

San Antonio River Aid

Program Description:

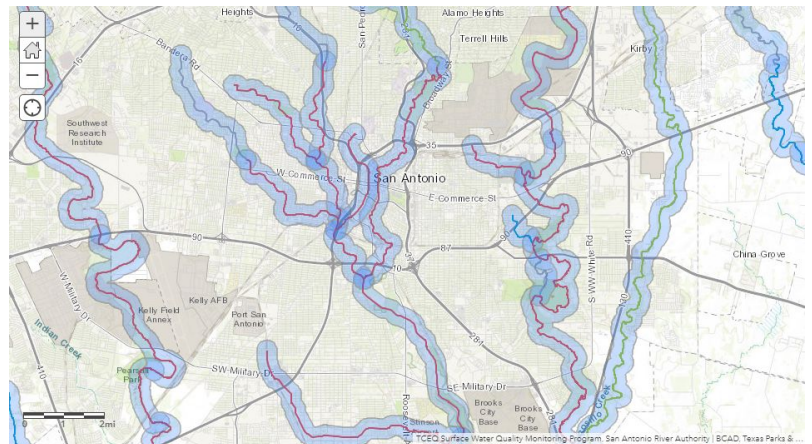
The San Antonio River Aid's mission is to protect the riparian systems in San Antonio through advocacy, education, and stewardship.

The coalition of 20 members provides strategic preservation and restoration action of rivers through pollution cleaning. Using the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) data, the group identified San Antonio's impaired water bodies. This data, in conjunction with in-field & geographical assessments, community interviews, and general awareness campaigns, create the foundation for target locations for river site selections.

April 15, 2021 at 8:00am – 10:30am

Locations of interest (including but not limited to)

- **Confluence Park**
- **McAllister Park**
- **Brackenridge Park**
- **Roosevelt Park**



How:

The San Antonio River Aid's unified effort utilizes 1-4 mile clean-up teams. Teams are equipped with protective materials to include: gloves, waste mechanical arms, porous bags, first aid-kits, water bottles, masks, walkie-talkies, whistles, and any additional resources/supplies to ensure safety and effectiveness of all participants. Teams will begin their clean-up efforts by meeting at the designated site location at the agreed upon time. Individuals are orientated on liability & responsibilities forms completion, routes, station locations, sanitation, safety procedures, communications plans, emergency management, and timeframes. The teams will walk, wade, and/or traverse water along the targeted routes, collecting waste in porous bags. The bags will be collected at station points where new bags will be exchanged and the routine repeats until the route is completed or a member decides to end their route. Waste is collected and weighed to indicate the long-term impact of the San Antonio River Aid's efforts.

Partnerships

- **San Antonio River Authority**
- **San Antonio Water Systems**
- **San Antonio Municipal Solid Waste**