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#### Meet a Scientist: Rebecca Grubbs-Bowling

Dr. Rebecca Grubbs-Bowling, Texas A&M University assistant professor and turfgrass specialist, helps Texans better understand their turfgrass through outreach and education opportunities. [Read more.](#)

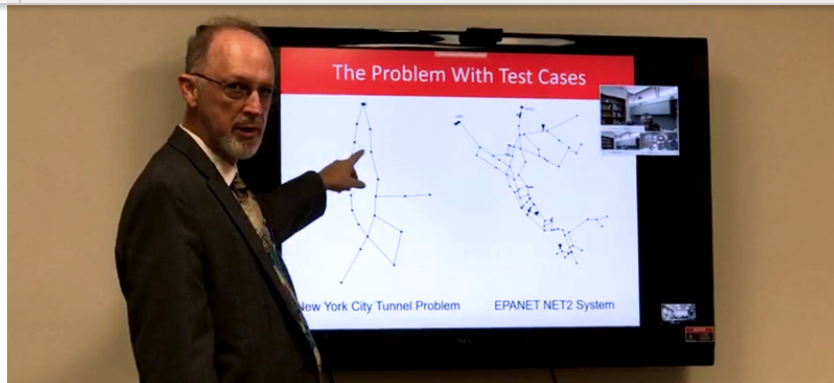


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2019 | 13th Annual Report to Congress

#### Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration Report to Congress now available

NRI is pleased to announce that the 2019 REPI Report to Congress summarizing and reviewing the achievements of REPI through Fiscal Year 2018 is now available. [Read more.](#)



### Kentucky water director reflects on 40 years of modeling at seminar

Kentucky Water Resources Research Institute Director and modeler Dr. Lindell Ormsbee presented his seminar, "Reflections on 40 Years of Mathematical Modeling of Water Resource Systems: What Makes a Useful Model?" as part of his Texas A&M University campus visit in February. [Read more.](#)



### Busy as a bird

The March Quail Decline newsletter features Kirby and Bonnie, two quail that got to stretch their wings at two events last month where they met wildlife enthusiasts from across Texas. [Read more.](#)

**Kathleen Jackson**  
*Texas Water Development Board*  
 Planning for Flood Prevention, Protection, and Mitigation in Texas:  
 Current and Proposed State Plans and Programs

**Dr. Rosario Sanchez**  
*Texas Water Resources Institute*  
 Texas/Mexico Shared Aquifers:  
 Moving Beyond Delineation to Management

### Water Daze lectures, student poster competition set for March 27 at Texas A&M

Kathleen Jackson, a member of the Texas Water Development Board, and Dr. Rosario Sanchez, a senior research scientist at the Texas Water Resources Institute, will present lectures at the Water Daze Lectures and Student Poster Competition. [Read more.](#)



**New CAST paper published on impact of aquifer depletion on U.S. agriculture**

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**NRI scientists share achievements at TCTWS**

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**Conference to focus on sustainable water management practices for southern United States**

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**TWO NATIONS ONE WATER  
US-MEXICO BORDER WATER SUMMIT 2019**

April 23-25, 2019 | New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum | Las Cruces, NM

**Two Nations, One Water Conference to explore adaptive water strategies for drought**

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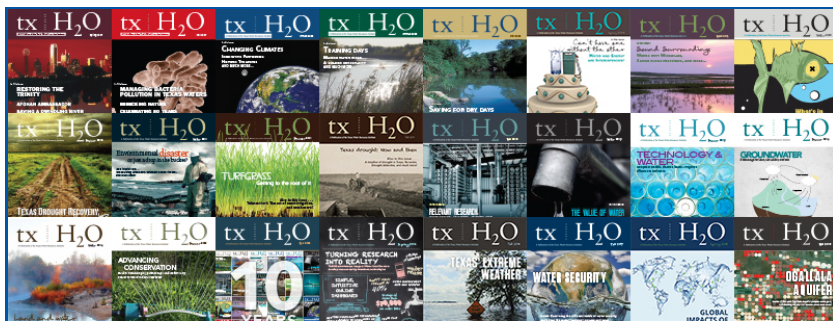
**Grain sorghum irrigation water-use efficiency dependent on weather conditions**

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**Texas Water Journal publishes first program review in Volume 10, Number 1**

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## A look back: txH<sub>2</sub>O Highlights

### txH<sub>2</sub>O Highlight: Underground and Under Scrutiny

This month's highlight was chosen with Groundwater Awareness Week (March 11-15) in mind. Groundwater is a major water supply source for residents in Texas, but groundwater supplies are projected to decrease because of depletion from the Ogallala Aquifer and the Gulf Coast Aquifer. The article "Underground and Under Scrutiny" examines the options for keeping the growing number of residents in Texas supplied with water. [Read more.](#)

## Events

Agricultural  
Policy  
Environmental  
eXtender



[Modeling Agricultural Watersheds  
Using ArcAPEX Workshop,](#)  
May 29-31, Temple



[Quail Appreciation Day,](#)  
March 21, Houston

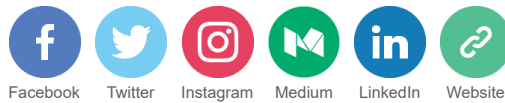
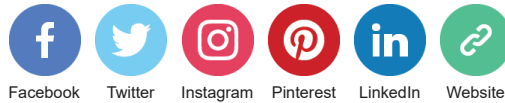
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- [Water Resources Specialist Directory](#)
- [Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service](#)

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