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Environmental Assessment Determinations and Compliance Findings for HUD-assisted Projects 24 CFR Part 58

Project Information

Project Name: City of Lexington HOME HRA/PWD/Disaster/Reservation Contract Program

Responsible Entity: City of Lexington

Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity): same

State/Local Identifier: HRA/PWD/Disaster 2020-0020

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Project Location: Within the city limits of Lexington, TX

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

The City of Lexington is participating in the HOME HRA/PWD/Disaster Reservation System in order to assist homeowners with rehabilitation or reconstruction of their homes. The projects are needed due to the number of families in the City that are living in substandard conditions. If funding is available, the project aspires to assist between one and fifty (1-50) low-income and very low-income homeowners at or below 80% AMFI. Reconstruction of these homes will meet Housing Quality Standards and the Texas Minimum Construction Standards. Reconstruction will consist of an approximately 1,100-plus square foot dwelling with 2 or 3 bedrooms and 1 or 2 bathrooms. Building materials will consist of concrete foundation and either face brick or Hardiplank panel Masonite material. The windows will be aluminum, insulated, with half-screens. The roof will be twenty-year fiberglass composition shingle with proper installation of felt and flashing. Bathrooms will contain plumbing fixtures that include toilet and fiberglass tub and shower. There will be central heating and air conditioning installed. All electrical wiring, panels, and services will conform to the National Electric Code plus local codes and ordinances. The structure shall meet the International Energy Code as demonstrated by RESCheck Compliance Certificate and/or Energy Efficiency Compliance Certification. The existing homes will be located within the city limits, and the reconstructed homes will be on the same lot.

Statement of Purpose and Need for the Proposal [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]:

The projects are needed due to the number of families in the City that are living in substandard conditions. If funding is available, the project aspires to assist between one and fifty (1-50) low-income and very low-income homeowners at or below 80% AMFI. Reconstruction of these homes will meet Housing Quality Standards and the Texas Minimum Construction Standards.

Existing Conditions and Trends [24 CFR 58.40(a)]:

There are families in the city that are living in substandard conditions. Homes are in disrepair, creating hazardous living conditions. These substandard homes, unless rehabilitated or rebuilt, will continue to threaten the safety and wellness of the inhabitants.

Funding Information

Grant Number	HUD Program	Funding Amount
2020-0020	HOME HRA RSP	TBD

Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount: \$ TBD

Estimated Total Project Cost (HUD and non-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]: \$ TBD

Compliance with 24 CFR 50.4, 58.5, and 58.6 Laws and Authorities

Record below the compliance or conformance determinations for each statute, executive order or regulation. Provide credible, traceable, and supportive source documentation for each authority. Where applicable, complete the necessary reviews or consultations and obtain or note applicable permits or approvals. Clearly note citations, dates/names/titles of contacts, and page references. Attach additional documentation as appropriate.

Compliance Factors: Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5 and §58.6	Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?	Compliance determinations
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 and 58.6		
Airport Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	There are no project sites in the City of Lexington that will be within 2,500 feet of a civilian airport or 15,000 feet of a military airfield. The closest civilian airport is H H Coffield Regional Airport which is approximately 77,563 feet from the City of Lexington. There will be no adverse effect from airport hazards. Attachment 1 includes: NPIAS Map, Active Military Airfield map and Google Map for distance.
Coastal Barrier Resources Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The City of Lexington is approximately 137 miles from the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System. There will be no adverse effect on the Barrier Resources System. Attachment 2 includes: USFWS Coastal Barrier Resources Systems Map.
Flood Insurance Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 USC 5154a]	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The City of Lexington participates in the FEMA National Flood Program. Attachment 3 includes: FEMA Cities that Participate in the FEMA National Flood Program.

STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 & 58.5		
Clean Air Clean Air Act, as amended, particularly section 176(c) & (d); 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The City of Lexington, in Lee County, is not located in a Nonattainment or Near Nonattainment Area. There will be no adverse effects on air quality. Attachment 4 includes: TCEQ EPA Texas' Nonattainment Areas map.
Coastal Zone Management Coastal Zone Management Act, sections 307(c) & (d)	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The City of Lexington is approximately 65 miles from Harris County, which is the closest county within the Texas Coastal Management Program. There will be no adverse effects on coastal zone management. Attachment 5 includes: General Land Office Texas Coastal Management Program map and NEPAAssist mapper for distance.
Contamination and Toxic Substances 24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	This will be determined at each Site-Specific Review when actual addresses are known. Attachment 6: none for this report.
Endangered Species Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	There are no critical habitats within the City of Lexington according to the USFWS IPaC Trust Resource Report. There will be no adverse effect on any endangered species. Attachment 7 includes: USFWS IPaC Trust Resource Report.
Explosive and Flammable Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	This will be determined at each Site-Specific Review when actual addresses are known. Attachment 8: none for this report.
Farmlands Protection Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly sections 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	There will be no adverse effect on farmlands because the home reconstruction activities will take place on land that is already in urban development. The home will be demolished and rebuilt on-site in virtually the same footprint and is not subject to the FPPA. Attachment 9: FPPA form.
Floodplain Management Executive Order 11988, particularly section 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	This will be determined at each Site-Specific Review when actual addresses are known. Attachment 10: none for this report.
Historic Preservation National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, particularly sections 106 and 110; 36 CFR Part 800	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	This will be determined at each Site-Specific Review when actual addresses are known. Attachment 11: none for this report.
Noise Abatement and Control Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	This will be determined at each Site-Specific Review when actual addresses are known. Attachment 12: none for this report.

Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B		
Sole Source Aquifers Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424(e); 40 CFR Part 149	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The City of Lexington is approximately 37.7 miles from the Edwards Aquifer. There will be no adverse effect on sole source aquifers. Attachment 13 includes: TCEQ Edwards Aquifer Viewer v4.1.
Wetlands Protection Executive Order 11990, particularly sections 2 and 5	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	There are some Freshwater Emergent Wetlands, Freshwater Forested Shrub, Freshwater Ponds and riverine within city boundaries; however, the home reconstructions will occur on established residential lots in virtually the same footprint. There will be no adverse effect on wetlands. Attachment 14 includes: USFWS National Wetlands Inventory map.
Wild and Scenic Rivers Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, particularly section 7(b) and (c)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The City of Lexington is approximately 288.28 miles from the portion of the Rio Grande River that is classified as Wild and Scenic. Additionally, there are no Study Rivers in Texas and there are no NRI rivers in Lee County. There will be no adverse effect on wild and scenic rivers, study rivers and NRI rivers. Attachment 15 includes: National Park Service National River Inventory List, Rivers.com Study rivers list and EPA NEPAassist map for distance.
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE		
Environmental Justice Executive Order 12898	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The HOME HRA program is designed to assist the low-income and very low-income population, by rehabilitating or rebuilding substandard homes. There is no adverse effect on minority or low-income populations; but only a beneficial effect as this program assists homeowners in changing their substandard living conditions. Attachment 16: none for this report.

Environmental Assessment Factors [24 CFR 58.40; Ref. 40 CFR 1508.8 & 1508.27] Recorded below is the qualitative and quantitative significance of the effects of the proposal on the character, features and resources of the project area. Each factor has been evaluated and documented, as appropriate and in proportion to its relevance to the proposed action. Verifiable source documentation has been provided and described in support of each determination, as appropriate. Credible, traceable and supportive source documentation for each authority has been provided. Where applicable, the necessary reviews or consultations have been completed and applicable permits of approvals have been obtained or noted. Citations, dates/names/titles of contacts, and page references are clear. Additional documentation is attached, as appropriate. **All conditions, attenuation or mitigation measures have been clearly identified.**

Impact Codes: Use an impact code from the following list to make the determination of impact for each factor.

- (1) Minor beneficial impact
- (2) No impact anticipated

(3) Minor Adverse Impact – May require mitigation

(4) Significant or potentially significant impact requiring avoidance or modification which may require an Environmental Impact Statement

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
LAND DEVELOPMENT		
Conformance with Plans / Compatible Land Use and Zoning / Scale and Urban Design	1	Construction activities of rehabilitating or reconstructing homes will occur on the existing residential lots, and in virtually the same footprints. There will be change to land use or zoning. There will be a beneficial effect on the street appeal.
Soil Suitability/ Slope/ Erosion/ Drainage/ Storm Water Runoff	2	Construction activities of rehabilitating or reconstructing homes will occur on the existing residential lots, and in virtually the same footprints. Soil conditions, slope, erosion, etc. will be considered by the engineer in plans for reconstructing the home on the existing lot.
Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety and Noise		This will be determined at each Site-Specific Review when actual addresses are known.
Energy Consumption	2	The structure shall meet the International Energy Code as demonstrated by RESCheck Compliance Certificate and/or Energy Efficiency Compliance Certification.

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
SOCIOECONOMIC		
Employment and Income Patterns	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on local businesses or employment.
Demographic Character Changes, Displacement	2	There will be temporary displacement of the homeowners during the construction or rehabilitation of their home. There will be no demographic changes as the home will be re-occupied by the original tenants once construction is complete.

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES		
Educational and Cultural Facilities	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on educational or cultural facilities, access to these resources, or participation by the public.
Commercial Facilities	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on local commercial facilities, access or participation.
Health Care and Social Services	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on health care or social services, access or participation.
Solid Waste Disposal / Recycling	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on the solid waste disposal or recycling for the area.
Waste Water / Sanitary Sewers	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on the waste water

		or sanitary sewer system. The homes will remain tied into the sewer infrastructure.
Water Supply	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on the water supply. The homes will remain tied into the water supply infrastructure.
Public Safety - Police, Fire and Emergency Medical	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on public safety, or access to or by public safety resources.
Parks, Open Space and Recreation	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on any parks, open spaces or recreational areas in the city. There will be change or impediment to access or participation.
Transportation and Accessibility	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on transportation resources or accessibility.

