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**Building Trails – Building Community
McKinney Roughs Nature Center
State Trails Conference
October 10, 11 & 12, 2003**

This October will find the Texas Trails community gathering at beautiful McKinney Roughs (www.lcra.org/lands/roughs) near Austin for an enjoyable and enriching weekend all about trails.

This year's conference theme expands our traditional focus on design and construction of natural surface trails to include a good look at the important roles that trails play in our communities. There will be two tracks featuring eight concurrent sessions with a diverse lineup of topics and presenters. In addition to sessions addressing trail maintenance concepts and practical applications, a second track will address social aspects, health benefits, economic opportunities, and lifestyle dynamics associated with trails. This expanded range will appeal to urban planners, developers, realtors, landscape architects, community activists, and municipal leaders as well as trail planners, builders, and enthusiasts - so we expect to welcome a number of new folks to the fold.

Conference registration includes ALL THE FOLLOWING: eight concurrent sessions, a plenary session with keynote address by Vice-President of American Trails – Robert Searns, AICP, all meals and snacks, two nights accommodations in the dorms, the Texas Trail Mixer Social, silent auction*, live music, a hayride-style tour of the extensive McKinney Roughs trail system, and, oh yes, hands-on trail work.

***(We ask each attendee to bring an auction item representative of your agency, site, or region)**

Special activities (additional fee required) this year will include: full-moon night rafting on the Colorado River, a naturalist-led birding hike, access to non-public areas to view pre-historic archaeological sites, and a course in GPS mapping.

Space is limited - Overnight accommodations for the first 128 registrants. Mark your calendar now and plan to join us October 10th at McKinney Roughs as we renew old acquaintances and meet new friends with a common interest in trails.



Visit www.texas Trails.org for more conference information, registration fees and instructions. Got questions? Call or e-mail Joe Moore at 817-410-3121, jmoore@ci.grapevine.tx.us.

State Conference Itinerary

October 10, 11 & 12, 2003

Friday

1:00 – 5:30 p.m. Registration & Check In
1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Tour of Archaeological Sites
4:00 – 6:00 p.m. GPS / Mapping
6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Dinner
7:30 – 11:00 p.m. Full-Moon Colorado River Rafting



Saturday

Trails Track

7:00 – 7:50 a.m. Breakfast
8:00 – 8:50 a.m. Armored Crossings – A Bridge
Under Troubled Water
9:00 – 9:50 a.m. Rolling Dip Water Bars
10:00 – 10:50 a.m. Trailscaping With Native Plants
11:00 – 11:50 a.m. Form & Function of Trailhead
Design
12:00 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch
1:30 – 2:00 p.m. Tool Safety
2:00 – 5:30 p.m. Hands-on Projects
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Texas Trail Mixer
(*Social & Dinner*)
8:00 – 11:30 p.m. Entertainment
(*Live Music & Campfire*)

Community Track

7:00 – 7:50 a.m. Breakfast
8:00 – 8:50 a.m. Social Aspects of Trails
9:00 – 9:50 a.m. Trails & Public Health
10:00 – 10:50 a.m. The Role of Trails in
Conservation Subdivisions
11:00 – 11:50 a.m. Alt Transportation, Connectivity,
& Walk-able Communities
12:00 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch
1:30 – 2:20 p.m. Developing Trail Systems Within
Established Municipalities
2:30 – 3:20 p.m. Public-Private Trail Partnerships
3:30 – 4:20 p.m. How Trails are Shaped by Local
& Regional Landscapes
4:30 – 5:20 p.m. Grassroots Trail Power
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Texas Trail Mixer
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Sunday



Early Bird Hike
Breakfast
Plenary Session &
Keynote Address with Bob Searns
Trails Tour
Adjourn
TTN Board Meeting

6:30 – 7:30 a.m.
7:00 – 8:00 a.m.
8:15 – 9:30 a.m.

9:45 – 11:45 a.m.
11:45 a.m.
12:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Don't Miss Out!! Register Early. **Space is limited to 128 overnight Attendees**

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Full Registration: _____\$160 for TTN Members or _____\$185 Non-members ***

Single Day Registration: _____\$75 for TTN Members or _____\$100 Non-members *** (Sat only-no overnight)
*** includes a 1 Year TTN Membership

Archaeological Site Tour: _____\$10, Guided Birding Hike: _____\$10, GPS/Mapping: _____\$20 (max enrollment 15),

Full-Moon River Raft Trip: _____\$35 (**reservations for rafting not accepted after Friday, October 3rd**)

Check _____ Cash _____ CC(MC/Visa) _____ Expires _____ Total Fees \$ _____

Please make checks payable to TEXAS TRAILS NETWORK

Mail to: Building Trails, PO Box 2858, Grapevine, TX 76099 Fax Credit Card registrations to 817-410-3005