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Texas Sunset Advisory Commission
ATTN: Ms. Danielle Nasr, Project Manager Robert E. Johnson Bldg., 6th Floor
1501 North Congress Avenue
Austin, TX 78701

Sent Via E-mail

Re: Recommendation Item for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Sunset Review

Dear Chairs and Members of the Sunset Commission and Ms. Nasr,

As owner and proprietor of BikeWaller, I see the economic and health benefits of bicycle tourism across Texas, especially in small towns like Waller, TX.

Our commercial property in downtown Waller along Old Hwy 20 is a destination for people who like to train, exercise, and tour on bikes. BikeWaller provides a place people can safely visit on bikes. We are located a quick forty minutes from Houston by car on Old Washington Road near the Katy Prairie in Waller County. We envision bike tours starting and ending in Waller that travel across the rolling countryside between Houston and Austin on Old Highway 20.

I support TPWD's Recreation Trail Fund. The Sunset Commission should insure that TPWD expands its services acquiring, operating and maintaining natural outdoor spaces and activities. Please include a recommendation in the TPWD Sunset report calling for review by TPWD, TxDOT and other state agencies to identify one or more pilot or starter projects that can demonstrate the effectiveness of roadside and dedicated trails.

Sincerely,

Clark Martinson

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