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
NATURAL FEATURES		
Unique Natural Features, Water Resources	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on any natural features or water resources that exist in the city boundaries.
Vegetation, Wildlife	2	The rehabilitation and reconstruction of homes will occur on existing residential lots, and will have no adverse effect on vegetation or wildlife. There are no critical habitats in the City of Lexington, per the USFWS IPaC Trust Resource Report.
Other Factors		

Additional Studies Performed: None

Field Inspection (Date and completed by): TBD for each specific location

List of Sources, Agencies and Persons Consulted [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]: AirNav.com, EPA NEPAassist, Google Maps, GLO, TCEQ, USFWS, Rivers.org & USDA.

List of Permits Obtained: None

Public Outreach [24 CFR 50.23 & 58.43]: Public Notice 11/12/20 in the Lexington Leader

Cumulative Impact Analysis [24 CFR 58.32]: These project activities are grouped as Functional Aggregation. The Environmental Assessment documentation and determinations include all project locations. The Site-Specific Reviews will determine the remaining compliances.

Alternatives [24 CFR 58.40(e); 40 CFR 1508.9]:

Alternate Activities: Under the HRA program, the qualifying homes are analyzed for rehabilitation before reconstruction is considered. Rehabilitation to bring the homes to an acceptable standard is the minimum of project activities. When the cost of rehabilitation is too great, reconstruction is the alternative that is chosen. Reconstructed homes will meet Housing Quality Standards and the Texas Minimum Construction Standards. There are no effective alternatives to consider.

Other Locations: The HOME HRA program is for the rehabilitation or reconstruction of existing homes, on their existing lots. Other locations for home replacement are not allowed under the program rules. Choosing other locations is not an alternative.

No Action Alternative [24 CFR 58.40(e)]: There are many families living in substandard conditions in the City of Lexington. Those who qualify for the HRA program will have their substandard home rehabilitated to bring it up to safety standards, or their home will be rebuilt. Taking no action and not proceeding with the rehabilitation or reconstruction of substandard homes will result in the families in these homes continuing to live in conditions that threaten their safety and health.

Summary of Findings and Conclusions: After a thorough research of all statutes, laws, authorities and executive orders cited at 24 CFR 58, the proposed project, which will involve multiple home sites in the City of Lexington, is in compliance with the programs and categories identified with a determination on this report. The Site-Specific Reviews will allow a determination on those statutes, laws, authorities and executive orders that require a specific address on which to analyze compliance.

Mitigation Measures and Conditions [40 CFR 1505.2(c)]

Summarize below all mitigation measures adopted by the Responsible Entity to reduce, avoid, or eliminate adverse environmental impacts and to avoid non-compliance or non-conformance with the above-listed authorities and factors. These measures/conditions must be incorporated into project contracts, development agreements, and other relevant documents. The staff responsible for implementing and monitoring mitigation measures should be clearly identified in the mitigation plan.

Law, Authority, or Factor	Mitigation Measure
None	

Determination:

Finding of No Significant Impact [24 CFR 58.40(g)(1); 40 CFR 1508.27]
The project will not result in a significant impact on the quality of the human environment.

Finding of Significant Impact [24 CFR 58.40(g)(2); 40 CFR 1508.27]
The project may significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

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Certifying Officer Signature: Tina Biehle Date: 11/3/20

Name/Title: Tina Biehle, City Secretary

This original, signed document and related supporting material must be retained on file by the Responsible Entity in an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for the activity/project (ref: 24 CFR Part 58.38) and in accordance with recordkeeping requirements for the HUD program(s).

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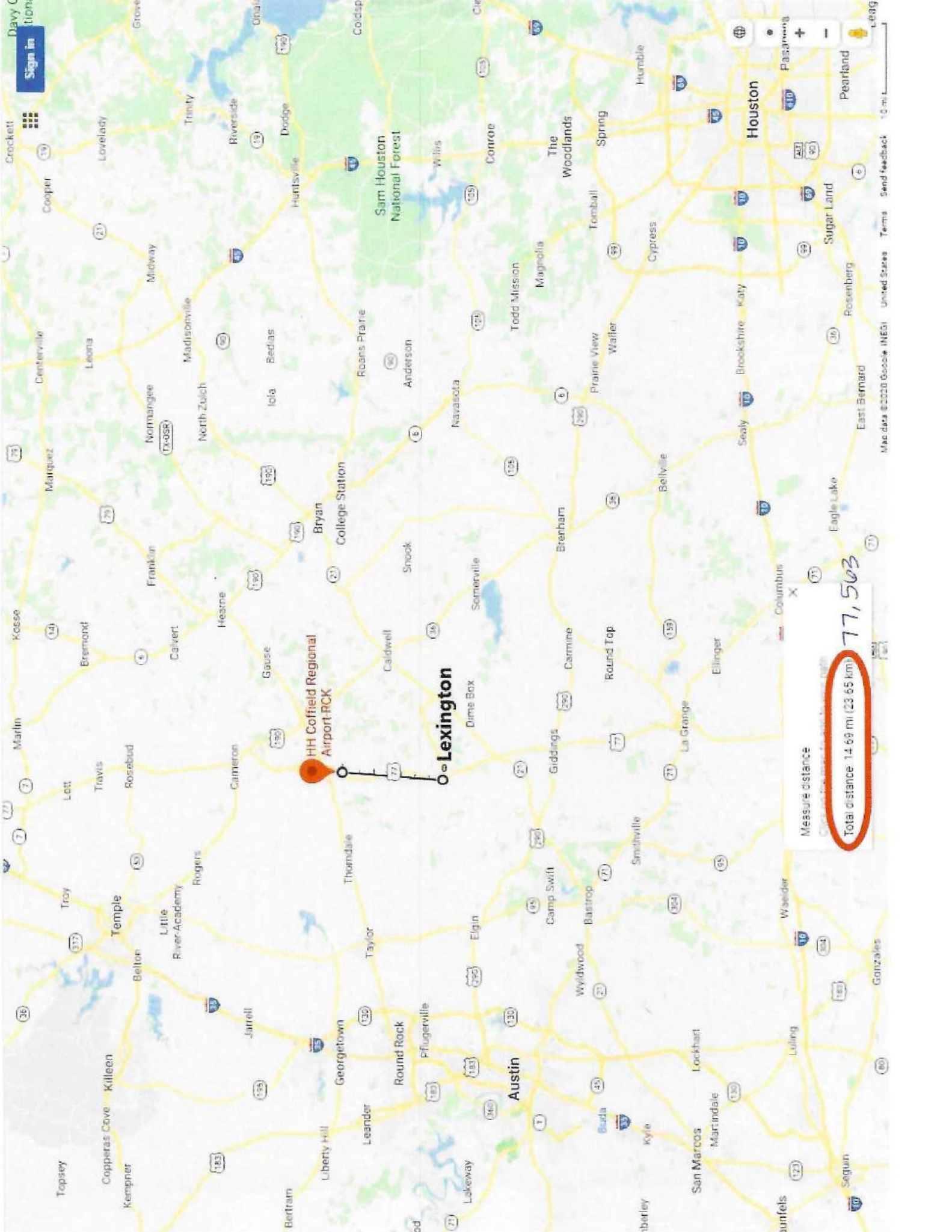
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Airport Search Results

18 airports found near Lexington, TX

ID	CITY	AIRPORT NAME	WHERE
✶ TA75	LEXINGTON, TX	COTTON PATCH AIRPORT	2.8 nm SW
✶ TE75	LEXINGTON, TX	LEXINGTON AIRFIELD AIRPORT	5.5 nm E
✶ TX72	ELGIN, TX	WOOD TRIPLE D AIRPORT	6.9 nm WSW
✶ 9TE7	PAIGE, TX	FLYING G H RANCH AIRPORT	10.8 nm S
✶ RCK	ROCKDALE, TX	H H COFFIELD REGIONAL AIRPORT	13.1 nm NNE 14.35 mi.
✶ 5TS2	COUPLAND, TX	CHAN-C AIRPORT	13.2 nm WNW
✶ 62TA	ELGIN, TX	HAWKEN AIR ONE AIRPORT	13.5 nm WSW
✶ 49TA	CALDWELL, TX	LAUDERDALE AIRPORT	15.2 nm ENE
✶ 56TS	ELGIN, TX	ELGIN INTRACONTINENTAL AIRPORT	15.3 nm WSW
✶ 4XA4	ROCKDALE, TX	APACHE PASS AIRPORT	15.9 nm NNW
✶ GYB	GIDDINGS, TX	GIDDINGS-LEE COUNTY AIRPORT	16.1 nm SSE
✶ TE96	COUPLAND, TX	CROSSWINDS AIRFIELD AIRPORT	17.6 nm W
✶ 1XA5	PAIGE, TX	FLYING ARMADILLO FIELD AIRPORT	17.8 nm SSW
✶ 47XA	TAYLOR, TX	LUV FIELD AIRPORT	18.3 nm WNW
✶ 1XS2	ELGIN, TX	SKYE DANCE AIRPORT	18.6 nm W
✶ XS17	MILANO, TX	HENSLEY RANCH AIRPORT	19.1 nm NNE
✶ 41XS	TAYLOR, TX	MACHO GRANDE AIRPORT	19.2 nm WNW
✶ RWV	CALDWELL, TX	CALDWELL MUNICIPAL AIRPORT	19.8 nm ENE

