



Region 6 - San Jacinto Regional Flood Planning Group Planning Meeting August 18, 2026 9:00 AM

ITEM 1

Call to Order

ITEM 2

Welcome and Roll Call

ITEM 3

Registered Public Comments on Agenda Items (Limit of 3 Minutes Per Person)

ITEM 4

Texas Water Development Board Update

ITEM 5

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes
Region 6 San Jacinto Regional Flood Planning Group
May 12, 2026, at 9:00 AM
United Way of Greater Houston: 50 Waugh Drive, Houston, Texas 77007

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Interest Category</u> (Executive Committee Role)	<u>Present (x) / Absent () /</u> <u>Alternate Present (*)</u>
Timothy E. Buscha	Industries (Chair)	X
Alla Vinson	Water Districts (Vice Chair)	X
Erwin Burden	Counties (Secretary)	
Augustus Campbell	Public #1 (At-Large member)	X
Matthew Barrett	River Authorities (At-Large member)	X
Elisa Macia Donovan	Agricultural Interests	X
Connie Pothier	Small Business	X
Paul E. Lock	Electric Generating Utilities	X
Hanadi Rifai	Environmental Interests	X
Pareesh Lad	Municipalities	X
Jildardo Arias	Small Municipalities	X
Tina Petersen	Flood Districts	X
Todd Burrer	Water Utilities	X
Samantha Haritos	Coastal Communities	*Hank Dugie
Christina Quintero	Public #2	
Imelda Diaz	Upper Watershed	X

<u>Non-Voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present (x) / Absent () /</u> <u>Alternate Present (*)</u>
Hope Zubeck	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	X
Michelle Ellis	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Kristin Lambrecht	Texas Department of Agriculture	X
Joel Clark	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	
Santiago Franco	Texas General Land Office	
Nicholas Collins	Texas Water Development Board	X
Melinda Johnston	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	
Justin Bower	Houston-Galveston Area Council	*Amanda Ashcroft
Sarah Alvarez	Texas Department of Transportation	X
Michael Turco	Harris-Galveston Subsidence District	
Alisa Max	Region H Regional Water Planning Group	
Sally Bakko	Gulf Coast Protection District	X
Tom Heidt	Port Houston	
Lisa Mairs	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	

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Liaisons from RFPG	Regional Flood Planning Group	Present(s)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)
Todd Burrer	Trinity Region RFPG	X
Steve Moon	Neches Region RFPG	
Mark Vogler	Lower Brazos RFPG	
Alisa Max	Region H Water	
Sally Bakko	Gulf Coast Protection District	X

Liaisons from Other Entities	Entity	Present(s)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)
Brian Edmondson	FNI	X
Cory Stull	FNI	X
Maggie Puckett	FNI	X
Allison Hand	FNI	X
Tanner Helweg	FNI	X
Ericka Reyes	FNI	X
Connor Stokes	Hollaway Environmental Communications	X
Jamila Johnson	WPM	X
Ray Hernandez	Partnership Lake Houston	X
Rachel Herr	Half	X
John Millar	TDEM	X
Mary Anne Placentini	Coastal Prairie Conservancy	X
Ricardo Villagrand	City of Huntsville	X

Project Sponsor	Entity	Present(s)/Absent()/ Alternate Present (*)
Saad Hassan	Office of the County Engineer	X
Timothy Williams	Office of the County Engineer	X
Elizabeth Machuca	Office of the County Engineer	X

Quorum:
Number of voting members or alternates that were present: (13) total
Number required for quorum per current voting membership of 16: 8

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AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at **9:03 AM**.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Welcome and Roll Call

- Roll call was conducted.
- A quorum was established.
- Sarah Alvarez replaced Ellie Alkhoury as the TxDOT non-voting member.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Registered Public Comments on Agenda Items

Discussion/Action Items:

- No public comments were received, either in person or online.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Update

Discussion/Action Items:

- Nicholas Collins – Board approved the Second Amended 2023 Regional Flood Plans for Regions 1 and 3-15 on March 31, 2026.
- Task 5b items currently under review; TWDB will reach out with requests for information and will update when goals are administratively complete.
- Technical Memorandums for all RFPGs are under review, with formal comments expected to be delivered this summer.
- RFPG upcoming chair conference call, TBD this summer.
- Newsletter sent out March 25th; can be found online.
- TWDB met with GCPD and GLO to discuss current funding opportunities. Discussed upcoming community outreach event; SJRFPG may be interested in collaboration.

AGENDA ITEM 5: Approval of Meeting Minutes

Discussion/Action Items:

- The **March 10, 2026 meeting minutes** were reviewed.
- Comments by Matthew Barrett (non-substantial corrections identified)
- **Motion:** Approve the **March 10, 2026** meeting minutes with noted revisions.
 - First: Alia Vinson
 - Second: Jildardo Arias
 - **Vote:** Yes – Unanimous
- **Motion carried.**

AGENDA ITEM 6: SJRFPG Officer Elections – Discussion, possible action, and consideration of nominations for the RFPG Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary

Discussion/Action Items:

- Notice of Agenda Item regarding selection of regular board officers posted on April 9, 2026.

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- Existing officers are willing to continue service, but Tim Buscha opened floor for nominations.
- Motion: Approve the current slate of officers (Buscha, Vinson, Burden) to continue for 2026.
 - First: Elisa Macia Donovan
 - Second: Connie Pothier
 - **Vote:** Yes – Unanimous
- **Motion carried.**

AGENDA ITEM 7: Liaison Reports Pertaining to Other Regions Progress/Status and Other Related Entities Discussion/Action Items:

- Sally Bakko (GCPD liaison) – present. Tim Buscha made comments for other regions.
 - a) **Trinity Region RFPG** – Public Meetings are complete.
 - b) **Neches Region RFPG** – N/A
 - c) **Lower Brazos RFPG** – N/A
 - d) **Region H RWPG** – Regional Water Plan approved; 7th round cycle has begun.
 - e) **Gulf Coast Protection District (GCPD)** –
 - President signed the Appropriations Bill for the FY2026. Includes a \$5M funding request from Congressman Webber.
 - FY26 work plan for USACE – additional \$1.75M.
 - GCPD also has a line item in the President's FY27 Budget. Submitting a request for \$27M to be spearheaded by Congressman Webber.
 - Preliminary engineering contracts have been executed for two projects.
 - Bolivar project at 90% design.
 - Working with the Greater Houston Partnership/Port Houston, met with Senator Shelley Moore Capito, Chairman for the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works. They are working on another Water Resources Development Act reauthorization.
 - Met with Representative Chuck Fleischmann, Chairman of House of Appropriations subcommittee on Energy and Water Development.
 - GCPD Communications team is developing a newsletter and organizing advisory groups (Industry and Environmental)

AGENDA ITEM 8: Presentation by the TWDB consultant developing the Nature-Based Solutions for Flood Resilience Guidance Manual

Discussion/Action Items:

- Allison Hand presenting. FNI is partnering with TWDB and The Nature Conservancy to develop this guidance manual. Slides can be found at <https://sanjacintofloodplanning.org/meetings/>.

AGENDA ITEM 9: SJRFPG Technical Committee Report; Discussion and Possible Action for Nominations of Additional Members to Serve on the SJRFPG Working Subcommittees

Discussion/Action Items:

- Per Tim Buscha, Samantha Haritos asked to serve on the Technical Committee in a supporting role.
- Motion: The Nomination of Samantha Haritos to the SJRFPG Technical Committee.
 - First: Jildardo Arias
 - Second: Elisa Donovan
 - **Vote:** Yes – Unanimous

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- Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM 10: SJRFPG Public Engagement Committee Report

Discussion/Action Items:

- Information from Public Meetings will be shared via report in Agenda Item 11.
- Tim Buscha attended a public meeting; will hear from a group of stakeholders in Humble May 21st for additional public engagement.

AGENDA ITEM 11: Update from the SJRFPG Technical Consultant on the 2028 Planning Cycle including discussion on the following:

- a. Review of Draft Chapters 1 and 2
 - b. Public Meeting Series Review
 - c. Small/Rural Communities FME Program
 - d. Task 4C Modeling Updates
- Tanner Helweg (FNI) presenting. Draft Chapters 1 and 2 are posted on the website for review; comments requested by June 12th, send to the technical committee - SJRFPG.TechCon@freese.com
 - Task 4C – making progress; remaining budget to be utilized on approved ranked FME list; expect to elevate as many FMEs as possible to FMPs for inclusion in the upcoming state flood plan.
 - Task 5B – officially kicked off by TWDB; 2 FMEs are authorized to begin; program has been well received by the region.
 - Q1 Public Meetings – Connor Stokes (Hollaway) presenting. Reviewed meeting format and materials, locations and attendance, feedback, and future milestones.
 - Total of 61 attendees over all 5 meetings
 - Survey comments from meetings mostly on Flood Prone Areas (35)
 - 38 total comments received
 - Public meetings series also upcoming for draft RFP
 - Tim Buscha commented regarding consideration of additional outreach/engagement. Per FNI, there will be additional rounds of public meetings.
 - Reminder of July 2nd FMX deadline
 - Discussion regarding more effective communication methods.

AGENDA ITEM 12: Discussion on Date/Time/Location of Future Planning Group Meetings

Discussion/Action Items:

- The next three meetings will be held at United Way of Greater Houston:
 - August 18, 2026
 - September 8, 2026
 - November 10, 2026
- Members were reminded to send alternates if they cannot attend.

AGENDA ITEM 13: Consider Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Discussion/Action Items:

- Next Meeting: Tuesday August 18th at 9:00 AM.

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- Item 6 (Officer Elections) can be removed from agenda.
- Item 4 (TWDB Updates) may or may not be removed but will be done in advance of meeting.
- Technical Committee and Public Engagement Committee Reports
- Technical Consultant should speak on memorandum and any other new activities.

