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MID-COAST CHAPTER TEXAS MASTER
NATURALIST INC
C/O RAYMOND KIRKWOOD
1402 S SAUNDERS ST
ARANSAS PASS, TX 78336-3116

Dear Applicant:

Our letter dated June 2003, stated you would be exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and you would be treated as a public charity, rather than as a private foundation, during an advance ruling period.

Based on the information you submitted, you are classified as a public charity under the Code section listed in the heading of this letter. Since your exempt status was not under consideration, you continue to be classified as an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, provides detailed information about your rights and responsibilities as an exempt organization. You may request a copy by calling the toll-free number for forms, (800) 829-3676. Information is also available on our Internet Web Site at www.irs.gov.

If you have general questions about exempt organizations, please call our toll-free number shown in the heading.

Please keep this letter in your permanent records.

Sincerely yours,



Robert Choi
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Letter 1050 (DO/CG)



Office of the Secretary of State

January 28, 2003

Attn: Raymond Dean Kirkwood

Raymond Dean Kirkwood
1402 S. Saunders St.
Aransas Pass, TX 78336 USA

RE: Mid-Coast Chapter, Texas Master Naturalist, Inc
File Number: 800166311

It has been our pleasure to file the articles of incorporation and issue the enclosed certificate of incorporation evidencing the existence of the newly created corporation.

Corporations organized under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act do not automatically qualify for an exemption from federal and state taxes. Shortly, the Comptroller of Public Accounts will be contacting the corporation at its registered office for information that will assist the Comptroller in setting up the franchise tax account for the corporation. If you need to contact the Comptroller about franchise taxes or exemption therefrom, you may contact the agency by calling (800) 252-1381, by e-mail to tax_help@cpa.state.tx.us or by writing P. O. Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528. Telephone questions regarding other business taxes, including sales taxes, should be directed to (800) 252-5555. Information on exemption from federal taxes is available from the Internal Revenue Service.

Non-profit corporations do not file annual reports with the Secretary of State, but do file a report not more often than once every four years as requested by the Secretary. It is important for the corporation to continuously maintain a registered agent and office in Texas as this is the address to which the Secretary of State will send a request to file a periodic report. Failure to maintain a registered agent or office in Texas, failure to file a change to the agent or office information, or failure to file a report when requested may result in involuntary dissolution of the corporation. Additionally, a non-profit corporation will file documents with the Secretary of State if the corporation needs to amend one of the provisions in its articles of incorporation.

If we can be of further service at any time, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Corporations Section
Statutory Filings Division
(512) 463-5555
Enclosure

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Office of the Secretary of State

**CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF**

**Mid-Coast Chapter, Texas Master Naturalist, Inc
Filing Number: 800166311**

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of Texas, hereby certifies that Articles of Incorporation for the above named corporation have been received in this office and have been found to conform to law.

Accordingly, the undersigned, as Secretary of State, and by virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary by law, hereby issues this Certificate of Incorporation.

Issuance of this Certificate of Incorporation does not authorize the use of a name in this state in violation of the rights of another under the federal Trademark Act of 1946, the Texas trademark law, the Assumed Business or Professional Name Act, or the common law.

Dated: 01/27/2003

Effective: 01/27/2003



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gwyn Shea".

Gwyn Shea
Secretary of State

Form 202
(revised 9/00)

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**Articles of Incorporation
Pursuant to Article 3.02
Texas Non-Profit
Corporation Act**

Article 1 - Corporate Name

The corporation formed is a non-profit corporation. The name of the corporation is as set forth below:

Mid-Coast Chapter, Texas Master Naturalist, Inc

The name must not be the same as, deceptively similar to that of an existing corporate, limited liability company, or limited partnership name on file with the secretary of state. A preliminary check for the "name availability" is recommended.

Article 2 - Registered Agent and Registered Office (Select and complete either A or B and complete C)

A. The initial registered agent is a corporation (cannot be corporation named above) by the name of:

OR

B. The initial registered agent is an individual resident of the state whose name is set forth below:

First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Suffix
Raymond	D	Kirkwood	

C. The business address of the registered agent and the registered office address is:

Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
1402 S. Saunders St.	Aransas Pass	TX	78336

Article 3 - Management (Complete items A or B)

A. Management of the affairs of the corporation is to be vested in the members of the corporation:

OR

B. Management of the affairs of the corporation is to be vested in its board of directors. The number of directors, which must be a minimum of three, that constitutes the initial board of directors and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting or until their successors are elected and qualified are set forth below:

	M.I.	Last Name	Suffix

Street Address	City	State	Zip Code

Article 4 - Organization Structure

A: The corporation will have members.

B: The corporation will not have members.

Article 5 - Duration

The period of duration is perpetual.

Article 6 - Purpose

The corporation is organized for the following purpose or purposes:

The corporation is organized for the following purpose or purposes: Providing education, outreach, and volunteer services dedicated to the beneficial management of natural resources within the State of Texas and all nature related activities including but not limited to borrowing money, applying for and receiving grants, buildings, and land, operating a nature club for scientific and educational purposes.

Supplemental Provisions / Information

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payment and distribution in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 6. No substantial part of the activity of the corporation shall be to carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or opposed to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not engage in any activity or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the above purposes of this corporation. Upon dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or shall be distributed to the Federal Government, or to a state or local government, for public purposes. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principle office is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to local organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated for such purposes.

[The attached addendum is incorporated herein by reference.]

Effective Date of Filing

A. This document will become effective when the document is filed by the secretary of state.

OR

B. This document will become effective at a later date, which is not more than ninety (90) days from the date of its filing by the secretary of state. The delayed effective date is:

Name Reservation Document Number

Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is set forth below.

Raymond D Kirkwood 1402 S. Saunders St. Aransas Pass, TX 78336

EXECUTION

The undersigned incorporator of these articles of incorporation subject to the penalties imposed by law for the submission of a false or fraudulent document.

Raymond D Kirkwood

Signature of incorporator.

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