

PARKS AND NATURAL AREAS HONOR AWARDS

There were 13 applications submitted by local entities for the 2017 program. Winners were selected by a panel of five judges.

Projects On-the-Ground of \$500,000 or more; Projects On-the-Ground under \$500,000; Planning Process; and Policy Tools. This year's winners are as follows:

- Projects On-the-Ground Over \$500,000:
 - Kickerillo-Mischer Preserve (Harris County Precinct 4)
 - Yolanda Black Navarro Buffalo Bend Nature Park (Harris County Precinct 2)
- Projects On-the-Ground Under \$500,000:
 - MD Anderson Prairie (MD Anderson Cancer Center)
- Planning Process:
 - Josey Lake Park (Howard Hughes Corporation - Bridgeland)
- Policy Tools:
 - Dr. Ned & Fay Dudney Clear Creek Nature Center Management Plan (City of League City)

Honorable Mention

- Projects On-the-Ground Over \$500,000:
 - Brazos River Park (City of Sugar Land)
- Projects On-the-Ground Under \$500,000:
 - Windmill Aeration at Baytown Nature Center's Golden Bloom Pond (City of Baytown)
- Planning Process:
 - Seabourne Creek Park Nature Center (City of Rosenberg)

Special Recognition

- Projects On-the-Ground Over \$500,000:
 - Galveston Island Historic Seawall Beach Renourishment Project (Galveston Park Board of Trustees)
 - Japanese Garden Restoration (Hermann Park Conservancy)
 - Patrick's Bayou Stormwater Detention Basin (Harris County Flood Control District)
- Projects On-the-Ground Under \$500,000:
 - Explore the Wild (Houston Zoo)
 - Nature Observation Area at National Oak Park (City of Alvin)