the first presentation beginning at 1 pm.

Information to be covered includes Citrus Tree Diseases & Pests, Planting Wildflowers, and Propagation of Plants. Presenters include Dr. Larry Stein with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Master Naturalist from the Gideon Lincecum Chapter and Randy Albers from the Bluebonnet Master Gardener Association.

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Multi-County New Landowners Series 2022

The Multi-County New Landowner Education program is a series of 7 informational meetings, seminars, and field days designed to make new landowners in Austin, Colorado, Fayette, & Washington Counties aware of what types of agricultural enterprises are best for their property. Participants in the program will hear from experts in a variety of fields in agriculture about best management practices that can be implemented on their own property. This innovative program assists new landowners in understanding the concepts of rural living. Participants in the program are given exposure to ideas on raising livestock and horses, plant identification, fence building, applying pesticides, soil testing, stock pond management, pond construction, fruit and nut production, rainwater harvesting, turf management, and much more. The program also serves as a way for new residents of the four counties to network and meet new people in their communities, find out what can be done on their land, what operations can be successful, and possibly what opportunities they have to serve the community.

The programs will be held on the **third Friday of the months of August through November**. Each month's meeting will be held at different locations in one of the four counties. The meetings begin at 1:30 pm and will last between 4 and 5 hours depending on the topic and possible tour stops. The cost for the program series is \$125.00 per person, \$200.00 per couple for all seven meetings, or \$20.00 per person per meeting. Continuing Education Units (CEU's) for pesticide applicators will be offered as they are applicable. A great selection of refreshments will be provided at each session. Participants who sign up for the **entire series** at the beginning will receive a notebook to fill out as they progress through the program. It will include handouts and reference material that will be useful as they move forward with improvements on their property. The remaining topics to be covered for this year are:

- **September 16th** – Forage &/or Livestock Production – Options for Small Acreage Operations
- **October 21st** – Wildlife Management and Native Prairie Restoration
- **November 18th** – Bees and Trees for Homeowners

August Program –Horticulture (Fruit Trees, Pecans, & Grapes for Small Landowners) – Cat Spring Ag Hall

The fourth meeting for the 2022 series will take place on **Friday, August 19, 2022**, at the Cat Spring Agriculture Hall located at 13035 Hall Road in Cat Spring. Viticulture is growing in popularity with new landowners, and more are trying their hand at growing their own grapes to make wine. An Extension Viticulture specialist and Associate Professor will be discussing how to start your own vineyard. During this session, we will also discuss pecan and fruit tree production with an Extension Horticulture Specialist. Learn what you need to know to get started growing your own orchard or a few pecan or fruit trees in your backyard. Three CEUs (3 General) will be offered for all licensed pesticide applicators. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity!

Registration materials and more information can also be found on the website, <https://washington.agrilife.org/nlo>

RENEWAL UPDATE FOR 2022 APPLICATOR LICENSE HOLDERS

In response to the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic, the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) is extending this exemption of agriculture Continuing Education Unit (CEU) requirements. To address the CEU's and licensure requirements for Ag Pesticide applicators, the TDA will work with the ag pesticide applicators and CEU course providers of Texas during this critical time. Licensed applicators with expiring licenses or needing CEU's will be allowed to renew their license even if they have not met their CEU requirement for their current licensing period through December 31, 2022. Due to the uncertainty of the length and severity of the Covid 19 pandemic, many CEU events have been canceled. The TDA will work to insure all the state's pesticide applicators are able to acquire their licenses and required continuing education courses in a safe and effective manner during this time frame. Once CEU courses resume as normal, applicators will be required to obtain their required CEUs for their respective license classification for each licensing period. By allowing a CEU exemption, this will allow the applicators to maintain their ability to perform pesticide applications for pests, weeds, insects etc., without disrupting daily business functions. Applicators are encouraged to complete online courses even if online courses were completed the previous licensing period.

