Human Dimensions of Wild Pigs
Survey Packet

Principal Investigators: Dr. John Tomeček and Dr. Maureen Frank
Welcome to the Texas A&M AgriLife Human Dimensions of Wild Pigs Survey!

We thank you for choosing to help us in our research!

You are one of a small number of participants who were randomly selected to participate in our survey. This study is designed to allow Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service to better understand hunter, landowner, and stakeholder opinions about wild pigs and management practices for the species.

Please review the following information sheet and before proceeding to the survey.

Then, please complete the questions contained in this survey booklet and return the survey in the postage-paid return envelope provided.

In this survey, the term “wild pig” refers to any free-roaming and free-living swine. Other names for wild pigs include feral swine, feral pig, wild hog, and wild boar. The term “wild pig” does not include native wild animals, such as the collared peccary, also known as the javelina.

If you have any problems completing the survey, please contact Rachael Connally for assistance. You can reach Rachael by phone at 979-583-2205 or by email at Rachael.Connally@tamu.edu.

Your responses are important to use and we hope that you enjoy completing our survey and the chance to voice your opinions about wild pigs!

Thank you for your time and participation.

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Why am I being asked to take part in this research study?
You are invited to participate in this study because we are trying to learn more about hunter, landowner, and stakeholder opinions about wild pigs and management practices for the species.

You were selected as a possible participant in this study through a random sample of individuals within stakeholder groups, such as hunting, agricultural, and environmental interest groups. You must be 18 years of age or older to participate in this survey.

Why is this research being done?
The study is designed to allow researchers to better understand stakeholder perceptions and knowledge about wild pigs and their management in the state of Texas.

How long will the research last?
The questionnaire is expected to take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

What will I be asked to do in this study?
You will be asked to answer a series of questions about your thoughts and opinions on the resource use, economic impacts, and management of wild pigs.

What happens if I do not want to be in this research?
Your participation in this study is voluntary. You can decide not to participate in this research and it will not be held against you. You can leave the study at any time.

Are there any risks to me?
No risks are expected to participants in the study. There are no sensitive questions in this survey that should cause discomfort. However, you can skip any question you do not wish to answer, or exit the survey at any point.

Are there any benefits to me?
No benefits are expected to participants in the study.

What happens to the information collected for the research?
Efforts will be made to limit the use and disclosure of your personal information, including research study and other records, to people who have a need to review this information. We cannot promise complete privacy. Organizations that may inspect and copy your information include the TAMU HRPP and other representatives of this institution. No identifiers linking you to this study will be included in any sort of report that might be published.

Who can I talk to?
Please feel free to ask questions regarding this study. You may contact the Principal Investigator, John Tomeček, by phone at 325-650-3520 or by email at tomecek@tamu.edu.

For questions about your rights as a research participant; or if you have questions, complaints, or concerns about the project, you may call the Human Research Protection Program at Texas A&M University (which is a group of people who review the research to protect your rights) by phone at 1-979-458-4067, toll free at 1-855-795-8636, or by email at irb@tamu.edu.
1. Do you hunt in Texas?
   ○ Yes ○ No
   If you do not hunt in Texas, please skip to Question #21.

2. Which types of animals do you hunt in Texas?
   Please rank all that apply, with 1 being the animal you hunt most often. Please include all animals that you hunt for both recreational and management purposes.

   - Wild pigs
   - Exotics (axis, black buck, fallow, elk, etc.)
   - White-tailed deer
   - Migratory game birds (dove, duck, goose, etc.)
   - Mule deer
   - Upland game birds (quail, turkey, pheasant, etc.)
   - Javelina
   - Other (fur-bearing animals, predators, rabbits, etc.)
   - Pronghorn

   If you do not hunt wild pigs, please skip to Question #21.

3. What are the most important reasons that you hunt wild pigs?
   Please rate the following reasons from “not at all important” to “very important”.

