The Connemara Conservancy Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization, is funded entirely by activities, sponsors and gifts from people like you. Join us in our celebration of the land and in our vision that the last crop that we reap won’t be concrete. Volunteer or become a member today.

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Times of Operation and Admission

The Meadow Preserve is closed to the public except for special events and monthly scheduled walks and open houses.

Please check our Website for open hours.

Members may enter at any time.

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Conditions of Use

Because wildlife is affected up to 200 feet on either side of a trail used by humans, we ask you to please remember:

- Enjoy the natural setting
- Be conscious of other’s enjoyment
- Carry out whatever you carry in (no littering)
- Access by foot traffic only except for strollers or wheelchairs (no bicycles or motorized vehicles)
- Restrain from activities that would trample vegetation
- Do not harm, harass or approach wildlife
- No pets (leashed or unleashed)
- No smoking or open fires
- No unauthorized persons during nighttime hours
- No unauthorized changes made to the natural landscape (including removal or placement of any animal, plant, insect, chemical of object)
- No conduct that causes injury, harm, danger or damage to any person or to the property
- No unauthorized possession or use of weapons of any kind
- No unauthorized trapping or hunting

For GPS locators, use
300 Tatum Rd., Allen, Texas
The gate to Connemara is directly across the road (Alma) from Tatum Road

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Preserve...Restore...Revive

Take a refreshing walk into the wide-open spaces of a beautiful meadow, rich in floral diversity that is reminiscent of the tallgrass Blackland Prairie that once existed here. The Connemara Meadow Preserve is just such a place. This family land was set aside by Frances Williams and is owned and perpetually maintained by the Connemara Conservancy Foundation.

The Meadow is not a park but a preserve, managed so as to preserve and restore the natural biologically diverse ecosystem that is native to the area. It is made available to the public as a place to revive the spirit while teaching the importance of nature and biodiversity in the world we live.

In this guide you will find more information about the Meadow's history, management objectives, ecological challenges, conditions of use and a trail map with illustrated descriptions of just a small portion of the nature you will discover.

History

In the 1970s Frances (Montgomery) Williams worried that open space was rapidly disappearing in the face of development. In 1981, with an initial gift of 72 acres of a meadow area on her family's land, the Connemara Conservancy Foundation was formed. Today Connemara protects thousands of acres in North Texas.

From its start, the Connemara Meadow Preserve served as an avenue to connect people with nature. For more than 20 years, outdoor sculpture exhibits and concerts encouraged visitors to venture miles from nearby cities into the countryside. Today, even as development has surrounded the land, the Connemara Meadow Preserve remains a natural oasis for nearby residents and visitors.

Guiding Principles

For decades the Connemara Meadow Preserve was used for crops and pasture. Today it is managed to achieve balance between preserving the land "in a state of natural beauty" and creating a place that is "pleasant and agreeable for people."