

CENTRAL TEXAS MASTER NATURALIST 2012 TRAINING DIRECTIONS

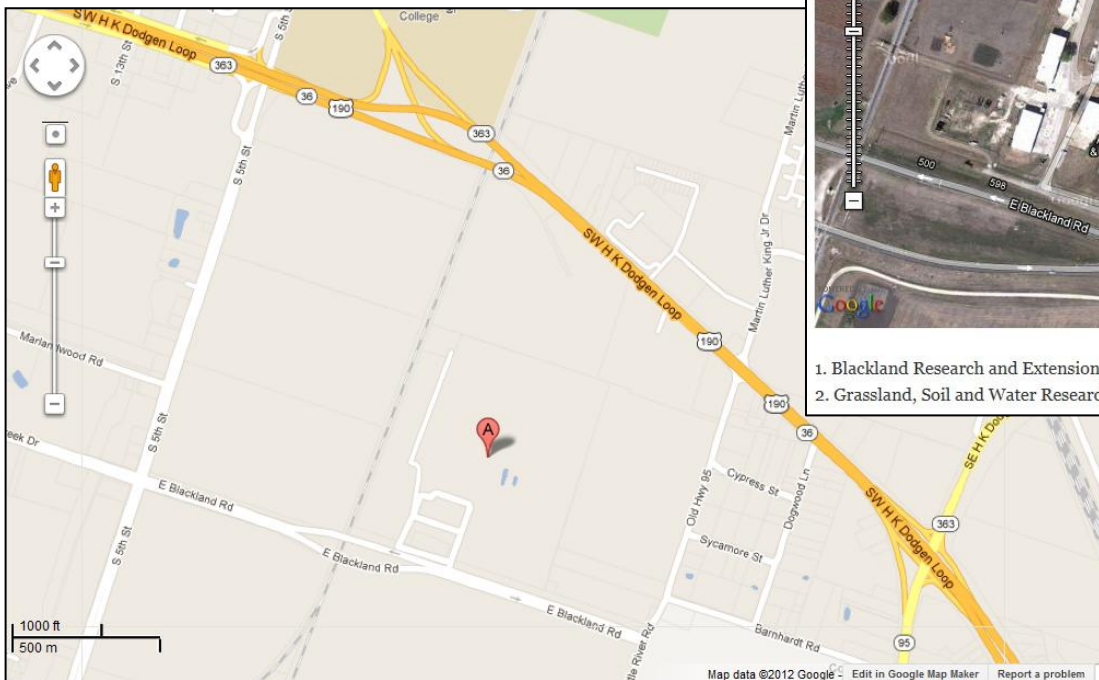
▪ **SUMMARY: CTMN 2012 TRAINING**

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WEEK	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	ADDRESS(ES)
1	Tuesday	27-Mar-2012	9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Blackland Research Center, TEDC Conference Room	720 E Blackland Rd, Temple, TX 76502
2		3-Apr-2012	8:00 am - 3:45 pm	Fort Hood - Sparta Gate Entrance	Sparta Rd, near Belton, TX 76513
3		10-Apr-2012	9:00 am - 11:30 am	Blackland Research Center, TEDC Conference Room <i>(same location as Week 1)</i>	720 E Blackland Rd, Temple, TX 76502
4		17-Apr-2012	8:30 am - 4:00 pm	Camp Tahuaya	2603 Tahuaya Dr, Belton, TX 76513
5		24-Apr-2012	8:30 am - 4:00 pm	A) News 10, KWTX-TV - Waco B) Lake Waco Wetlands	A) 6700 American Plaza, Waco, TX 76712 B) 1752 Eichelberger Crossing, Waco, TX 76638
6		1-May-2012	8:30 am - 4:30 pm	Lake Belton Corps of Engineers Conference Room	3110 FM 2271, Belton, TX 76513
7		8-May-2012	9:00 am - 4:00 pm	A) Harris Community Center B) Temple College	A) 401 N Alexander St, Belton, TX 76513 B) 2600 S 1 st St, Temple, TX 76504

