

**“Current Parks and  
Preserves in Comal County  
&  
Local Government Roles”**

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**Facts & Issues: Land-Use Planning  
in Comal County  
Impacts of Growth—Time for Action**


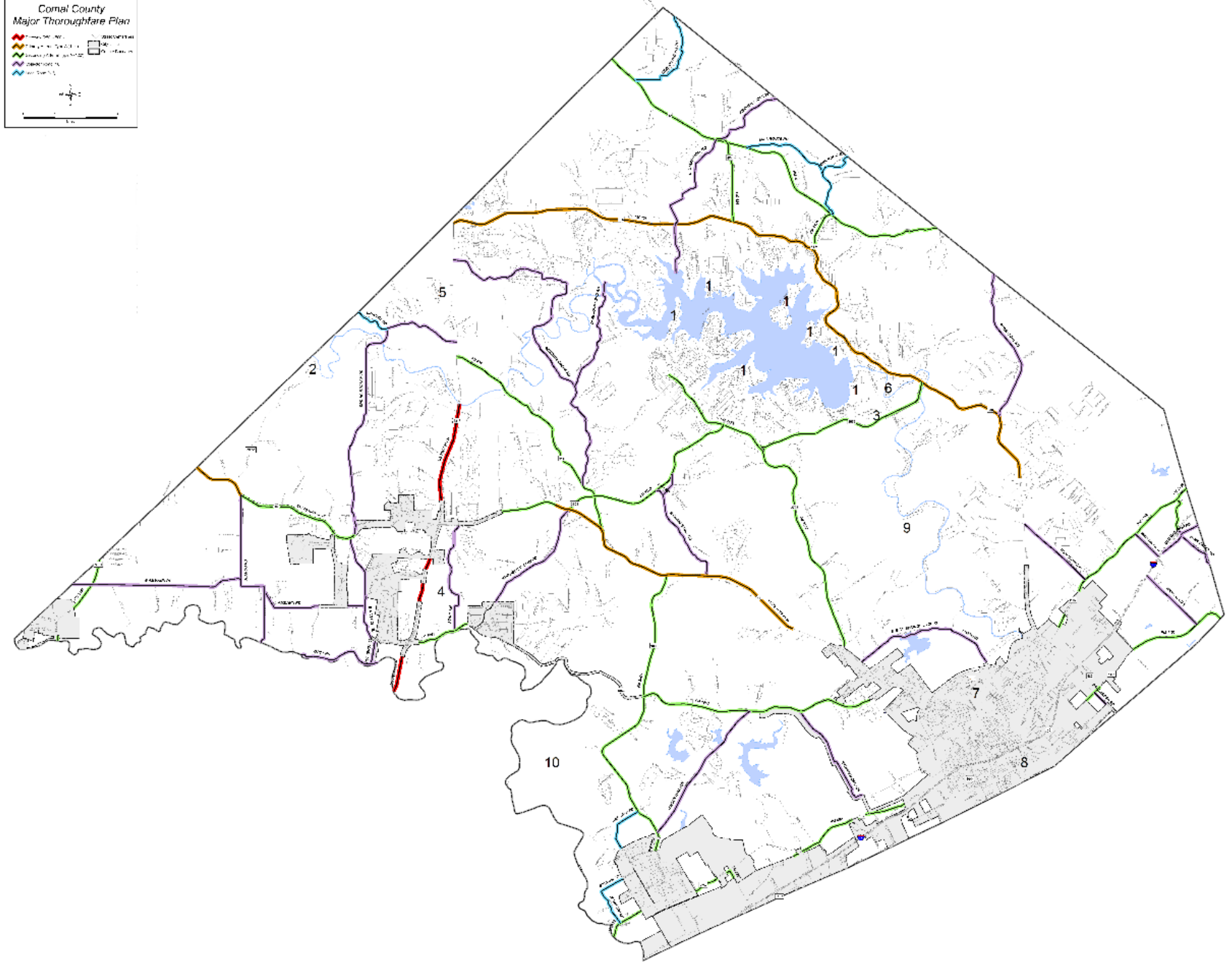
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Major Thoroughfare Plan**

