

Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact:

Ryan K Spencer

Comal Conservation

830-369-8747 | ryan@comalconservation.org

Fischer Marlow Named 2025 Recipient of Jensie Madden Conservation Award

New Braunfels, TX – August 21, 2025 – Comal Conservation is proud to announce that Fischer Marlow has been selected as the recipient of the 2026 Jensie Madden Conservation Award, the organization's highest honor recognizing outstanding commitment to preserving the land, water, and wildlife of Comal County. The award will be presented at the Keep It Country Music Jam on October 25, 2025.

The Jensie Madden Conservation Award was established in memory of conservationist Jensie Simms Madden, whose vision and leadership inspired countless efforts to protect the Hill Country's natural resources. The award honors individuals and organizations who embody her spirit of stewardship and dedication.

Fischer Marlow, a New Braunfels native and lifelong outdoorsman, exemplifies those values. An Eagle Scout and one of only about 300 Scouts nationwide to earn the prestigious National Medal for Outdoor Achievement, Fischer has demonstrated leadership, integrity, and an enduring love for the natural world.

His contributions include:

- Leading conservation projects such as trail construction in Panther Canyon and restoration work at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico.
- Volunteering weekly with the Comal County Trail Alliance and regularly participating in watershed meetings to stay engaged in local environmental issues.
- Serving as a counselor and organizer of environmental programs at Slumber Falls Camp in New Braunfels, where he has taught younger generations to appreciate and care for nature.
- Sharing his passion through education as an Environmental Science student and through community service, including trash cleanups, canoe-based river monitoring, and church leadership on creation care.

Fischer, a fourth-generation Scout, has also been recognized as a World Conservation Award honoree and recipient of the National Outdoor Awards Conservation achievement with three gold devices.

, a distinction achieved by very few Scouts in the more than 100-year history of Scouting.

“Fischer Marlow represents the next generation of conservation leadership,” said Roxanna Deane President of Comal Conservation. “His enthusiasm for protecting our natural heritage, combined with his ability to inspire others to join him, makes him a most fitting recipient of the Jensie Madden Award.”

Marlow, who plans to study outdoor recreation at Texas State University with the goal of becoming a National Park Ranger, said he is honored to be chosen for the award. “It is an honor to receive the Jenise Madden Conservation Award and follow in so many other dedicated people’s footsteps who have received this award. I find so much joy and purpose in teaching friends, family, and members of the community about nature and conservation. I hope other young people see this recognition and are inspired to go out and make a difference in caring for the natural world around them and choose to be conservation minded in all aspects of their life’s”, said Fischer Marlow.

The Keep It Country Music Jam, where the award will be presented, is an annual event bringing together music, community, and conservation to celebrate and support efforts to preserve the Texas Hill Country.

About Comal Conservation

Comal Conservation is a nonprofit dedicated to protecting the land, water, and wildlife of Comal County through education, advocacy, and community engagement. Learn more at www.comalconservation.org.