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Texas moving toward pilot project for the dead

Coffins and tombstones are not for everyone. Just ask the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department [TPWD]. It is now working toward a pilot project to bury the dead in state parks.

"I have never liked the idea of being pumped full of formaldehyde and stuffed in a plastic box," said Ted Hollingsworth, director of land conservation at TPWD. "I never have, so I could see being a participant at some point."

Hollingsworth said the agency began a trial agreement with the Green Burial Council in 2009 to become the first state government in the nation to be involved in such a partnership. That agreement has since expired, but the two groups remain in talks for the future.

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