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# Landa Park


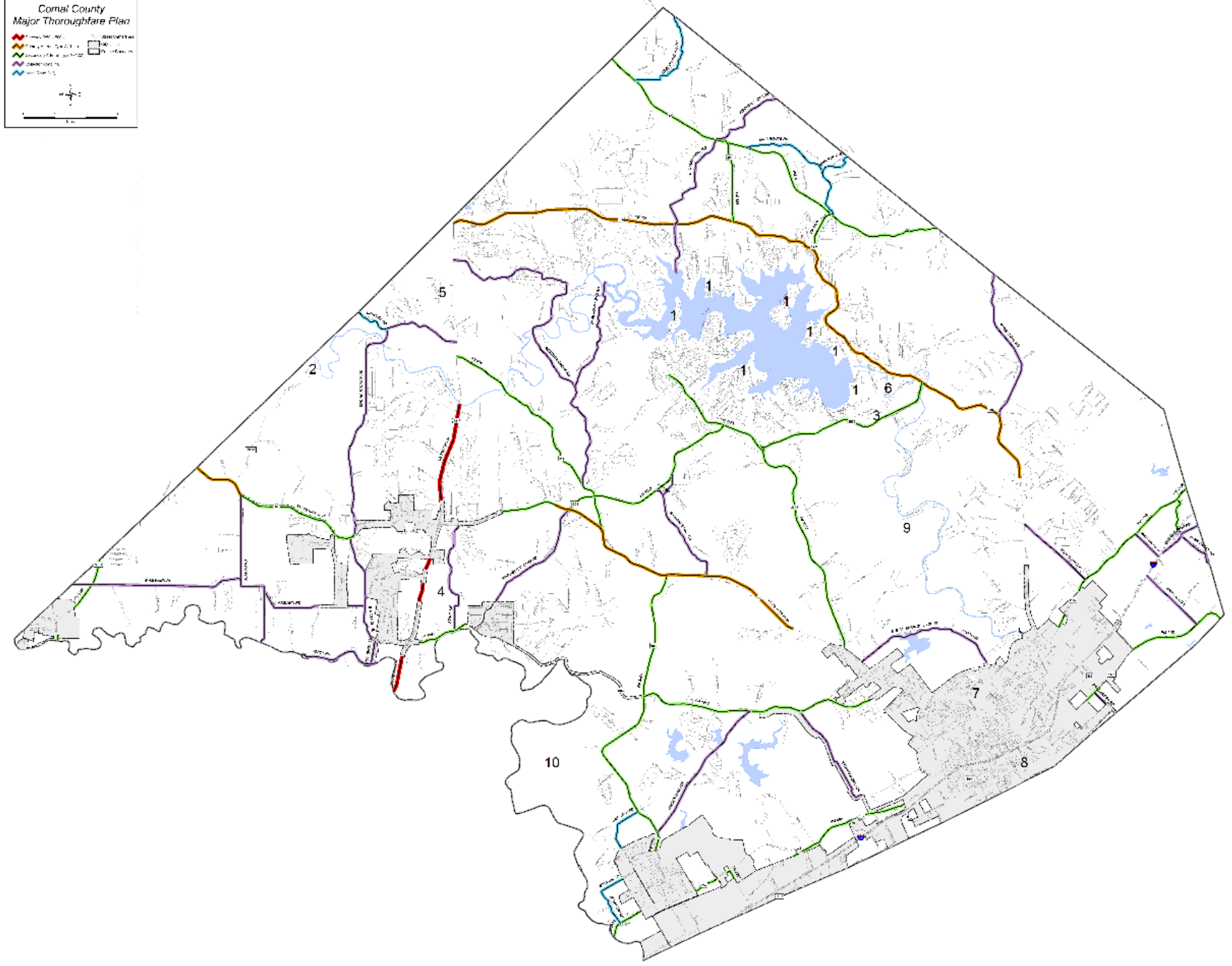




