

The land trust accreditation program recognizes land conservation organizations that meet national quality standards for protecting important natural places and working lands forever. Bexar Land Trust, Inc., dba Green Spaces Alliance of South Texas is pleased to announce it is applying for renewal of accreditation. A public comment period is now open.

The mission of Green Spaces Alliance of South Texas is to sustain the natural environment and enhance urban spaces through land conservation, community engagement, and education. In 2013 the Board of Trustees and staff successfully achieved accreditation through the Land Trust Accreditation Commission.

The Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance, conducts an extensive review of each applicant's policies and programs. Green Spaces Alliance is particularly proud of earning this mark of distinction in land conservation. We have upheld our high standards for the past five years. Staff is now working to continue that accreditation for the next five years so that Green Spaces Alliance can continue to be strong stewards to land conservation in perpetuity.

The Accreditation Commission provides an opportunity for our partners, supporters, and other interested parties to submit remarks about the manner in which we conduct business. Specifically, comments are requested regarding Green Spaces Alliance's performance relative to the Land Trust Alliance's nationally accepted Standards and Practices. These standards address the ethical and technical operation of a land trust. For the full list of standards see http://www.landtrustaccreditation.org/help-and-resources/indicator-practices.

To learn more about the accreditation program and to submit a comment, visit www.landtrustaccreditation.org, or email your comment to info@landtrustaccreditation.org. Comments may also be faxed or mailed to the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, Attn: Public Comments: (fax) 518-587-3183; (mail) 36 Phila Street, Suite 2, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866.

Comments on Green Spaces Alliance's application will be most useful by January 6, 2018.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or issues you may have. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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