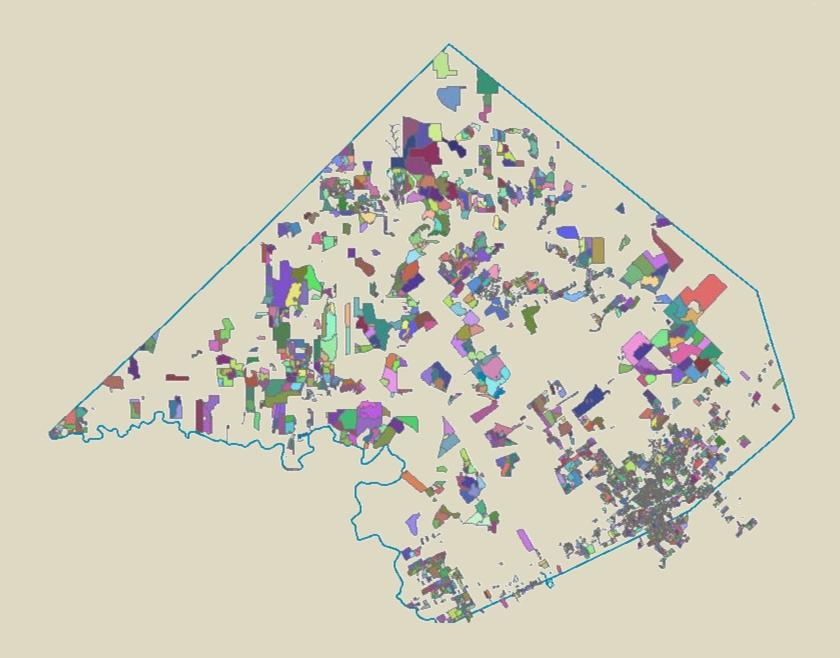
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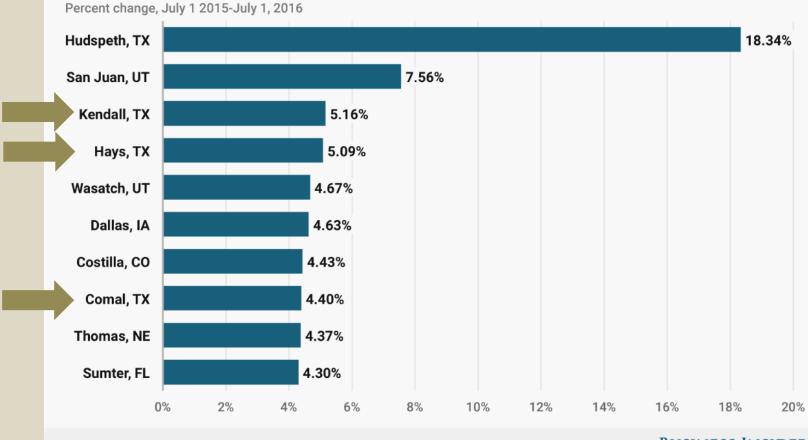
Percent change, July 1 2015-July 1, 2016 Hudspeth, TX 18.34% 7.56% San Juan, UT 5.16% Kendall, TX Hays, TX 5.09% Wasatch, UT 4.67% Dallas, IA 4.63% 4.43% Costilla, CO 4.40% Comal, TX 