At the headwaters of the San Marcos River, more than 200 artesian springs bubble up to form Spring Lake. Here, human history stretches back more than 12,000 years and is home to 8 threatened or endangered species resulting in a one-of-a-kind diving experience.

Spring Lake at The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment is home to:

- Crystal-clear waters that remain a constant 72 degrees year-round
- One of the largest aquifer-driven spring systems in the world
- The longest continuously inhabited site by humans in North America
- Unique and abundant natural resources found nowhere else

“Spring Lake is a crown-jewel for divers,” Fritz Hanselmann, Underwater Archaeologist, said. “Diving Spring Lake is a great experience because of the year-round 72-degree water temperature and clear visibility that is unique among Texas lakes.”

For a one-minute tour, see our Explore Spring Lake video: http://bit.ly/SpringLakeTour
No natural resource is more important to our future than water, and Spring Lake is as pristine a body of water as you’ll find. Now, select divers can experience its beauty and directly contribute to preserving this place for generations to come. With the help of our volunteers, we lead conservation efforts to help protect and enhance San Marcos’ best secret.

**Certified SCUBA divers:** Certified divers with at least 25 logged dives are invited to take our Spring Lake Dive Authorization Course. Those who successfully complete the course will become part of the Meadows Center’s AquaCorps and can help as citizen scientists to create and maintain viable habitat for the threatened and endangered species at Spring Lake. For more information and to register for the course, visit: [DAC.MeadowsWater.org](http:// DAC.MeadowsWater.org).

**Dive Instructors:** In addition to becoming a member of the AquaCorps, we offer a Training Area located within Spring Lake where you can certify students in an unmatched consistently clear and cool water environment.

**Dive shop owners:** Contact us to become a partner dive shop and learn about our opportunities to certify students, where you can offer an opportunity unrivaled for thousands of miles. For more information, email us at divecoordinator@txstate.edu.

**Everyone is invited to Explore Spring Lake:** More than 125,000 people each year experience Spring Lake’s interpreter-led tours, glass-bottom boats, wetlands boardwalk, aquariums, interactive exhibits, and 251-acre natural area. To learn more, visit [www.ExploreSpringLake.org](http://www.ExploreSpringLake.org).
The Meadows Center is dedicated to inspiring research, innovation and leadership that ensures clean, abundant water for the environment and all humanity. We fulfill this mission by integrating activities across 4 pillars of action in powerful ways. Our work in each of these pillars begins at Spring Lake – one of the largest artesian springs in the world – and ripples outward across Texas and beyond.

Learn more about our research, education, leadership and stewardship programs at www.MeadowsWater.org or find us at 201 San Marcos Springs Drive, San Marcos, Texas 78666.

DIRECTIONS

From IH-35, take exit 206 and travel west from the light on Aquarena Springs Dr. Travel through 2 stop lights. Stay in right lane to avoid Loop 82 overpass. Go over the railroad crossing and use the left lane to turn left on Post Road. Turn right on San Marcos Springs Drive (across from Bobcat Stadium).