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Subject: Spring Creek Nature Trail Receives Texan by Nature Certification

Houston, TX – April 30, 2019 - Bayou Land Conservancy (BLC) is honored to announce they have received the Texan by Nature Project Certification for the Spring Creek Nature Trail. This certification provides Texas employers, organizations, and individuals with recognition of meaningful conservation efforts involving and benefiting people, prosperity, and natural resources. The Spring Creek Nature Trail (SCNT) is a 14-mile natural surface, hike/bike trail that runs along Spring Creek, in both Harris & Montgomery County, and was mostly constructed by community volunteers, including about 20 boardwalks and bridges. The trail is part of a larger system of green space along the border between the two counties known as the Spring Creek Greenway. The greenway is the longest, continuous, urban, forested greenway in the country.

“Texas is a state of striking landscapes and bold citizens. It’s an honor to have the Spring Creek Nature Trail certified by an organization with stellar leadership that celebrates the big, bold beauty of Texas,” says Jill Boullion, Bayou Land Conservancy’s Executive Director. “We seek to unify business, community and conservation with the Spring Creek Nature Trail and that is also the goal of Texan by Nature, founded by Mrs. Laura Bush in 2011.”

Texan by Nature Certified projects can focus on different natural resources such as wildlife, vegetation, and water. Projects can encompass any Texas geography from urban to rural, and can take many forms such as urban pollinator habitat development, rural land rehabilitation, smart water conservation, or education initiatives. Applications to the program are considered on a quarterly basis.

Jenny Burden, Program Manager for Texan by Nature explains how the trail came to be certified. “The Spring Creek Nature Trail created by the Bayou Land Conservancy exemplifies the on-the-ground conservation work every day Texans do that make this state better every day. Through their collaborative work and thoughtful planning, they are not only creating habitat for wildlife, but also green spaces for people, healthier communities, which leads to greater prosperity, and opportunities for Houstonians of all walks of life to experience nature.” Burden goes on to explain that studies have shown nature immersion connects people to the outdoors, which means the Spring Creek Nature Trail is creating a culture of conservation that ensures Texas is as beautiful and bountiful in the future as it is today.

For more information on the Spring Creek Nature Trail visit www.bayoulandconservancy.org/spring-creek-nature-trail. Volunteer opportunities for corporate teams and community groups are available by request.

About Bayou Land Conservancy: Bayou Land Conservancy is a community-sponsored land preservation organization working to permanently protect land in the Houston region since 1996. Bayou Land Conservancy preserves land along streams for flood control, clean water, and wildlife. We envision a protected network of green spaces that connect people to nature.

About TxN: Texan by Nature unites business and conservation leaders who believe Texas’ prosperity is dependent on the conservation of its natural resources. TxN amplifies projects and activates new investment in conservation which return real benefits for people, prosperity and natural resources. Texan by Nature achieves mission goals through the Texan by Nature Certification program, Conservation Wrangler program and Symposia series. Get involved and learn more at www.texanbynature.org and follow on Facebook @TexanByNature, Twitter @TexanbyNature, Instagram @texanbynature.

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