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Dear Colleagues and Supporters,

The land trust accreditation program recognizes land conservation organizations that meet national quality standards for protecting important natural places and working lands forever. The Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust is pleased to announce it is applying for accreditation. A public comment period is now open.

The mission of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust is to preserve the unique natural heritage of the Guadalupe River watershed for future generations, by protecting open landscapes, working farms and ranches, and wildlife habitat through conservation easements, education, and outreach that connects people to the water and the land.

The Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance, conducts an extensive review of each applicant’s policies and programs. The Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust is very proud to be considered for accreditation by the commission. We understand that this mark of excellence ensures landowners and partnering organizations that an accredited land trust will be held to a higher standard and will be able to monitor, defend and enforce conservation projects in perpetuity.

The Commission invites public input and accepts signed, written comments on pending applications. Comments must relate to how the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust complies with national quality standards. 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 the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust’s application will be most useful by Sunday, August 16, 2020.

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

Sincerely,

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