

# NEWS STREAM



NORTH  
TEXAS  
MUNICIPAL  
WATER  
DISTRICT

## Regional. Reliable. Everyday.

### Key to Protect Our Water Source is to Protect Our Watershed

The **American Water Works Association** and its members have celebrated Drinking Water Week for more than 40 years. It's a time to join together to recognize the vital role water plays in our lives every day.

Watershed protection is an important part of ensuring water quality. Lavon Lake, our main source providing drinking water to 1.7 million residents in North Texas, has a watershed that covers 492,095 acres across some of the fastest growing counties in the country - Collin, Fannin, Grayson, and Hunt. NTMWD developed a **watershed protection plan** for Lavon Lake with stakeholder input that is approved by the EPA.

We recently hosted a tour to share how we collect extensive samples for testing, the challenges and successes of urban stormwater protection, and the latest advances in agriculture to better manage fertilizers and chemicals.

[\[WATERSHED TOUR HIGHLIGHTS\]](#)

Drinking Water Week | May 6-12, 2018



Protect the  
**SOURCE**



[\[LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR WATERSHED\]](#)

### NTMWD Continues to Update Public on Water Quality

Water is essential to life. The multi-step process to treat, disinfect and maintain safe water throughout the journey from lake to tap is NTMWD's number one priority. We continue to provide updates and outreach for the communities we serve on the quality of our water.

[\[VIEW PRESENTATIONS\]](#)



## The future won't wait. Neither can we. #TimeToBuild

Infrastructure is vital to meeting our region's needs for today and tomorrow. As part of **National Infrastructure Week**, May 14 - 21, we invite our Member and Customer Cities' officials and staff to sign up for an upcoming tour at our Wylie Water Treatment Plant. Not only will you learn how water goes from **lake to tap**, you will see first hand the updates and expansion underway to continue to provide reliable and safe water to those we serve.



**[RSVP for JUNE 22 or AUGUST 10]**

*Please indicate your preferred date.*

## NTMWD Crew Wins Ops Challenge

Congrats to our Mesquite Rangers team for scoring First Place at the **Water Environment Association of Texas** (WEAT) Pump Maintenance Ops Challenge at the **Texas Water 2018 Conference**.

The multi-day competition showcases a team's knowledge and skills in process control, lab analysis, pump maintenance, safety, and more. The team also qualified for the national competition at the **Water Environment Federation Technical Exhibition and Conference** held in October.



## Celebrate American Wetlands Month with Free Family Fun

May is **American Wetlands Month** and it's the perfect time to see for yourself why the John Bunker Sands Wetland Center was recognized with the 2018 **Texan by Nature Conservation Wrangler Award**.

And, if you plan a trip for Sat., May 5, you

can join in the free family fun at the annual **Mud Bug Festival** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be food trucks, live music, live animal presentations from the Dallas Zoo and Windows to the Wild and much more!

[\[VISIT WETLAND CENTER WEBSITE\]](#)

FREE Family Fun Event

## MUDBUG FESTIVAL & FUN RUN

Saturday May 5th 10am-4pm



Water Wetland Wildlife Education & Conservation

JOHN BUNKER SANDS WETLAND CENTER  
655 MARTIN LANE, COMBINE, TX 75159  
2.5 MILES FROM DALLAS

Kids Activities - Face Painting - Eagle Tours - Explore the Boardwalk  
LIVE Animal Presentations by Window to the Wild & Dallas Zoo  
LIVE Bluegrass Music - Education & Conservation Booths  
Food Trucks Vendors - Crawfish Plates

Fun for the Whole Family  
For more Information & Sponsorship Opportunities  
972-474-9100 contact@wetlandcenter.com  
www.wetlandcenter.com

Live Bluegrass Music by  
ACOUSTIC SOUND HOUNDS

### 5K & 10K Fun Run/Walk

MudBug Run/Walk on the Levees sponsored by

\$25 Registration\* at [www.wetlandcenter.com/mudbug](http://www.wetlandcenter.com/mudbug)

8:00am 10K Run | 8:20am 5K Run

Packet Pickup: May 3rd 4:00pm-8:00pm at REI Dallas  
May 5th 7:00am at Wetland Center

\*No Race Day Registration Allowed



All Proceeds go to support THE JOHN BUNKER SANDS WETLAND CENTER 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

## NTMWD Celebrated Earth Day - On Air and In Person

NTMWD started off Earth Day with our regular Green Segment featured on WFAA. Horticulturalist Patrick Dickinson and our own Water Expert Denise Hickey talked about ways to green up your life, lawn and landscapes. **Check out the recap.**

The NTMWD **Water IQ** team and John Bunker Sands Wetland Center had a great time at the annual **EarthX** expo! Together they spread the word about conservation, native plants and more.



[\[WATCH THE WFAA SEGMENT\]](#)

## What's Happening Around NTMWD?

There are many exciting events happening within the District and our cities. Check out what's coming up and how you and your residents can get involved:

- May 5: [Mudbug Festival & Fun Run](#) (Seagoville)
- May 6: [Wylie 500 Pedal Car Race](#) (Wylie)
- May 6-12: [Drinking Water Week](#)
- May 10: [Irrigation 101](#) (McKinney)
- May 19: [Rockwall Founders Day Festival](#) (Rockwall)
- Jun 1: [Forney BBQ Cookoff and Festival](#) (Forney)
- Jun 2: [Farmersville Farmers & Fleas Market](#) (Farmersville)
- Jun 8: [Wylie Summer Library Kickoff](#) (Wylie)
- Jun 9: [Mesquite Summer Sizzle](#) (Mesquite)



## IN THE NEWS

- [The last lake built in the DFW area was 1986. But a new reservoir is in the works](#) (Star Telegram)
- [Fannin County Commissioner's Court: Update on Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir zoning](#) (North Texas eNews)
- [Texas pumps up the volume with \\$800 million deal](#) (The Bond Buyer)

- [NTMWD assures public that water is safe and complies with regulations](#) (North Texas eNews)
- [North Texas Has a New Bald Eagle](#) (NBC-DFW)
- [Wetlands Center hosting Mud Bug Festival](#) (Kaufman Herald)
- [Money Magazine Ranks Allen TX 2nd Best Place To Begin A Career](#) (KRLD)
- [Boaters key to slowing invasive species](#) (Houston Chronicle)
- [Infrastructure projects to advance swiftly —and safely — under new EPA permitting rules](#) (Washington Times)
- [Texas' power grid operator won't rule out rolling blackouts as tight supply meets high summer temps](#) (Dallas News)

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