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Spring starts off Sam Houston Trail and Wilderness Preserve

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The Sam Houston Trail and Wilderness Preserve, a proposed 600-plus-mile ring of green space around the Greater Houston area, is getting its start in Spring.

The Spring Creek Greenway will connect 33 miles of parks, nature preserves and trails along Spring Creek from U.S. Highway 59 to FM 2978.

The greenway, which was the brainchild of Harris County Precinct 4 Commissioner Jerry Eversole, was the result of a wide ranging collaboration. Major partners include Montgomery County Precinct 3 Commissioner Ed Chance, Legacy Land Trust, Corps of Engineers Galveston District, The Woodlands Development Company, the Harris County Flood Control District and Houston Wilderness.

The project started when Eversole saw the potential to connect pre-existing parks and waterside land parcels into one continuous forested corridor along the creek. Along the way, private land owners have joined in by donating, selling or putting creek-side land into conservation trusts.



This map details the Sam Houston Trail & Wilderness Preserve. The area boxed in red shows the Spring Creek Greenway.

The result is a green space that provides respite to harried Houstonians and habitat to local species. All sites are free and open to the public. Amenities include fishing, picnic and playground areas as well as hiking, biking and horse riding paths.