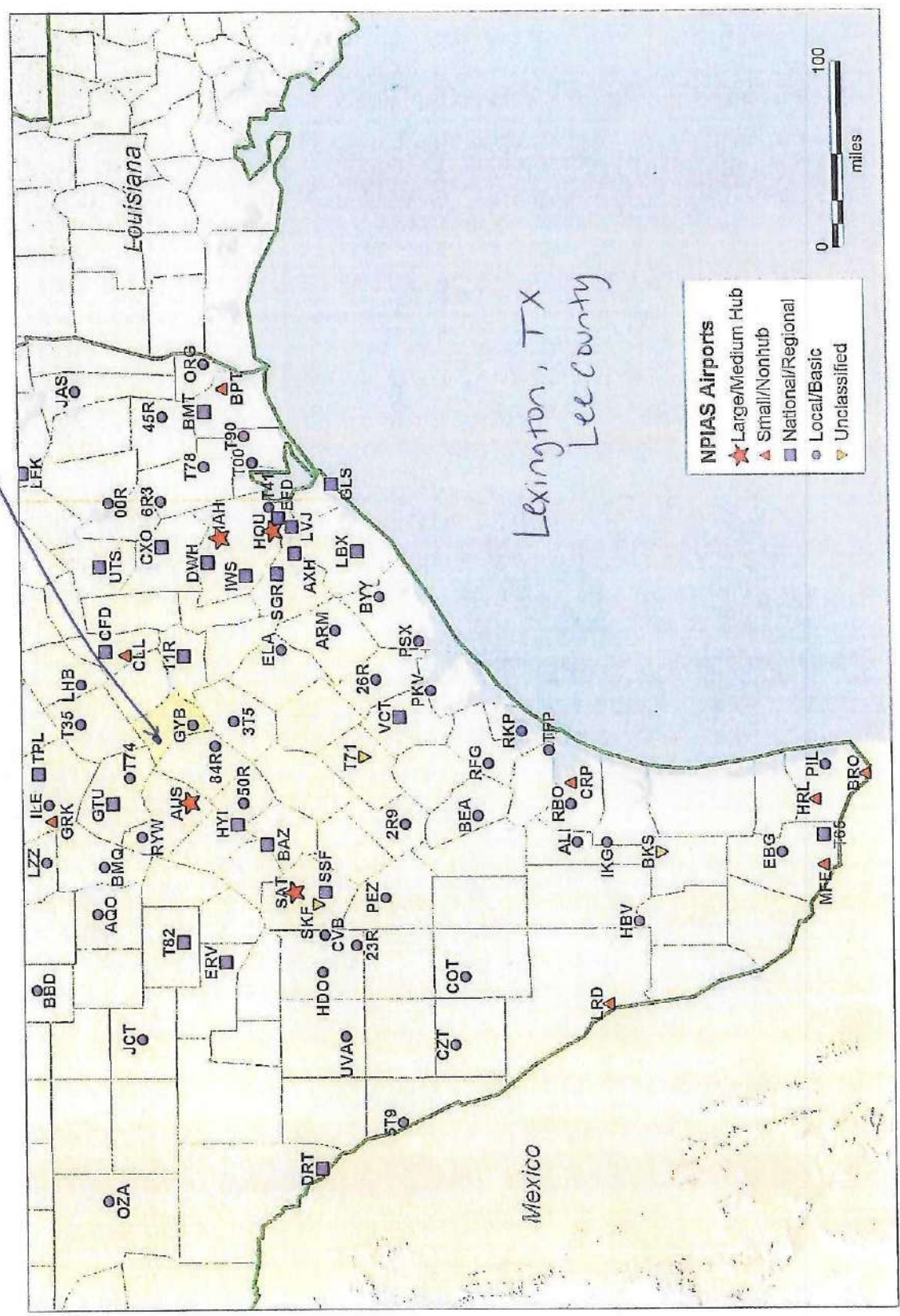


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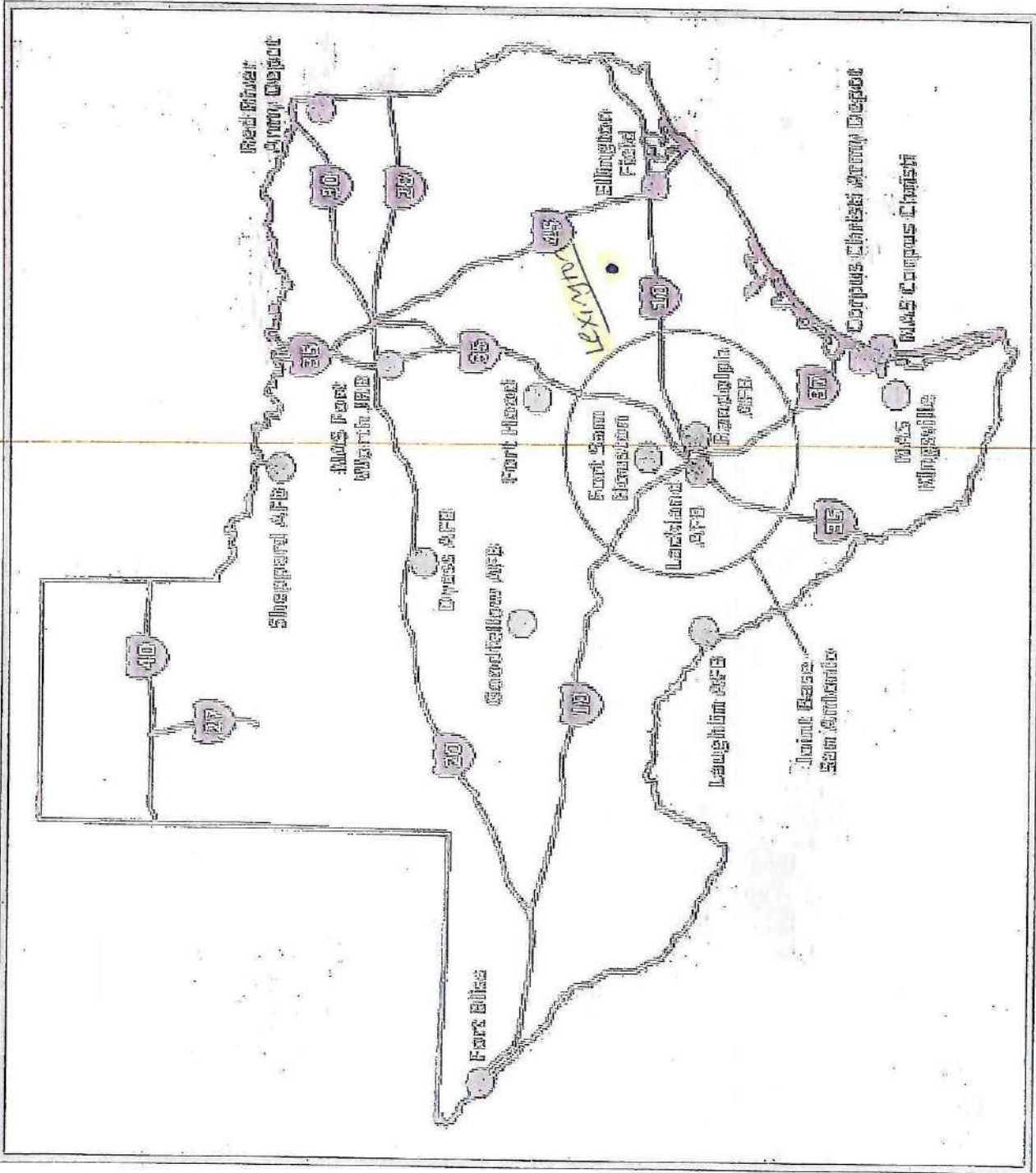
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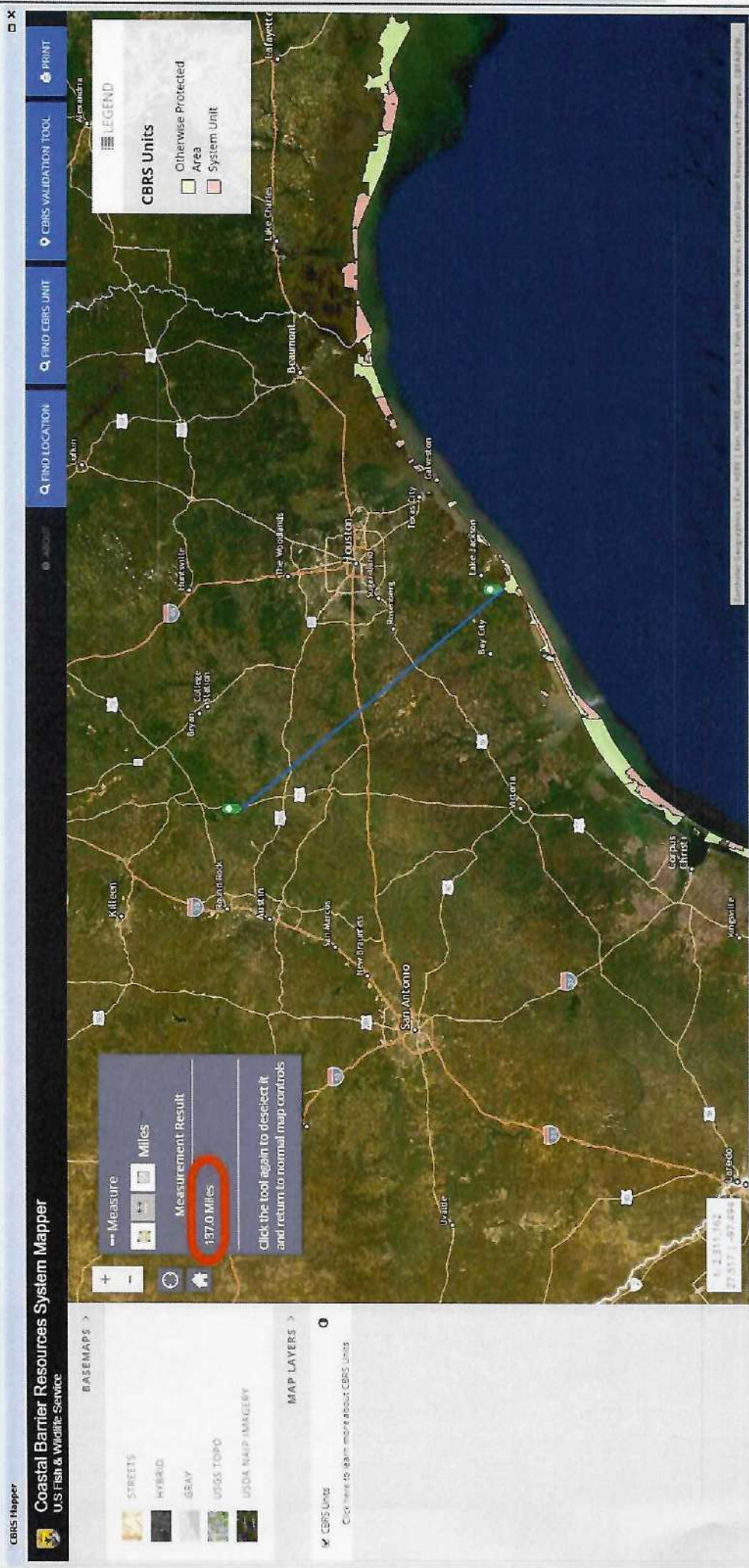
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Total distance 14.69 mi (23.65 km) 77,503