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<th>Reason</th>
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<th>Not very important</th>
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<th>Very important</th>
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4. How many wild pigs did you harvest while hunting in 2018?

   wild pigs

5. How many days did you spend hunting wild pigs in Texas in 2018?

   days

6. How many days did you spend hunting other large game animals in Texas in 2018?
   Please include days that you hunted deer, exotics, and any big game animals except wild pigs.

   days
7. Which statement best describes the majority of your hunting trips?
   ○ I exclusively hunt wild pigs on most of my hunting trips.
   ○ I primarily hunt wild pigs, but will harvest a native game animal if I see one.
   ○ I hunt wild pigs and native game animals about equally during the same trip.
   ○ I primarily hunt native game animals, but will harvest a wild pig if I see one.
   ○ I exclusively hunt native game animals and do not hunt wild pigs on most of my hunting trips.

8. How much money did you spend on wild pig hunting-related purchases in 2018?
   Please estimate the costs of the following items to a whole dollar amount.

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<th>Item</th>
<th>Cost</th>
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<td>Hunting lease(s) or access fees</td>
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<td>Tour operator or guide fees</td>
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<td>Overnight accommodations</td>
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<td>Transportation</td>
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<td>Meals</td>
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<td>Ammunition</td>
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<td>Bait / Attractant</td>
<td>$ .00</td>
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<td>Processing or taxidermy</td>
<td>$ .00</td>
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<td>Hunting tools / guns and accessories</td>
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<td>Other, please specify:</td>
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9. How would you describe the present size of the wild pig population in the areas where you most often hunt them?
   ○ Too low
   ○ About right
   ○ Too high

10. What type of property do you typically use to hunt wild pigs?
    Please select all that apply.
    ☐ Personal property
    ☐ Public land
    ☐ Family-owned or friend’s property
    ☐ Private property while on a guided hunt
    ☐ Leased property
    ☐ Private property by landowner request
    ☐ Property I manage
    ☐ Other, please specify:

11. During which times of the year do you typically hunt wild pigs?
    Please select all that apply.
    ☐ Spring
    ☐ Fall
    ☐ Summer
    ☐ Winter
12. Where do you typically hunt wild pigs?
Please select all that apply.
☐ Rangeland
☐ Agricultural fields
☐ Pastures
☐ Roads or wildlife openings
☐ Near artificial food sources (livestock feeders, etc.)
☐ Near natural or artificial water sources
☐ Thick brush or forests
☐ Other, please specify:

Please indicate the level to which you agree with the following statements by writing the corresponding number in each box.

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<th>Statement</th>
<th>Strongly disagree</th>
<th>Somewhat disagree</th>
<th>Neither agree nor disagree</th>
<th>Somewhat agree</th>
<th>Strongly agree</th>
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<td>13. Wild pigs increase hunting opportunities for me and my family.</td>
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<td>14. I would go hunting for other animals more if wild pigs were less available to hunt.</td>
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<td>15. I prefer to hunt wild pigs even when other animals are available for me to hunt.</td>
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<td>16. Wild pigs are less enjoyable to hunt than other animals.</td>
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<td>17. I started hunting wild pigs before I became interested in hunting other animals.</td>
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<td>18. I devote more time to hunting wild pigs than other animals.</td>
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<td>19. I only purchase my hunting license to hunt wild pigs.</td>
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20. Which of the following personal protective equipment do you use when handling wild pigs?
Please select all that apply.
☐ Rubber gloves
☐ Protective eyewear
☐ Face mask
☐ Tick repellant
☐ Soap
☐ Knife and surface disinfectant
☐ Long sleeves and pants
☐ None
☐ Other, please specify:

21. What types of traps do you use for wild pigs?
Please select all that apply.
☐ Snares
☐ Cage traps
☐ Box traps
☐ Corral traps
☐ Figure 6 traps
☐ Figure "C" traps
☐ Drop-style traps
☐ I do not use any traps for wild pigs.
☐ Other, please specify:

If you do not use traps for wild pigs, please skip to question #29.
22. How many wild pigs did you harvest by trapping or snaring in 2018?

wild pigs

23. Have you ever trapped and sold live wild pigs?
   ○ Yes  ○ No
   If you have never trapped and sold wild pigs, please skip to question #26.