▪ **WEEK 1 (27-March-2012)**

BLACKLAND RESEARCH CENTER, TEDC CONFERENCE ROOM
720 E Blackland Rd, Temple, TX 76502



1. Blackland Research and Extension Center
2. Grassland, Soil and Water Research Laboratory

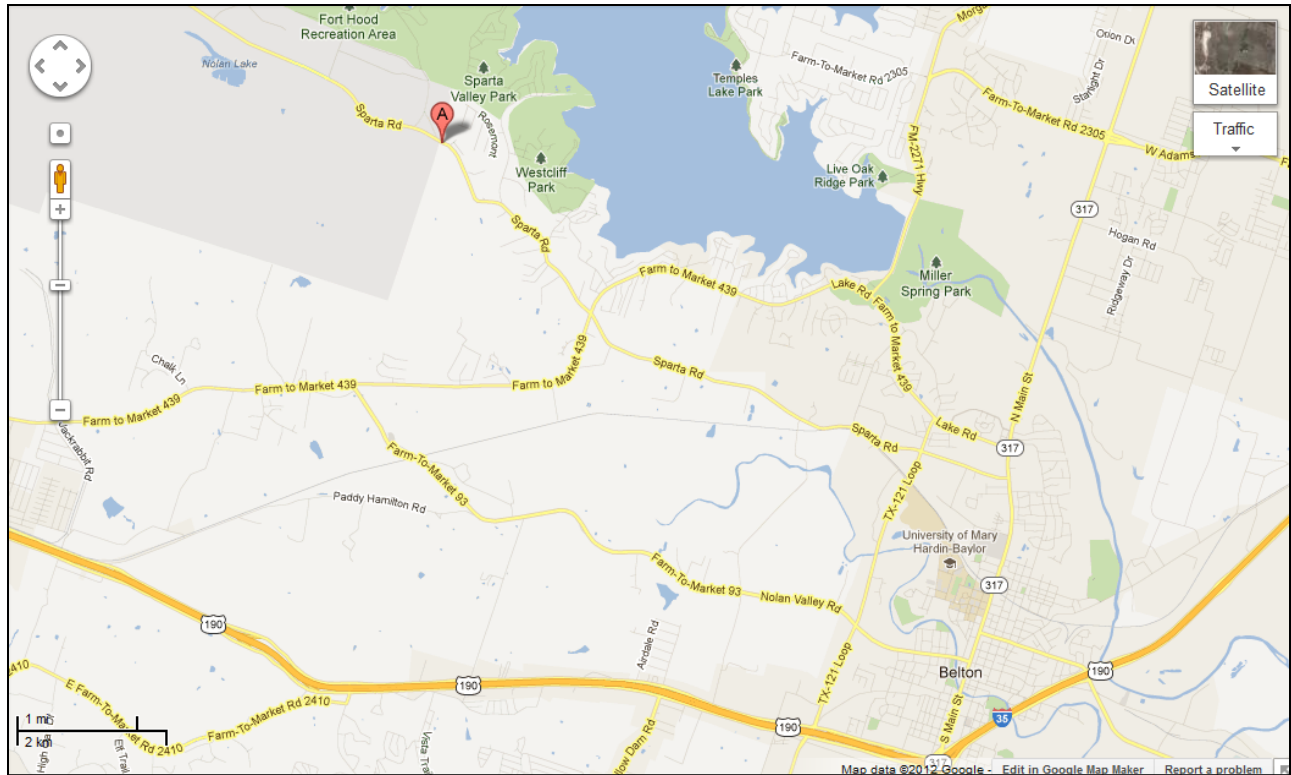
-DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From I-35, take exit 299 and turn right onto SW HK Dodgen Loop (Loop 363). Drive 2 to 3 miles, and exit at the 1st St/5th St exit. Stay to the right on the access road; after 0.8 miles, take a right towards S 5th St. Take a right at the stop sign onto S 5th St. Drive 0.8 miles, and take a left onto Blackland Rd. Continue for approximately 0.7 miles; enter the only gate to the Blackland campus from Blackland Rd. Stay straight on the road where you enter-drive past the Blackland building and parking lot-until the road curves left. Park in the lot marked "C" in the image above and enter the Grassland, Soil, and Water Research building where you see the #2 in the image. We will be in the Library conference room-first door on your right as you walk through the lobby. We'll have folks watching for you.

