CELEBRATING 15 YEARS
OF SERVICE TO TEXAS WATER

THE MEADOWS CENTER
FOR WATER AND THE ENVIRONMENT
TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY
OUR WORK
BY THE NUMBERS

8,993
Citizen scientists trained by Texas Stream Team

26
Published books on rivers and conservation leadership

$31 MILLION +
Research dollars awarded since 2002

500,000+
Students have taken a field trip to Spring Lake

533
Texas State students supported through research projects at The Meadows Center

429
Active sites monitored for water quality across Texas

705
Volunteer divers trained to help manage Spring Lake

55,530
Volunteer hours dedicated to conservation and preservation

93
Partners across Texas and the world

55% Increased coverage of the endangered Texas Wild-rice in the San Marcos River
OUR MISSION

The Meadows Center is steadfast in its commitment to inspire research 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.

RESEARCH

Conducting Solutions-Focused Research

Faculty, staff, and students at The Meadows Center conduct applied research to address real-world problems. Our location on historic Spring Lake provides a living laboratory where researchers seek to increase the understanding of complex water and natural resource topics.

EDUCATION

Encouraging Life-long Learning

The Meadows Center’s educational programs encourage life-long learning about the environment—and people’s relationship to the environment. The multitude of activities offered at Spring Lake, including recreational opportunities, connect children and their families to nature.

STEWARDSHIP

Cultivating a Stewardship Ethic

One of the greatest privileges of The Meadows Center is the stewardship and management of Spring Lake. We are active in the San Marcos community and beyond and strive to strengthen those ties by connecting stewardship of water and natural resources to quality of life.

LEADERSHIP

Transforming Knowledge Into Action

The Meadows Center is a leader in water and environment management and policy topics in Texas, the U.S. and internationally. We support responsible natural resource and water policy in Texas and convene stakeholders to address critical water and natural resource concerns.
EXPLORE SPRING LAKE

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