COMMERCIAL, NON-COMMERCIAL AND NON-COMMERCIAL POLITICAL APPLICATORS For licenses expiring in 2022 ONLY: TDA will exempt commercial, non-commercial and non-commercial political applicators who have taken online or correspondence courses within the last year. The TDA Rule 7.24 (t) (2) does not allow for online or correspondence courses to be taken 2 years consecutively. In light of the unusual circumstances due to Covid 19 (coronavirus), the TDA will allow online or correspondence courses to be taken in consecutive years. This exemption will be for the current 2022 licensing period. Commercial, non-commercial and non-commercial political pesticide applicators are required to obtain 5 CEUs per licensing period.

PRIVATE APPLICATORS For licenses expiring in 2022 ONLY: The TDA will also exempt private applicators from the TDA Rule 7.24 (v) (5). This rule does not allow a private applicator to acquire more than 10 CEUs through correspondence courses. During this quarantine time frame, private applicators will be allowed to acquire ALL of their CEUs through correspondence courses (online). Private applicators are required to obtain 15 CEUs per 5- year licensing period.

2022 Austin County Hay Show & Fall Forage Seminar

Hay Sample entry forms & boxes available at:

- Austin County Extension Office, Bellville Farm & Ranch, and Linseisen's Feed & Supply Inc in Bellville
- Steinhauser's in Sealy
- Dudensing Farm Service in New Ulm
- Lindemann Store in Industry

Hay Samples collected August 1st-31st

Results will be available after Fall Forage Seminar

Fall Forage Seminar

Austin County Fairgrounds

Friday, October 7, 2022

Registration: 8:30am - 9:00am

Program: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Cost: \$30 per person (lunch included)

RSVP by October 3rd

For more information or to RSVP please visit the Austin County Extension Office website: austin.agrilife.org or contact the office at 979-865-2072

Scan for more
information



Private Applicator Licenses Trainings for 2022

Friday, February 4, 2022

Friday, May 6, 2022

Friday, August 5, 2022

Thursday, November 3, 2022

Training is from 1pm to 5pm

Check in/Registration starts 15 mins prior

Date & Time are subject to change



Prices:

Training-\$10

Books-\$40

(2 manuals)

**Checks payable to:
Extension Program
Council (EPC)**

Nonrefundable

**Please RSVP to reserve
your spot, space is limited**

<http://austin.agrilife.org/event-registrations/>



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Trainings will be conducted at
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of
Austin County located at
800 E Wendt St., Bellville, TX 77418

The purpose of this training is to obtain a Private Applicator License from Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). This license will enable the applicator to purchase and apply state limited use and federally restricted chemicals on his land or land he has control of for the purpose of production of agricultural commodities. All farm and ranch operators who do not have a Private Applicator's License to purchase "restricted use" pesticides (such as 2, 4-D, Grazon P+D, Tordon 22K, etc.) will need to attend this training.

If you are interested in obtaining a Private Applicator License Training, please contact the Austin County Extension office at (979) 865-2072 to purchase the manuals.

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MILL CREEK
WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP

Partnership Meeting and Native Grassland Management Lecture

Join us for the Partnership meeting and a discussion about native grassland management. Along with learning about local invasive and native plant species, participants will hear about best management practices for native grassland restoration and management, including seeding, periodic grazing, control burning, and others.

AUGUST 9 AT 5:30 PM

Washington County Expo Sales Facility
(1305 East Blue Bell Rd., Brenham, TX 77833)

1 General CEU available!

Pre-registration is required by August 5:

<https://washington.agrilife.org/millcreek/>

Funding for this effort is provided through a Clean Water Act§319(h) Nonpoint Source Grant administered by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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This Month:
ALL ABOUT
ASSISTANCE
PROGRAMS FOR
WILDLIFE HABITAT