▪ **WEEK 2 (3-April-2012)**

FORT HOOD - SPARTA GATE ENTRANCE

6-7 miles NW of BLORA on N Nolan Rd/Sparta Rd, Fort Hood, TX 76544



-DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

-FROM SALADO, BELTON, AND TEMPLE:

From the Agrilife Extension Office (1605 N Main St) in Belton, drive 0.5 miles north on N Main St/Hwy 317 to the intersection with Sparta Rd. Take a left onto Sparta Rd, and continue for approximately 12 miles. *You will pass BLORA (on the right) after about 6 miles; from this point, continue driving for 6 to 7 miles. We will be meeting in an area where we can park our vehicles, so just watch for us.*

From Belton & Temple, You can go on FM 439 past Belton High School, past Frank's Lakeview Inn, until you reach Sparta. Turn right. Follow that road about 6-7 miles.

From Salado, take the Loop 121 exit, and proceed around Belton, across the viaduct, to Sparta Rd. You will see Belton High School, the middle school, and the elementary school, on your left. Turn left onto Sparta. *Be aware, this is school time, and it will take time to get through this school zone.* Proceed down Sparta Rd past FM 439, past BLORA, for about 6-7 miles. We will be meeting in an area where we can park our vehicles. Just watch for us.

From I-35, take exit 294B toward FM 93/6th Ave. Turn west onto E 6th Ave (toward downtown Belton). Follow 6th Ave all the way down to the end, where it "T's" with N Main St/Hwy 317. Turn right onto N Main St/Hwy 317. Drive to the intersection of 317 with Sparta Rd (1.3 miles down). Take a left onto Sparta Rd, and continue for approximately 6 miles. *You will need to keep driving past BLORA (which is on the left) on Sparta Rd for 6-7 miles.*

-FROM KILLEEN:

Option 1: Clear Creek Gate. Take Clear Creek Rd on post through check point to North Ave. Turn right. Follow across to East Range Rd. Turn left. Go through checkpoint. Turn right on N Nolan Rd.

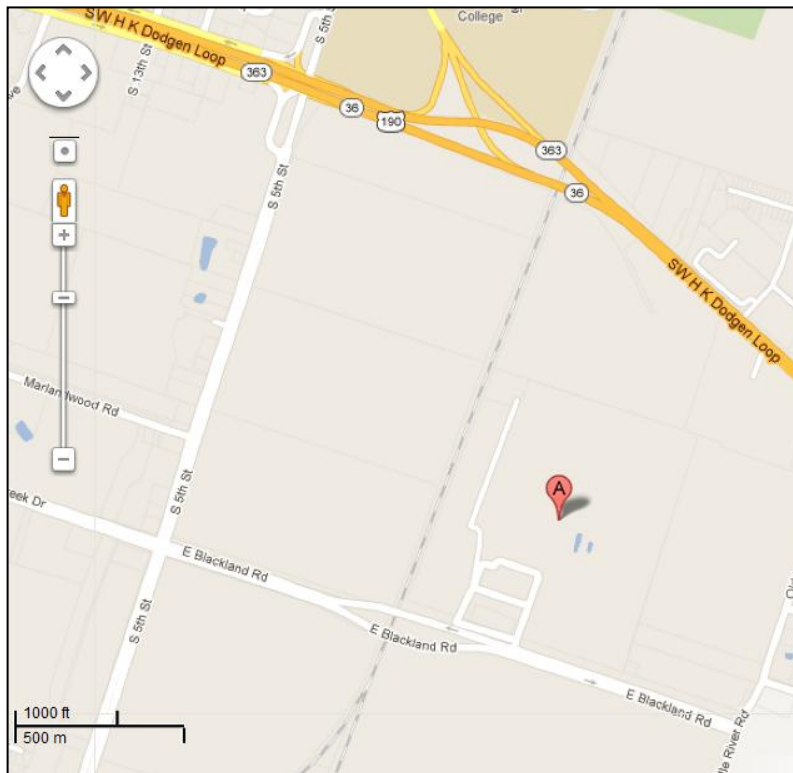
Option 2: From Main Gate. Through the main gate, go straight to Battalion Ave, and turn right. Proceed to Martin Dr and turn left. This becomes East Range Rd; go through checkpoint. Proceed to N Nolan Rd.

