

14th Annual EPA Region 6 MS4 Storm Water Conference Field Trips

Field Trip A

Trinity River Vision

The Trinity River Vision (TRV) is a master plan for 88 miles of the Trinity River and its major tributaries in Fort Worth. More than a decade in the making, the master plan was conceived by volunteers and community leaders, and adopted by city, county and state officials. The master plan will preserve and enhance the river corridor so they remain essential greenways for open space, trails, neighborhood focal points, wildlife and special recreation areas. Each of the Trinity River Vision projects is a revolutionary effort to strengthen the bond between Fort Worth and the Trinity River.

Attendees on this Field Trip will make several designated stops by bus to project development sites along the Trinity River and will be provided with information on these projects by TRV technical guides.

For more information on the Trinity River Vision go to :

<http://www.trinityrivervision.org/projects>



NOTE:

The tour is limited to only 100 attendees so the first registered attendees to the conference choosing this tour will be confirmed for this field trip.

Field Trip B

Botanical Research Institute of Texas (BRIT)



The BRIT, located at 1700 University Drive is a unique “green” facility that includes a building and campus, a new 70,000 square foot home in Fort Worth’s Cultural District that boasts a Platinum Certification in the U.S. Green Building Council LEED Green Building Rating System.

BRIT has several primary functions that include research, collections and education. In the research arena, BRIT researchers strive to incorporate the “three D’s” in each of their projects (Discovery, Documentation and Dissemination). Projects occur within one of the following themes: Bio Diversity Exploration, Botany Science Core or Sustainability.

Regarding Collections, the BRIT hosts a herbarium, the largest independent herbarium in the southeast United States where over one million plant species are maintained.

BRIT also delivers education programs to children and families, educators, life-long learners, schools and other interested groups (such as the EPA Region 6 MS4 Conference attendees).

Join the tour of the BRIT facility and the various areas on the campus on a guided tour by BRIT staff to view and learn about botanical research, storm water management and sustainability at the various areas on the campus. This tour is a walking tour and its duration is expected to be about one and one-half hours. There will be 4-25 person groups led by a guide in this tour.

For more information concerning BRIT go to: www.brit.org

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Field Trip C

Evans and Rosedale Village



The Evans and Rosedale Village is a localized planning effort to revitalize an older neighborhood area in Fort Worth (a brown field development) and create a sustainable, flourishing and functional neighborhood setting that preserves its history yet functions in a modern, sustainable environment.

(More information on this field trip will be provided by the City of Fort Worth in the coming days. This section will be replaced at that time with a more comprehensive summary of the neighborhood project).

For more information on the Evans and Rosedale Village go to:

<http://fortworthtexas.gov/planninganddevelopment/urbanvillages/default.aspx?id=12450>

NOTE:

There is no limit to number of attendees on this field trip.

Part of this field trip will be a walking tour.