24. How many wild pigs did you sell in 2018?

wild pigs

25. How much income did you make by trapping and selling pigs in 2018?

$ .00 (dollars only)

26. What type of property do you typically use to trap wild pigs?
   Please select all that apply.
   ○ Personal property
   ○ Public land
   ○ Family-owned or friend’s property
   ○ Private property while on a guided hunt
   ○ Leased property
   ○ Private property by landowner request
   ○ Property I manage
   ○ Other, please specify:

27. During which times of the year do you typically trap wild pigs?
   Please select all that apply.
   ○ Spring  ○ Fall
   ○ Summer  ○ Winter

28. Where do you typically trap wild pigs?
   Please select all that apply.
   ○ Rangeland
   ○ Near artificial food sources (livestock feeders, etc.)
   ○ Agricultural fields
   ○ Near natural or artificial water sources
   ○ Pastures
   ○ Thick brush or forests
   ○ Roads or wildlife openings
   ○ Other, please specify:

29. Did you provide any wild pig guide or outfitting services to paying hunters in 2018?
   ○ Yes  ○ No
   If you did not provide these services, please skip to Question #31.

30. How much income did you make by providing wild pig guide or outfitting services to paying hunters in 2018?

$ .00 (dollars only)
31. Do you own or manage land in Texas?
   ○ Yes  ○ No

   **If you do not own land in Texas, please skip to Question #38.**

32. What are the uses of the land you own or manage in Texas?
   Please rank all that apply by importance, with 1 being the **most important**.

   - [ ] Private residence
   - [ ] Farming or crop production
   - [ ] Ranching - Domestic livestock
   - [ ] Ranching – Native wildlife (deer, quail, etc.)
   - [ ] Ranching – Exotic wildlife
   - [ ] Personal recreation (hunting, fishing, leisure, etc.)
   - [ ] Lease hunting (include guide services, outfitting, etc.)
   - [ ] Natural gas or oil extraction
   - [ ] Timber production
   - [ ] Other, please specify: ____________________________

33. What is the size of the largest property you own or manage in Texas?
    [ ] acres

34. Please mark all of the areas in which wild pigs had negative impacts on your property in the past year.
   - [ ] Growing or planting commodity crop losses
   - [ ] Growing or planting specialty crop losses
   - [ ] Stored Commodities
   - [ ] Pastures
   - [ ] Wetlands
   - [ ] Livestock (injury, deaths, diseases)
   - [ ] Fences, water troughs, or other improvements
   - [ ] Equipment or vehicles
   - [ ] Personal injuries
   - [ ] Loss of land value
   - [ ] Loss of lease value, damage to food plots/feeders
   - [ ] Owner or employee time

35. Please mark all of the control methods you use on your property(s).
   - [ ] Trapped & destroyed
   - [ ] Trapped & moved from premise
   - [ ] Trapped & sold
   - [ ] Owner/Employee hunting
   - [ ] Lease hunting
   - [ ] Aerial shooting
   - [ ] Use of snares
   - [ ] Use of dogs
   - [ ] Other

36. Please estimate your total economic losses due to wild pigs in 2018 on all your property(s).
    $ [ ] .00 (dollars only)

37. How much income did you make by leasing wild pig hunting rights in 2018?
    $ [ ] .00 (dollars only)
38. What change would you like to see in wild pig population numbers in the state of Texas?  
- [ ] Completely removed  - [ ] Reduced  - [ ] Remain the same  - [ ] Increase  - [ ] I do not know.

39. Which of the following types of wild pig control methods do you think are, or would be, **effective**?  
Please indicate the level of effectiveness for each method on the scale below.