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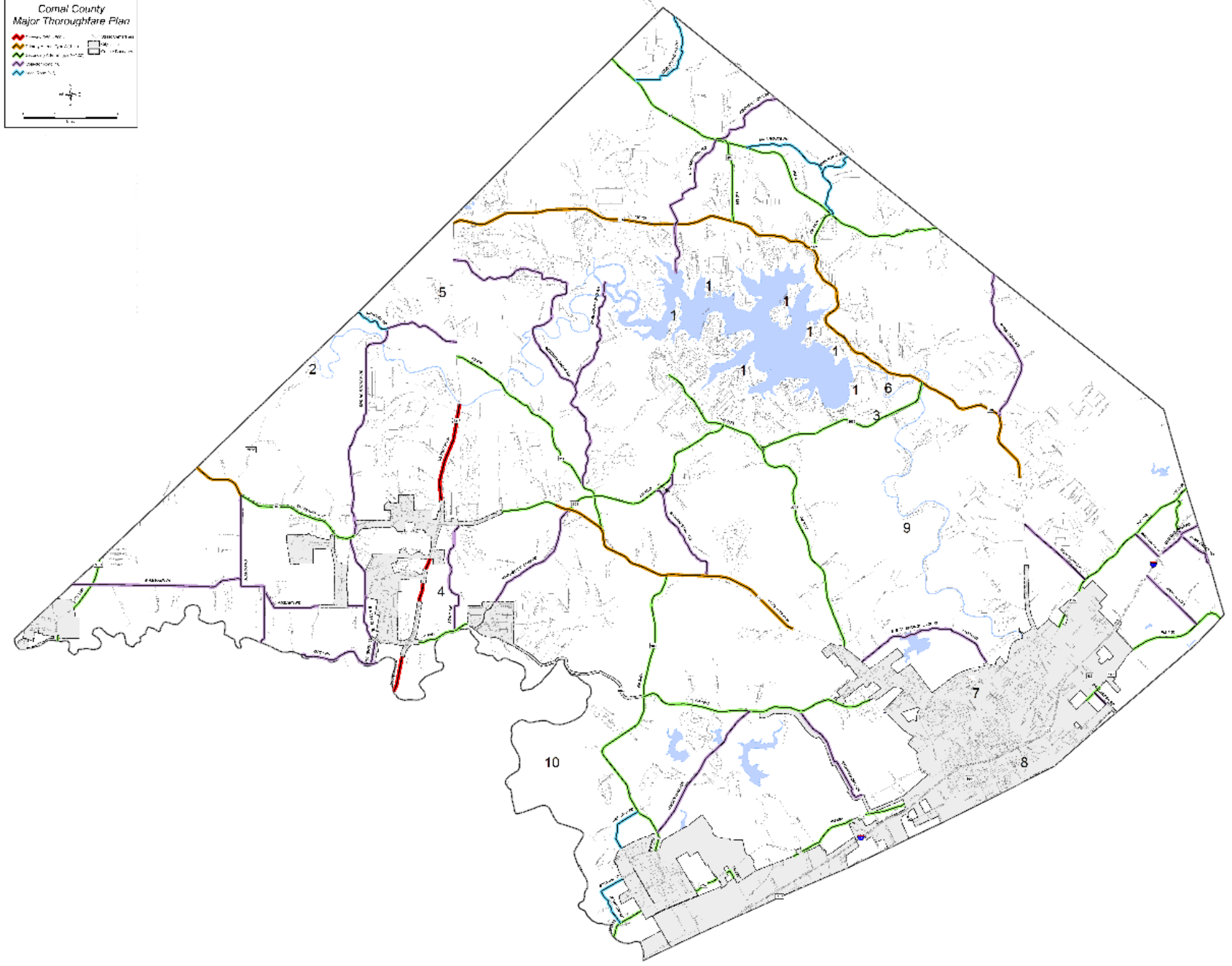