Texas (Southeast) Lexington



ACTIVE MILITARY INSTALLATIONS 2012





City of Lexington is 137 miles from the coastal barrier

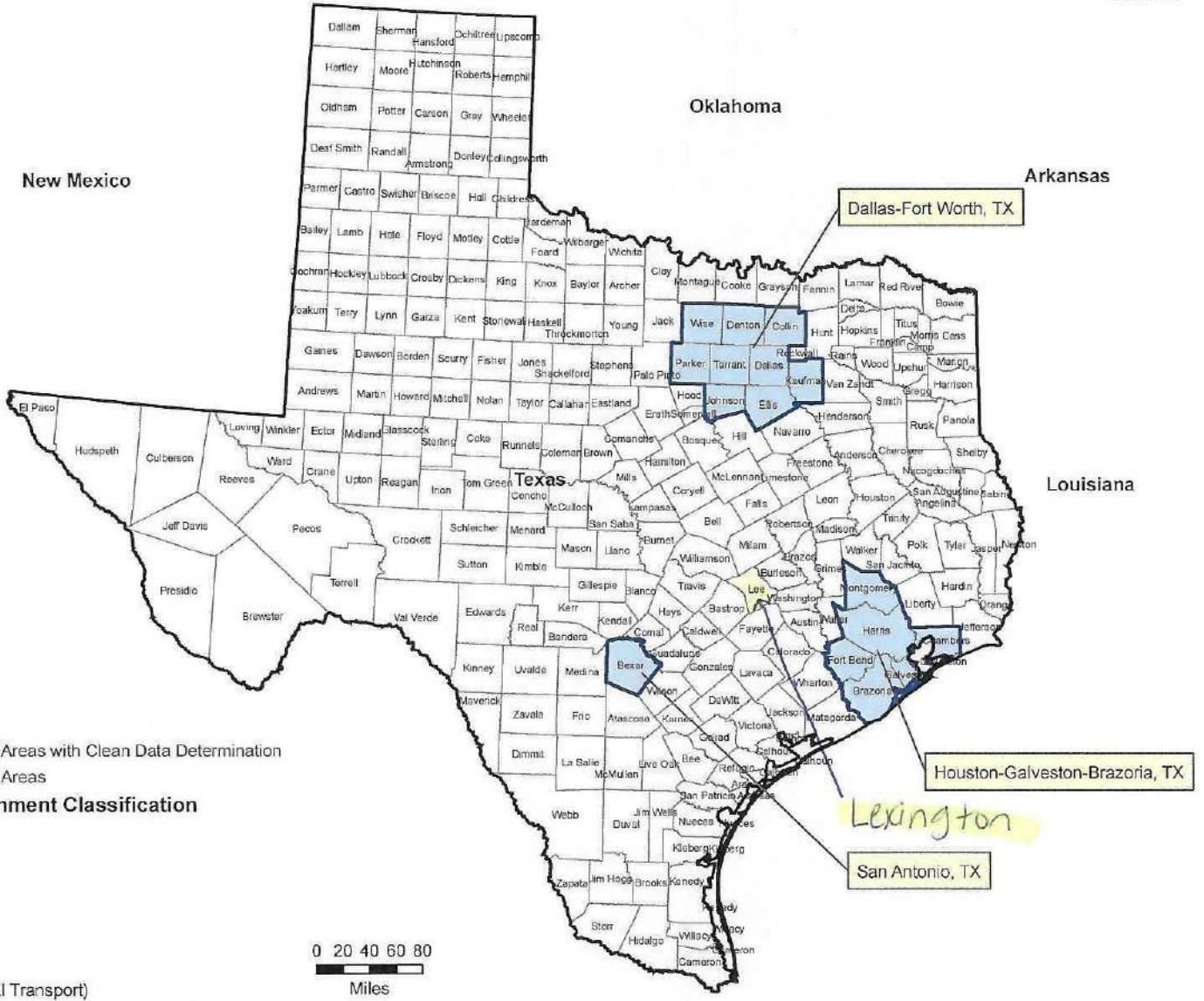
**Federal Emergency Management Agency
Community Status Book Report
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Communities Participating in the National Flood Program

CID	Community Name	County	Init FHBM Identified	Init FIRM Identified	Curr Eff Map Date	Reg-Emer Date	Tribal
480812#	LEONARD, CITY OF <small>Includes portion of Fannin County FIRM dated 12/01/2004, Panel 480807 - 0010B</small>	FANNIN COUNTY	07/25/75	02/18/11	02/18/11(M)	02/11/09	No
481314B	LEROY, CITY OF	MCLENNAN COUNTY	05/09/78	01/02/80	12/20/19	01/30/80	No
480354#	LEVELLAND, CITY OF	HOCKLEY COUNTY	02/08/74	08/02/90	08/02/90	08/02/90	No
480195#	LEWISVILLE, CITY OF	DALLAS COUNTY/DENTON COUNTY	03/15/74	10/18/88	07/07/14	10/18/88	No
480902#	LEXINGTON, CITY OF	LEE COUNTY	02/21/75	04/18/14	04/18/14	07/19/12	No
480436B	LIBERTY COUNTY*	LIBERTY COUNTY	05/24/77	09/30/88	01/19/18	09/30/88	No
480073B	LIBERTY HILL, CITY OF	WILLIAMSON COUNTY		08/27/91	(NSFHA)	10/04/07	No
480441B	LIBERTY, CITY OF	LIBERTY COUNTY	12/20/74	11/18/88	01/19/18	11/18/88	No
480910#	LIMESTONE COUNTY*	LIMESTONE COUNTY	10/25/77	06/01/87	08/16/11	06/01/87	No
480588#	LINDALE, CITY OF	SMITH COUNTY	03/22/74	08/28/08	04/18/14	03/08/09	No
480735#	LINDEN, CITY OF	CASS COUNTY	07/30/78	06/19/85	04/03/12(M)	06/19/85	No
480766#	LINDSAY, CITY OF	COOKE COUNTY	05/14/76	04/01/87	01/16/08(M)	04/01/87	No
481075#	LIPAN, CITY OF <small>THE CITY OF LIPAN RECEIVED A CONVERSION OF THE FHBM TO A FIRM BY LETTER EFFECTIVE 10/1/2009. THIS WILL BE REFLECTED IN THE NEXT MAP SERVICE CENTER UPDATE.</small>	HOOD COUNTY	10/28/78	10/01/09	08/16/12(M)	10/01/09	No
481152#	LITTLE ELM, TOWN OF	DENTON COUNTY	08/13/78	09/18/87	04/18/11	05/13/91	No
481578#	LITTLE RIVER-ACADEMY, CITY OF	BELL COUNTY		05/01/84	08/26/08	05/01/84	No
480428	LITTLEFIELD, CITY OF	LAMB COUNTY	02/01/74	04/01/87	04/01/87(L)	04/01/87	No
481178#	LIVE OAK COUNTY*	LIVE OAK COUNTY	05/17/86	11/19/03	11/19/03	11/19/03	No
480043#	LIVE OAK, CITY OF	BEXAR COUNTY	05/24/74	02/16/88	08/29/10	08/16/77	No
480075#	LIVERPOOL, CITY OF	BRAZORIA COUNTY	11/26/74	08/05/85	08/05/89	06/05/85	No
480528#	LIVINGSTON, CITY OF	POLK COUNTY	03/01/74	09/01/87	08/03/10(M)	09/01/87	No
481234#	LLANO COUNTY *	LLANO COUNTY	11/22/77	09/18/91	05/02/12	09/18/91	No
480451#	LLANO, CITY OF	LLANO COUNTY	12/28/73	05/04/82	05/02/12	05/04/82	No
480095#	LOCKHART, CITY OF	CALDWELL COUNTY	11/12/78	11/05/80	08/19/12	11/05/80	No
481638#	LOG CABIN, CITY OF	HENDERSON COUNTY		09/27/91	04/05/10(M)	04/05/10	No
480844	LONE STAR, CITY OF	MORRIS COUNTY	08/06/78	04/01/07	04/01/07(L)	04/01/07	No
480264#	LONGVIEW, CITY OF	HARRISON COUNTY/GREGG COUNTY	08/09/74	12/15/77	08/03/14	12/15/77	No
480928B	LORENA, CITY OF	MCLENNAN COUNTY	08/21/77	02/01/79	12/20/19	08/14/80	No
480188	LORENZO, CITY OF	CROSBY COUNTY	04/12/74	08/24/82	08/24/82(M)	08/24/82	No
480108A	LOS FRESNOS, CITY OF	CAMERON COUNTY	08/07/74	08/19/88	02/16/18	08/19/88	No
480105A	LOS INDIOS, CITY OF	CAMERON COUNTY		02/16/18	02/16/18	01/14/19	No
480874#	LOVELADY, CITY OF	HOUSTON COUNTY	10/28/78	03/01/91	04/04/11(M)	03/01/91	No
481235	LOVING COUNTY *	LOVING COUNTY				03/15/01(E)	No
481831#	LOWRY CROSSING, CITY OF	COLLIN COUNTY	12/06/77	03/18/81	08/02/09	08/22/81	No
480915C	LUBBOCK COUNTY*	LUBBOCK COUNTY	11/29/77	09/18/82	02/03/17	10/11/02	No
480452C	LUBBOCK, CITY OF	LUBBOCK COUNTY	08/30/74	09/02/82	02/03/17	09/02/82	No
481545#	LUCAS, CITY OF	COLLIN COUNTY	07/25/75	04/02/91	08/02/09	07/03/79	No
480008#	LUFKIN, CITY OF	ANGELINA COUNTY	02/22/74	06/01/82	08/29/10	06/01/82	No
480088#	LULING, CITY OF	GUADALUPE COUNTY/CALDWELL COUNTY	05/24/74	01/18/79	08/19/12	01/18/79	No
481111#	LUMBERTON, CITY OF	HARDIN COUNTY	10/22/78	12/02/88	10/06/10	05/08/79	No
480665A	LYFORD, CITY OF	WILLACY COUNTY	05/17/74	05/05/91	04/05/17	05/05/91	No
480882#	LYTLE, CITY OF	MEDINA COUNTY/BEXAR COUNTY/ATASCOSA COUNTY	08/02/74	02/02/77	04/03/12	02/02/77	No
480414#	MABANK, CITY OF	HENDERSON COUNTY/KAUFMAN COUNTY	05/17/77	08/08/78	07/03/12	08/08/78	No

