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Texas Water Trade to host live music event with iconic Texans on April 30th to support the restoration of Comanche Springs

AUSTIN, TEXAS – April 9, 2020 – Texas Water Trade announced today their free, virtual music event featuring iconic Texas musicians to support the restoration of Comanche Springs and other Texas waterways. Once known as the Spring City of Texas, the City of Fort Stockton's 30-million-gallon-a-day spring has not flowed reliably since groundwater pumping accelerated in the 1950s. A <u>recent study</u> by Texas Water Trade and The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment found that a restored Comanche Springs would create tremendous ecological, cultural and economic benefits—including bringing \$4 million a year in non-local spending to the City of Fort Stockton.

Featured artists include Shinyribs' Kevin Russell, Ray Benson, Los Texmaniacs, Charley Crockett, Bruce Robison, Carrie Rodriguez, Josh Baca and the Hot Tamales, Cody Canada, Walt Wilkins, Jon Dee Graham, Jack Ingram and Gary P. Nunn.

You'll also hear from water champions from across the state including:

- Texas Water Trade CEO Sharlene Leurig
- Fort Stockton natives Billy Gonzales and Paul Weatherby
- Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Carter Smith
- Explore Ranches' Jay Kleberg
- Texas Fly Fisherman JT Van Zandt
- Meadows Center for Water and the Environment's Andrew Sansom
- Former CEO of Texas Wildlife Association David Langford, and
- **Gary Perez** of the Coahuiltecan group of peoples of South Texas and Northeastern Mexico.

The event will be held April 30, 2021 at 8pm. Register for free here. Thank you to our generous sponsors.

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About Texas Water Trade

<u>Texas Water Trade</u> is a nonprofit organization harnessing the power of markets and technological innovation to build a future of clean, flowing water for all Texans.