AGENDA ITEM 14: Public Comments

- Sally Bakko – Observation on Nature Based Solutions manual; grateful for the hybrid approach in consideration regarding flooding, especially in Galveston area. Just completed a GLO-funded beach project, another is in planning stages.
- Ralph De Leon – Thanking group for service and expressed appreciation for Kingwood meeting with Bob Rehak.

AGENDA ITEM 15: Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at **10:17 AM**.
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Timothy E. Buscha, Chair

Erwin Burden, Secretary

ITEM 6

Liaison Reports Pertaining to Other Region(s) Progress and Status and other Related Entities:

- a. Trinity Region**
- b. Neches Region**
- c. Lower Brazos Region**
- d. Region H Water**
- e. Gulf Coast Protection District (GCPD)**

ITEM 7

Presentation by the GLO River Basin Flood Study
consultant team



GLO River Basin Flood Studies (RBFS)

San Jacinto RFBG Update

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Central Region Team



Ashley Poe
PROJECT MANAGER
Freese and Nichols



Mark Pauls
TECHNICAL ADVISOR
Freese and Nichols



Will Parker
OUTREACH SPECIALIST
H2O Partners



GLO Representatives



Shonda Mace
MANAGER

Community Revitalization and Development



Krystle Haney
PROJECT MANAGER

Community Revitalization and Development



Skyler LeVrier
PROJECT MANAGER

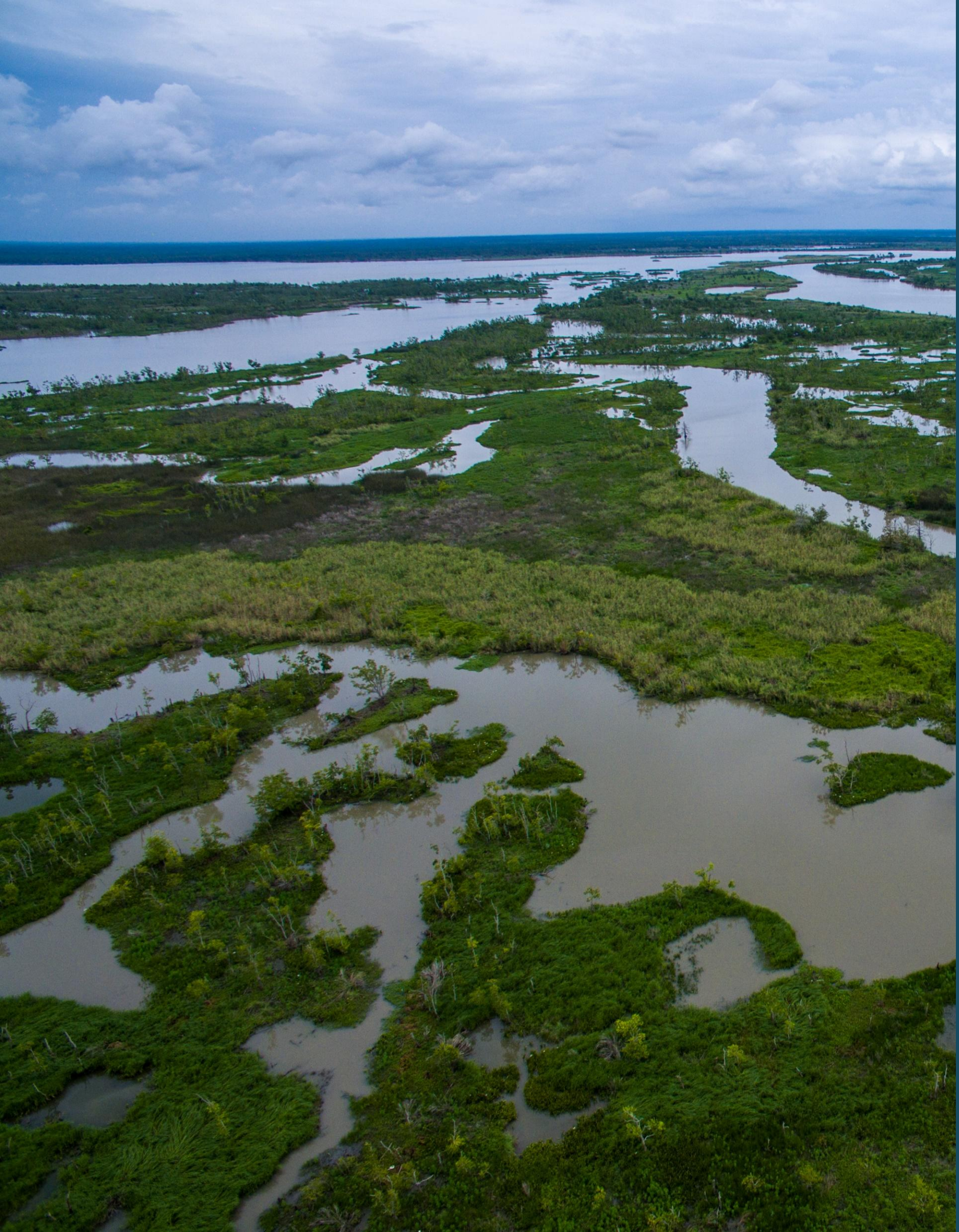
Community Revitalization and Development



Melissa Washington
IGR REPRESENTATIVE
Community Revitalization and Development

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Agenda

- Study Overview
- Study Phasing & TWDB/GLO Coordination Recap
- Proposed Mitigation Alternatives in Region 6
- Funding & Technical Assistance
- Next Steps



GLO's River Basin Flood Studies (RBFS)

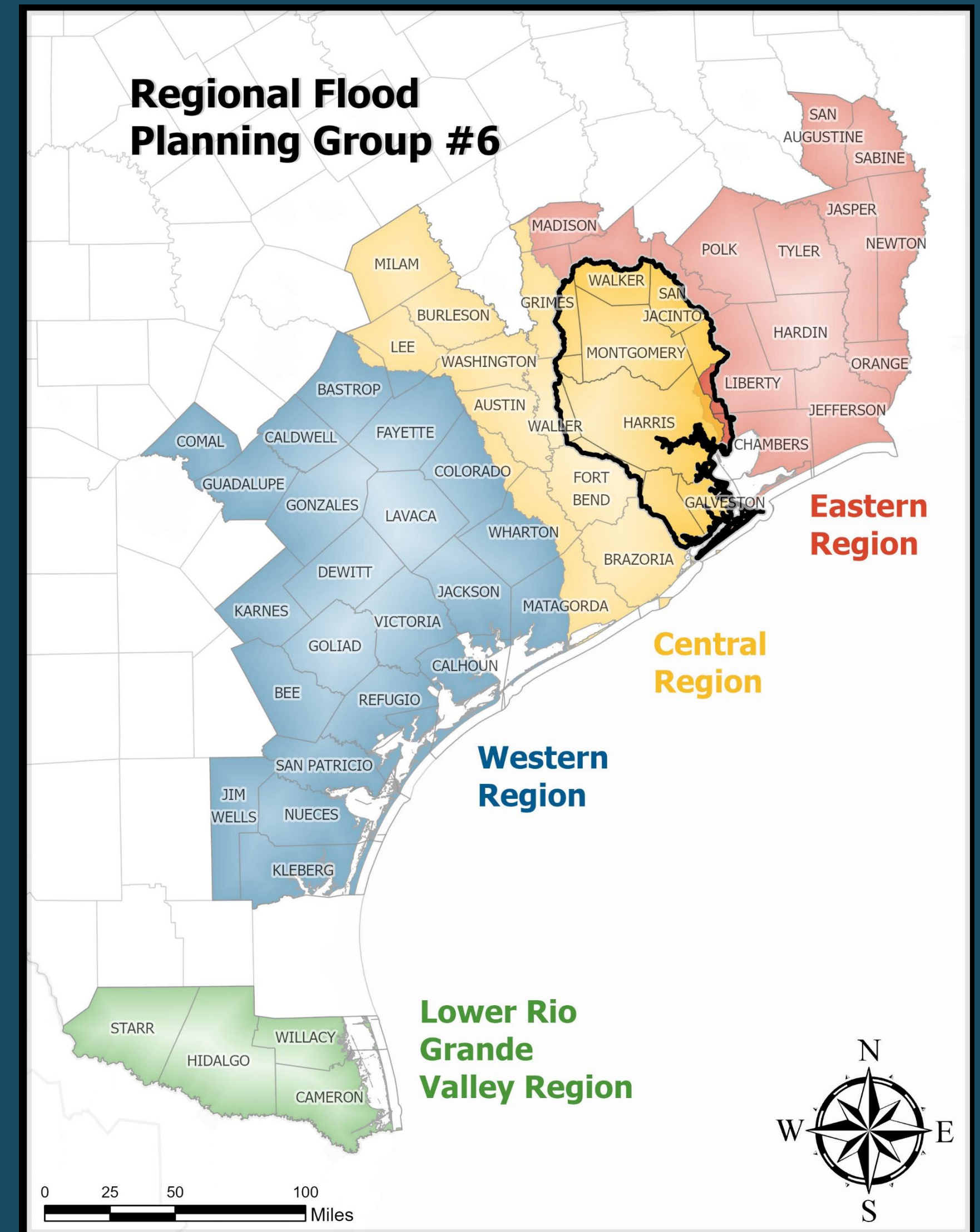
The Texas General Land Office (GLO) initiated the RBFS to provide declared disaster-impacted counties with flood modeling that identifies flooding hotspots and supports project development. The goals for the flood study are to:

- Develop modeling to support flood mitigation and understanding of flood risk
- Identify large-scale or regional flood projects that strengthen the resilience of our communities
- Align identified projects with funding opportunities

