



2016-2017 Legislative Platform

The Texas Recreation and Park Society's (TRAPS) primary objectives in the 85th Session of the Texas Legislature:

1. Support passage of legislation that would provide a fair and equitable distribution of the sporting good sales tax revenues for state and local parks.
2. Oppose legislative appropriation riders that set Texas Recreation and Parks Accounts (TRPA) funding No. 467 & Large County and Municipality Recreation and Parks Account No. 5007 funds for specific projects or locales.
3. Support passage of legislation that would create a constitutional dedication of sporting goods sales tax revenues for use in state and local parks that would directly benefit parks, recreation, open space, trails and tourism.
4. Support the pass through of federal dollars used for parks, recreation, open space, trails, and tourism from any of the following, but not limited to, the United States Department of the Interior Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), the Sport Fish Restoration Boat Access program and the United States Department of Transportation Recreation Trails program.
5. Support legislation that would directly benefit parks, recreation, open space, trails, tourism, health and wellness (i.e. utility corridors and mobility).
6. Oppose legislation and/or unfunded mandates that would be detrimental to parks, recreation, open space, trails, and tourism (i.e. non-use of eminent domain for recreational purposes).

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