Texas 8-hour Ozone Nonattainment Areas (2015 Standard)

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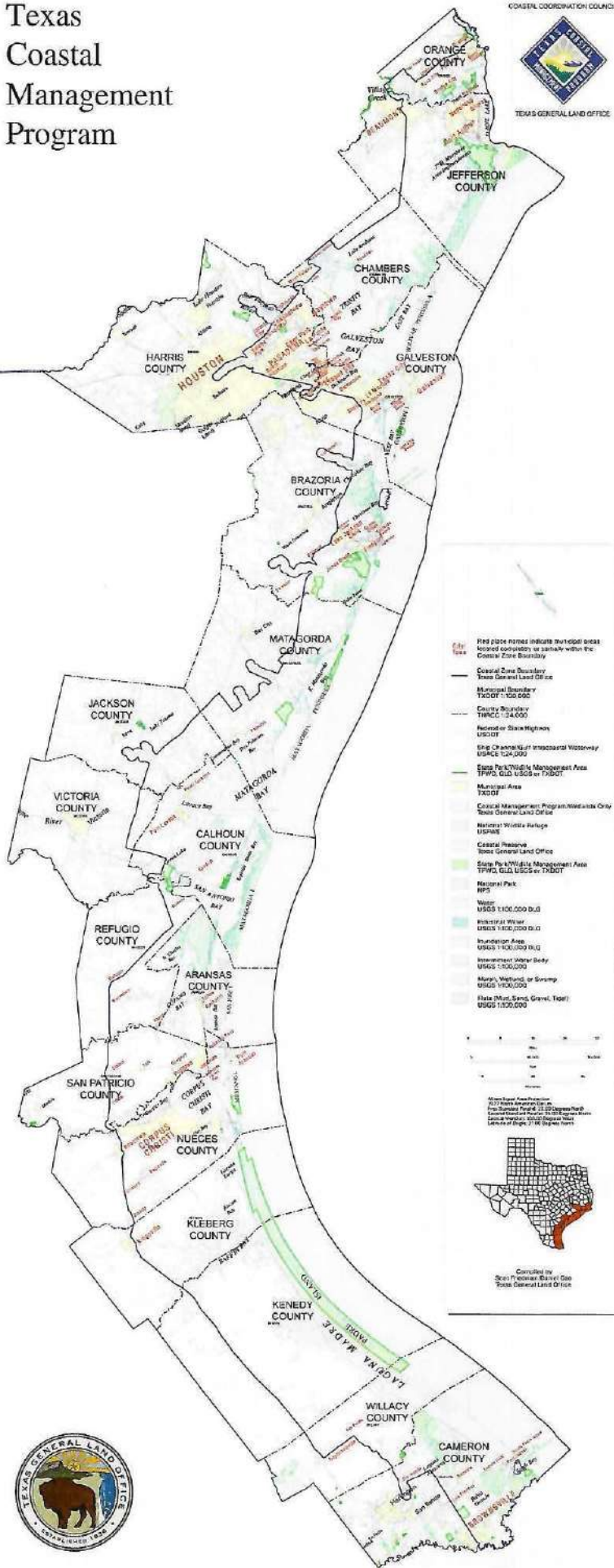
Texas Coastal Management Program

COASTAL COORDINATION COUNCIL



TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE

↳ 5 miles to Lexington



Legend

- Red plate symbol: Municipal areas located completely or partially within the Coastal Zone Boundary.
- Black line: Coastal Zone Boundary (Texas General Land Office)
- Black line: Municipal Boundary (TXDOT 1:50,000)
- Black line: County Boundary (TXMCC 1:24,000)
- Black line: National or State Highway (USGS)
- Blue line: Ship Channel (US Army Corps of Engineers USACE 1:24,000)
- Green line: State Park Wildlife Management Area (TPWD, GLD, USGS or TXDOT)
- Yellow area: Municipal Area (TXDOT)
- Light green area: Coastal Management Program Areas (Only State General Land Office)
- Light blue area: National Wildlife Refuge (USFWS)
- Light green area: Coastal Preserve (Texas General Land Office)
- Light green area: State Park Wildlife Management Area (TPWD, GLD, USGS or TXDOT)
- Light blue area: National Park (NPS)
- Light blue area: Water (USGS 1:100,000 DLG)
- Light blue area: Federal Water (USGS 1:100,000 DLG)
- Light blue area: Inundation Area (USGS 1:100,000 DLG)
- Light blue area: Intersected Water Body (USGS 1:100,000 DLG)
- Light blue area: Marsh, Wetland, or Swamp (USGS 1:100,000 DLG)
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Scale: 0 to 10 miles

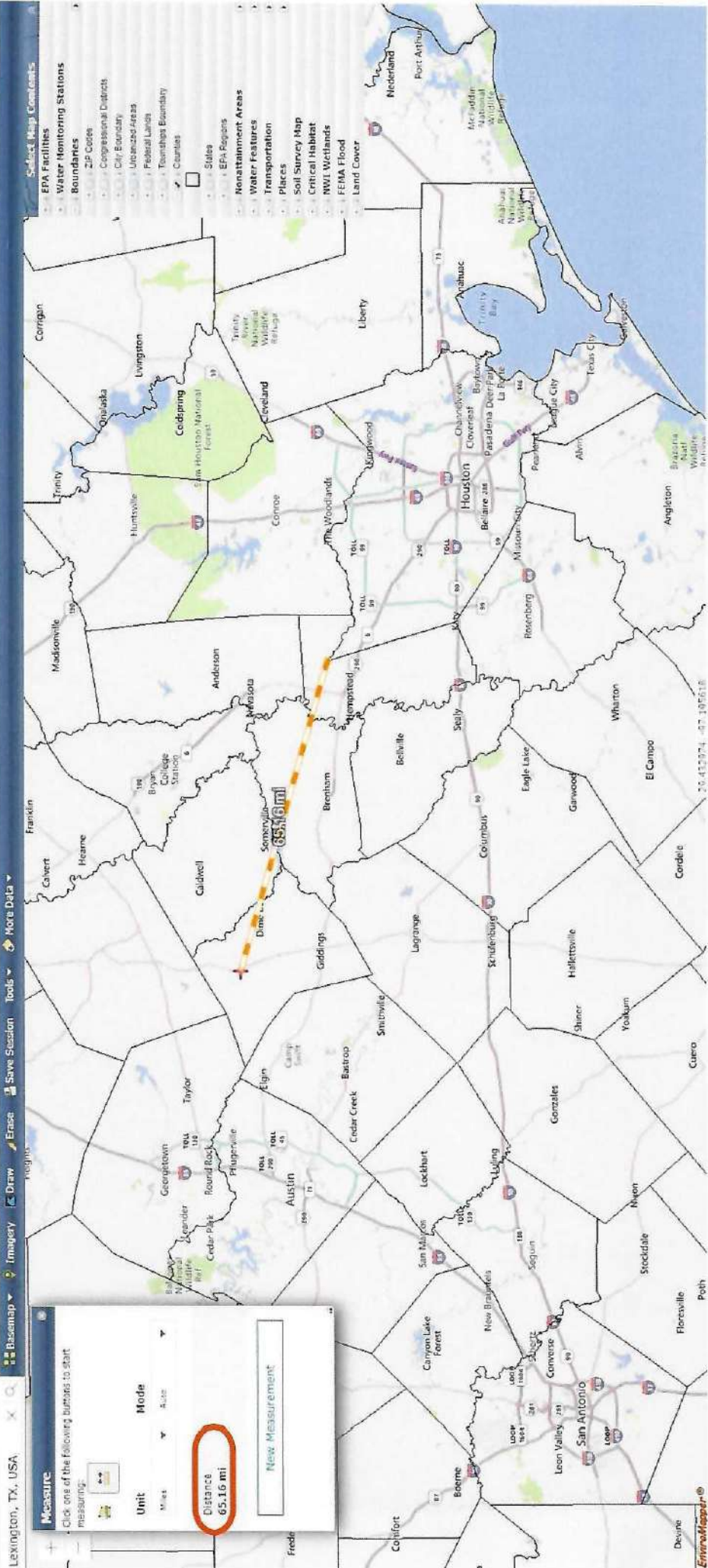
Inset Map: Shows the location of the study area within the state of Texas.

