



LONE STAR LAND STEWARD AWARDS PROGRAM EVALUATION AND SELECTION CRITERIA

PROPERTY NAME:

ECOLOGICAL REGION:

Selection Criteria: Place the number "1" in blanks where applicable.

- (1) _____ Landowner adheres to sound ecological principles and attention to ecosystem functions.
- (2) _____ Landowner applies sound principles of soil and water conservation.
- (3) _____ Management activities result in improved vegetative conditions and enhanced plant diversity.
- (4) _____ Activities provide conservation and care of unique natural and cultural resources.
- (5) _____ Management activities directly benefit wildlife through an increased number of species and/or classes of wildlife.
- (6) _____ Good integration of traditional ranching/farming/timber practices with wildlife habitat enhancement to produce multiple economic benefits.
- (7) _____ Landowner encourages community involvement in the conservation of wildlife habitat on private lands. Landowner acts as a good example for others and actively promotes use of responsible habitat management and land stewardship.
- (8) _____ Promotes involvement and substantial outdoor recreational and/or educational opportunities for the benefit of wildlife (not necessarily on their land, but could be through programs, organizations, volunteerism, etc.).
- (9) _____ Innovative techniques of land/resource conservation are incorporated into the overall management scheme.
- (10) _____ Landowner is following written recommendations set forth in an active **TPWD Wildlife Habitat and Harvest Plan, Wildlife Management Plan** or other plan prepared by a professional wildlife biologist.
- (11) _____ Landowner is following written recommendations set forth in an active **Conservation Plan** prepared by technical staff at the local Soil and Water Conservation District (NRCS office).

Selection Criteria (Continued):

Land stewardship practices being actively conducted (place a check in front of each applicable practice on attached list for the ecological region corresponding to the criteria listed below). **Note:** An individual practice may only be counted once, even though it appears under several criteria. Total checks and place the number by *criteria* in the blanks below.

(12) _____

- _____ Habitat Control
- _____ Erosion Control
- _____ Providing Supplemental Water
- _____ Providing Supplemental Food
- _____ Providing Supplemental Shelter
- _____ Predator Control
- _____ Making Census Counts

Evaluate the degree to which a **land stewardship and/or wildlife conservation ethic** is exemplified. Mark "1" in each blank as appropriate.

(13) _____ Landowner encourages community involvement in the conservation of wildlife habitat on private lands through hosting wildlife programs, seminars, or field days.

(14) _____ Landowner actively participates in a wildlife conservation organization which promotes habitat conservation and enhancement; landowner is an active habitat demonstration cooperator with a **NAWMP Joint Venture, TPWD Private Lands Initiative, USFWS Partners for Wildlife program**, etc.

(15) _____ Landowner's property serves as a study site for professional research designed to solve problems or answer questions concerning habitat limiting factors or enhancement techniques.

Overall Score: _____

Additional Comments: _____

Evaluation Team (name, title, phone): _____

Date: _____