



## ***Audubon International's Golf Advisory Council Statement of Commitment***

**To: Golf Industry Professionals & Organizations**

**From: Audubon International**

**Date: February, 2006**

**Re: *Golf & the Environment Initiative's Golf Advisory Council***

For fifteen years, Audubon International has managed education and certification programs for members of the golf industry—the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses and the Audubon *Signature* Program. As a result, over 2,300 golf courses are currently members, and 3% of all golf courses in the United States have completed all of the programs' environmental requirements in order to be called a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary.

As the only environmental organization working to actively promote environmental stewardship on golf courses through education and certification programs, we are taking this opportunity to re-commit ourselves to working with all members of the industry—golf course owners, managers, superintendents, and staff, professional associations, developers, and any company or organization associated with the game of golf. We pledge to continue to solicit industry-wide stakeholders for advice and ideas that will help us manage more reasonable and effective environmental programs.

We pledge to work in a collaborative fashion with all stakeholders in order to find a way to have fifty percent of all courses in the United States involved with our education and certification programs.

We also pledge to work diligently with these stakeholders to improve environmental performance in the entire golf industry, while also helping to highlight and publicize these voluntary efforts.

With this re-commitment, we are asking you—the leaders who make up the golf industry—to pledge your commitment to Audubon International's environmental goals as well. Please review the *Golf Advisory Council "Statement of Support"* and help us by committing to have you and your organization participate with *Audubon International* through our *Golf Advisory Council*.



***Audubon International's Golf Advisory Council  
"Statement of Support"***

I/We, the undersigned individual(s) and organization(s), as members of the golf industry believe the following:

- The health of the environment is critical to ensuring a sustainable future for all people.
- Creating a sustainable future for generations to come depends upon the ability of this generation to find ways to balance the needs of human and natural communities.
- The golf industry can *and should* play an active and positive role in promoting and acting for the benefit of the natural environment.
- This goal can be furthered across the entire industry by working actively in support of Audubon International's *Golf & the Environment Initiative*, and specifically, the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses and the Audubon Signature Program.

As such, I/we agree to participate on *Audubon International's Golf Advisory Council* and commit to the following:

- Support efforts to make the practice of good environmental stewardship a norm throughout the golf industry, focusing on action, not merely words.
- Help Audubon International educate people throughout the golf industry.
- Support Audubon International's *Fifty in Five* Goal—getting 50% of all golf courses in the United States enrolled Audubon International golf programs by 2007.
- Provide advice and consultation to further these goals and offer public support for Audubon International and their programs.
- Promote Audubon International's *Golf & the Environment Initiative*.
- Pursue other means to lead the golf industry's environmental commitment, such as industry-wide promotion of the Audubon International approach, golfer environmental education programs, community-wide environmental initiatives, and financial support through Audubon International's *Conservation Country Club*.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

*With your signature, you are pledging to participate on Audubon International's Golf Advisory Council. Please send this form to: Kevin Fletcher, Director of Programs & Administration Audubon International, 46 Rarick Road, Selkirk, NY 12158 or by fax to: (518)767-9076*

**Audubon International's Golf Advisory Council  
(as of February, 2005)**

First	Last	Professional Title	Job Title	Organization
Joe	Baidy	CGCS	Director of Golf Courses & Grounds	Turning Stone Casino
Jan	Beljan		Senior Design Associate	Fazio Golf Course Designers, Inc.
Stephen	Bernhard		President	Bernhard & Company Ltd.
Steve	Blackshire		SE Regional Manager	Otterbine Barebo, Inc.
Peter	Blais		President	Blais Communications Inc.
Pat	Blum		Golf Course Superintendent	Colonial Acres
Brad	Booth		Architect	Faxon & Booth Golf Design, LLC
Steven	Braley		Senior Director, Golf Properties	PGA of America
Jill	Cochrane		Manager of Chapter and Industry Relations	Club Managers Association of America
Lou	Conzelmann	CGCS	Senior Agronomist	WCI Communities
David	Court	CGCS	Past-President-Florida GCSA	Boca Largo Country Club
Ray	Davies	CGCS	Director Golf Course Maintenance & Construction	CourseCo
Darren	Davis	CGCS	Director of Golf Course Operations	Old Florida Golf Club
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Rick	Geise		Brand Manager	Nature Safe
Jeff	Gullikson	CGCS	Superintendent	Spokan Country Club
Lee	Hetrick		Executive Director	Golf Course Builders Association of America
Tim	Hiers	CGCS	Golf Course Manager	The Old Collier Club
Craig	Hoffman		Superintendent	Drummond Island
Wayne	Horman		Director Of Sales & Marketing	The Scotts Company
Ted	Horton	CGCS	President	TCH-Ted Horton Consulting
Michael	Hurdzan		Owner	Hurdzan Fry
Joel	Jackson	CGCS	Director of Communication	Florida GSCA
Jay	Karen		Director of Membership	National Golf Course Owners Association
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Andrew	Kinnecom		President	American Ecotourism Association
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David H.	Robinson	CGCS	Associate Director, Grounds Operations	Marriott Golf
David C.	Ross		Technical Manager, T&O	Syngenta Professional Products
Frank	Rossi	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor of Turfgrass Science and Turfgrass Extension Specialist	Cornell University
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Tom	Sasser		Vice President	Weitz Golf International
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Tom	Skernivitz		Managing Editor	<i>Golfdom</i> Magazine
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Bob	Swift		Chief Operating Officer	The Audubon Partnership, Inc.
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