Source: Data from various agencies including USGS, USFWS, and Texas General Land Office.

Consulted by: Scott P. Brown, Branch Chief, Texas General Land Office



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Attachment 5

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In Reply Refer To:

November 02, 2020

Consultation Code: 02ETAU00-2021-SLI-0183

Event Code: 02ETAU00-2021-E-00373

Project Name: City of Lexington

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that *may* occur within the county of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

Please note that new information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Also note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 et seq.), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of federally listed as threatened

or endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect these species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

While a Federal agency may designate a non-Federal representative to conduct informal consultation or prepare a biological assessment, the Federal Agency must notify the Service in writing of any such designation. The Federal agency shall also independently review and evaluate the scope and content of a biological assessment prepared by their designated non-Federal representative before that document is submitted to the Service.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by a federally funded, permitted or authorized activity, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. The following definitions are provided to assist you in reaching a determination:

- *No effect* - the proposed action will not affect federally listed species or critical habitat. A “no effect” determination does not require section 7 consultation and no coordination or contact with the Service is necessary. However, if the project changes or additional information on the distribution of listed or proposed species becomes available, the project should be reanalyzed for effects not previously considered.
- *May affect, but is not likely to adversely affect* - the project may affect listed species and/or critical habitat; however, the effects are expected to be discountable, insignificant, or completely beneficial. Certain avoidance and minimization measures may need to be implemented in order to reach this level of effect. The Federal agency or the designated non-Federal representative should consult with the Service to seek written concurrence that adverse effects are not likely. Be sure to include all of the information and documentation used to reach your decision with your request for concurrence. The Service must have this documentation before issuing a concurrence.
- *Is likely to adversely affect* - adverse effects to listed species may occur as a direct or indirect result of the proposed action. For this determination, the effect of the action is neither discountable nor insignificant. If the overall effect of the proposed action is beneficial to the listed species but the action is also likely to cause some adverse effects to individuals of that species, then the proposed action “is likely to adversely affect” the listed species. The analysis should consider all interrelated and interdependent actions. An “is likely to adversely affect” determination requires the Federal action agency to initiate formal section 7 consultation with our office.

Regardless of the determination, the Service recommends that the Federal agency maintain a complete record of the evaluation, including steps leading to the determination of effect, the qualified personnel conducting the evaluation, habitat conditions, site photographs, and any other related information. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at: <http://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/TOC-GLOS.PDF>.

Migratory Birds

For projects that may affect migratory birds, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) implements various treaties and conventions for the protection of these species. Under the MBTA, taking, killing, or possessing migratory birds is unlawful. Migratory birds may nest in trees, brushy areas, or other areas of suitable habitat. The Service recommends activities requiring vegetation removal or disturbance avoid the peak nesting period of March through August to avoid destruction of individuals, nests, or eggs. If project activities must be conducted during this time, we recommend surveying for nests prior to conducting work. If a nest is found, and if possible, the Service recommends a buffer of vegetation remain around the nest until the young have fledged or the nest is abandoned.

For additional information concerning the MBTA and recommendations to reduce impacts to migratory birds please contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Migratory Birds Office, 500 Gold Ave. SW, Albuquerque, NM 87102. A list of migratory birds may be viewed at <https://www.fws.gov/birds/management/managed-species/migratory-bird-treaty-act-protected-species.php>. Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers can be found at: <https://www.fws.gov/birds/management/project-assessment-tools-and-guidance/guidance-documents/communication-towers.php>. Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the wind energy guidelines

<https://www.fws.gov/birds/management/project-assessment-tools-and-guidance/guidance-documents/wind-energy.php>) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Finally, please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 et seq.), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan <https://www.fws.gov/birds/management/project-assessment-tools-and-guidance/guidance-documents/eagles.php>.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List

Official Species List

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

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Project Summary

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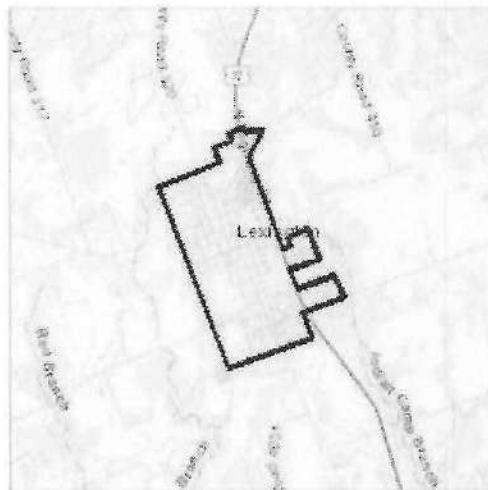
Project Name: City of Lexington

Project Type: LAND - CLEARING

Project Description: Reconstruction

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/place/30.415280536940656N97.0039985976352W>



Counties: Lee, TX

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 6 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species. Note that 3 of these species should be considered only under certain conditions.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

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1. NOAA Fisheries, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.
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Birds

NAME	STATUS
<p>Least Tern <i>Sterna antillarum</i></p> <p>Population: interior pop. No critical habitat has been designated for this species. This species only needs to be considered under the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wind Energy Projects <p>Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8505</p>	Endangered
<p>Piping Plover <i>Charadrius melodus</i></p> <p>Population: [Atlantic Coast and Northern Great Plains populations] - Wherever found, except those areas where listed as endangered. There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. This species only needs to be considered under the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wind Energy Projects <p>Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6039</p>	Threatened
<p>Red Knot <i>Calidris canutus rufa</i></p> <p>No critical habitat has been designated for this species. This species only needs to be considered under the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wind Energy Projects <p>Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1864</p>	Threatened
<p>Whooping Crane <i>Grus americana</i></p> <p>Population: Wherever found, except where listed as an experimental population There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/758</p>	Endangered

Amphibians

NAME	STATUS
<p>Houston Toad <i>Bufo houstonensis</i></p> <p>There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2206</p>	Endangered

Clams

NAME	STATUS
<p>Texas Fawnsfoot <i>Truncilla macrodon</i></p> <p>No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8965</p>	Candidate

Critical habitats

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.





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- [Range & Pasture](#)
- [Urban Agriculture](#)

FPPA Forms and Resources

- [Farmland Protection Policy Act, Public Law](#)
- [FPPA Rule, 7 CFR 658](#)
- [Farmland Conversion Impact Rating \(Form AD-1006\)](#)
- [Farmland Conversion Impact Rating, Corridors \(Form NRCS-CPA-106\)](#)

Annual Reports

- [Farmland Protection Policy Act 2019 Annual Report](#) 
- [Farmland Protection Policy Act 2018 Annual Report](#) 
- [Farmland Protection Policy Act 2017 Annual Report](#) 
- [Farmland Protection Policy Act 2017 Annual Report](#) 
- [Farmland Protection Policy Act 2016 Annual Report](#) 
- [Archived Annual FPPA Reports](#)

Farmland Protection Policy Act

To learn more about the **Farmland Protection Policy Act**, you can play the webinar below or download the webinar's PowerPoint file

Webinar - Farmland Protection Policy Act (9/2013)

**Background**

The National Agricultural Land Study of 1980-81 found that millions of acres of farmland were being converted in the United States each year. The 1981 Congressional report, *Compact Cities: Energy-Saving Strategies for the Eighties*, identified the need for Congress to implement programs and policies to protect farmland and combat urban sprawl and the waste of energy and resources that accompanies sprawling development.

The *Compact Cities* report indicated that much of the sprawl was the result of programs funded by the Federal Government. With this in mind, Congress passed the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 (Public Law 97-98)

containing the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) subtitle I of Title XV, Section 1539-1549. On June 17, 1994, the final rules and regulations were published in the Federal Register.