4.37% Thomas, NE Sumter, FL 4.30% 0% 2% 4% 6% 8% 10% 12% 14% 16% 18% 20%

SOURCE: US Census Bureau

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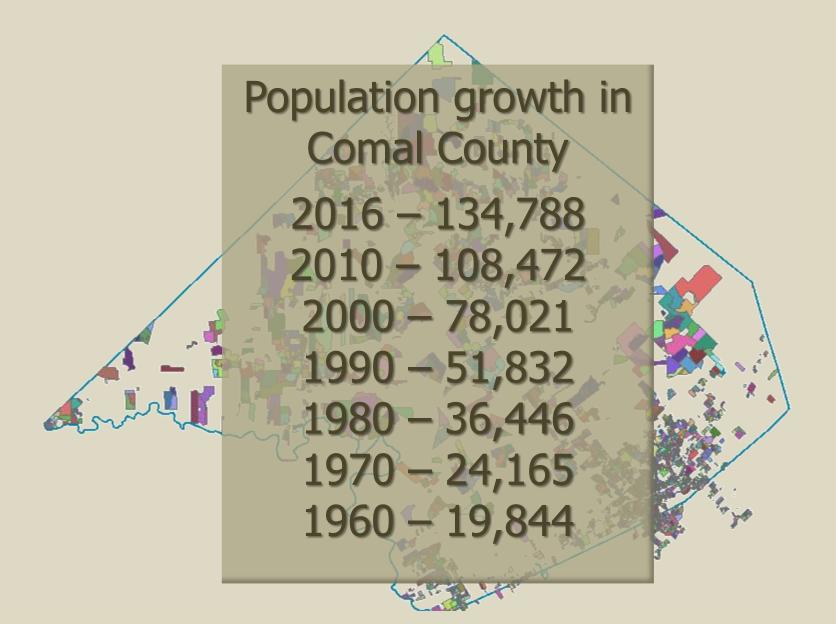


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# ROAD MAP COMAL COUNTY CO

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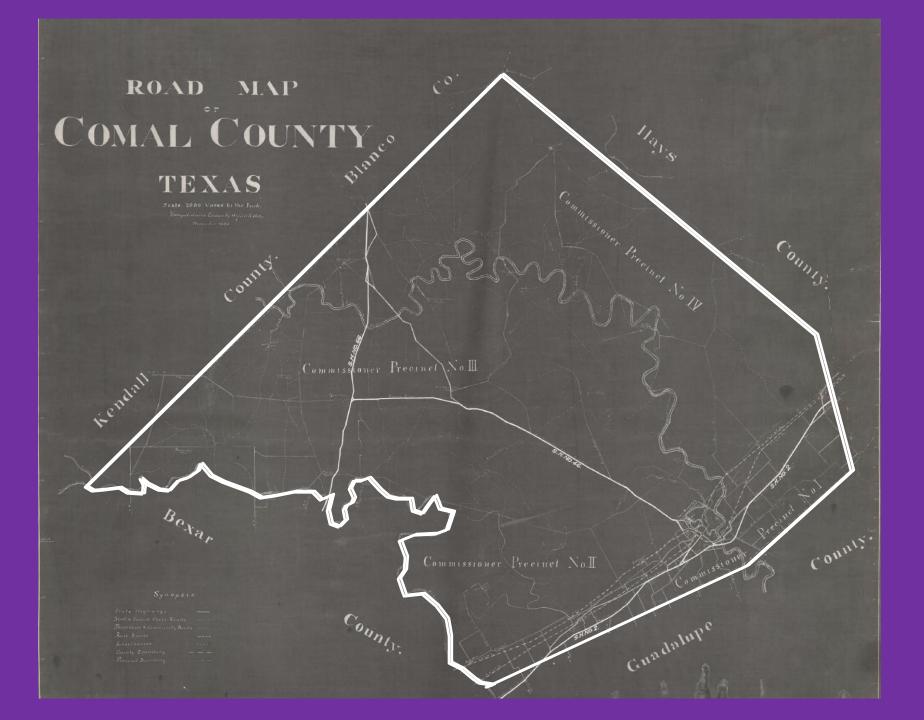
