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## Texas Pacific Land Trust <br> (Name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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A Clear Strategy to Maximize LongTerm Value for All Shareholders

At itc upcoming election, Texas Pacific Land Truct's chareholdere will have the opportunity to elect a new Tructee to guide the ctrategy of Texac Pacific Land Trust (NysE: TPL). This is a fundamentally important decision that affects the furure of shareholders' invectments. We urge all chareholders to read the recources on this site and vore FOR retired fourstar General Donald "Don" G. Cook using the BLUE proxy card.

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TrustPL
"This election is critical to the future of the Trust, and it's important that all our shareholders make their voices heard."

## History of the Trust

Texas Pacific Land Trust's story is a window into the history of Texas and railroads in the 19th century

Texns Pacific Land Trust was created in isss following the reorganization of the Texas and Pacific Ralway Company. When it was organized under a Declaration of Truct in 15SS, Texas Pacific received and held title to 3.5 million acres of land in the State of Texas


The goternance of the Texas Pacific Land Trust it unique. The Trust is not a corporation, rather it is a business trust. The original Declaration of Trust mandates that three Trustees oversee the Trust, and these Trustees are elected to serve until dearh, recignation or dizqualification. The Truats sereming structure has cerned chare holdere well for erer a century, in recent years, the Trust hac recruited experienced professionale to lead the businesz and oversee its day-to-day operation.
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The chares of Texas Pacific Land Truct have been trading on the New York Stock Exchange since 1927 (NYSE: TPL), and TPL's stock performance has cubstantially outperformed the market with total shareholder returns of $475 \%$ in the five years preceding the start of the discidents' campaign. ${ }^{\text {. }}$

Texas Pacific Land Trust remains one of the largest landowners in Texas with approximately 900,000 acrez of land and related resources. Much of this land is in the heart of the Permian Bacin in West Texas, one of the moct active areas of oil and gaz exploration in the United States.

The Tructees and management recognized the need for full-service water offerings in the Permian Bacin and in June 2017 formed Texas Pacific Water Resources ("TPWR"), bringing in some of the inductry's top talent to lead this business. This decision has already yielded significant value creation - and has positioned the Trust for additional upcide going forward.

Texas Pacific Land Truct now operates two segments: Land and Recource Management and Water Service and Operationt. Texas Pacific Land Trust derives revenue from all avenues of managing the land such as oil and gas royalties, grazing leaces, easements, land calec and water cales.

Its Trustees and management have led the Trust through a period of expansive growth and have been prudent ctewarde of ite capital and core acsets for more than a century; and they have created a clear ctrategy to maximize long-term value for all shareholders in the future. We are counting on shareholders to vote FOR General Don Cook to continue this tremendous momentum. Vote here today.

## State of the Business

TPL's
tremendous
momentum

The Trust benefits from a period of historic growth in Texaz' Permian Bacin, and ite Trustees and management team have led the Trust through this period with prudent stewardchip of capital and core ascetc. As a recult of thoughtful, shareholder-focused management, the Trust has created value and chareholders continue to capture that upcide.

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## A History of Results

## \$200 million

TPL returned more than $\mathbf{~} \mathbf{2 0 0}$ million to shareholders between 2010 and YTD 2019 in
the form of dividendz and share repurchases
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At the end of 2019 , the Trustees will have returned $* 6.00$ per share in the form of dividends for 2019.

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About the Nominee


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## Voting Instructions

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| Today |  and spur vore ie imxaluable, If you cannot join the special meeting of shareholders on May 22 , we urge you to voce your charec by phone or internet or by returning the BLUE proxy card sent to you by mail. |
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\section*{Frequently Asked Questions}
1. Why do you need my vote?

The recignation of long trime Trustee and chairman Maurice Mejer III created a vacancy at Texas Pacific Land Trust. The remaining Trustees nominated retired four-star General Donald "Don" G. Cook to fill this vacancy: A dizsident group has nominared another candidate who favors changes that could jeopardize the Trust'z Etrategy for longterm value creation. We are counting on the support of our chareholders to vote FOR General Cook today to continue executing the Trust's strategy that has yielded tremendous recults for chareholders.
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\section*{2. Who do I contact with questions?}

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\section*{3. Why should I support the Trustees' recommendation?}

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\section*{5. What does the dissident group want for TPL?}

A diesident group of chareholders has nominated a different candidate in opposition to General cook and has mounted a coctly and dictracting proxy contect. This nominee favors changes that we believe would jeopardize our ctrategy for long-term value creation.