Purpose

The FPPA is intended to minimize the impact Federal programs have on the unnecessary and irreversible conversion of farmland to nonagricultural uses. It assures that to the extent possible federal programs are administered to be compatible with state, local units of government, and private programs and policies to protect farmland. Federal agencies are required to develop and review their policies and procedures to implement the FPPA every two years.

The FPPA does not authorize the Federal Government to regulate the use of private or nonfederal land or, in any way, affect the property rights of owners.

For the purpose of FPPA, farmland includes prime farmland, unique farmland, and land of statewide or local importance. Farmland subject to FPPA requirements does not have to be currently used for cropland. It can be forest land, pastureland, cropland, or other land, but not water or urban built-up land.

Projects and Activities

Projects are subject to FPPA requirements if they may irreversibly convert farmland (directly or indirectly) to nonagricultural use and are completed by a Federal agency or with assistance from a Federal agency.

Assistance from a Federal agency includes:

- Acquiring or disposing of land.
- Providing financing or loans.
- Managing property.
- Providing technical assistance

Activities that may be subject to FPPA include:

- State highway construction projects, (through the Federal Highway Administration)
- Airport expansions
- Electric cooperative construction projects
- Railroad construction projects
- Telephone company construction projects
- Reservoir and hydroelectric projects
- Federal agency projects that convert farmland
- Other projects completed with Federal assistance.

Activities not subject to FPPA include:

- Federal permitting and licensing
- Projects planned and completed without the assistance of a Federal agency
- Projects on land already in urban development or used for water storage
- Construction within an existing right-of-way purchased on or before August 4, 1984
- Construction for national defense purposes
- Construction of on-farm structures needed for farm operations
- Surface mining, where restoration to agricultural use is planned
- Construction of new minor secondary structures such as a garage or storage shed.

Farmland Conversion Impact Rating Form

If you represent a Federal agency in a project that has the potential to convert important farmland to non-farm use, please contact your local office of the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) or USDA Service Center. NRCS uses a land evaluation and site assessment (LESA) system to establish a farmland conversion impact rating score on proposed sites of Federally funded and assisted projects. This score is used as an indicator for the project sponsor to consider alternative sites if the potential adverse impacts on the farmland exceed the recommended allowable level.

The assessment is completed on form AD-1006, Farmland Conversion Impact Rating. The sponsoring agency completes the site assessment portion of the AD-1006, which assesses non-soil related criteria such as the potential for impact on the local agricultural economy if the land is converted to non-farm use and compatibility with existing agricultural use.

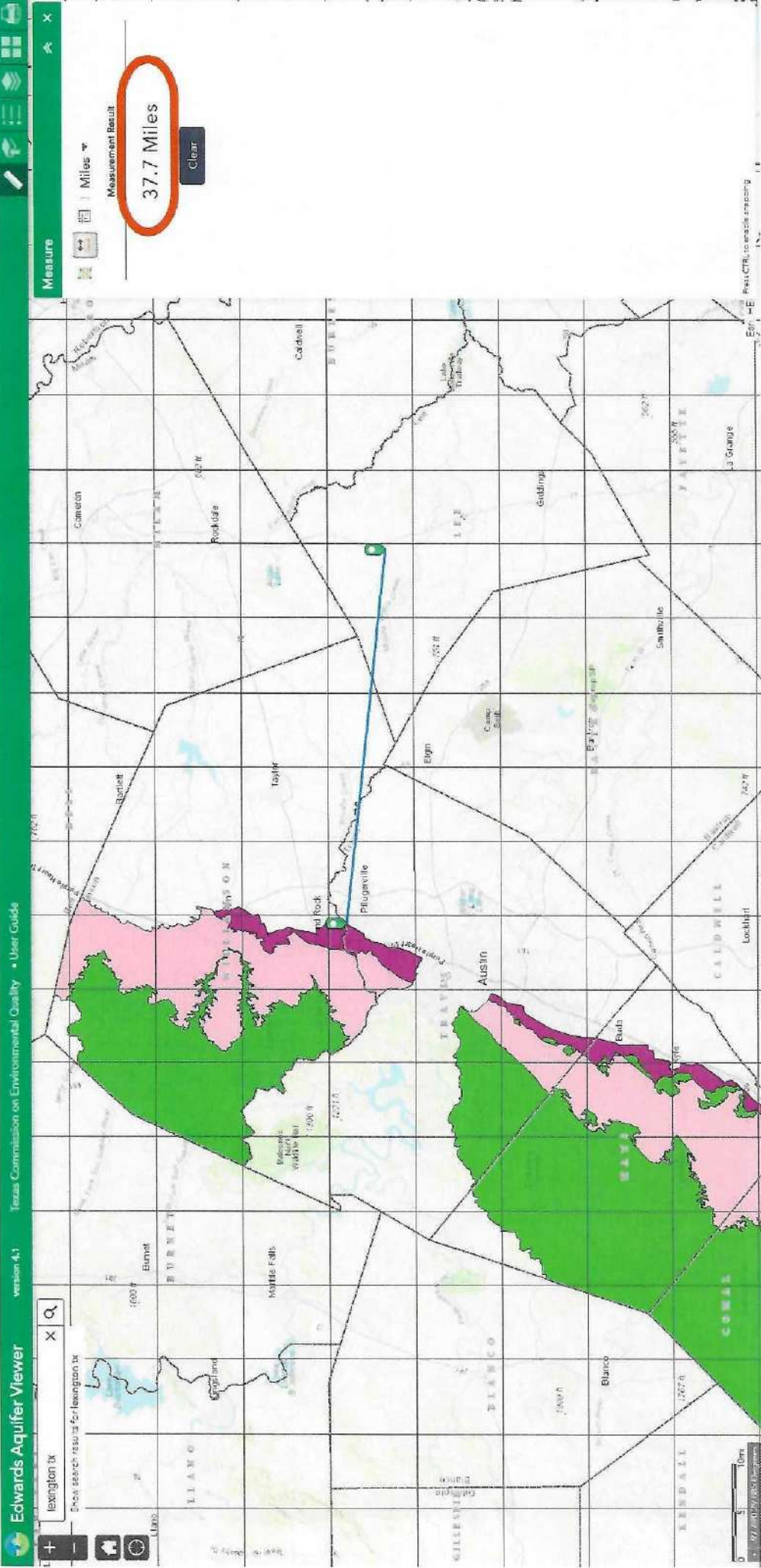
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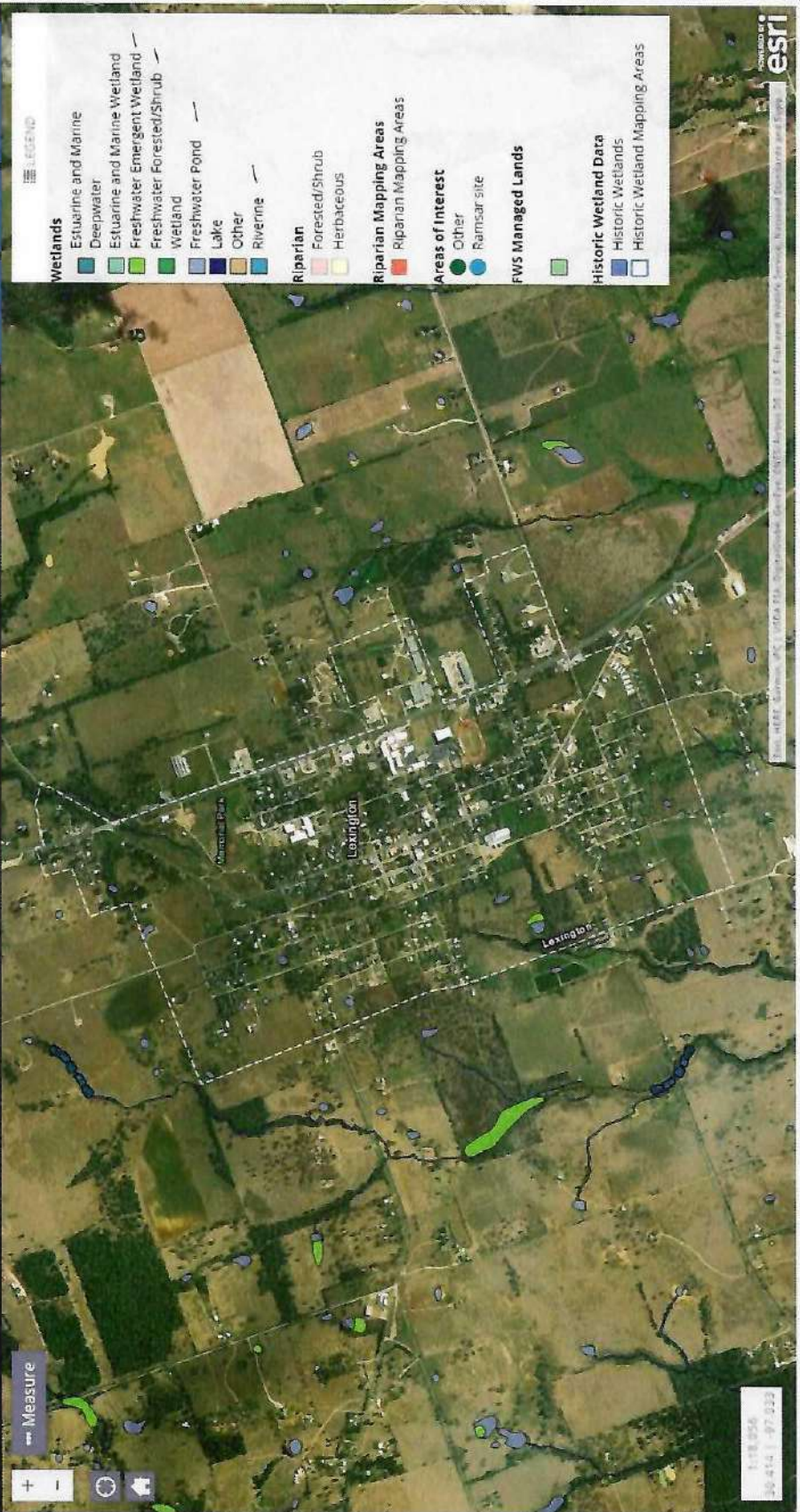
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Wetlands