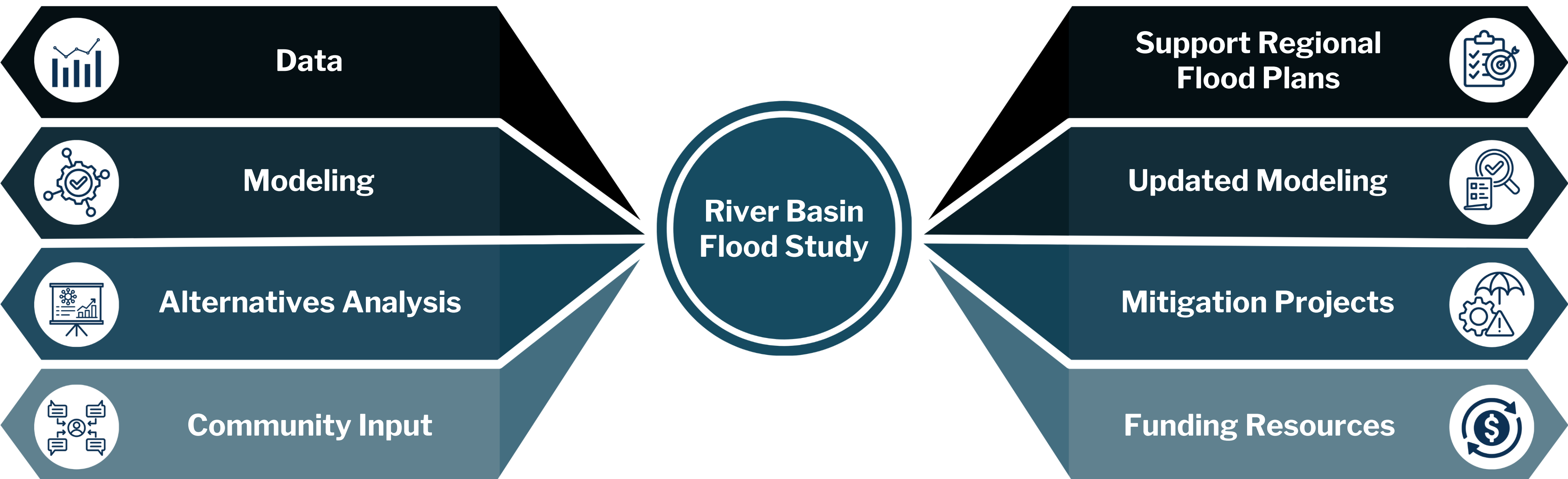
This is a one-time planning effort, and the data produced by RBFS will also be used to support current and future Texas State Regional Flood Plans.



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Study Outcomes



Data Transfers



Transfer Data to/from RFPGs

Phase 1



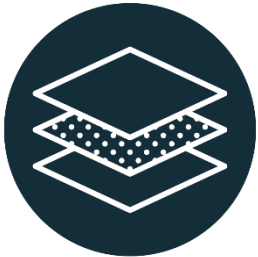
Stakeholder Outreach

Phase 2



Data Collection

Phase 3



Evaluation of Flood Risk
(Baseline Modeling)

Phase 4

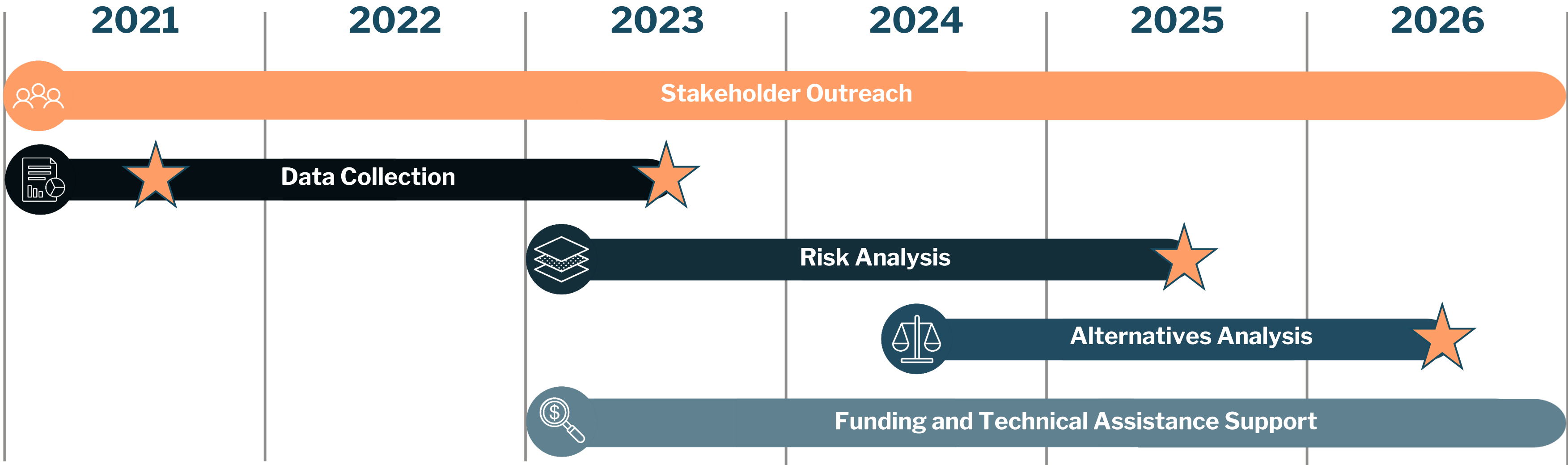


Alternative Analysis and
Project Identification

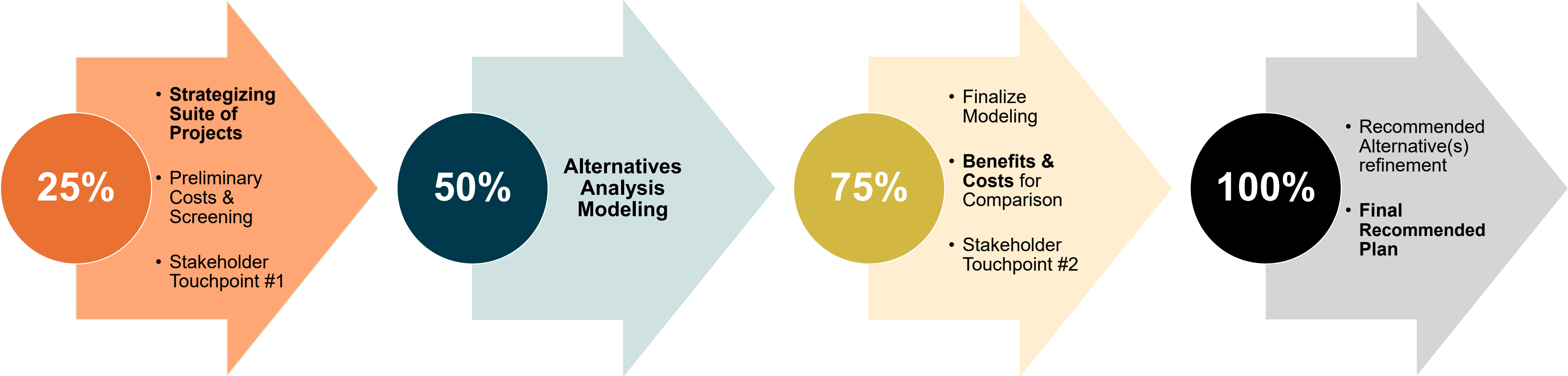
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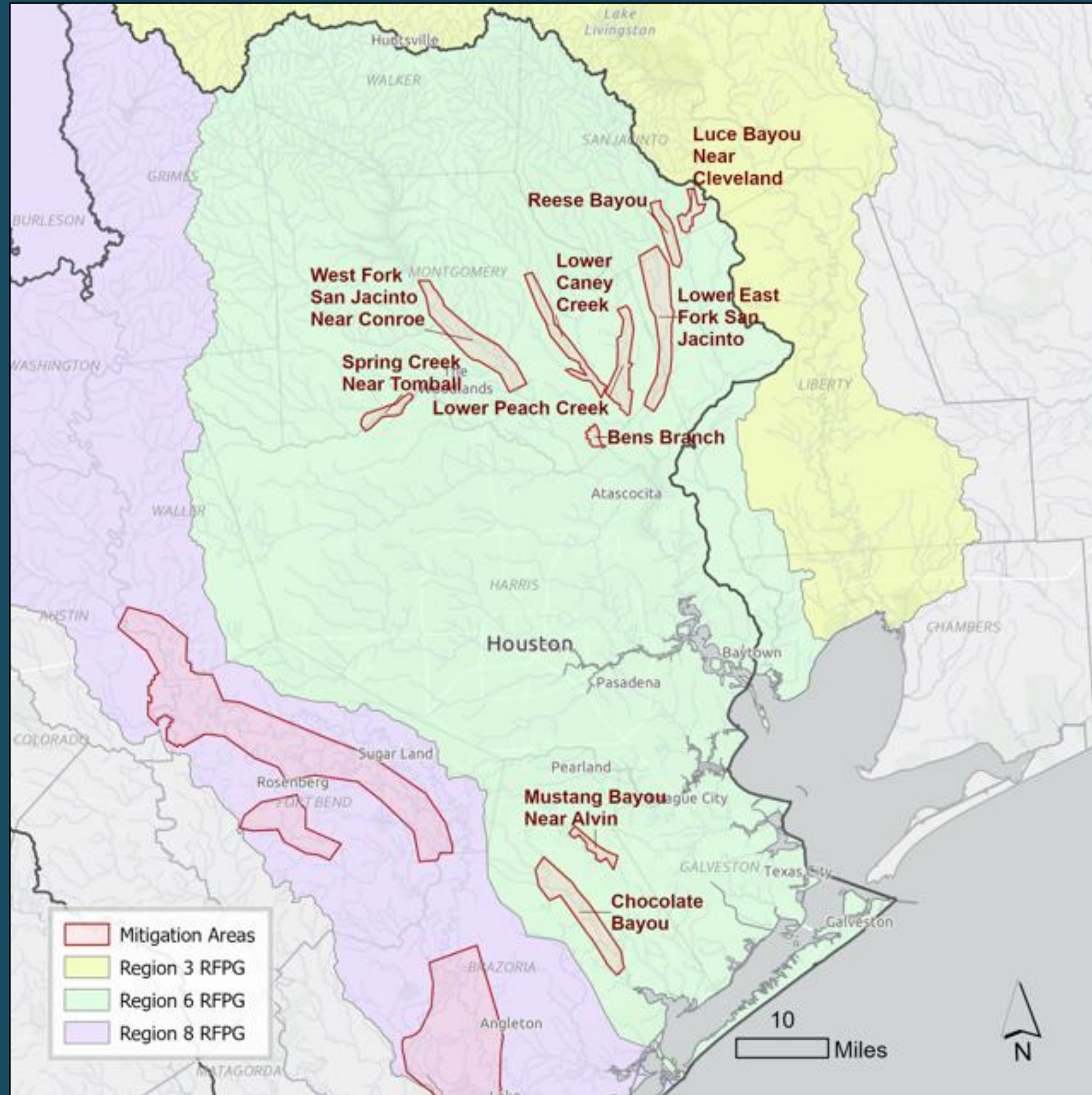
Funding and Technical
Assistance Support