▪ **WEEK 3 (10-April-2012)***

BLACKLAND RESEARCH CENTER, TEDC CONFERENCE ROOM

720 E Blackland Rd, Temple, TX 76502

**Same location as Week 1*



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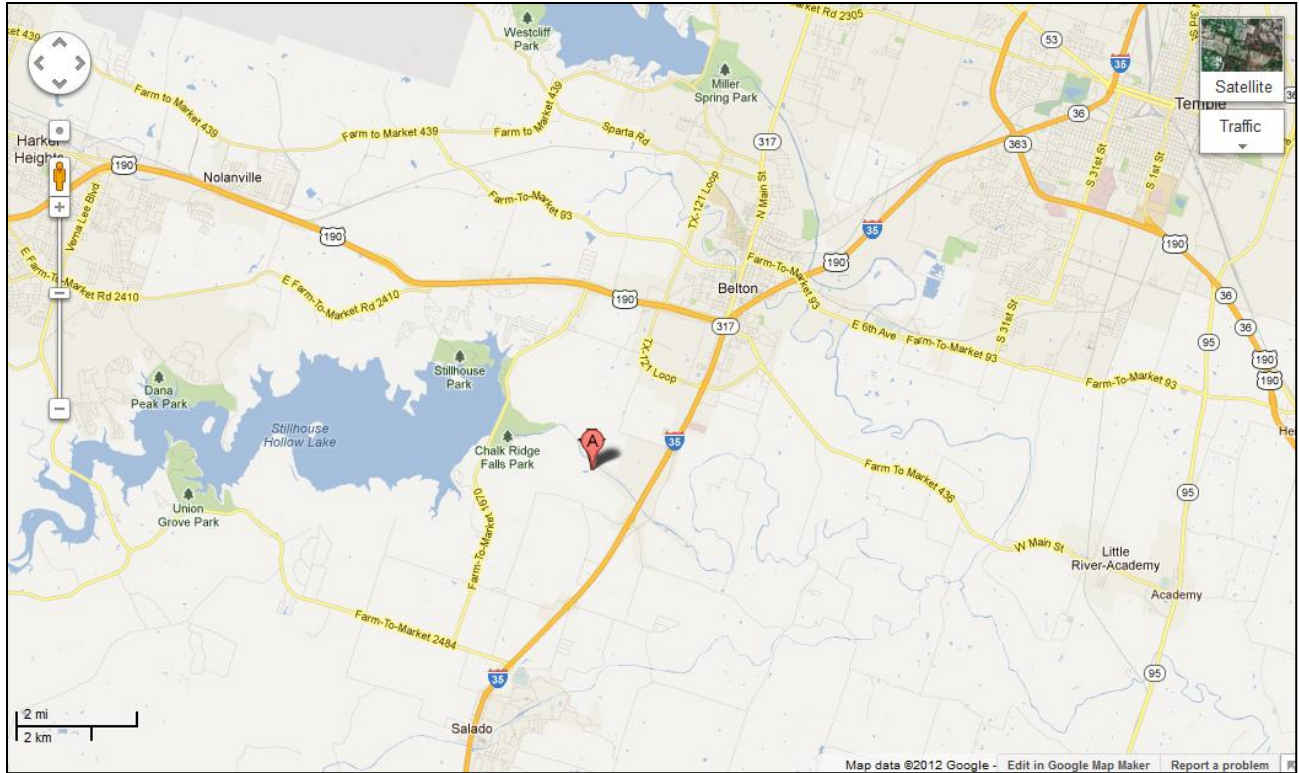
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▪ **WEEK 4 (17-April-2012)**

CAMP TAHUAYA

2603 Tahuaya Dr, Belton, TX 76513



-DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From the north (I-35 S), take exit 290 toward Shanklin Rd. After approximately 1.6 miles, turn right onto Tahuaya Dr. Continue along Tahuaya Dr for about 1.2 miles.

