

News Release

Maintaining a Healthy Watershed

The Alamo Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Area, Inc. is a nonprofit organization whose members are concerned with maintaining a clean healthy environment. Through numerous grants, the organization has assisted low income individuals to plug abandoned water wells. These water wells which are no longer serving their purpose of providing safe drinking water for humans, livestock or wildlife are now serving as a conduit for chemicals, waste, bacteria and other contaminants to our drinking water, posing a threat to our groundwater supply. Some water wells are located in a sensitive area of the Edwards Aquifer, the sole water supply for San Antonio residents and outlying areas.

By plugging these abandoned water wells, we help provide safe, clean water and reduce the number of water contaminants entering the groundwater, providing for a safer water supply for humans, livestock and wildlife.

An educational workshop provided homeowners with information on maintaining their well, regulations concerning wells and testing of their water. A fact sheet is available by contacting the office at (210) 735-3391 or alamorcd@sbcglobal.net or by visiting our website at <http://www.alamorcd.org>. The Alamo RC&D Area serves individuals and communities in Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Guadalupe, Kendall, Kerr, Medina and Wilson counties.

The Alamo RC&D Area is supported by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and is an equal opportunity provider and employer.