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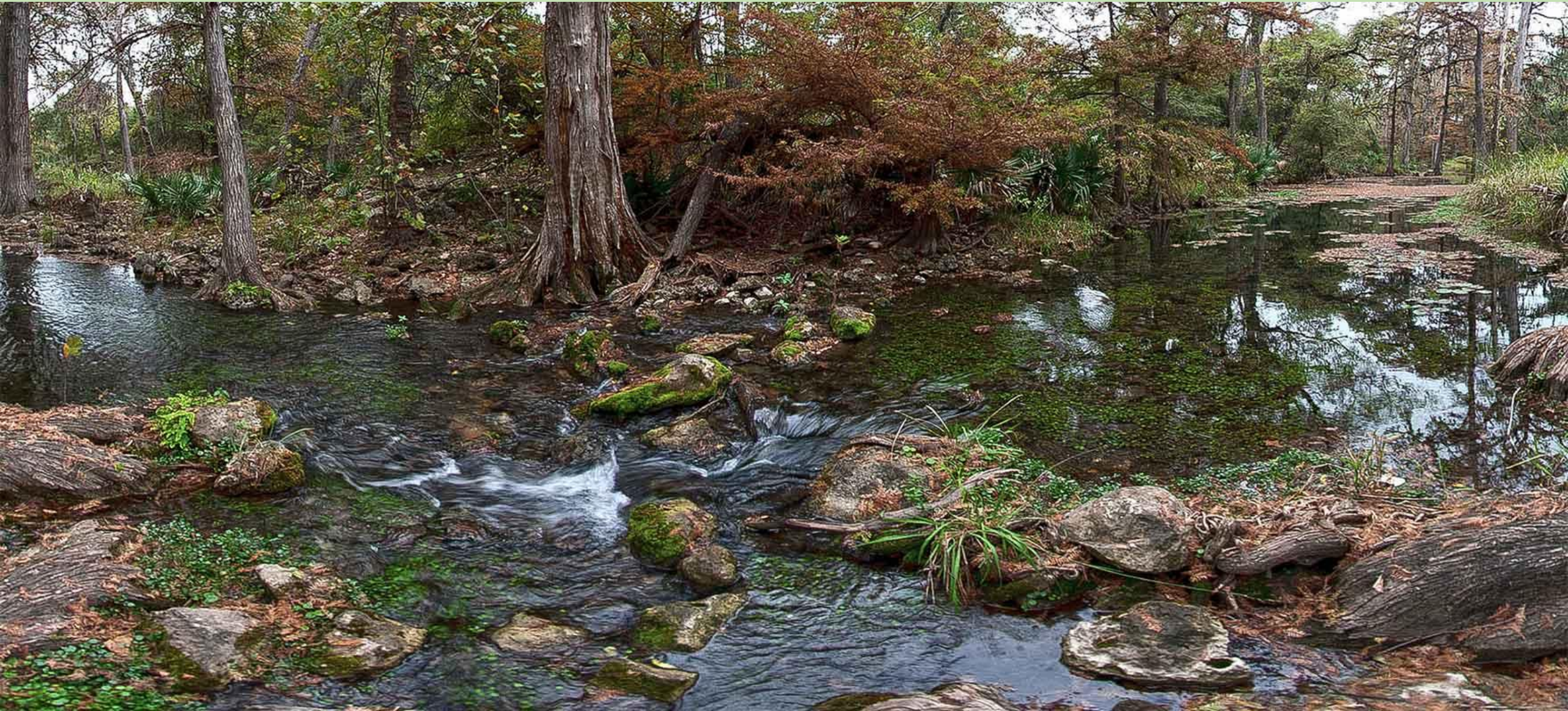