Alternatives Analysis Overview



Region 6: San Jacinto RFPG Mitigation Areas



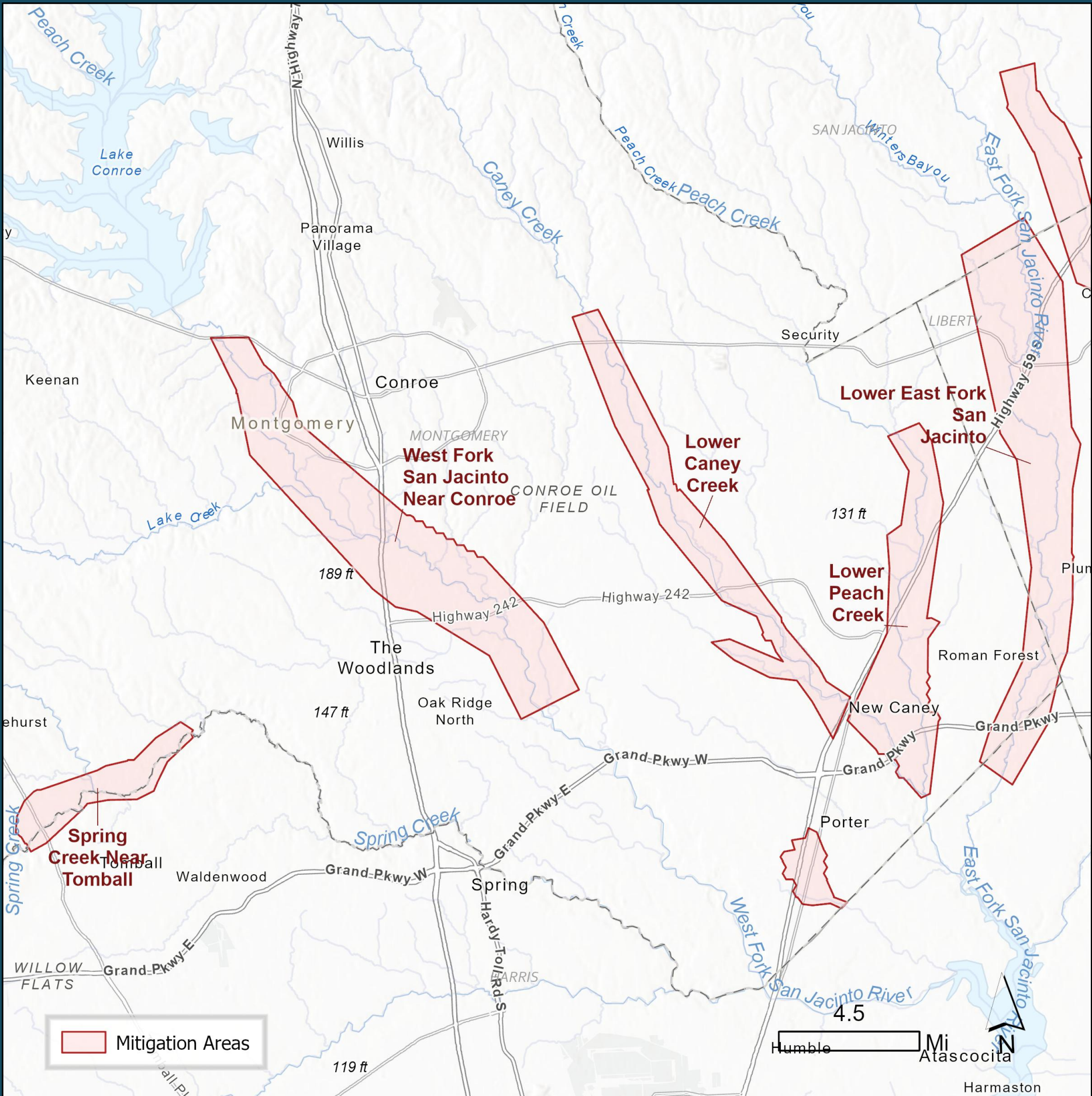
- 10 Mitigation Areas in Region 6
- Transferred Final Submittals to RFPG Technical Consultant July 2, 2026
- Yielded 10 recommended FMXs
- Coordinating with Sponsors on Recommendations



Upper San Jacinto Watershed Mitigation Areas

- Leveraged Previous Studies
 - San Jacinto regional Watershed Master Drainage Plan (2020)
 - Spring Creek Feasibility Study (2025)
 - **Enhanced previous recommendations**

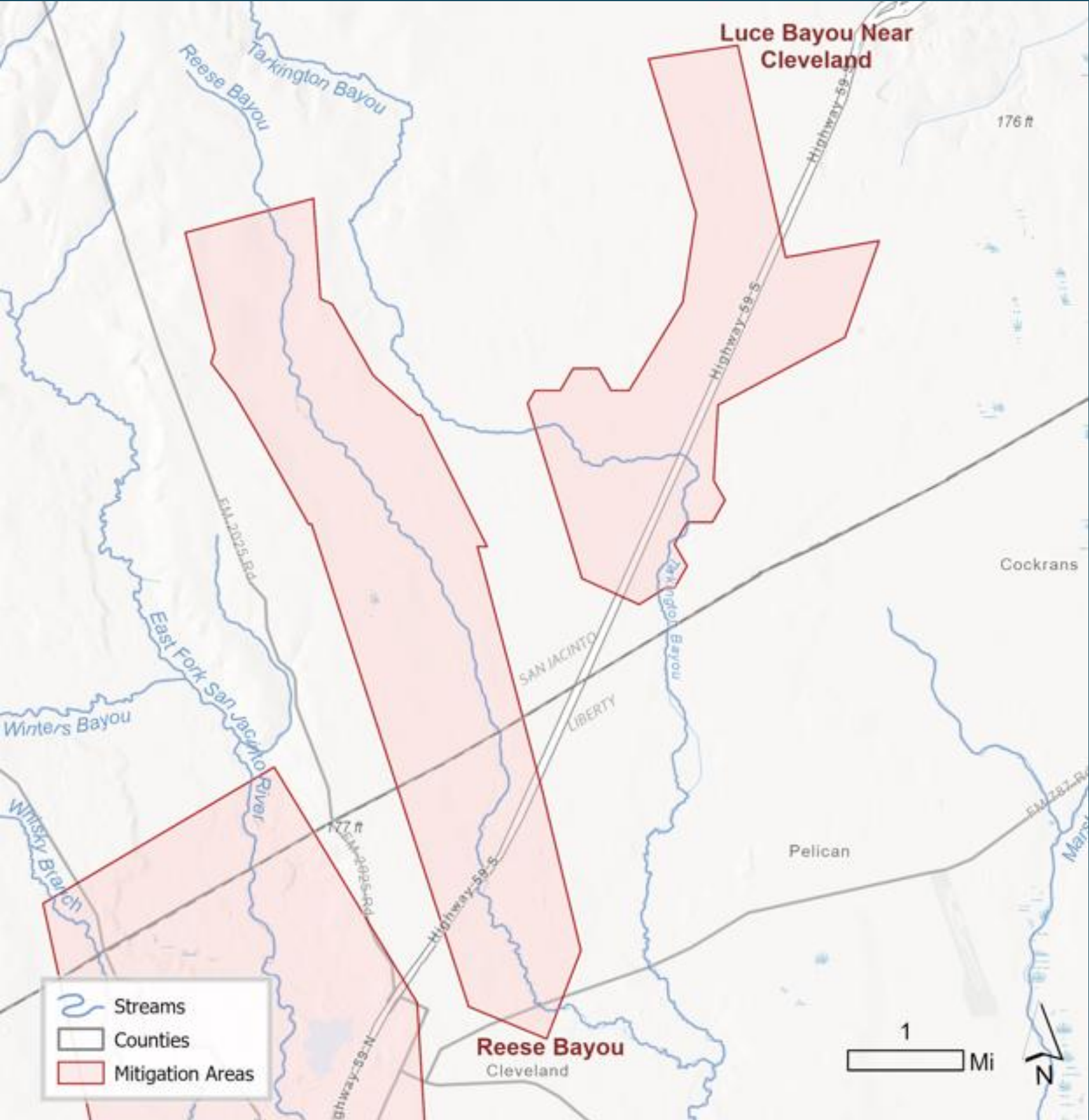
Coordinating Stakeholders	
Montgomery County	City of Conroe
Liberty County	City of Plum Grove
Grimes County	City of Cleveland
SJRA	City of Tomball
HCFCFCD / HCED	City of Todd Mission
H-GAC	City of Shenandoah
River Plantation MUD	Port of Houston



