



The San Jacinto Battleground Association, d/b/a the Friends of the San Jacinto Battleground is a Texas non-profit organization with the mission to preserve, protect, and foster appreciation of the San Jacinto Battleground and promote public awareness of the history of the battle of San Jacinto and events associated with the Texas Revolution.

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Dear Friends and lovers of Texas history:

Preservation Texas, a statewide partner with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, has listed the San Jacinto Battleground to their "2010 Texas Most Endangered List." Their listing reads:

#### The San Jacinto Battleground

*In 1836, the Battle of San Jacinto was the decisive engagement where Texas' independence was won. Today, the landscape on this important landmark of Texas history is largely under the state's stewardship, but other parts of the battleground, outside of state ownership, remained unprotected. In addition, the topography of the entire battle ground is low lying and urban, subject to threats from subsidence, industrial pollution, and competing land use demands.*

*The battleground was considered sacred soon after the battle. It was officially commemorated in 1907 by the designation of an approximate 1,200 acre tract as the San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site, Texas' first state park and a National Historic Landmark.*

*The landscape of the battleground and surrounding area has changed considerably since the early days of the Republic. Now surrounded by the industrial area of the Houston Ship Channel, the battleground exists in a complex environment. Despite the depth of research and information known about the Battle of San Jacinto, it is a complex site to interpret and to understand within the context of its modern surroundings.*

*Preservation Texas is concerned about the preservation of the entire site of the known battleground and the impact of future development on the area. Protection of additional parcels will assist in the interpretation of the State Historic Site and would provide a buffer from the industrial area of the Houston Ship Channel. Further preservation of these historic parcels through partnerships would preserve the landscape of the battleground and allow for the telling of an important story about Texas History and preservation of our sacred sites.*

Please visit their site, [www.preservationtexas.org](http://www.preservationtexas.org) for other important and endangered places in Texas. Also, please help us to preserve and protect the San Jacinto Battleground by becoming a member of our group, or by sending us a contribution to the "Save the San Jacinto Battleground Fund." As Dallas columnist Kent Biffle once said, "Every Texan should be a Friend of San Jacinto!"

*Friends of the San Jacinto Battleground*

