

# Austin Water – Center for Environmental Research



Austin Water – The University of Texas – Texas A&M University  
A Partnership for Urban Ecology and Sustainability: Community, Ecology, Research  
located at the Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant

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## CER Events February 2019

Feb 2

**Saturday 8am meet at the CER**

- **Austin-Bastrop River Corridor Partnership - River Monitoring Trip**
- Join Claude Morris and the Travis County Colorado River Monitoring trip for a day on the river monitoring birds and more, and help the Austin-Bastrop River Corridor Partnership learn more about the ecology of the Colorado River.
- Meet at the CER parking lot at 8:00AM
- A river trip to monitor birds and vegetation along the river and you MUST provide your own boat.
- Contact [kevin.anderson@austintexas.gov](mailto:kevin.anderson@austintexas.gov) to participate
- More about the Austin-Bastrop River Corridor Partnership at the CER website Research, Programs, Partnerships page <http://www.austintexas.gov/page/research-projects-partnerships-and-programs>
- Check out the Austin-Bastrop River Corridor Partnership Facebook Page for updates and photos from the river monitoring trips [www.facebook.com/austinbastroprivercorridor](http://www.facebook.com/austinbastroprivercorridor)

Feb 5

**Tuesday 1230pm to 2pm at University of Texas**

**Norman Hackerman Building (NHB). 100 E 24th St, Austin TX, 78712 Room 1.720**

- **Center for Environmental Research Lunchtime Lecture by Kevin M. Anderson**
- 2019 Lunchtime Lectures – **The Geography of Flowing Water: Rivers, Streams, Nature, and Culture**
- **February CER Lunchtime Lecture - Fluvial Life: the Ecology of Flowing Water**
- Lotic or riverine habitats are aquatic ecosystems defined by flowing water from seeps and springs to riffles and rapids to the slow rich waters of deep channels near a river's mouth. This contrasts with lentic or lacustrine habitats of still water systems like lakes, ponds, and many wetlands. Fluvial life begins with the oxygen rich biogeochemistry of flowing water which merges with the ecology of the aquatic organisms who make their homes both in water and in the gravel bed of rivers and streams. This lecture will explore the rich diversity of habitats and life in flowing water as we travel from rapid headwaters to the slow deep waters as rivers merge with the sea.
- Now online as podcasts! Check them out here - <http://austineconetwork.com/nature-in-the-city/>

Feb 12

**Tuesday NOON to 1pm at the Center for Environmental Research – Hornsby Bend**

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Feb 13

**Wednesday NOON to 1pm at PARD Senior Activity Center**

**Lamar+29<sup>th</sup> St at 2874 Shoal Crest Ave, South Room**

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**Feb 16**

**Saturday 730am – 11am at the CER**

- **HBBO/Travis Audubon Society - Hornsby Bend Monthly Birdwatching Fieldtrip – FREE!**
- Meet at the CER 730am, no registration needed – all levels of birder welcomed, an easy morning of walking and learning the birds of Hornsby Bend. Bring binoculars and some water if the weather is warm. More information at [www.travisaudubon.org](http://www.travisaudubon.org) and [www.hornsbybend.org](http://www.hornsbybend.org)

**Feb 16**

**Saturday 10am – Noon at Shoal Creek**

- **“Shoal Creek in the Anthropocene: the Natural and Unnatural History of an Urban Waterway” a walking tour lead by Dr. Kevin M. Anderson**
- Registration required – register here <https://shoalcreekconservancy.org/event/geography-tour-with-dr-kevin-anderson/>

**Feb 23**

**Saturday 9am – 1pm at the CER**

- **Ecological Literacy Volunteer Day** – Help maintain Hornsby Bend! Did you know that all the Hornsby Bend trails, habitat gardens, and kiosks were built and are maintained by volunteers? If you enjoy birding or walking along the Colorado River here, please join us in maintaining these amenities and supporting public access at Hornsby Bend.
  - Wear work clothes [long pants], hat for shade, and sturdy shoes; bring water and binoculars if interested in birds.

**For more information about these events contact - [kevin.anderson@austintexas.gov](mailto:kevin.anderson@austintexas.gov)**