- Estuarine and Marine
- Deepwater
- Estuarine and Marine Wetland
- Freshwater Emergent Wetland
- Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland
- Freshwater Pond
- Lake
- Other
- Riverine

Riparian

- Forested/Shrub
- Herbaceous

Riparian Mapping Areas

- Riparian Mapping Areas

Areas of Interest

- Other
- Ramsar site

FWS Managed Lands

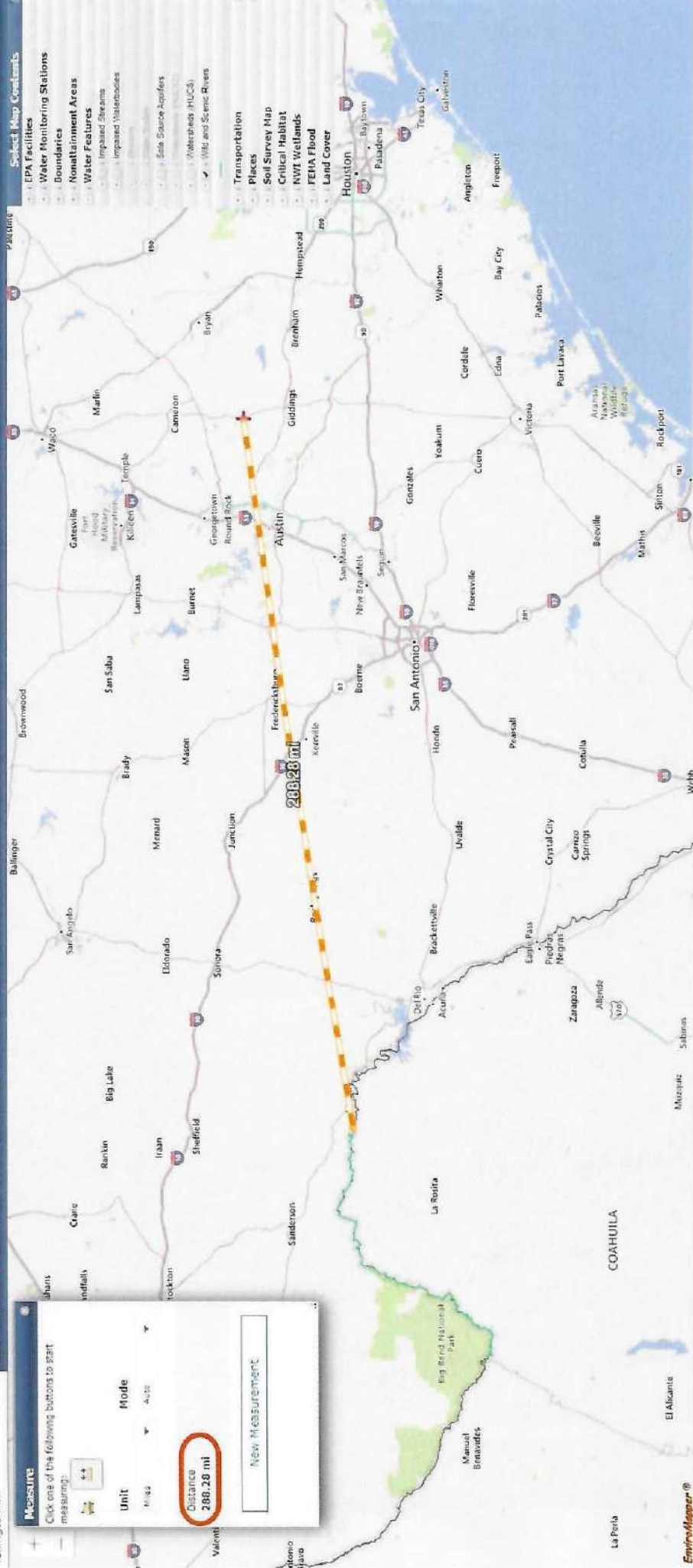
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Historic Wetland Data

- Historic Wetlands
- Historic Wetland Mapping Areas

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Lexington is 288 miles from the Rio Grande River



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TEXAS

Texas has approximately 184,797 miles of river, of which 191.2 miles are designated as wild & scenic—1/10th of 1% of the state's river miles.



Choose A State ▼ Go
Choose A River ▼ Go

Hidden canyons, ancient rock formations, millennia of human use, rivers are the very focus of life in the Southwest.

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WILD & SCENIC RIVER STUDIES

Wild & Scenic River Studies

There are two study provisions in the Act — Section 5(a), through which Congress directs the study of select rivers, and Section 5(d)(1), which directs federal agencies to identify potential additions to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (National System) through federal agency plans. A brief explanation is provided in the following respective sections.



Choose A State ▼ Go

Choose A River ▼ Go

While progress should never come to a halt, there are many places it should never come to at all — Paul Newman

Current Active Studies

Currently, there are three rivers or river systems under "authorized" study—two under Section 5(a) of the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act and one under Section 2(a)(ii). This does not include those that might be under assessment as part of normal agency land-planning processes.

Rivers Currently Under Study

Section 2(a)(ii) Studies

Under Section 2(a)(ii) of the Act, a governor (or governors for a river in multiple states) of a state can request that a river be designated, provided certain conditions are met (refer to the Council White Paper on Section 2(a)(ii) for specifics). The NPS then conducts a study to determine if certain conditions are met. Here are some of the studies conducted under Section 2(a)(ii). Again, if you don't see a study listed, we do not have a copy.

Section 2(a)(ii) Studies Available for Download

- Allagash River Study Report, Maine
- American River Eligibility Report, California
- American River Environmental Impact Statement, California
- Big & Little Darby Creeks Study Report & Environmental Assessment, Ohio
- Eel River Eligibility Report, California
- Eel River Environmental Impact Statement, California
- Klamath River Eligibility Report, California
- Klamath River Environmental Impact Statement, California
- Klamath River Study Report, Oregon
- Lumber River Study Report, North Carolina
- Smith River Eligibility Report, California
- Smith River Environmental Impact Statement, California
- Trinity River Eligibility Report, California
- Trinity River Environmental Impact Statement, California
- Wallowa River Study Report, Oregon
- Westfield River Study Report & Environmental Assessment (Initial Study 1993), Massachusetts
- Westfield River Draft Study Report (Expansion 2002), Massachusetts

None in Texas

Section 5(d)(1), Agency-Identified Studies

In recent years, hundreds of rivers have been identified for study through Section 5(d)(1) of the Act. This provision directs federal agencies to identify potential addition to the National System

through their respective resource and management plans. Its application has resulted in numerous individual river designations, statewide legislation (e.g., Omnibus Oregon Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, P.L. 100-557; Michigan Scenic Rivers Act, P.L. 102-249) and multi-state legislation (e.g., Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009, P.L. 111-11). Here are examples of agency-identified studies and transmittal documents (if available).

[Section 5\(d\)\(1\) Studies Available for Download](#)

Congressionally Authorized Study Reports

We have collected a few of the study reports prepared at the direction of Congress (see next section, "Section 5(a), Congressionally Authorized Studies," for the complete list of congressionally authorized studies). If you do not see a report here, we do not have it, and you will have to contact the study agency at the local level for a copy.

[Congressionally Authorized Study Reports Available for Download](#)

Section 5(a), Congressionally Authorized Studies

Through Section 5(a), Congress authorizes the study of select rivers and directs one of the four federal river-administering agencies to conduct the study, as outlined in Sections 4(a) and 5(c) of the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act. The enabling legislation of 1958, P.L. 90-542, authorized 27 rivers for study as potential components of the National System. Amendments to the law have increased the number of studies authorized by Congress to 144.

These studies have led to 48 designations by either Congress or the Secretary of the Interior. One study led to the establishment of a National Recreation Area.

The number of rivers included in the National System differs from the number of rivers authorized for study by Congress for the following reasons:

- Not all rivers studied are found eligible or suitable for designation—many study rivers will not be included in the National System.
- Some rivers are designated by Congress or the Secretary of the Interior without a pre-authorization or 5(a) study (e.g., Niobrara River).
- Some rivers are designated as a result of recommendation in federal agency plans (e.g., 49 rivers designated in Oregon in 1988).

The 144 rivers below have been authorized for study. The agency leading the study is indicated as National Park Service (NPS), Bureau of Outdoor Recreation (BOR), Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service (HCERS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), or U.S. Forest Service (USFS). Within the Department of the Interior, the study function was transferred from the HCERS (formerly the BOR) to the NPS by Secretarial Order Number 3017, January 25, 1978. All studies indicated as BOR or HCERS were completed by these agencies before the program was transferred to the NPS. The BLM was delegated responsibility for conducting studies on Public Lands on October 11, 1988. The USFS (Department of Agriculture) has always conducted studies on National Forest System Lands and as directed by Congress.

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Nationwide Rivers Inventory

This is a listing of more than 3,200 free-flowing river segments in the U.S. that are believed to possess one or more "outstandingly remarkable" values.

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Attachment 15