**Presentation Summary:**

An Introduction to the Trees of North Texas

Rick will initially cover the fundamental physical characteristics of trees that help indicate their species and then review examples of key species ranging in the DFW area that exhibit these various traits.

**Rick Travis – bio-2025**

Rick owns a Bachelors’ Degree in Forest Management and an MBA, both from Stephen F. Austin State University. With retirement from his business career, Rick is fulfilling a long-deferred desire for involvement in the environmental sciences. He is an active member of the Blackland Prairie Master Naturalist Chapter and is currently serving in his fourth year as Chapter President. Rick is also a member of Frisco’s Natural Resources Advisory Board and works closely with Frisco Parks on multiple projects within the city. He is a volunteer trail guide at the Heard Wildlife Sanctuary, Plano Parks and Trails, and Frisco Parks and Trails and serves as the Forest Ecology instructor for neighboring Master Naturalist chapters’ training programs in the DFW area.

