# **SHIP-GEO FIELD TRIP #2**







## **OCTOBER 22, 2016** VISIT LA SAL DEL REY & SOUTH TEXAS SAND SHEET

#### What is the "King's Salt"?

La Sal del Rey, or "the King's Salt," is one of three naturally occurring salt lakes in South Texas. Sitting atop an estimated four million tons of salt, these hypersaline lakes are seven times saltier than the ocean.

#### What is the "South Texas Sand Sheet (STSS)"?

South Texas Sand Sheet a.k.a "Wild Horse Desert", is a sheet of eolian sand blown inland from the shoreline of the Gulf of Mexico. The STSS covers six counties and is a very important component of hydrologic systems in LRGV.





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- How do salt lakes in South Texas get salty and what's the impact on wildlife?
- Learn water cycle, floods, and infiltration in field!
- Come experience drilling!

Transportation and lunch are provided. Seats are limited!

### **<u>RSVP before 10/19</u>**.

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