Prior to nominating General cook, the Tructees reached out to the discident group several times and offered to find a mutually acceptable candidate to avoid a costly and distracting proxy contest. Unfortunately, the dicsident group declined the Trust's offer and responded that 'Eric [oliver] is the only nominee that Horizon. ART-FGT and softvest will vote for." To make matters worse, the discident group has alvo indicated in his proxy materials that, if their nominee wine, they intend to seek reimbursement from chareholders for their expensec ascociated with this costly proxy fight. While the incumbent Trustees intend to vote against any cuch reimbursement request and believe that the Trust chould not be legally obligated to reimburse Mr. oliver, they cannot exclude the poscibility that Mr. Oliver will file a lawsuit to compel the Trust and its chareholders to pay for his prosy campaign and the advicor team he chose to employ.

We need you to help continue the Truct's proven strategy by voting FOR General Don Cook today.

\section*{6. Why does the Trust have such an extraordinary governance structure?}

The Trust's governance structure was ectabliehed when it was formed in \(185 S\) and reflecte the Trust's prioritization of long-term value creation versus chort-term gain. In the Trust's recent history, we have implemented meaningful changes to improve transparency and we plan to further enhance disclocures going forward. We welcome inpur from all of our chareholderc, including the discident group, which has unfortunately declined our repeated suggection to find a compromice candidate for election as trustee, and have also consulted experte on a range of topice including compencation and communications to continually enhance the Trust and be responsive to shareholders.

As they always have, the Tructees are willing to consider any changes that may be in the best interecte of chareholders for the long-term.We continue to welcome meaningful conversations with our valued invectors with the goal of identifying possible enhancements that cupport long-term value creation.

\section*{7. Would the Trust consider converting to a corporation?}

Your Trustees have in the past and are continuously considering changes that may be in the best interest of chareholders for the long-term - including the potential convercion to a corporation. However, any change this significant must be undertaken only after thorough evaluation and careful planning and with a view to long-term value precervation and creation, not in response to chort-sighted trends. In this spirit of open dialogue about the Trust' long-term value creation, the Trustees have, for example, considered various proposale for conversion into a corporation or master limited partnerchip advanced by the discidents throughout the second half of 2016 and firct half of 2017. After thorough consideration with the ascistance of outcide legal and financial advicors, the Trustees concluded that the proposed conversions were not in the best interests of the chareholders due to prohibitive tax costs of such conversions and the uncertainty of the desired future tax treatment, among other considerations. The Trust continues to explore converting into a corporation. The Trust has nominated General cook, a true corporate governance expert, and retained financial and legal advisors, which will ascist the Trust in evaluating the Truct's organizational etructure.

\section*{8. Which shareholders are entitled to vote?}

Any percon or inctitution that held shares as of the record date, March \(2 \mathrm{~s}, 2019\), is entitled to vote - even if they subcequently cold their holdingt. Any percon or institution acquiring chares after March \(2 s\) is ineligible to vote those chares. Every vore countc, no matter how many or how few shares you may own. Vote FOR General Don Cook today.

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\section*{11. I only own a few shares. Isn't this process going to be controlled by the large shareholders? Why bother voting?}

Every vote counts, whether you hold few or many shares. Vote today FOR General Don Cook.

\section*{12. Why did you replace Preston Young as the nominee listed in the preliminary proxy statement?}

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With Mr. Young, the Tructees previoucly nominated a highly qualified candidate with extensive commercial real estate experience to supplement the existing oil \& gas expertise. However, following Mr. Young 's nomination, the Trustees listened to the views of chareholders who expressed a desire for a candidate with deep public company corporate governance experience. In response to chareholders' feedback, the Tructees decided to nominate the highly decorated General cook. General cook has had extencive experience on numerous public and private company boards in a range of committee rolee, including on the board of Crane Corporation (where he chairs the nominating and governance committee) and on the board of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad prior to its acquisition by Berkchire Hathaway in a trancaction valued at \(\$ 44\) billion. General cook has alco been the Chairman of the San Antonio chapter of the National Accociation of Corporate Directors (NACD), a group recognized ac the authority on leading boardroom practices.
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