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40. Which of the following types of wild pig control methods are, or would be, personally **acceptable** to you?  
Please indicate the level of acceptability for each method on the scale below.

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41. Please indicate your level of concern for the following types of damage caused by wild pigs.

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Based on your current knowledge of wild pigs, please mark each of the following statements as either true or false.

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<th>I am unsure.</th>
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<td>42. Wild pigs can carry diseases that can be spread to domestic animals.</td>
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<td>43. Wild pigs are native to Texas.</td>
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<td>44. Wild pigs can carry diseases that can be spread to humans.</td>
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<td>45. Wild pigs are a different species than domestic pigs.</td>
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<td>46. Wild pigs can breed year-round in Texas.</td>
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<td>47. Wild pigs have an average of 12 piglets per litter.</td>
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<td>48. Wild pigs kill livestock and wildlife as a primary source of food.</td>
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<td>49. Wild pigs are present in less than 70% of Texas counties.</td>
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<td>50. Wild pigs are regulated as a game animal in the state of Texas.</td>
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<td>51. There are legal restrictions on the transportation, release, and holding of live wild pigs in Texas.</td>
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52. How has each of the following affected the number of wild pigs in the county where you live?

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Please indicate the level to which you agree with the following statements by writing the corresponding number in each box.

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<td>54. The harm caused by wild pigs outweighs any benefits of having them in Texas.</td>
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<td>57. Overall, my feelings about wild pigs in Texas are generally positive</td>
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<td>58. Wild pigs are a nuisance.</td>
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<td>59. Wild pigs have the right to exist wherever they may occur.</td>
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<td>60. It should be legal to release live wild pigs anywhere in Texas in order to hunt them.</td>
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<td>61. It should be legal to transport live feral hogs anywhere in the U.S. without restrictions.</td>
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<td>62. I would feel comfortable using a safe, humane toxicant to control wild pig populations.</td>
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<td>63. I would feel comfortable consuming the meat of a wild pig if safe, humane toxicants were used near where the animal was harvested.</td>
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64. Please tell us more about your position on a safe, humane toxicant for wild pigs.

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65. Have you ever attended an AgriLife educational seminar on wild pigs?

- ○ Yes  
- ○ No  
- ○ I am not sure.

**If you have not attended an AgriLife educational seminar on wild pigs, please skip to Question #67.**

66. Please mark all practices that you planned to adopt, adopted, and continue to use in order to better manage wild pigs on your property after attending an AgriLife educational seminar.

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<td>Use larger traps</td>
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<td>Use baits with scent appeal</td>
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<td>Vary/change baits at different locations</td>
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<td>Set traps whenever fresh sign appears</td>
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<td>Pre-bait traps to encourage consistent pig visits</td>
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<td>Scout for pig sign (tracks, wallows, rubs, hair)</td>
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<td>Wear eyewear and gloves during field dressing</td>
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<td>Market trapped pigs to processors to recoup losses</td>
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67. Please indicate the reasons why you do not continue to use the suggested practices that you adopted following an AgriLife education seminar.

Please check all that apply.

- ☐ Financial expenses
- ☐ Time expenses
- ☐ Physical difficulties
- ☐ Confusion due to lack of information
- ☐ Not applicable on my property
- ☐ I am unconcerned about wild pigs on my property.
- ☐ I found these practices unimportant.
- ☐ I saw no results using these methods.
- ☐ I still employ all methods that I initially intended to employ.
- ☐ Other, please specify:
68. What AgriLife Extension Service resources have you used to learn about wild pigs?
Please select all that apply.
☐ Communication with AgriLife Extension agents
☐ Educational seminars
☐ Social media
☐ Online videos
☐ Articles or publications
☐ Webinars
☐ I have not used any AgriLife resources.
☐ Other, please specify:

69. What other resources have you used to learn about wild pigs?
Please select all that apply.
☐ Communication with state wildlife professionals (TPWD)
☐ Educational seminars
☐ Local newspaper or news broadcast
☐ Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)
☐ Online videos
☐ Communication with federal wildlife professionals (APHIS, USDA, USFWS, etc.)
☐ Communication with other hunters, landowners, farmers, or ranchers
☐ Articles or publications
☐ Hunting or wildlife magazines
☐ I have not used any other resources.
☐ Other, please specify:

70. Which of the following best describes why you use social media for wild pig hunting content?
Please select only one.
☐ To learn new hunting techniques
☐ To get ideas about where to hunt
☐ To watch wild pigs get harvested
☐ To learn about wild pigs
☐ To be entertained
☐ To remind me of my memorable hunts

If you do not watch wild pig hunting videos, please skip to Question #70.

71. What resources would you trust to learn about wild pigs?
Please select all that apply.
☐ Communication with state wildlife professionals (TPWD)
☐ Communication with AgriLife Extension agents
☐ Educational seminars
☐ Local newspaper or news broadcast
☐ Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)
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☐ Communication with federal wildlife professionals (APHIS, USDA, USFWS, etc.)
☐ Communication with other hunters, landowners, farmers, or ranchers
☐ Articles or publications
☐ Hunting or wildlife magazines
☐ None
☐ Other, please specify:
To help us better understand how to share educational information and knowledge on wild pigs in the future, please answer the following questions about yourself.

72. What is your ZIP code of primary residence?
   Please enter your 5-digit ZIP code, such as "77843"

73. In what year were you born?
   Please enter your 4-digit birth year, such as "1965"

74. What is your gender?
   ○ Male   ○ Female

75. What is the highest level of education you have obtained?
   ○ Did not graduate high school or receive GED
   ○ High school graduate, diploma or GED
   ○ Some college, no degree
   ○ Associate degree
   ○ Trade/technical/vocational training
   ○ Bachelor's degree
   ○ Master's degree
   ○ Doctoral degree

76. Please specify your ethnicity.
   ○ White
   ○ Black or African American
   ○ American Indian or Alaska Native
   ○ Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino
   ○ Asian
   ○ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
   ○ Other

77. Please indicate your average household income.
   ○ Less than $20,000
   ○ $20,000 to $34,999
   ○ $35,000 to $49,999
   ○ $50,000 to $74,999
   ○ $75,000 to $99,999
   ○ Over $100,000
78. From the list below, please select all of the wildlife, environmental, or agricultural interest groups of which you are a member.

☐ Texas Farm Bureau
☐ Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association
☐ Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association
☐ Texas Pork Producers
☐ Texas Hog Hunters’ Association
☐ Quail Forever
☐ Ducks Unlimited
☐ Exotic Wildlife Association
☐ Texas Wildlife Association
☐ Dallas Safari Club
☐ Audubon Society
☐ Texas Ornithological Society
☐ Texas Master Naturalists
☐ Native Plant Society of Texas
☐ The Nature Conservancy
☐ Texas Land Conservancy
☐ Texas Corn Producers
☐ Texas Cotton Association
☐ Texas Pecan Growers Association
☐ Texas Forestry Association
☐ Texas Trophy Hunters Association
☐ Pheasants Forever
☐ National Turkey Federation (Texas Chapter)
☐ Texas Deer Association
☐ Texas Dove Hunters Association
☐ Houston Safari Club
☐ Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club
☐ Texas Master Gardeners
☐ Native Prairies Association of Texas
☐ Big Thicket Association
☐ Environment Texas
☐ I am not a member of any of wildlife, environmental, or agricultural groups.
☐ Other, please specify

79. If you have any comments you would like to leave about this survey, please write them here.
Thank you for completing our survey!

We appreciate your time and contributions to our research.

Please return this questionnaire in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this survey, please contact Rachael Connally by email at rachael.connally@tamu.edu or by phone at 979-583-2205.

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