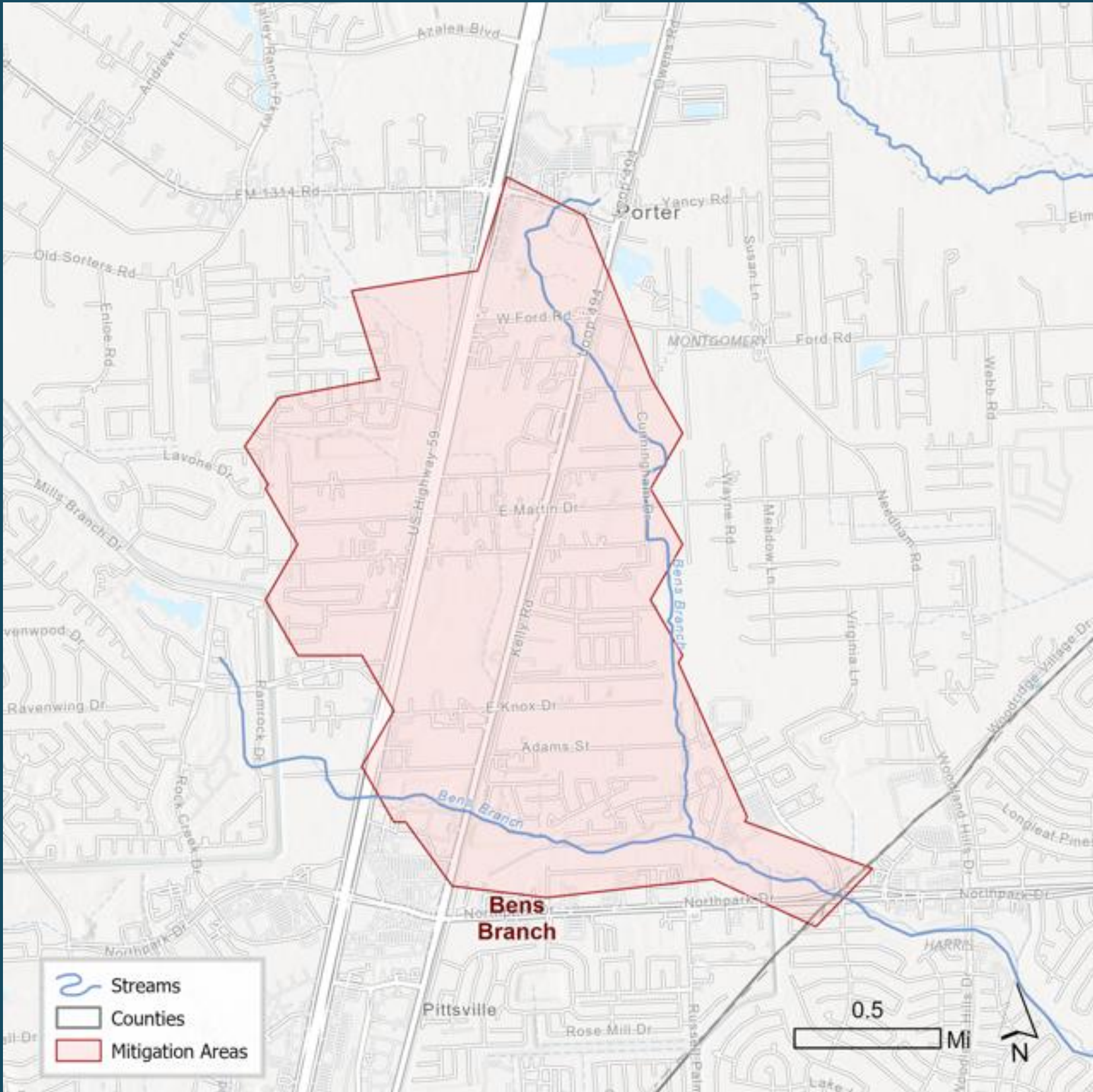
Reese Bayou and Luce Bayou Mitigation Areas

- Leveraged Previous Studies
 - San Jacinto Regional Watershed Master Drainage Plan (2020) for boundary conditions
 - **New projects identified**

Coordinating Stakeholders	
Montgomery County	City of Cleveland
Liberty County	SJRA
H-GAC	



Bens Branch Mitigation Area

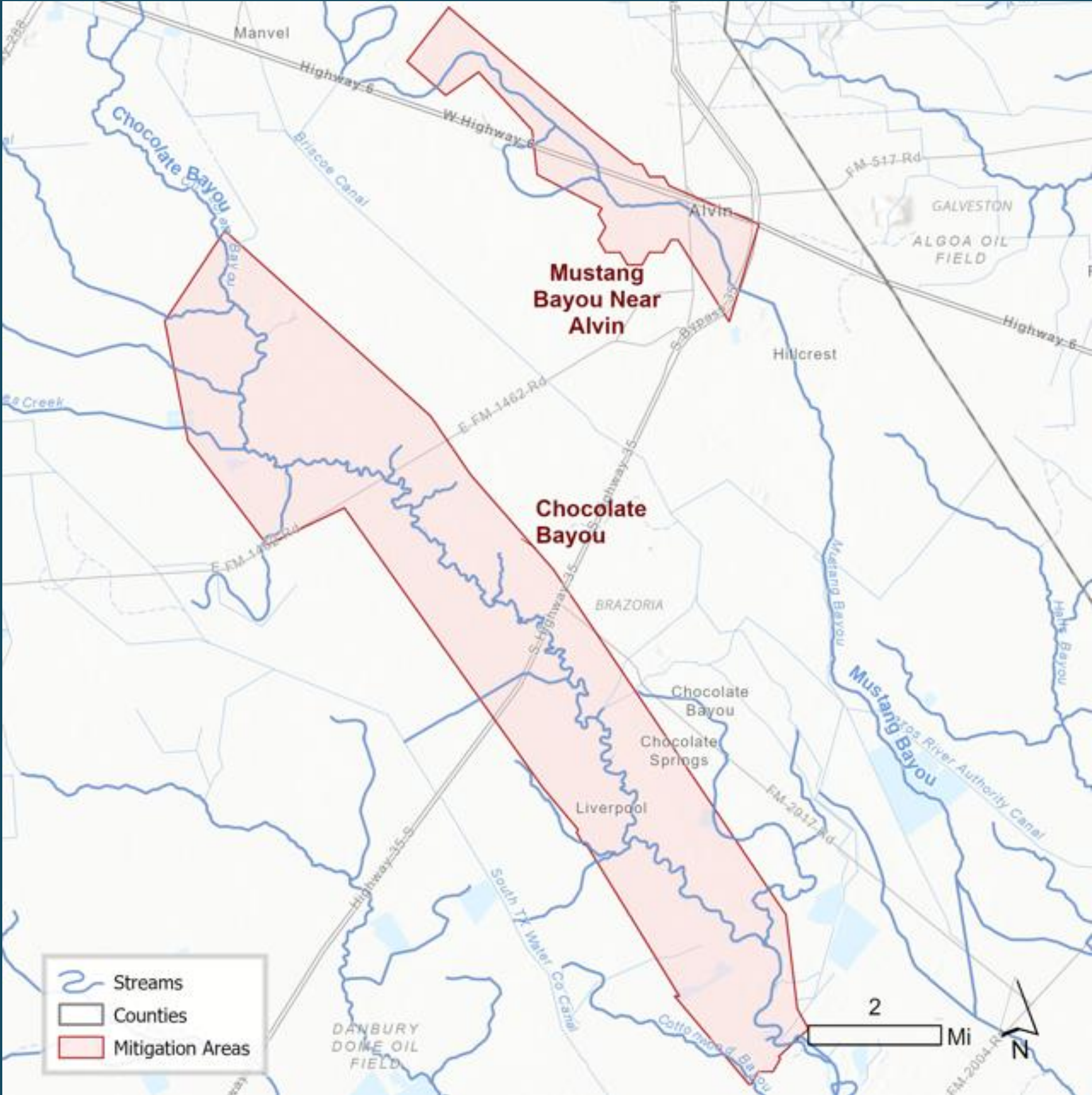


- Leveraged Previous Studies:
 - Kingwood Diversion Ditch (ongoing)
 - **New project identified**
- Extended study into Montgomery County

Coordinating Stakeholders	
Montgomery County	Porter MUD
HCFCFCD / HCFCD	Port of Houston
H-GAC	



Chocolate Bayou and Mustang Bayou Mitigation Areas



- Leveraged Previous Studies
 - GLO RBFS Baseline Modeling
 - **New Projects Identified**

Coordinating Stakeholders	
Brazoria County	City of Alvin
Brazoria County Conservation and Reclamation District 3	Port Freeport



Recommended Projects Summary

Mitigation Area	Recommended Project	Cost	Benefit	BCR	Risk Reductions in 1% AEP Event
Spring Creek Near Tomball	Birch Creek Detention and I-45 Floodplain Benching	\$308.3M	\$734.7M	2.4	• 746 Structures • 21.1 Miles of Roadway
West Fork San Jacinto	Garrett's Creek Reservoir with WFSJ Benching	\$715.6M	\$1.2B	1.7	• 896 Structures • 33.8 Miles of Roadway
Lower Caney Creek	Detention Pond near SH 105 and Dry Creek Channel Improvements	\$321.6M	\$634.2M	2	• 2,187 Structures • 14.8 Miles of Roadway
Lower Peach Creek	Walker Rd Detention and I-69 Channelization	\$316.9M	\$607.5M	1.9	• 345 Structures • 241.5 Miles of Roadway
Lower East Fork San Jacinto	Winters Bayou Detention Basin	\$248.5M	\$176.6M	0.7	• 348 Structures • 25.2 Miles of Roadway
Reese Bayou	Detention Pond upstream of Oak Forest Ranchettes & Conveyance Improvements within neighborhood	\$28.4M	\$24.9M	0.9	• 12 Structures • 1.75 Miles of Roadway
Luce Bayou	Detention and Diversion concepts west of SH 59	\$37M	\$21.2M	0.6	• 7 Structures • 0.77 Miles of Roadway
Mustang Bayou	Channel benching, detention in upstream portion of Alvin	\$24.5M	\$28M	1.1	• 15 Structures • 0.3 Miles of Roadway
Chocolate Bayou	Wolf Creek and Oak Bend Detention, Lower Chocolate Bayou Conveyance Improvements	\$348.7M	\$360.5M	1	• 165 Structures • 5.8 Miles of Roadway
Ben's Branch	Two Diversion Channels connecting Bens Branch Tributary 2 to Bentwood Diversion Channel	\$34.3M	\$19M	0.6	• 359 Structures • 2.8 Miles of Roadway