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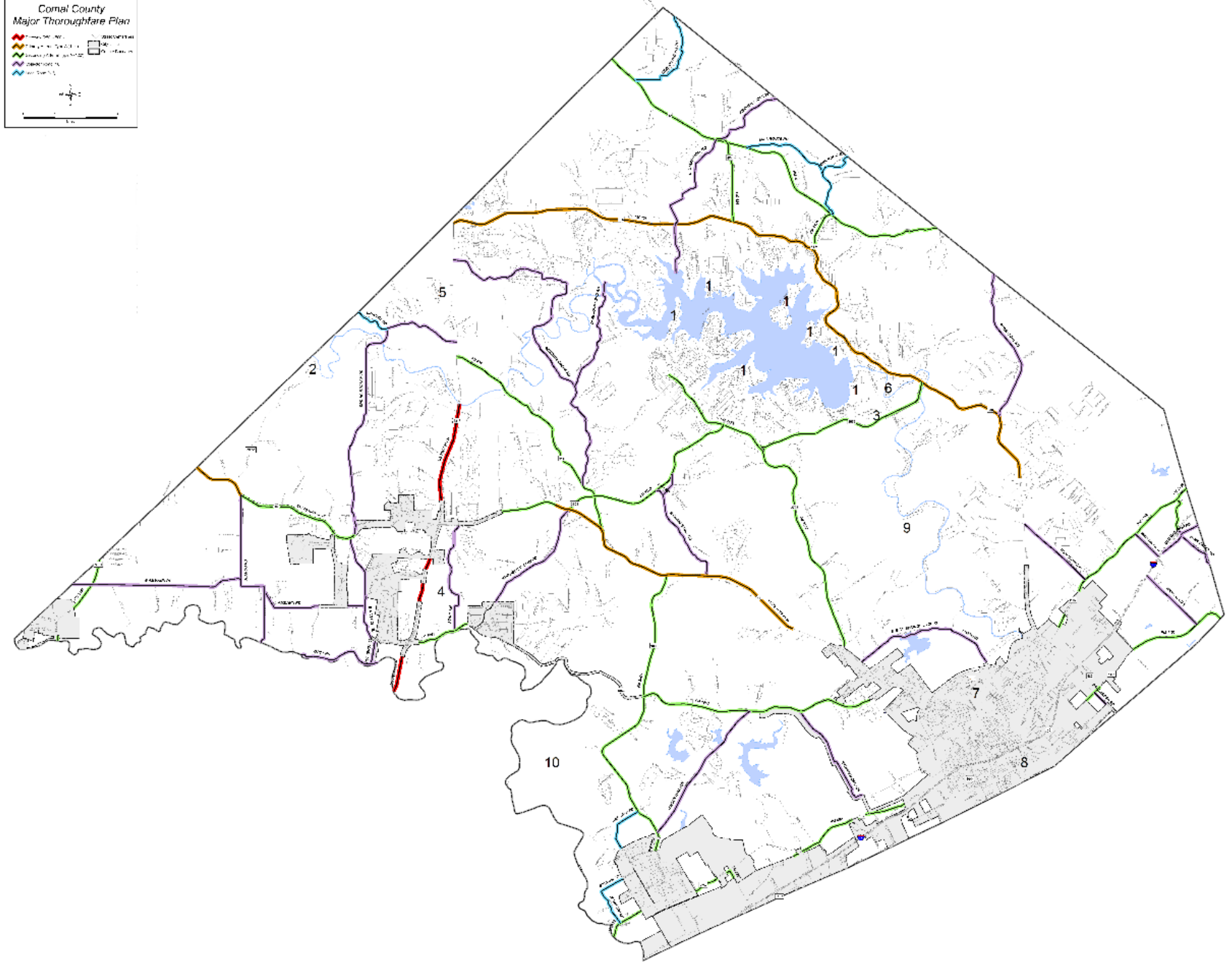


