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Texas Pacific Land Trust

# All Three Independent Proxy Advisors Recommend TPL Shareholders Vote FOR General Don Cook

*Egan-Jones Joins ISS and Glass Lewis in Recommending the BLUE Card*

DALLAS--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Texas Pacific Land Trust (NYSE:TPL) ("TPL" or the "Trust") today announced that independent proxy advisory firm Egan-Jones Ratings Company ("Egan-Jones") has joined both Institutional Shareholder Services ("ISS") and Glass Lewis in recommending that TPL shareholders vote FOR retired four-star General Donald "Don" G. Cook using the BLUE proxy card. Egan-Jones' endorsement means that ALL THREE leading proxy advisors recommend that shareholders vote FOR General Cook.

In its May 20, 2019 report, Egan-Jones concludes:<sup>1</sup>

**"In our view, the current Board and management are the best in class in terms of qualifications, experience, expertise and independence, contrary to Mr. Oliver who lacks public company experience. Further, we believe that his election to the Board poses potential conflict of interests, non-independent judgment due to Mr. Oliver's undisclosed affiliations, which are detrimental to the best interests of the Company and its shareholders."**

Furthermore, Egan-Jones praises the strategy of TPL's current Board and management, which have produced positive results for shareholders:

**"We commend the exploration and continued maximization of Permian Basin and the strengthening of the Company's operational segments, which resulted to favorable superior returns and stable cash flow for the Company and its shareholders. This achievement, in our view, is attributable to the unprecedented hard work of the Board and management over the years."**

Egan-Jones specifically highlights General Cook's experience:

**"General Cook brings to TPL exemplary leadership and corporate governance skills and the Trust will benefit greatly from his extensive experience."**

"We are pleased that all of the leading independent proxy advisors have unanimously concluded that General Cook is the right choice for TPL shareholders," said Trustee David E. Barry. "It's clear that General Cook has the skills, experience and independence to drive change at TPL while helping to continue its market-leading performance."

The Trust urges shareholders to follow the recommendations of Egan-Jones, ISS and Glass Lewis by returning the BLUE proxy card to vote FOR General Cook and discarding the

dissident group's white proxy card. Shareholders can read more information by visiting [www.TrustTPL.com](http://www.TrustTPL.com). If shareholders have any questions or need assistance in voting their shares, they may contact the Trust's proxy solicitor:

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<sup>1</sup> Permission to cite Egan-Jones was neither sought nor obtained. Emphasis added.

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