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The trail provides more than 10 miles of trail from Barker Dam (near State Highway 6) to Texas Beltway 8 and the Sam Houston Tollway. The park also offers restrooms, exercise stations, a playground, and places to picnic.

Connections

On its west end, the trail connects to the <u>George Bush</u> <u>Park Hike and Bike Trail</u>.

Trail History

The trail is named after Terry Hershey, whose first step into the conservation movement began with something close to home that sprinted all the way to the national level with former President George H.W. Bush calling her a "force of nature." In 1966, Hershey jumped into action after observing the Army Corps of Engineers denuding the banks of the Buffalo Bayou in her Houston neighborhood in preparation for straightening and paving the waterway. She mobilized the community to derail the effort, including enlisting the help of then-congressman Bush. These efforts culminated in the 1970 passage of the National Environmental Policy Act, which requires public input and environmental impact statements for major federal projects. She is also a founder of the Bayou Preservation Association.



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States: Texas Counties: Harris Length: 10.8miles Trail end points: 14230 Old Katy Rd. (Houston) to 225 W Sam Houston Pkwy N (Houston) Trail surfaces: Asphalt,Boardwalk,Concrete, Dirt Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT Trail activities: Bike,Fishing,Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Terry Hershey Park Hike & Bike Trail runs between 14230 Old Katy Rd. (Houston) and 225 W Sam Houston Pkwy N (Houston), with parking available on both ends.

Parking is also available at:

- 15200 Memorial Dr. (Houston)
- 978-1004 Addicks-Howell Rd. (Houston)
- 1001 S Dairy Ashford Rd. (Houston)

Please see <u>TrailLink Map</u> for all parking options and detailed directions.



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