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TPC Colorado Joins Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program

Berthoud, CO – TPC Colorado has received recognition in Environmental Planning from the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses (ACSP), an international program administered by Audubon International designed to help landowners preserve and enhance the environmental quality of their property. The plan was developed by Michael Cooper, Golf Course Superintendent, who is also recognized for his effort to plan for environmental stewardship.

The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses provides an educational service to help existing golf courses develop effective conservation and wildlife enhancement programs and achieve recognition for their efforts. After the environmental plan is approved, properties in the program may apply for recognition in Wildlife and Habitat Management, Chemical Use Reduction and Safety, Water Conservation, Water Quality Management, and Outreach and Education by demonstrating that they have met minimum requirements for each category. Once the course has been recognized in all categories and received a site visit from Audubon International staff they are designated as a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary.

"The open space of a golf course is utilized not only by golfers, but is habitat for a variety of wildlife species," explained Christine Kane, CEO at Audubon International. "We welcome TPC Colorado's commitment to the environment and to managing the golf course with wildlife in mind."

By joining and participating in the ACSP, TPC Colorado will be involved in projects that enhance habitat for wildlife and preserve natural resources for the benefit of the local community. These projects include: establishing pollinator plantings, utilizing integrated pest management techniques, conserving water, and managing plant materials to maximize health and minimize resource inputs.

"The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program benefits both people and wildlife," said Kane. "It's a great way for the managers of developed properties and environmental organizations to work together to become better stewards of land and natural resources."

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