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Coastal Bend Area Teachers To Explore Local Ecology

- WHO:** Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program (CBBEP)
Center for Coastal Studies - Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC)
Education Service Center
- WHEN:** Thursday, March 1, 2007
12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- WHERE:** Indian Point Pier off of Hwy. 181 (Take the Indian Point exit and follow the road to the pier)
- WHAT:** The Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program (CBBEP) and the Center for Coastal Studies will host over 12 Coastal Bend area teachers in an in-service training at **Indian Point Pier on March 1, 2007 beginning at 12:30 p.m.** The Education Service Center recruited teachers from George West, Mathis, Robstown, Orange Grove, Santa Gertrudis, and the Corpus Christi Independent School District as part of their continuing education in the math and science fields. This interactive training is an extension of the CBBEP's *Coastal Bend Environmental Science: Learning on the Edge (LOTE)* project, which has been funded by the Coastal Bend Community Foundation.
- The goal of this in-service training is to coach teachers in “hands-on”, field related experiences on the local ecology of the estuaries and at the same time correlate it to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) objectives that teachers must implement into the classroom. This opportunity promotes the value and importance of the estuaries by providing first-hand knowledge to teachers about the complexities of nature as they enjoy the environment that surrounds them.
- VISUALS:** Teachers in action: gathering data, measuring, identifying, seining, core sampling and more!
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