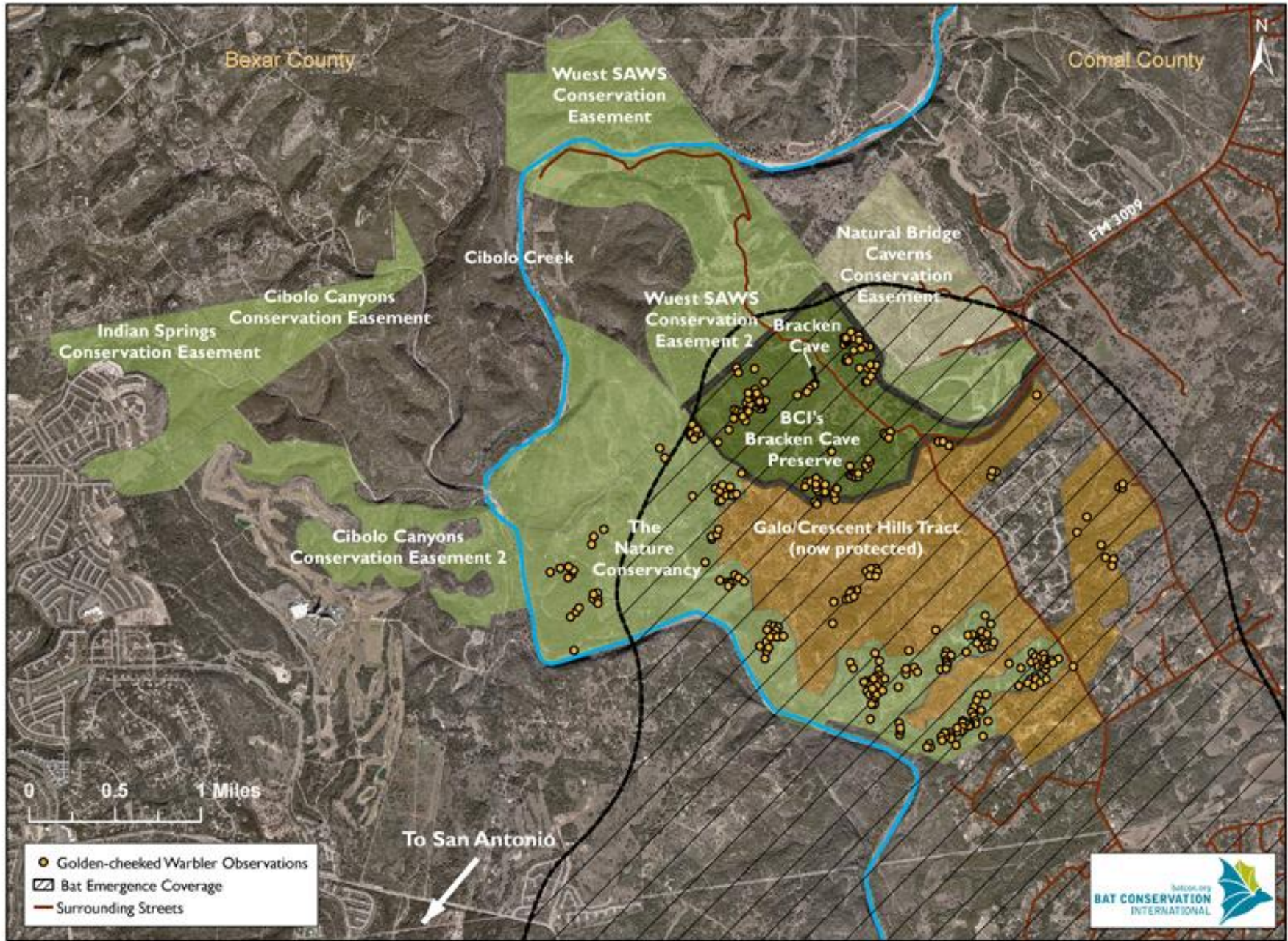


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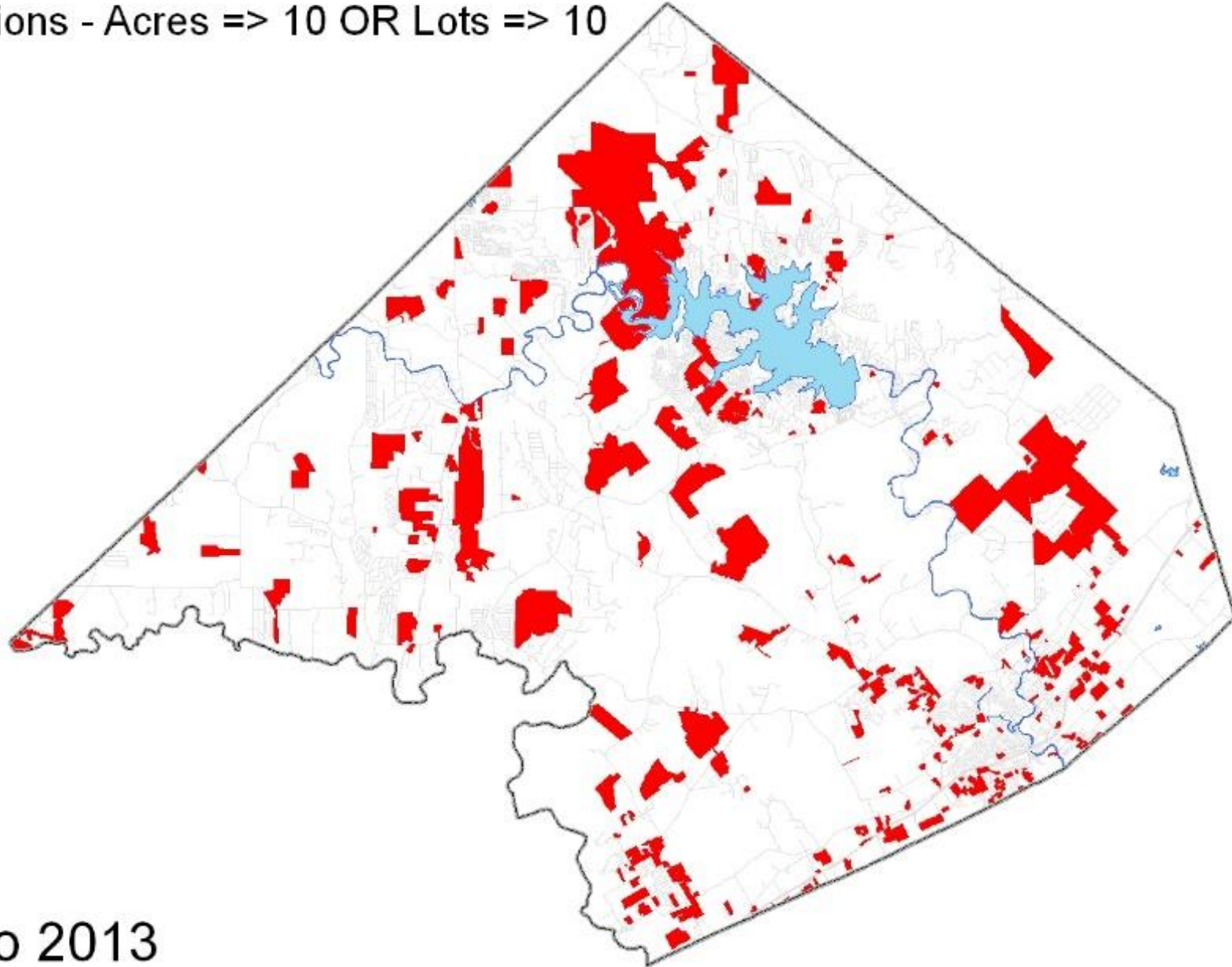
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# Comal County Subdivision Growth 1995 to 2013

Subdivisions - Acres => 10 OR Lots => 10



1995 to 2013

# **Methods Available to Local Governments to Conserve Land**

- 1. Comal County Regional Habitat Conservation Plan  
(Mitigation credits are used to preserve critical habitat.)**
- 2. Direct Purchase through Bonds or Sales Tax**
- 3. Special Districts and Tax Incentives**
- 4. Working with Individual Land Owners and Land Trusts, encouraging Conservation Easements**
- 5. Working with Foundations**
- 6. Some Combination of donations, grants, and public funding.**



