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BRAZOS RIVER CORRIDOR RECREATION PLAN WINS SUPPORT

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*Fort Bend Green to Receive Help from*

*NPS’ Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program*

(SAN MARCOS)---The National Park Service has announced that Fort Bend Green has been selected to receive technical assistance toward its goal of creating a Recreation Master Plan for the Brazos River in Fort Bend County. A Recreation Master Plan will identify recreation and conservation opportunities for Fort Bend County, and help clarify projects and partners. Another goal is to help the various communities work across jurisdictional boundaries as a region to achieve a unified project.

“We are very pleased to select the Brazos River Corridor Recreation Master Plan as one of our projects for the coming year,” said Marta Newkirk of the National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) program. “The Brazos River is a significant natural resource which provides numerous opportunities for communities along the river to coordinate their recreational facilities and programs.”

Fort Bend Green, a non-profit organization created to facilitate partnerships in the development of green space in Fort Bend County, has developed a vision of a continuous green corridor along Fort Bend’s Brazos River to provide wildlife habitat, parks and recreation venues, enhanced water quality and flood control.

Through the RTCA program, the National Park Service helps communities and neighborhoods preserve their important local resources, protect river and creek-way resources, develop new trails and greenways, and create new natural areas. These projects are locally-led with RTCA staff supporting local recreation and conservation leaders. This year, forty-two projects were selected as RTCA grant recipients in the Intermountain Region, spanning eight states.

For more information on the National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance program, please visit [www.nps.gov/rtca](http://www.nps.gov/rtca).

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