

Springs of Bastrop County

Documented Seeps and Springs in the Utley – Bastrop (Wilbarger) reach of the Colorado River

The following springs were documented by the Bastrop County Environmental Network (BCEN) in the late 1990's in an attempt to have the Utley – Bastrop segment of the Colorado River designated as a "Ecologically Significant River and Stream Segment" by Region K. **Unfortunately, these springs appear to no longer flow; recent attempts to locate these springs have not been successful (Environmental Stewardship investigations of river segment from Hwy 969 bridge at Utley to Smithville).**

Spring 1:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.18084	W097.40666	Seep, 40-50 feet on South bank at rock outcrop near small island and cypress tree Seep, 20-30 yards, 500 feet downstream of above.
Spring 2:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.18334	W097.40555	Seep, 10-15 yards on North bank near Spring 2
Spring 3:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.18945	W097.40167	Seep, South bank at bank collapse, heavy foliage Seep, North bank 10-20 yards
Spring 4:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.18416	W097.40389	Seep, near apparent surface drainage
Spring 5:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.19027	W097.40361	Seep, North bank 40-50 yards
Spring 6:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.19278	W097.33638	Seep, North bank across from spring 50+ yards Seep, small stream & rock outcrop
Spring 7:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.18972	W097.38917	Seeps, North bank 30 yards near Wilbarger
Spring 8:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.18139	W097.38861	Seeps, North and South banks
Spring 9:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.16805	W097.38917	Seeps, South Bank 50+ yards, rock ledges & cypress
Spring 10:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.16805	W097.37389	Seeps, South bank 75 yards, rock ledges & cypress
Spring 11:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.16722	W097.36667	Seeps, South bank, extensive
Spring 12:			
GPS Coordinates:	N 30.17055	W097.36805	Seeps, South and North banks.

Documented Seeps and Springs in the Bastrop – Tahitian (El Camino Real) reach of the Colorado River

The following Bastrop springs have been designated as Historic Landmarks by Bastrop City Council. Most of the springs in this reach of the Colorado River have continued to flow through the last two droughts.

Bastrop Spring #1: Main Spring located on hillside at base of stairway to the Crossings/Wells Fargo Bank and inside Riverwalk sidewalk. Culvert collects water and passes under sidewalk and out to bank of river with 4" pvc pipe.

GPS Coordinates: N 30°.06' 32.4" W097°19' 16.9"

Bastrop Spring #2: Spring located on riverbank downriver from Spring #1. Not easily visible from bank. Hidden from river view among trees.

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .06' 32.4" W097°19' 16.9"

Spring #3 within Canopy of Trees

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .05' 29.5" W097°20' 54.3"

Spring #4 within Canopy of Trees

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .05' 39.2" W097°20' 39.1"

Spring #5 below Canopy of Trees channel confluence with main river channel

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .05' 37.2" W097°20' 46.0"

Spring #6 – Numerous Springs on Right bank (most up-river spring)

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .05' 27.3" W097°20' 56.1"

Spring #7

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .04' 32.6" W097°20' 35.4"

Spring #8

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .04' 34.5" W097°20' 24.0"

Spring #9 on Pines and Prairies Land Trust – River Reserve (left bank). By Cypress Tree

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .04' 54.2" W097°20' 27.4"

Spring #10 on Pines and Prairies Land Trust – River Reserve (left bank on limestone shelf)

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .04' 54.1" W097°19' 25.0"

Spring #11 on Pines and Prairies Land Trust – River Reserve (left bank). Stalactite and Stalagmite formed at spring below broken black willow tree.

GPS Coordinates: N 30° .04' 54.2" W097°19' 23.7"

Documented Seeps and Springs in the Tahitian – Smithville reach of the Colorado River

Spring #1 Spring with log inside and carved into sandstone at right bank looking down river.

GPS Coordinates: N 30° 00' 39.2" W097°14' 50.2"

Spring #2 with great old Cypress. Maidenhair river fern and round plants.

GPS Coordinates: N 30° 01' 24.0" W097°12' 38.8"

Spring #3 on Right Bank

GPS Coordinates: N 30° 01' 40.4" W097°12' 23.5"

Spring #4 on Right Bank

GPS Coordinates: N 30° 01' 57.9" W097°12' 08.8"

Spring #5 in Alum Creek -- Spring on Alum Creek about 50 yards on right bank looking up stream. Spring flows from higher on bank and there is strong iron mineral deposits.

GPS Coordinates: N 30° 03' 09.2" W097°12' 08.4"

Spring #6 in Alum Creek on private land near Bastrop State Park – this spring provides base-flow to Alum Creek.