FEATHERS, FURS, AND FARMING

August 12, 2022

**Registration 1:00pm-
1:30pm**

Program 1:30-5:00pm

\$15/Person

\$20/Couple

Weimar Civic Center

1754 IH-10
Weimar, TX 78962

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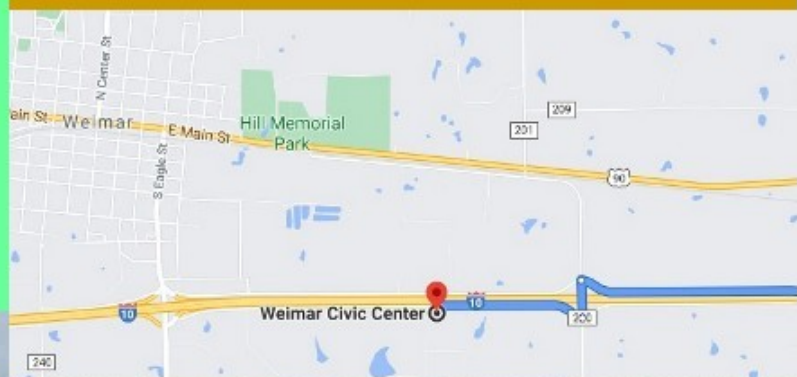
Programs covered will include:

GRIP or Grassland Restoration Incentive Program

PUB or Pastures for Upland birds

LIP or Landowner Incentive Program

You'll also hear from Fayette County Prairie
Chapter and Texas Master Naturalists.



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Mill Creek Cleanup Day

DO YOU OWN LAND IN THE MILL CREEK WATERSHED?
Come together as a community of landowners and make a difference by cleaning up your land within the Mill Creek watershed!

Bring your collected items to the trash drop-off spot at

Bleiberville VFD (3912 FM 2502 Rd., Bleiberville)

Trash accepted on **AUGUST 13, 2022, 9 AM - 4 PM**

- No hazardous waste
- No closed drums
- No asbestos
- No freon-containing refrigeration equipment
- No items containing mercury, lead, or acid
- No batteries
- No tires

This event is limited only to those landowners whose properties are located within the Mill Creek watershed. You do not have to have Mill Creek run through your property to qualify for participation. Registration and verification of eligibility to participate are required prior to the event. Please call or email at:

(979) 845-2862 or millcreek@ag.tamu.edu



Funding for this effort is provided through a Clean Water Act 5319(h) Nonpoint Source Grant administered by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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CEU
(3 GEN)**

Fruit Trees, Pecans, Grapes for Small Acreage

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2022 Multi-County New Landowner Educational Series

August 19, 2022

Cat Spring Ag Hall

13035 Hall Road
Cat Spring, TX

Registration 1:00-1:30 pm

Program 1:30-5:00 pm

\$20/Person/Session

\$125/Person/Series - \$200/Couple/Series

To register online visit:

<https://washington.agrilife.org/nlo>

Topics to be covered:

Starting your own vineyard

Selecting the right fruit/pecan tree

Common issues with fruit trees

Common issues with pecan trees

Planting tips for trees



For more information please contact:

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Fall Horticulture Seminar

August 26, 2022

American Legion Post #442

1630 Meyer St., Sealy, TX 77474

Registration: 12:30pm

Program: 1:00pm-4:30pm

\$20/person or \$35/couples

Topics:

- Citrus Tree Diseases & Pest
- Planting Wildflowers
- Propagation of plants

1 CEU's
(1- Gen) TDA

Speakers:

- *Larry Stein, PhD, Extension Program Specialist*
- *Master Naturalists from Gideon Lincecum Chapter*
- *Randy Albers, Bluebonnet Master Gardener*

RSVP by: August 24, 2022

Please call Texas A&M AgriLife
Extension Service of Austin County
at 979-865-2072



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2022 Austin County Fall Forage Seminar & Hay Show

Sponsored by: The Austin County Beef & Forage Committee

Austin County Fairgrounds
Friday, October 7, 2022

Registration: 8:30am

Program: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Cost: \$30 per person (lunch included)

Topics/Speaker's

- **Livestock Health program- Tom Hairgrove, PhD**
- **Sandbur Control Methods- Josh McGinty, PhD**
- **Controlling Invasive Grasses in Hay Pastures- Jamie Foster, PhD**

Hay Show results will be available after Seminar

Please RSVP by October 3rd

For more information please visit the Austin County Extension Office
website: austin.agrilife.org or contact the office, 979-865-2072



Austin County Pecan Show

Sponsored by: The Horticulture Committee of Austin County

Entry Deadline: Monday, November 28, 2022, 5pm

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of Austin County
800 E Wendt St., Bellville, TX**

Guidelines:

