



Alliance Member Organizations

Since 2007, Texas Conservation Alliance (TCA) has developed an alliance of Member Organizations, who together raise the level of awareness for wildlife conservation in Texas.

The purpose of recruiting Member Organizations is to improve communication and cooperation between the various categories of conservation groups – all for the benefit of wildlife and wildlife habitat.

For decades Texas Conservation Alliance has developed broad-based coalitions to address specific conservation issues. Together hunters, fishermen, landowners, canoeists, hikers, birdwatchers, and tourism and economic development groups have achieved specific conservation objectives.

In becoming an Alliance Member, a group signs a Memorandum of Agreement with Texas Conservation Alliance. The MOA includes the statement, “ethical hunting has a role in wildlife conservation.”

TCA serves a coordinating role whereby Member Organizations may enlist the help of other member groups on issues of common interest. There is no obligation for a Member Organization to support a particular issue of another member group or of TCA. Each Member Organization maintains complete autonomy of its board, policies, and funding. A Member Organization is not expected to help with an issue it does not support and TCA does not speak for a Member Organization unless authorized by the group. The relationship is voluntary and mutually beneficial.

This alliance has proven effective:

- ◆ Cooperation between sportsmen, landowners, “green” groups, education groups, outdoor recreation advocates, land trusts, and nature businesses assures decision-makers that they are supporting an initiative with broad-based appeal.
- ◆ The alliance provides an opportunity for organizations to know what resources their fellow groups can offer. TCA posts a Member Organization Special Events Calendar on its website, devotes a portion of its annual meeting to connecting Member Organizations, and circulates information and alerts between groups.



For a list of our organizations, go to <http://www.tcatexas.org/member.php>.