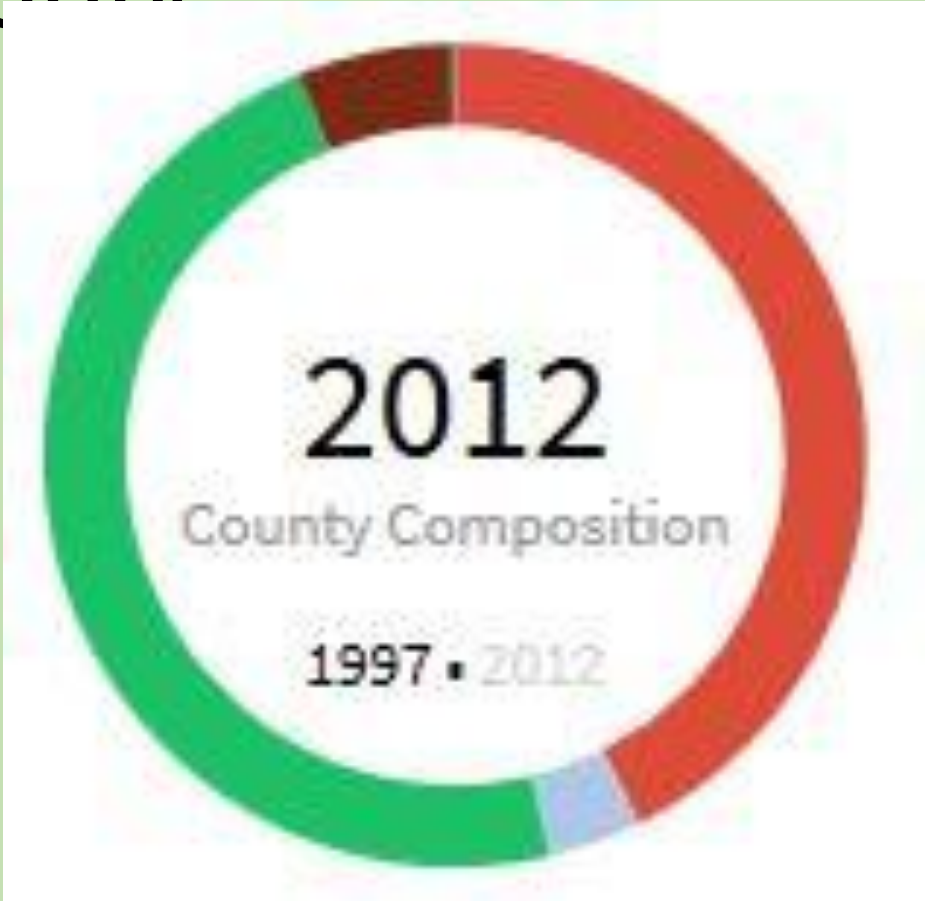
Table 1. Population Projections South Central Texas Region, Comal County

COUNTY	YEAR					
	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070
Comal	140,825	178,399	216,562	255,092	293,362	330,099

Source: 2016 South Central Texas Regional Water Plan Volume I



# Grazing Land/Crop Land/Non-working Land in Comal County



## Texas Local Conservation Measures 2010-2015

Jurisdiction Name	Date	Mechanism	Status	% Yes	Conservation Funds Approved
Harris County	11/3/2015	Bond	Pass	63%	\$4,000,000
San Antonio	5/9/2015	Sales tax	Pass	75%	\$80,000,000
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Frisco	5/9/2015	Bond	Pass	77%	\$21,125,000
Arlington	11/4/2014	Bond	Pass	67%	\$1,000,000
Buda	11/4/2014	Bond	Pass	59%	\$1,100,000
Williamson County	11/5/2013	Bond	Pass	55%	\$5,000,000
El Paso	11/6/2012	Bond	Pass	75%	\$5,000,000
Austin	11/6/2012	Bond	Pass	56%	\$30,000,000
Travis County	11/8/2011	Bond	Pass	59%	\$49,995,000
San Antonio	11/2/2010	Sales tax	Pass	66%	\$90,000,000
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McKinney	5/8/2010	Bond	Pass	72%	\$6,000,000
Richardson	5/8/2010	Bond	Pass	57%	\$4,083,500