

What skills, resources, and attributes do you possess that would benefit the work of the Texas Plains Trail Region?

List two to three references who can speak to your potential as a member of the Texas Plains Trail Regional Board:

Name	Role	Phone	E-mail

Please sign below (you may paste in a digital image of your signature).

I understand that if nominated and elected to the Texas Plains Trail Region Board that I am obligated during my term to regularly attend meetings and be an active participant in the affairs of the Board, Region, and Program. I pledge to commit at least 4 to 10 hours monthly outside of board meetings on Region work. If circumstances change and I become unable to uphold this pledge, I agree to step down so that another may serve in my place.

Signature	Date
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OPTIONAL The Texas Historical Commission strives for cultural diversity in all of its programs. The following requested information is optional and is being collected in an effort to encourage cultural diversity on the Texas Plains Trail Region Board. Please indicate whether you are

Caucasian Hispanic American Indian or Alaskan Native Black Other

Attributes of a successful board member

1. When considering organizational decisions, thinking regionally first, before the concerns of any individual community, attraction, or interest group.
2. Demonstrating respect for regional trail organization funding sources and potential funding sources, as well as individual regional communities and attractions.
3. Having final responsibility for the progress of the trail regional program. Making decisions about the program’s direction and monitoring progress on a regular basis. Setting priorities regarding the direction of the program. Overseeing the work of the Executive Director.
4. Having primary responsibility for raising money for the heritage trail region.
5. Supporting the work of the program’s committees and task force groups by volunteering time and expertise in support of their efforts.
6. Maximizing volunteer involvement in the heritage trail region.
7. Ensuring financial accountability of the organization and establishing program policy.
8. Fulfilling legal and financial requirements in the conduct of its business affairs as a nonprofit organization.
9. Actively participating in fundraising and membership recruitment, as well as other specific activities or projects promoted by the board.
10. Attending meetings and notifying staff when an absence is necessary.
11. Keeping informed of proposed actions and activities of the trail region in order to effectively participate in board decisions and actions.

For Board Use

Date _____	Initials _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant reviewed by committee
Date _____	Initials _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant attended board meeting as guest
Date _____	Initials _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant interviewed by board chair, member, or committee
Date _____	Initials _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant nominated Action taken: _____