- Entries must be delivered to the Extension Office during normal business hours (8am-12pm & 1pm-5pm) starting November 1st
- All entries must be submitted by 5pm on Monday, November 28th.
No Late Entries Accepted!
- Each entry should have 50 uncracked pecans of the same variety, from the same tree
- Each entry **MUST** be in a brown paper bag labeled with entrant's name and entry form
 - *Entry forms can be picked up at the Extension office or printed off the website (austin.agrilife.org).*
- Entries are limited to one entry of each named variety per person
- Pecans must be from 2022 Crop
- No entry fee

All entries become property of the Austin County Horticulture Committee

Results will be available at the Pecan Program on 12/1/2022

For more information please visit the Austin County Extension Office website:

<https://austin.agrilife.org/agriculture/ac-pecan-show/> or contact the office, 979-865-2072



Austin County Feral Hog Bounty Program

Sponsored by: Austin County Commissioners Court

Austin County Bounty Program:

Subject to fund availability, participants will be awarded \$5 per feral hog harvested in Austin County. Biological evidence **MUST** be provided of harvest in form of a pair of feral hog ears. Each pair must be placed in an individually sealed bag and dropped off to 1 of the 3 drop off locations.



*Only 20 pairs
per household
per month*

**\$5/pair
of ears**

Drop Off Locations:

- ***Steinhauser's (Sealy location ONLY)***
- ***Linseisen's Feed & Supply (Bellville)***
- ***Lindemann Store (Industry)***

*Feral hogs can be harvested until funds are depleted. All feral hog **MUST** be harvested in Austin County.*

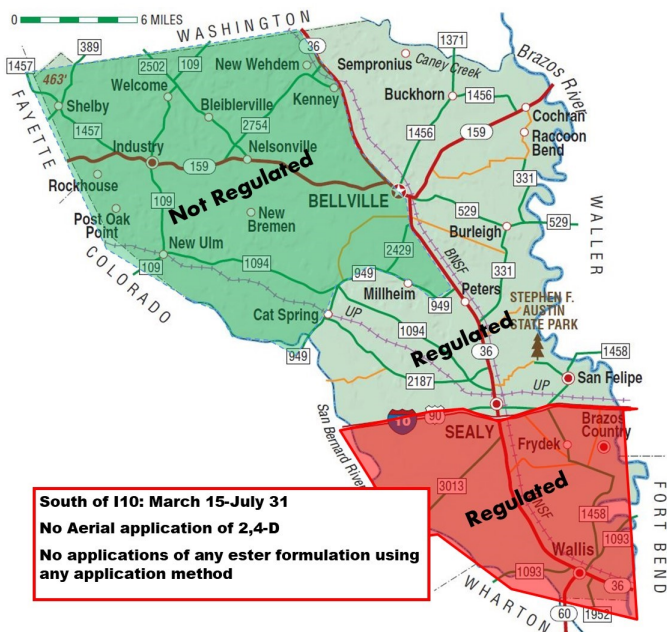


SPRAY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR A PORTION OF AUSTIN COUNTY

As a reminder to anyone that will be using state limited use or state restricted use herbicides in Austin County, a permit to apply these herbicides must be obtained through the Texas Department of Agriculture if you plan on spraying in certain portions of the county. The following areas of Austin County must acquire a permit as is specified in the Texas Agricultural code, chapter 75,

- 1) Only that portion of Austin County lying east and south of the line beginning at the point where State Highway 36 crosses the north county line, thence southerly along Highway 36 to FM 949; thence westwardly along FM 949 to the San Bernard River is regulated by the Act, Subchapter G and regulations adopted thereunder.
- 2) Between March 15 and July 31, in that portion of Austin County lying south of Interstate Highway 10, the following restrictions on the use of 2,4-D formulations shall apply:
 - (A) the application by aircraft is prohibited
 - (B) the use of all ester formulations by any method is prohibited.

Permits may be obtained from the Texas AgriLife Extension Service of Austin County at (979) 865-2072. Forms can also be obtained by contacting the Texas Department of Agriculture Gulf Coast Regional Office in Houston at (713) 921-8200.



REGISTERING FOR A COUNTY PROGRAM?

[CLICK HERE](#)

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Steve M. Villan

Stacie M. Villarreal

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

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