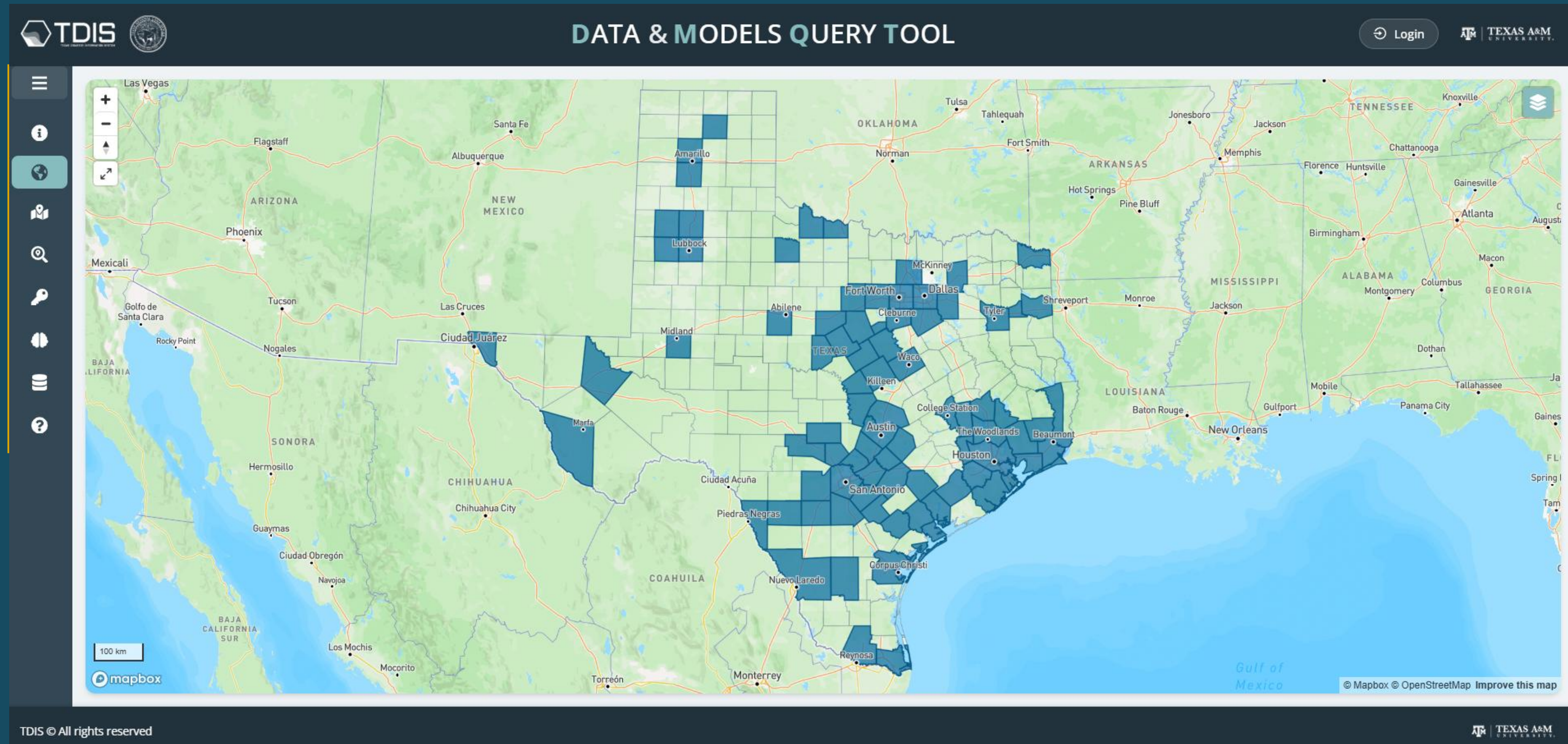
Data & Models Query Tool (DMQT)

Flood Models Available to Download Now!

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Click on county of interest
(example: Montgomery County)

Choose model/data
to preview

Montgomery County

- RBFS Alternative Analysis**
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- Central_UpperSanJacinto_HEC-HMSv4.3_AltAnalysis**
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Alternative Analysis

AI Summary

General Information

Contact Information

Baseline Model:

External Model

HUC:

1204010202

County:

Montgomery, Harris

City:

Tomball

Model Description:

This is a hydraulic HEC-RAS (version 5.0.7) model for the Spring Creek Mitigation Area. This model was developed by the Central Region team for the Texas General Land Office's River Basin Flood Study during Phase 4 of the study.

Model Purpose:

The enclosed hydrologic and hydraulic models, final report, benefit-cost data, GIS data, and project recommendation(s) were developed for the Texas General Land Office (GLO) for its Regional River Basin Flood Study (RBFS) project. The

N/A * - Not Available/Not Applicable/Not Specified

Map of model boundary

Model Files Listing

Available Files for Download

Complete Model Package

SpringCreek_Final_Zip_Folder_100.zip

103.28 GB

Model Results

Results.zip

2 KB

Reports

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77.6 MB

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Spatial Data

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RBFS Study Next Steps



Completion of Alternatives Analysis/Data
Transfer to RFPGs

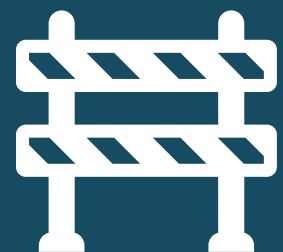
Funding and Technical Assistance



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Study-Wide Activities

- Flood Early Warning System/Gauge Network Enhancement Recommendations
- MATCH Tool Training
- Education materials and Trainings



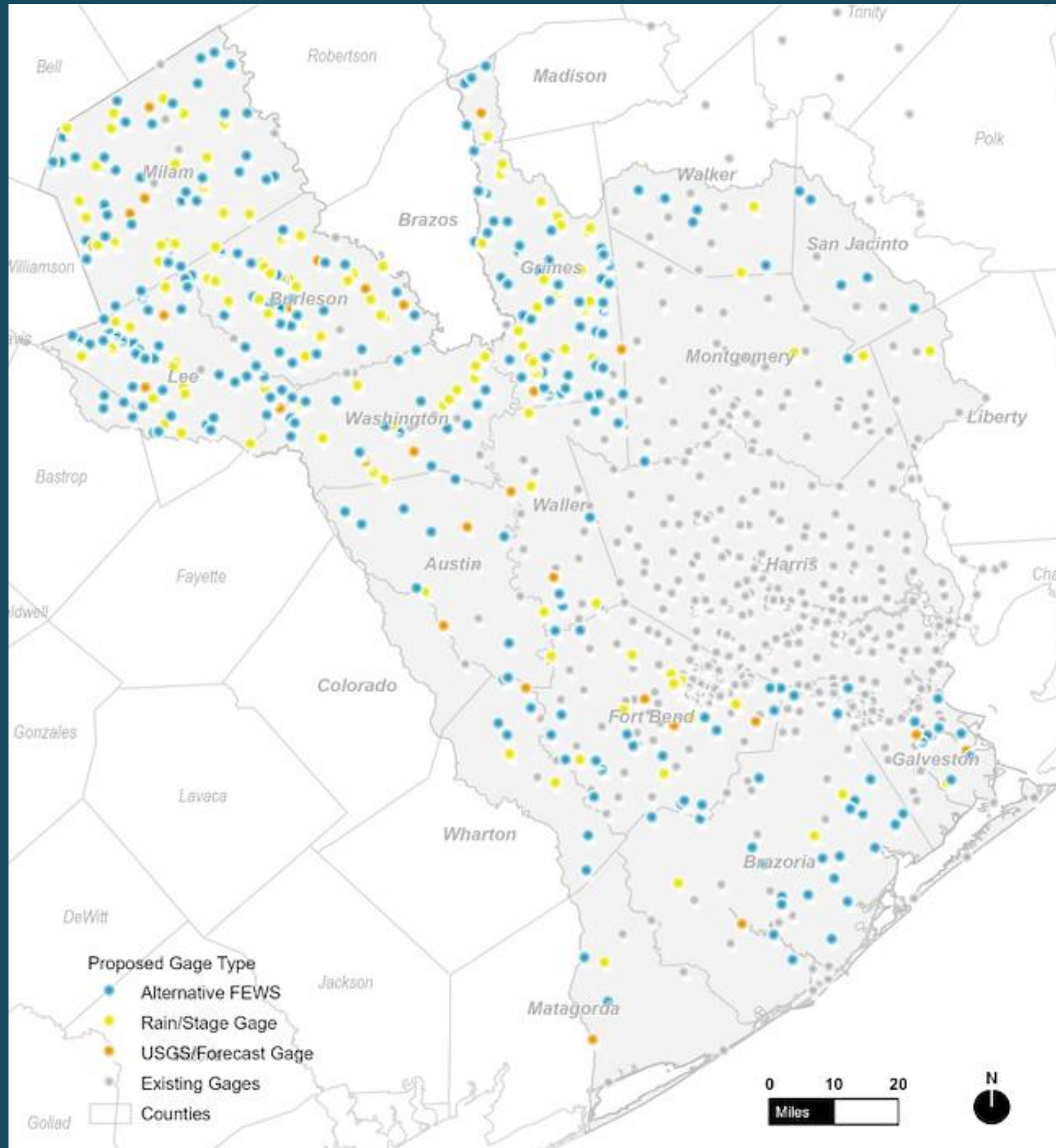
Activities to Advance Projects

Recommendations for boosting eligibility and competitiveness

- Sponsorship & Champions
- Identification of Co-Benefits
- Project Funding Strategies



Funding & Technical Assistance



- Flood Early Warning System/Gauge Network Enhancement Recommendations include:
 - Alternatives FEWS
 - Rainfall/Stage gage locations
 - USGS Forecasting gage locations
- Delivering to potential sponsors along with recommended projects
- Potential Flood Management Strategies (FMSs) to support development of 2028 RFPs



Mitigation Assistance for Tailoring Choices (MATCH) Tool

Available to use Now!

