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Completes Impressive \$5 Million Landscape, Irrigation, and Hardscape Project

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## Hou-Scape, Inc. | COVER STORY Hou-Scape Completes \$5 Million, 248 Acre Project Featuring Aquatic Ponds, Specialty Fountains, Unique Structures, Lighting and Signage

ou-Scape, Inc. recently completed the exterior improvements for Deison Technology Park in Conroe, Texas. This five million dollar, highly-crafted and complex project was completed in 10 short months according to Hou-Scape president, Paula Hill. Burditt Consultants provided a unique and innovated design for this 248 acre master-planned technology business campus in Conroe, Texas.

Deison Technology Park embodies both form and function to provide integrated LID storm water management systems, striking outdoor gathering areas, large shade pavilions, jogging paths, play lawn, seat arbors, aquatic ponds, raised boardwalk strolls, and natural habitat preserves.

"The beautifully crafted twin gateway towers are what I believe best characterize the guiding themes of the park, involving the synergy of high technology and nature," states Matt Long, Designer and Project Manager with Burditt Consultants. The towers represent a technically crafted combination of aluminum and

steel shaped in the forms that symbolize the regionally significant natural forces of both wind and water.

At the very heart of the development lies the Constellation Plaza that embodies an artist interpretation of water drops forming concentric rings and placed in the precise astronomical positions forming what is known as the "Summer or Navigators Triangle". The entire project exclusively consists of high efficiency LED lighting. Self-generating solar powered lighting was also utilized as accent markers at pedestrian nodes and to denote significant star positions within Constellation Plaza. Artistically crafted French drains and gently curving bio-swales collect and convey storm water drainage throughout the main promenade to



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regional detention basin meadows.

It is also important to note the measures taken to conserve precious water resources

for the common area amenities; such as grouping plantings with like watering needs, amending soils to maximize nutrient uptake and soil moisture retention, and conveyance of rain water to replenish the aquatic ponds.

The intent of this technology park is to provide a first class platform to attract high technology businesses from around the world.

Hou-Scape, a twenty-five year old Houston icon in commercial landscape and construction, was selected as the prime contractor on this project. "This project with its complexity and need for quality craftsmanship, allowed our in-house team of skilled workers to showcase their talents," Ms. Hill remarked. "We are very proud of our team and their ability to complete this challenging project which exceeded everyones expectations."

"Hou-Scape, Inc., with an industry leading .73 workers compensation modifier, had zero work-related incidents, injuries, and illness on this massive project," said Hou-Scape General Manager, Charles Arthur. Hou-Scape continues to train and teach its workforce, on a daily basis, the importance of safety on the workplace. Hou-Scape's intense and detailed



safety programs, continue to be a benchmark for the commercial landscape/irrigation/hardscape industry. To learn more about Hou-Scape, Inc., visit www.hou-scape.com or call 281-579-6741.

