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## Confidential Landowner Application

Applicant Name

Property Name

Applicant Address

Property Address including county

Applicant Phone Numbers

E-mail

Legal Counsel contact information if any

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Please tell us about the acres to be considered for conservation

Completing this application does not in any way bind Texas Agricultural Land Trust to accept a conservation easement on the property which is the subject of this application, nor shall it be construed in any way to render an opinion on the acceptability of a conservation easement on the property for any state or federal programs, or tax deductibility.

**Please make checks payable to: Texas Agricultural Land Trust and return the completed application along with a nonrefundable \$1,000.00 application fee to:**

**Texas Agricultural Land Trust  
P.O. Box 6152  
San Antonio, Texas 78209**

**You may also email your application to: [dclark@txaglandtrust.org](mailto:dclark@txaglandtrust.org)  
or fax it to 210-828-5091 *Attention* Darren Clark**

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WITH AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE**

Explain your reasons for pursuing a conservation easement and if your reasons are urgent, please elaborate. Also indicate if you are interested in a donated or a purchased easement.

Describe the ownership history and current ownership of your property.

Are there any non-related owners? If yes, then please go to page 5 and answer the questions.

Provide the short legal description of your property (county appraisal district description).

Describe the current agricultural and wildlife production on your property.

Describe the improvements on your property (houses, barns, ponds, etc.).

Describe your preferences regarding additional improvements or construction that might be desired in the future.

Describe your preferences regarding any future partitions of the property that would be permitted by the easement, including the number of partitions and the configuration of the partitions, if known.

Describe your management practices such as grazing operations, land improvement, cropping history, and hunting operations. If you have a management plan, please attach a copy.

Give an overview of the natural features and biological resources on your property, including wildlife, plant communities, and named creeks and rivers.

Describe any special and unique values your property provides including open space, view sheds, unusual geological features and historic and archeological values.

List any special recognitions, such as industry or association awards, you have received. Also attach any media articles written about your property or operation.

Describe any boundary disputes, inholdings claimed by others, areas where trades were made, or fences of convenience that have been agreed to with neighbors.

Has the property ever been the subject of a partition, litigation, or an environmental remediation? If yes please explain.

Do you own the water rights?		Is the ground water subject to rules and regulations of an underground water district? If so which one?		
YES	NO	YES	NO	District

Is your property currently leased for surface mineral production (sand, gravel, or other surface mineral production)?

YES                  NO

Are there pits, mines, quarries, or other mineral production sites on the property? Do you have plans to use them in the future?

YES                  NO

Describe all known easements such as pipelines for oil and gas transmission, water pipelines, power lines, and utility easements (local power distribution, telephone, and internet/cable, or local gas distribution). Are there any proposed but unbuilt facilities such as cell towers?

TALT will need a thorough understand of the mineral ownership of your property in order to proceed. Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability:

What percentage of the mineral estate do you own?

What percentage of the executive rights do you own?

Describe your long-range plans, if any, to continue or to increase agricultural productivity, and/or improvement of wildlife habitat on your property including fencing, water development, and brush control. Please also describe your likely primary activities on your property in the next 25 years, if known.

If the property is to be inherited by children or other relatives, have you discussed a potential conservation easement with them?

Do you envision any expanded recreational or commercial activities in the future? Will you be allowing educational functions use of your property? Examples include hunting programs, bed and breakfast, or retreats.

Please be advised that it is TALT's policy to request a stewardship fund donation to cover the cost of monitoring and, if necessary, defending the easement. The suggested donation amount is based on our anticipated costs of stewarding the conservation easement. Are you able to provide a stewardship donation?

YES      NO

Please be advised that it is TALT's policy to receive reimbursement for transaction costs that are associated with the easement negotiation process, and incurred by TALT. Transaction costs may include: baseline documentation report, title policy or title insurance, land survey, mineral remoteness report, mineral title report, appraisal, recording and documenting fees, environmental audit, and attorney's fees. Are you able to pay these transaction costs?

YES      NO

Are you a member of a statewide agricultural or landowner's association? If so please list.

Is there any additional information that you believe would be relevant for TALT to consider?

How did you hear about Texas Agricultural Land Trust?

If available, please provide vesting deeds, your Owner's Title Policy, and maps of your property (local map or regional map, and topography).

If you and Texas Agricultural Land Trust agree to move forward with an an agricultural conservation easement on your property, a number of additional items and steps will be required for completion of the donation or sale of the easement. Please indicate which of the following documents you have and can provide:

Previous Title Report	Other Evidence of Title
Mineral Title Report	County Tax Assessor Map
Boundary Survey or Plat Map	Recent Appraisal of Property
Aerial Photograph without boundary	1:24,000 scale USFS topographic map