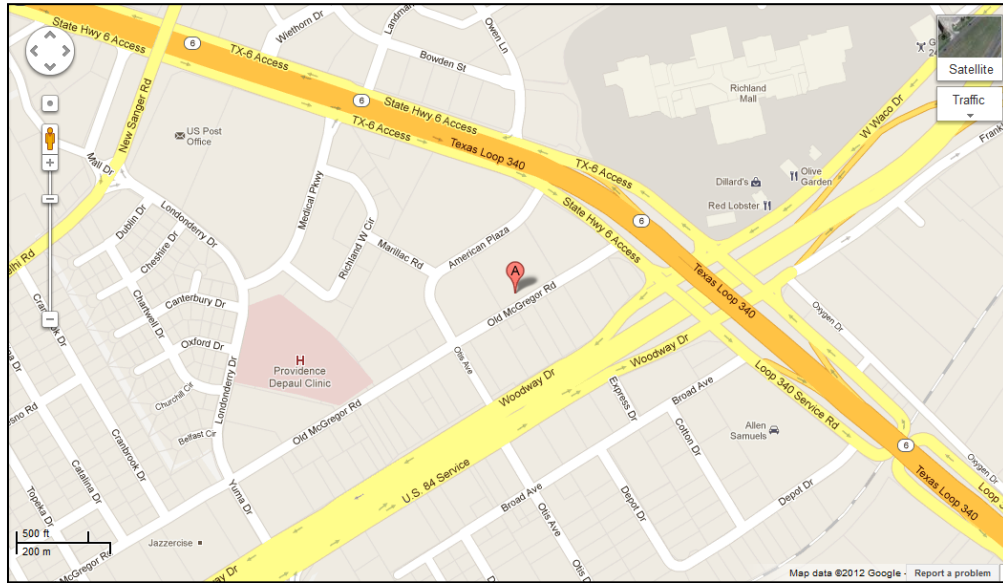
From the south (I-35 N), take exit 289-A toward Tahuaya Rd. Go 0.3 miles, and turn left onto Elmer King Rd/Tahuaya Rd. Continue along Tahuaya Dr for about 1.3 miles.

Camp Tahuaya is a 147-acre camp with the largest spring in Texas, located 1 mile west of the Tahuaya Road exit, at mile marker 289-A on I-35, just south of Belton and Temple.

