



**For Immediate Release - October 5, 2012**

**What: Caddo Lake Community Meeting**

**Date:** Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Place:** Karnack Community Center, Karnack, TX

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The Caddo Lake Ramsar Clearinghouse\* is hosting a public community meeting at 6pm on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Karnack, TX at the Karnack Community Center, located at 15593 Hwy. 134 at the intersection of Hwy. 134 and T.J. Taylor Avenue.

The meeting's agenda includes reports on aquatic invasive species work at Caddo Lake from Caddo Lake Institute's Great Raft Invasives Program (GRIP) and Texas A&M's Center for Invasive Species Eradication. Reports on LHAAP clean-up and transfer issues will be given by hydrologist George Rice and Restoration Advisory Board Co-Chair Paul Fortune. Updates on environmental flows work, paddling trails efforts, and educational programs at Caddo Lake will also be given. Refreshments provided by Caddo Lake Institute.

\*The Caddo Lake Ramsar Clearinghouse was established in 1999 as a forum for communications and collaboration on wetland management at Caddo Lake. A major goal is to enhance local public input to decisions at the state and federal levels that may affect the wetlands. The Clearinghouse works closely with the other major players in wetland management, including the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Caddo Lake Ramsar Clearinghouse members include The City of Uncertain, the Greater Caddo Lake Association of Texas, The Caddo Lake Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism, Friends of the Caddo Lake National Wildlife Refuge, and Caddo Lake Institute.

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