The MATCH Tool's objective is to align unfunded or concept mitigation projects with funding sources.

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MATCH

Welcome to the Mitigation Assistance for Tailoring Choices (MATCH) Tool. This tool aims to support communities pursuing flood mitigation and resilience projects.



Funding Opportunities

View and compare available sources of funding for flood mitigation projects.



Projects

Discover funded structural and non-structural flood mitigation projects across Texas.



Application Insights

Generate insights and suggestions for your funding and project match.



Resources

Explore resources to support application development and answer frequently asked questions.

MATCH

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QUESTIONS?

Contact the GLO RBFS Team by email at
glofloodstudies.central@recovery.texas.gov

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ITEM 8

SJRFPG – Technical Committee Report

ITEM 9

SJRFPG –Public Engagement Committee Report

ITEM 10

Update on the 2028 Planning Cycle including discussion and possible action to approve the FMX process to identify and minimum data standards under Task 4A

Technical Consultant Update



SAN JACINTO REGIONAL FLOOD PLANNING GROUP

REGION 6

August 18, 2026

Agenda

- Draft SFY 26-27 FIF IUP
 - Draft Chapter 3
 - Task 4A: Identification of FMXs for the 2028 RFP !
 - Task 5A: Recommending FMXs
 - Task 8: Administrative, Regulatory, & Legislative Recommendations
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Draft SFY 2026-27 FIF IUP

- May 13, 2026: Draft IUP released
- June 12, 2026: End of Public Comment Period
 - SJRFPG submitted public comments
- Report on changes from last FIF



- Removal of Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) from the Minimum Requirements of FMPs.
- No single entity will be able to receive financial assistance for more than two abridged application requests within a single FIF category (minor exceptions included)
- TWDB will initially bypass ranked projects in order to invite at least one FMX from each regional flood planning group within each category, as funding permits.
- Funding caps will apply to grants, loans, and in-kind funding terms within each category.
- Grant qualifiers and grant percentages were changed.

Draft Chapter 3

- Draft Chapter 3 posted to website under Meetings page
 - Continuation of documentation effort from Tech Memo
 - Task 3A - Evaluation and Recommendations on Floodplain Management Practices
 - Task 3B - Flood Mitigation Needs Analysis
 - Task 3C - Flood Mitigation and Floodplain Management Goals
- Review and comments requested by September 8th to SJRFPG.TechCon@freese.com

CHAPTER 3 – FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AND FLOOD PROTECTION GOALS AUGUST 2026

CHAPTER 3. FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AND FLOOD PROTECTION GOALS

The overarching goal of all RFPs must be “to protect against the loss of life and property” as set forth in the Guidance Principles, 31 TAC §362.3. This includes the need to:

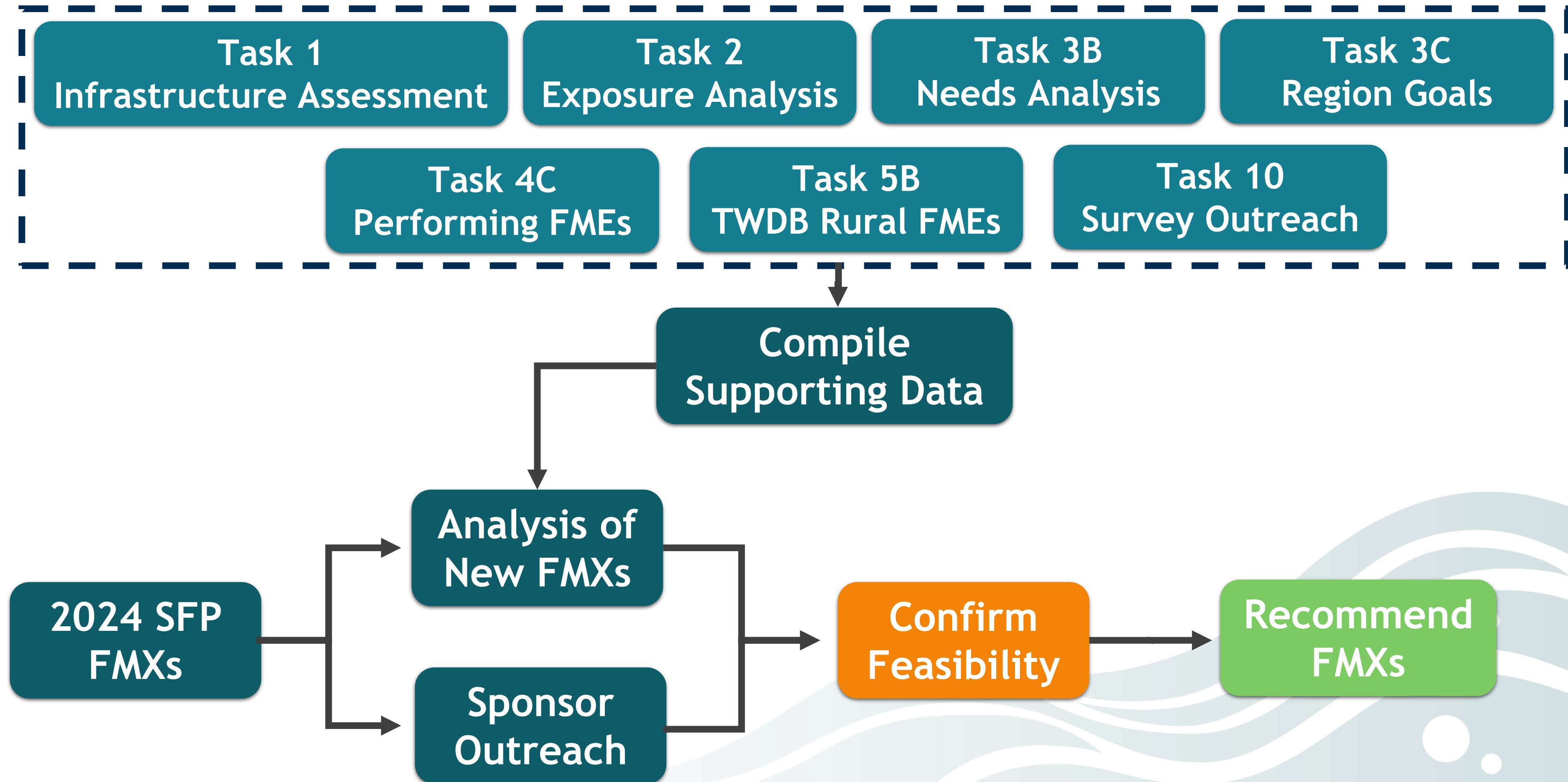
1. Identify and reduce the risk and impact to life and property that already exists, and
2. Avoid increasing or creating new flood risk by addressing future development within the areas known to have existing or future flood risk.

The San Jacinto Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG) was tasked with evaluating and recommending floodplain management practices, Task 3A, flood mitigation needs, Task 3B, and flood protection goals, Task 3C, within the region. This chapter describes the processes undertaken by the RFPG to achieve these tasks and summarizes the outcomes of this task.

Chapter 3.A. Evaluation and Recommendations on Floodplain Management Practices

Floodplain management practices are crucial to accomplishing these objectives at regional and local levels. Institutional support for floodplain management comes in multiple forms from the state and local level. Local institutional support includes adequate budgeting for the floodplain administration office, general support from governing boards, departmental support from local public works and finance. Regional and state institutional support comes in the form of agency cooperation, guidance and information sharing, technical guidance on complex matters and general political support. External professional support for floodplain management practices typically comes in the form of professional engineers, surveyors, insurance professionals, environmental planners, and technicians. These subject matter experts are often relied on to provide the technical materials and understanding to properly complete floodplain development permit applications and execute their requirements. The relative number and availability of qualified professionals plays an important role in the efficiency of regulatory compliance.