▪ **WEEK 5 (24-April-2012)**

A) **KWTX-TV NEWS 10**

6700 American Plaza, Waco, Texas 76712

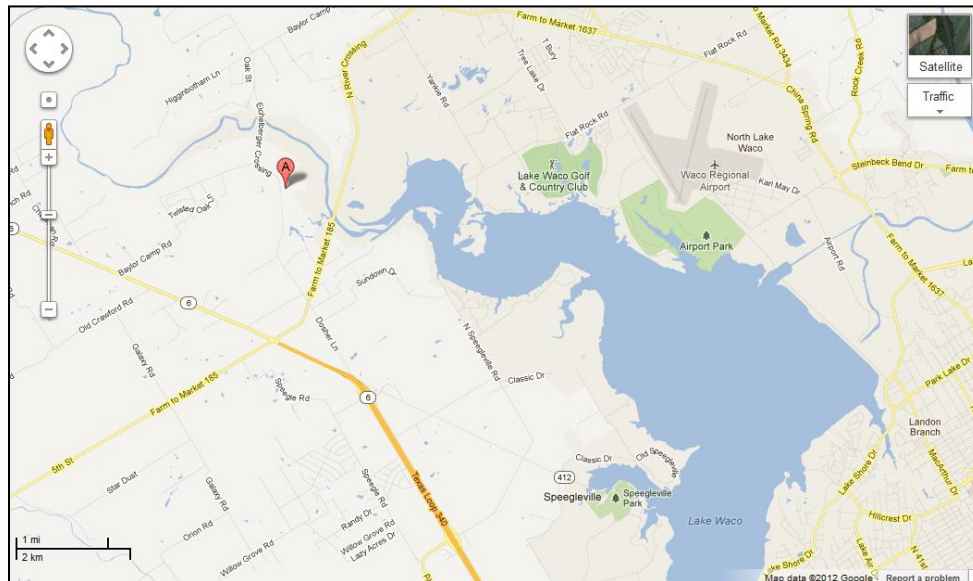


-DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From the south (I-35 N), take exit 330 toward TX-6/TX-340 Loop/Meridian/Robinson. Stay on the access road for 0.7 miles, then “exit” to the right once more. *Follow signs toward Meridian; you’ll circle around to be heading west.* Merge onto Loop 340/Hwy 6 when you exit the circle. Drive for 1.6 miles, then take the Waco Dr exit; turn left onto Waco Dr. *As soon as you go under the overpass, you’ll see the Fairfield Inn and the American Bank ahead on your right.* Turn in at the Bank; keep to the right and drive through to the street. *Directly ahead of you is the six-story American Plaza building.* Turn left at the street (Old McGregor Rd). Travel less than ½ block. Immediately to the left of the American Plaza building is the TV station (*you’re looking at the back of the TV station*). Drive around the front of the building, where there is a sign that says “KWTX Broadcasting”.

B) **LAKE WACO WETLANDS RESEARCH AND EDUCATION CENTER**

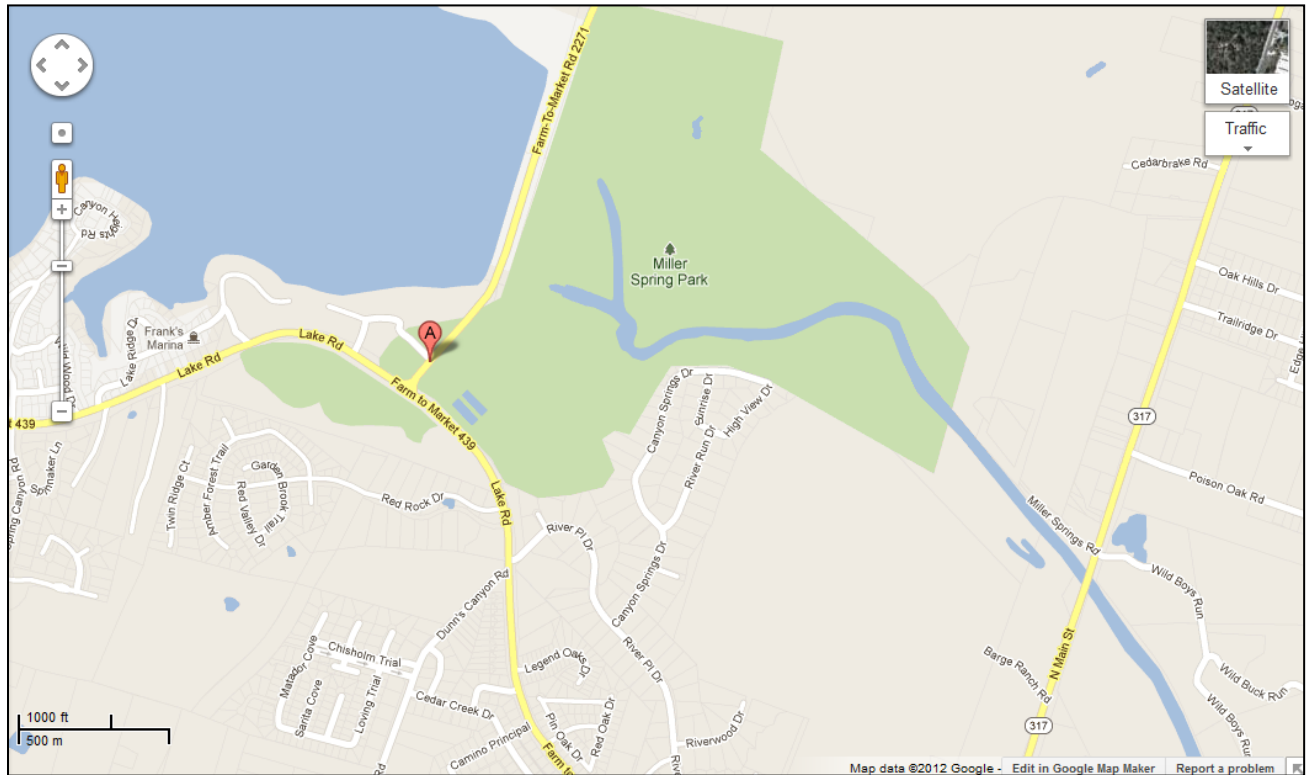
1752 Eichelberger Crossing Rd, Waco, TX 76702



-DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From KWTX-TV News 10, turn right (NE) onto American Plaza. Turn right to get onto the Hwy 6 S access road. After 0.2 miles, go left to head toward the Hwy 6 N/Loop 340 access road. Continue to turn left to finally be heading north on the Hwy 6 N/Loop 340 access road; merge onto Hwy 6 N/Loop 340. Drive for approximately 10 miles, and then turn right onto FM 185 (signs may also say N River Crossing or China Spring/FM 185 E). After about 1 mile, take a left onto Eichelberger Crossing. The destination will be 1.4 miles down, on the right.

- **WEEK 6 (1-May-2012)**
LAKE BELTON CORPS OF ENGINEERS CONFERENCE ROOM
3110 FM 2271, Belton, TX 76513
254-939-2461



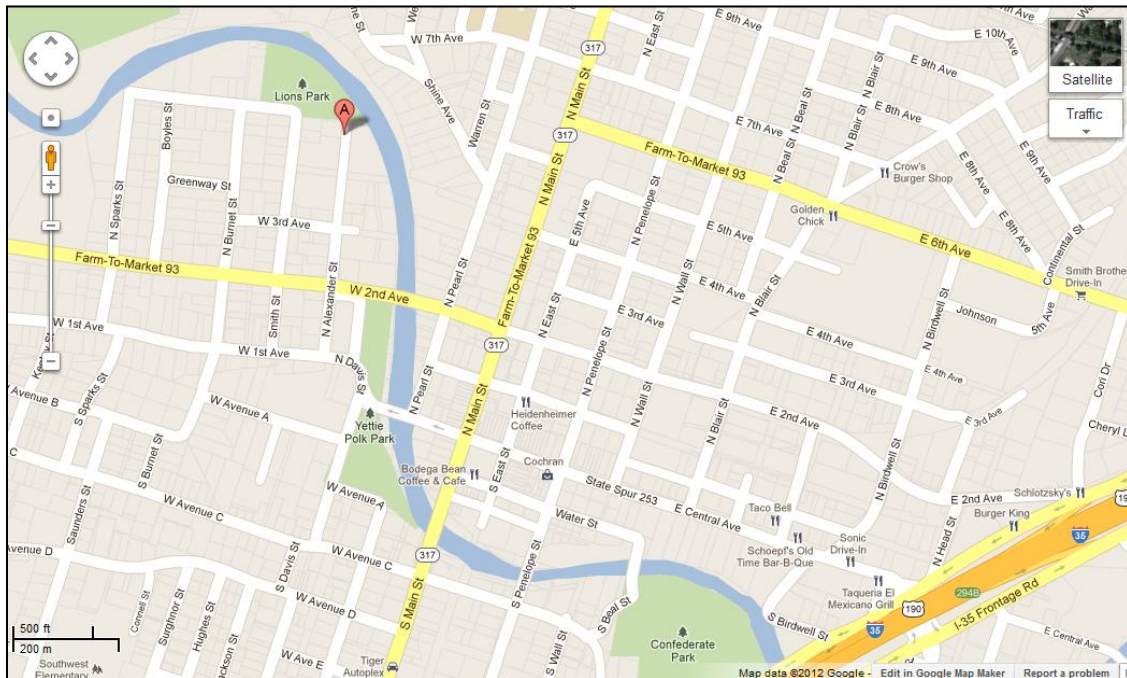
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▪ **WEEK 7 (8-May-2012)**

