

Wetlands of the Galveston Bay Area and The Wetland Restoration Team Class

The Galveston Bay Area Wetland Restoration Team is offering a series of classes for experienced and inexperienced persons on wetland restoration. Master Naturalist can receive advanced training hours and volunteer hours for attending individual classes. The hope is to make you more informed about the local wetlands and create a desire to be a member of the team. Class size 12-15.

Wednesday, August 16, 2006 from 10 AM until Noon at the Galveston County Extension Center on Highway 3 in Dickinson.

Introduction to wetland restoration efforts of the past four years, current projects, and future projects. Meet with project leaders Marissa Sipocz and Charriss York. Other members of the WRT will be present also. View a power point presentation and have the opportunity to ask questions.

Two hours of Advanced Training

Wednesday, August 23, 2006, from 8:30 AM until Noon, meet at the Texas Coastal Watershed Program Office (17000 ElCamino Real, Suite 301, 77059) across the street from a H.E.B.

We will carpool to Sheldon Lake State park and the San Jacinto Monument to view previous projects.

Two hours of Advanced Training

Wednesday, August 30, 2006, from 9AM until 11:30 AM at the GCEC

Wetland Plant Identification Class 1. Sagittaria and associated plants.

2.5 hours of Advanced Training

No Class Wednesday, September 6, 2006

Wednesday, September 13, 2006, from 9AM until 11:30 AM at the GCEC

Wetland Plant Identification Class 2. Sedges, Rushes and associated plants.

2.5 hours of Advanced Training

Wednesday, September 20, 2006, from 9AM until 11:30 AM at the GCEC

Wetland Plant Identification Class 3. Wetland grasses and associated plants.

2.5 hours of Advanced Training

Andy Sipocz, with Texas Parks and Wildlife for 16 years will conduct classes, with Marissa Sipocz, Aquatic Biology and Team Leader of Wetland Restoration Team, Charriss York, Botany and Biology, Texas Cooperative Extension, and Diane Humes and Dick Benoit lab assistants

Contact Dick Benoit Rbenoit@aol.com if you are interested in these offerings.

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