



THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY FOUNDATION

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Mr. Torry Tvedt
President of the Friends of Brazoria Wildlife Refuges
P.O. 505
Lake Jackson, Texas 77566

Dear Mr. Tvedt;

The Dow Chemical Company Foundation is very proud to have partnered with the Friends of Brazoria Wildlife Refuges for many years, and to have participated in so many great projects that contributed to environmental sustainability and education. However, one of the most exciting projects for us is the creation of the Dow Woods Unit, a 338-acre parcel of land contributed to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Department containing some wonderful, undisturbed Columbia Bottomlands habitat that will now be preserved in perpetuity.

We hope that this new unit of the National Wildlife Refuge system will not only be a place for wildlife and native plants to flourish, but also a place for local school children, naturalists and community members to go to learn about these precious resources.

To this end, we would like to contribute \$20,000 towards the development of educational trails and facilities to enable school groups and members of the public to become better educated about the ecology and inhabitants of this new refuge unit. I look forward to further discussing the plans for the establishment of educational facilities at this location. Please contact me if you need any additional information.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Trish Ritthaler".

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