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#### Stewards of Discovery: Sincerely, Nevada

Where the pursuit of discovery is paramount, taking advantage of the way technology can connect research with community we hope will soon be a practice every scientist takes on. [Read more.](#)



#### Texas A&M opens new teaching gardens

The Leach Teaching Gardens are part of phase I of a 27-acre, multi-million dollar master plan for The Gardens on the Texas A&M west campus. Additional areas, including a Children's Garden, Feed the World Plaza and Grove Amphitheater, are scheduled for later phases. [Read more.](#)



### Private Land Stewardship: The importance of knowing your animals

Gaining a better understanding of common wildlife as well as species you may never encounter will not only make you a more informed wildlife enthusiast, it can provide you with a well-rounded approach to private land stewardship. [Read more.](#)



### Rio Grande Basin-wide project addressing water challenges for agricultural sustainability

Researchers are investigating alternative water sources that can be used for irrigation and conserve groundwater and the Rio Grande's freshwater. [Read more.](#)



### Spotlight on quail predators: Coyotes and the mesopredator release hypothesis

Coyotes (*Canis latrans*) are widely assumed to be a major threat to quail populations, but are such accusations warranted? [Read more.](#)





### Meet a Scientist: Girisha Ganjgunte

Girisha Ganjgunte's research at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center at El Paso focuses on salinity assessment and management, water reuse and freshwater conservation. [Read more.](#)



### Zebra mussels: Help Texas stop this invasive water species

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### Using mobile apps to assist in grazing management

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### TWRI awards two graduate research grants

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### Managing feral hogs on your property

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### The Brazos: Legacy of a Mighty River exhibit opens

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### July Quail Decline Newsletter: The future of quail conservation

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### Protecting Navasota River watershed focus of July 11 meeting

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### Caught in the act: Proving theories with trail cams

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**Paper presents changes in Ogallala Aquifer groundwater quality**

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**Rainwater harvesting and turf management training July 12 in Seguin**

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**TWON training, screenings set for July in Bellville, Pandhandle**

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**TWRI to offer two trainings for water resource professionals in July**

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## Events



[Texas Wildlife Association Convention,](#)  
San Antonio, July 12-15



[Texas Watershed Stewards,](#)  
Beeville, July 17



[Urban Riparian and Stream Restoration Training,](#)  
Houston, Aug. 16



[TEEA award,](#)  
Deadline: Sept. 28

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