

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE 1/31/2025

SRA-TX SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO CONSTRUCT ARTIFICIAL HABITAT

Sabine River Authority of Texas (SRA-TX) invites you to attend a volunteer workday to help assemble PVC fish attractors that will be deployed into Toledo Bend Reservoir.

Assembly includes using PVC glue to join pre-assembled pipes, drilling 5/8" holes into the PVC pipe, and zip tying 100' of 4" perforated pipe around and throughout the structure. All materials and disposable gloves will be provided. No skills necessary, please come as you are. Lunch and drinks will be provided!

When: Saturday March 22, 8:30 am Where: SRATX Hemphill Shop, 2699 Palo Gaucho Xing, Hemphill TX 75948 (Harborlight area)



SRA-TX continues to make substantial investments to promote recreational opportunities by strengthening Toledo Bend's aquatic ecosystem and improving fishing on the reservoir.

For the past two years SRA has deployed over 300 artificial habitat structures into Toledo Bend Reservoir. These artificial habitat structures have been scientifically studied and proven to be effective at attracting large numbers of fish. The goal of this project is to provide opportunities for successful fishing trips for the public when visiting Toledo Bend Reservoir.

GPS Coordinates for 2023/2024 deployed structures:

PVC STRUCTURES

- Haley's Ferry: N 31.72961, W -93.82158 (20 Structures)
- Patroon: N 31.50764, W -93.75727 (20 Structures)
- Pendleton: N 31.47104, W -93.75264 (14 Structures)
- Palo Gaucho: N 31.41694, W -93.72186 (20 Structures)
- Indian Mounds: N 31.34398, W -93.67493 (20 Structures)
- Six Mile Fishing Pier: N 31.23944, W -93.75551 (6 Structures)
- Lowe's Creek: N 31.39035, W -93.68142 (20 Structures)
- Indian Mounds: N 31.33608, W -93.68012 (20 Structures)
- N. Housen: N 31.29384, W -93.68655 (25 Structures)
- Six Mile: N 31.24946, W -93.68027 (25 Structures)
- N. Mill Creek: N 31.20551, W -93.64870 (20 Structures)
- Buck Creek: N 31.17143, W -93.61098 (20 Structures)
- Indian Creek: N 31.15293, W -93.60731 (20 Structures)

CONCRETE STRUCTURES

- Haley's Ferry: N 31.71373, W -93.81715 (12 Structures)
- Ragtown: N 31.67320, W -93.81632 (12 Structures)
- East Hamilton: N 31.61906, W -93.83420 (12 Structures)
- Spring Hill: N 31.44082, W -93.74517 (12 Structures)
- Cox's Ridge: N 31.41714, W -93.71828 (12 Structures)

The Sabine River Authority was created by the Legislature in 1949 as an official agency of the State of Texas and covers all or part of 21 counties in East Texas. The Authority serves as a conservation and reclamation district with responsibilities to control, store, preserve, and distribute the waters of the Sabine River and its tributary streams for useful purposes.

To volunteer for the habitat project please RSVP to Andrew Mills, <u>amills@sratx.org</u> before 3/14/25.