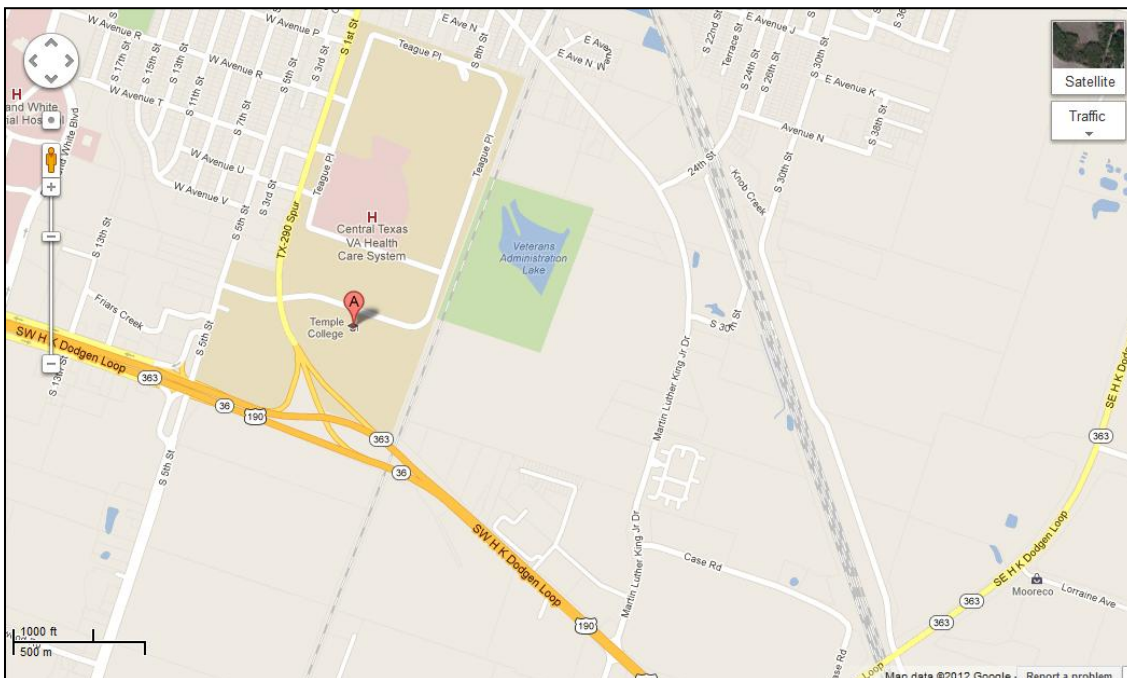
A) HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER
401 N Alexander St, Belton, TX 76513



-DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From AgriLife Extension Office in Belton, head south on Main St. Turn right onto 2nd Ave (after the 7-11 store). Take 2nd left onto Alexander St (1st left after you have crossed the bridge).

B) TEMPLE COLLEGE
2600 S 1st St, Temple, TX 76504



-DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From Harris Community Center in Belton, head south on N Alexander St, and take the 2nd left back onto 2nd Ave. Take the 2nd left to get back out to Main St, then take the 2nd right onto 6th Ave and proceed to I-35. Cross over I-35, and turn left onto I-35 N to Temple. Take exit 299 for Loop 363 (HK Dodgen Loop), and turn right (east) toward the Loop. Get on HK Dodgen Loop and go 2.5 miles. After passing under 5th St, you will exit to the left to make a U-turn on HK Dodgen Loop SE (US 190 W). Bear right on TX 290-Spur N. Temple College is on the left.