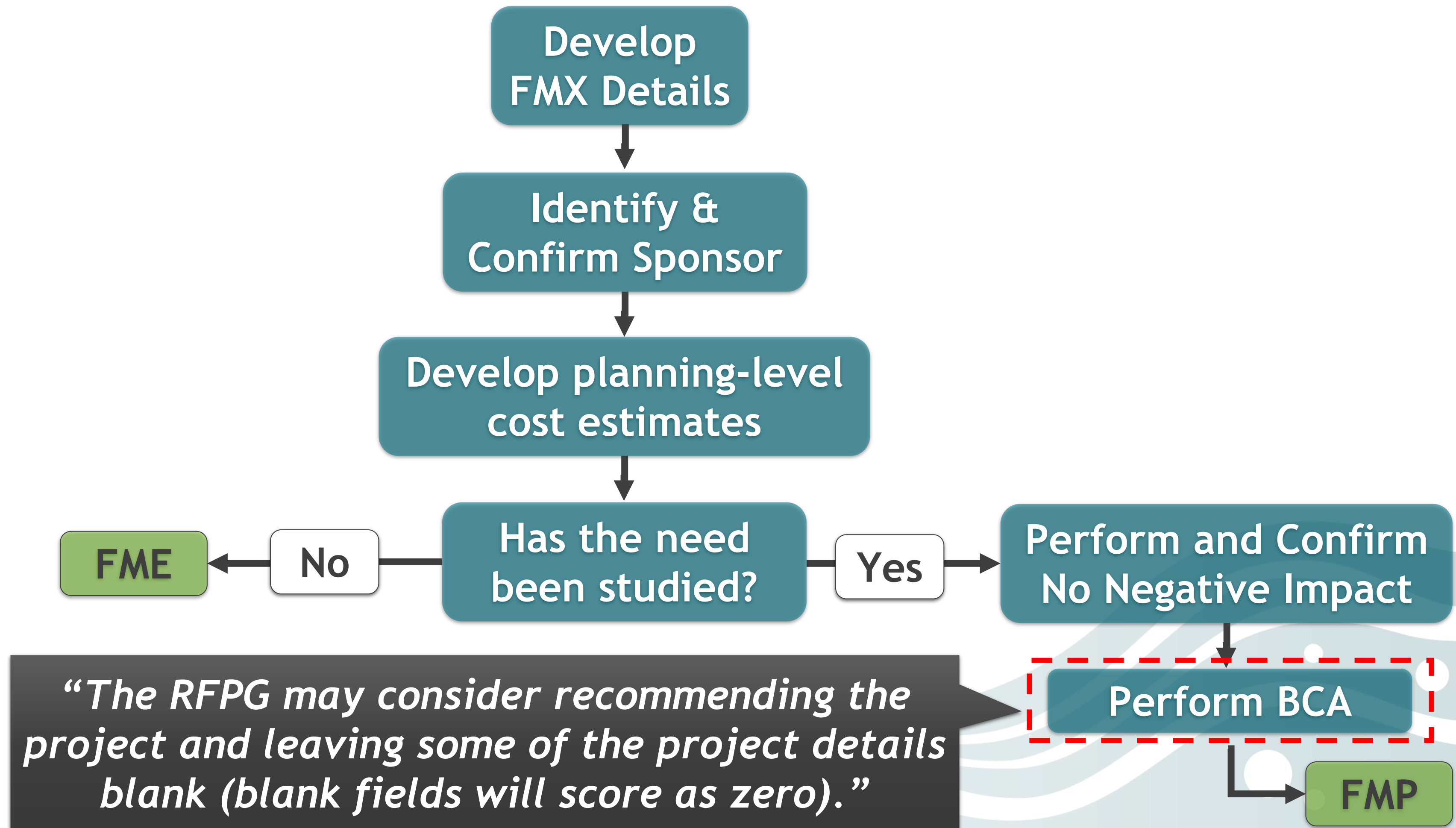
Identification of FMXs for the 2028 RFP



Recommending FMXs

- Overall
 - Not completed
 - Support specific RFPG flood mitigation and/or goals.
 - FMEs
 - High probability to result in identification of feasible FMSs and FMPs
 - Clear what additional studies and funds to support them are needed to adequately evaluate all flood prone areas
 - FMPs
 - Primary function must be flood risk reduction and they must include quantifiable flood risk reduction benefits.
 - FMSs
 - Provide measurable reductions in flood impacts
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RFPG Requirements

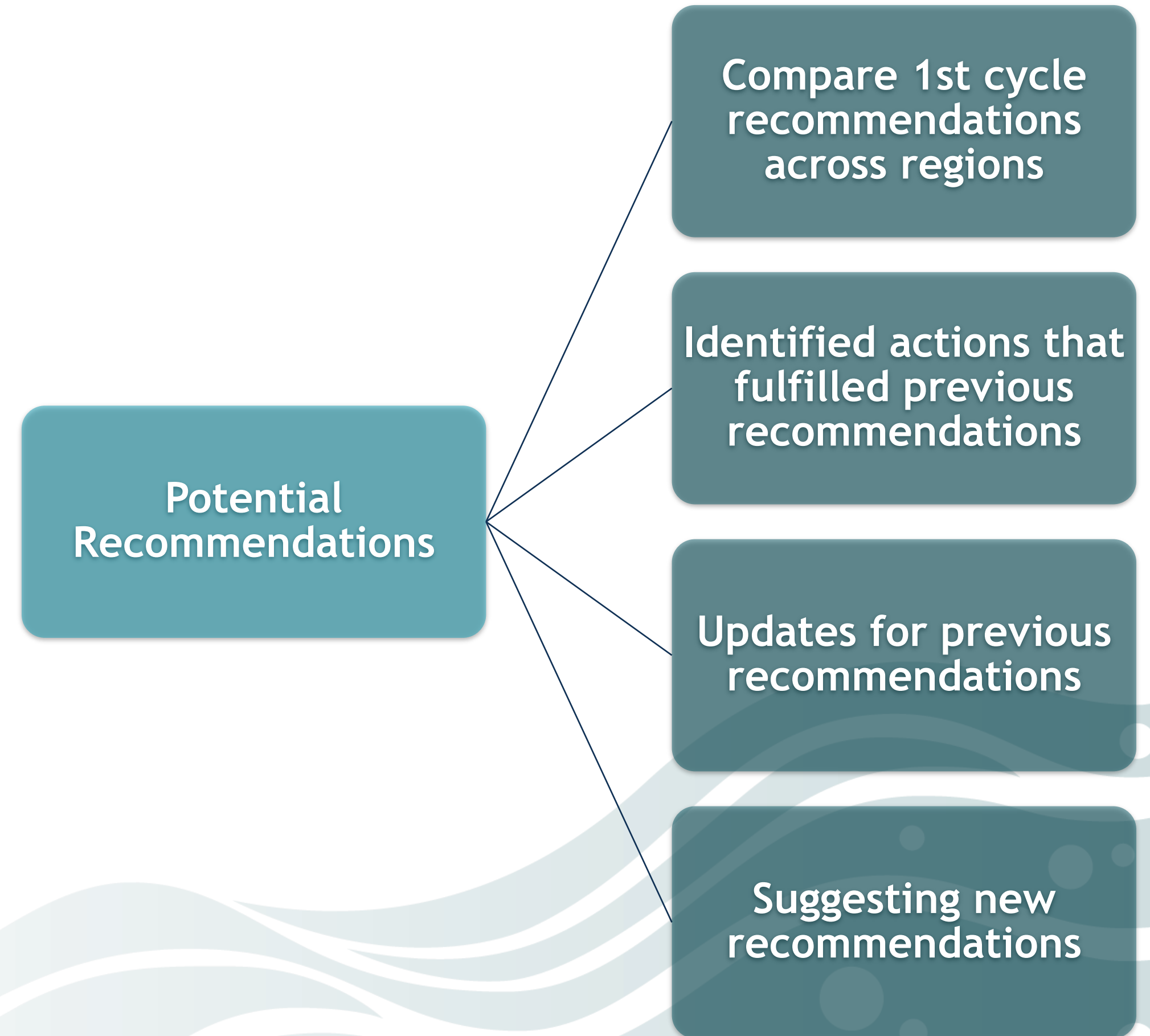


Updates to FMXs

- ~91 FMEs
 - 41 through Sponsor Outreach
 - 31 through the review of DMPs, HMPs, etc
 - 9 added through Needs Analysis (Task 3B)
 - 10 through GLO RBFS
- ~87 FMPs
 - 42 through Sponsor Outreach
 - 31 through the review of DMPs, HMPs, etc
 - 9 elevated through Task 4C
 - 5 to be elevated through FME Program
- ~21 FMSs
 - 3 through Sponsor Outreach
 - 18 through the review of DMPs, HMPs, etc
- 2024 SFP FMXs
 - Ongoing coordination with existing FMX sponsors to continue to recommend or update

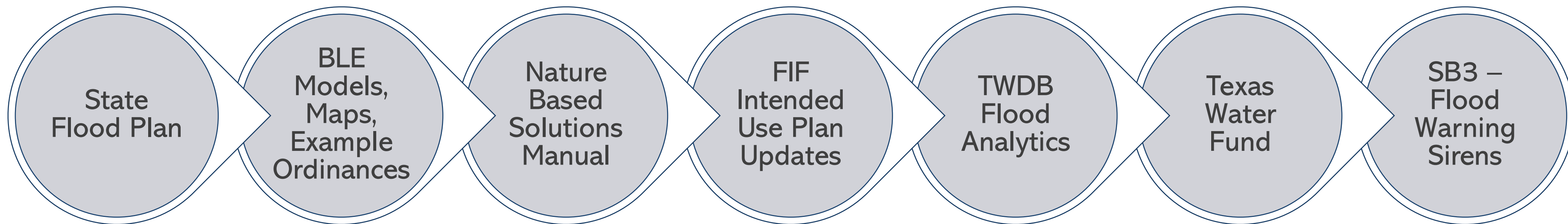
Task 8: Administrative, Regulatory, & Legislative Recommendations

- Legislative, regulatory or administrative recommendations to facilitate floodplain management and flood mitigation planning and implementation
- Other recommendations that the RFPG believes are needed to achieve its goals
- Recommendations regarding potential, new revenue-raising opportunities



Task 8: Administrative, Regulatory, & Legislative Recommendations

Changes since 1st cycle recommendations



Task 8: Administrative, Regulatory, & Legislative Recommendations

- 4 First Cycle
- 4 Moved from Reg/Admin per SFP
- 12 New Items

Legislative

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- 10 First Cycle
- 2 New Items

Reg/Admin

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- 1 Completed
- 5 First Cycle
- 2 New Items

Flood Planning

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See supplemental handout. Review and comments requested by September 8th to SJRFPG.TechCon@freese.com

Meeting	Milestone/Action
Sept 2026	RFPG Meeting Task 8 – Legislative Recommendations – <i>Action Needed</i> Presentation of Chapter 7 documentation
Nov 2026	RFPG Meeting Presentation of Chapter 4, 8 documentation FMX list to recommend – <i>Action Needed</i>
2027	RFPG Meetings Presentation of Chapter 5, 6, 9, 10 documentation Public Meeting on Draft RFP
May 26, 2027	Draft 2028 RFP Due

Future
Meeting Dates
& Content



ITEM 11

SJRFPG – Nomination of new Voting Member.

ITEM 12

Consider Agenda items for Next Meeting

ITEM 13

Public Comments – Limit 3 Minutes Per Person

ITEM 14

Adjournment