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# **TEXAS GAME WARDEN VISION:**

As Texas Game Wardens, we proudly honor and respect our heritage while embracing the future. We continue to take progressive steps to improve our culture and practices to better serve and protect the natural resources and people of Texas.

# **CORE MISSIONS:**

#### **Resource Protection**

- · Fisheries law enforcement
- · Wildlife law enforcement
- Invasive species enforcement
- · Commercial enforcement
- Fish and wildlife investigations
- Targeted education and outreach
- Threatened and endangered species protection

#### **Boating**

- · Water safety enforcement
- · Boating while intoxicated enforcement
- Boat accident investigations
- Marine theft and title fraud investigation
- · Water safety campaigns and education

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#### **Public Safety**

- · Natural disaster response
- · Emergency management response
- Law enforcement services for residents and visitors of Texas
- Specialized Game Warden response units: air, land and water
- $\cdot\,$  Search and rescue
- · Homeland and port security
- · Interagency support and collaboration

#### **Environmental Protection**

- · Environmental law enforcement
- · Environmental investigations
- · Water quality protection
- · Natural resource protection



Texas Game Wardens are the only conservation law enforcement officers in Texas.

In 1895 we began to patrol where no one else would go — the calls have never



# **TPWD MISSION:**

To manage and conserve the natural and cultural resources of Texas and to provide hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation opportunities for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.







The proud tradition of service and conservation, more than a century old, is carried on today by more than 500 men and women who reflect the diversity of the people of Texas.



## TEXAS AT A GLANCE:

- **28 million** residents (and increasing)
- 261,820 square miles of vast and diverse terrain
- 1.7 million surface acres of freshwater inland lakes
- 4 million surface acres of salt water

367 miles of coastline

80,000 miles of rivers and streams

## **TEXAS GAME WARDEN INTERACTIONS IN 2018:**

11 million	miles patrolled	
120,000	boat patrol hours logged	
1.2 million	interactions with hunters and anglers	
610,000	water safety interactions with public	
357,000	constituents reached through events and outreach	
90 million	"Lone Star Law" television program viewership	

## **ECONOMIC VALUE OF REGULATED RESOURCES:**

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\$1.8 billion	Hunting
\$1.8 billion	Wildlife viewing
\$3.6 billion	Recreational fishing
\$6 billion	Boating
\$3.6 billion	Commercial fishing
224.3 billion	Generated by Texas ports
107 million	Annual license sales

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