

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **5<sup>th</sup> Biennial Texas Panhandle Water Conservation Symposium**

WHITE DEER, TX. (Jan 27, 2020) – Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District and City of Amarillo, along with their many sponsors, would like to invite you to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Biennial Texas Panhandle Water Conservation Symposium. The Symposium is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Amarillo Civic Center in the North Exhibit Hall.

In 2011, Texas experienced the worst drought on record in our state's history. Fires ravaged much of the state while everyone waited for precipitation that never came. Crops were destroyed as temperatures reached all-time highs. To battle the toll of the heat, residential and agricultural water consumption increased dramatically.

Watching the trend of water use rising, the need and awareness for water conservation became apparent very quickly. Over the last few years, the Water Conservation Symposium has featured speakers covering topics from drought tolerant crops to rainwater harvesting to opportunities for water reuse. The goal in mind has always been simple: use water more efficiently.

Whether we have a year with record rainfall or not, water conservation should always be at the forefront of our minds. This year we have many speakers ready to talk about issues like, growing hemp in Texas, xeriscape gardening, the City of Amarillo's waste water reclamation program and much more.

You may register online at <https://water-conservation-symposium-2020.eventbrite.com> or by calling 806-883-2501. Lunch will be provided by The Plaza in Amarillo. Attendees will also have a chance to visit with all of our event sponsors throughout the day. More information on the agenda, event sponsors and event topics can be found on PGCD's website at [www.pgcd.us](http://www.pgcd.us).

For any questions, please call Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District at 806-883-2501.