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Arbor Hills Nature Preserve Recognized for Environmental Excellence

Arbor Hills Nature Preserve, managed by the City of Plano Parks and Recreation Department, recently received certification in Environmental Planning from the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program (ACSP). This is an international program administered by Audubon International designed to help landowners preserve and enhance the environmental quality of their property. The Plano Parks plan that received certification was developed by Kym Hughes, natural resources superintendent, who is also recognized for her effort to plan for environmental stewardship.

“The ACSP gives people an opportunity to do something good for the environment right where they live, work and recreate,” explained Jim Sluiter, staff ecologist for Audubon International. “We welcome the Arbor Hills Nature Preserve’s commitment to managing the property in an environmentally-sensitive manner.”

Joining and participating in the ACSP will involve Arbor Hills Nature Preserve in projects that enhance wildlife habitat and conserve natural resources for the benefit of the local community. These projects include emphasizing native plants in landscaping, conserving water and energy and recycling wastes.

“The ACSP benefits both people and wildlife,” said Sluiter. “It’s a great way for businesses and environmental organizations to work together to become better stewards of the land and natural resources.”

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