

Program Components



Covered Activities



Groundwater Withdrawal

Groundwater withdrawal programs and regulations

Groundwater permit transfers and amendments



Aquatic Recreation

Aquatic recreational activities (swimming, wading, boating, tubing, kayaking, paddleboarding) in the Comal and San Marcos springs and river ecosystems



Management and Operations

Water management to maintain consistent flows in the Comal and San Marcos springs

Diversion of surface water in accordance with State laws

Operation of boats and the spring-fed pool at Comal

Construction of infrastructure to direct aquatic recreation access

Golf course maintenance



Conservation

Conservation Measures to minimize and mitigate impacts on Covered Species and to contribute to their recovery

Conservation Program Components

Springflow Protection Measures

Springflow protection measures support long-term average flow and minimum flow objectives for maintaining Covered Species habitat in the Comal and San Marcos springs systems:

Aquifer Storage & Recovery (ASR)

Voluntary Irrigation Suspension Program Option (VISPO)

Regional Water Conservation Program

Critical period management

Habitat Conservation Measures

Habitat conservation measures are activities in the Comal and San Marcos springs systems to protect, enhance, and restore Covered Species habitat:

Habitat management to minimize impacts from Covered Activities

Native aquatic vegetation restoration

Control of non-native species

Water quality protection measures

Supporting Measures

Supporting measures assess restoration progress and evaluate the Covered Species' habitat needs to enhance the likelihood of their survival during extreme drought conditions:

Biological monitoring to assess the effectiveness of Conservation Measures

Calculating incidental take to comply with the terms of the Incidental Take Permit

Refugia Program