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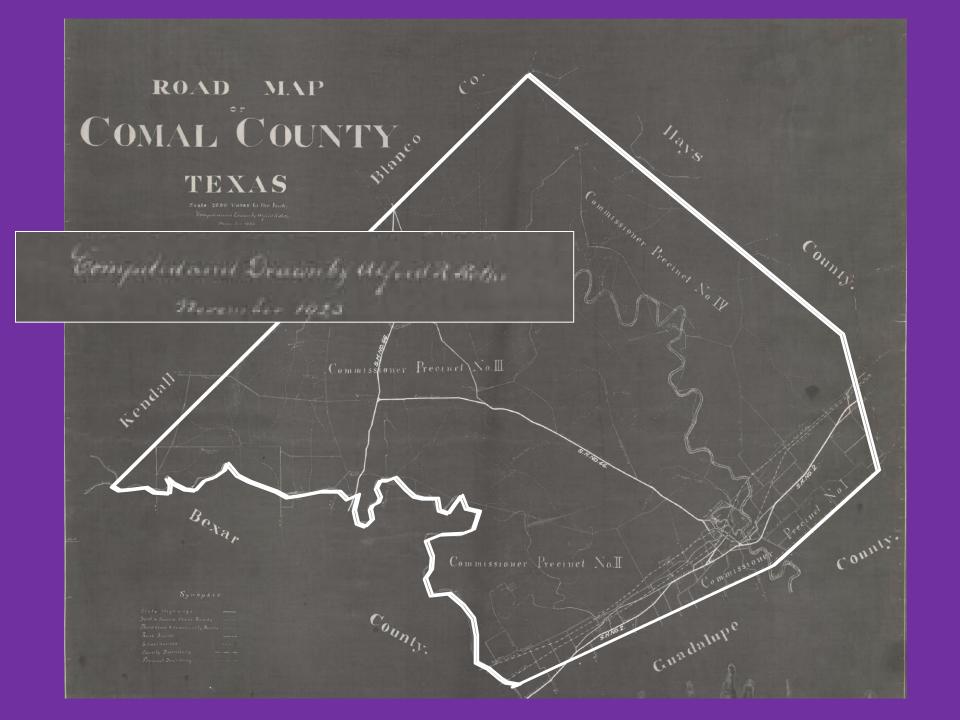
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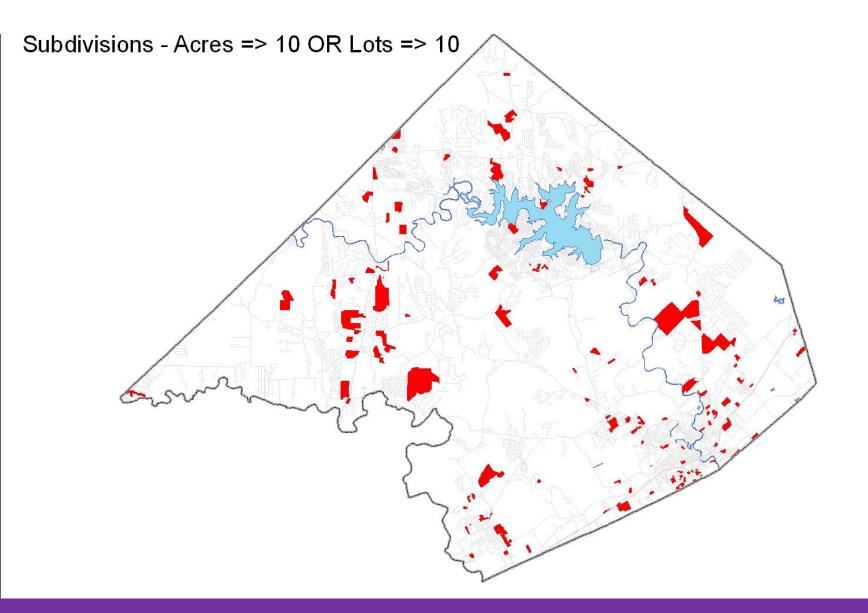
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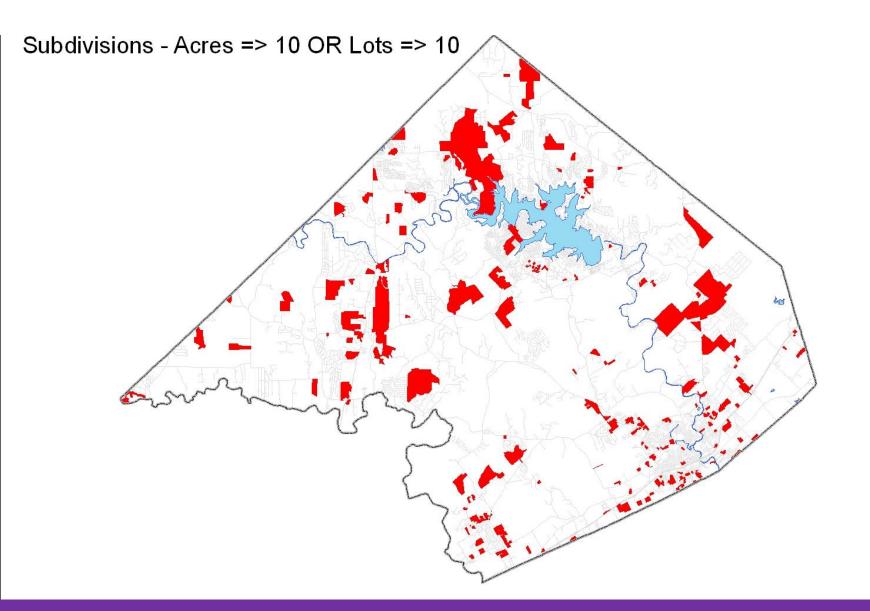




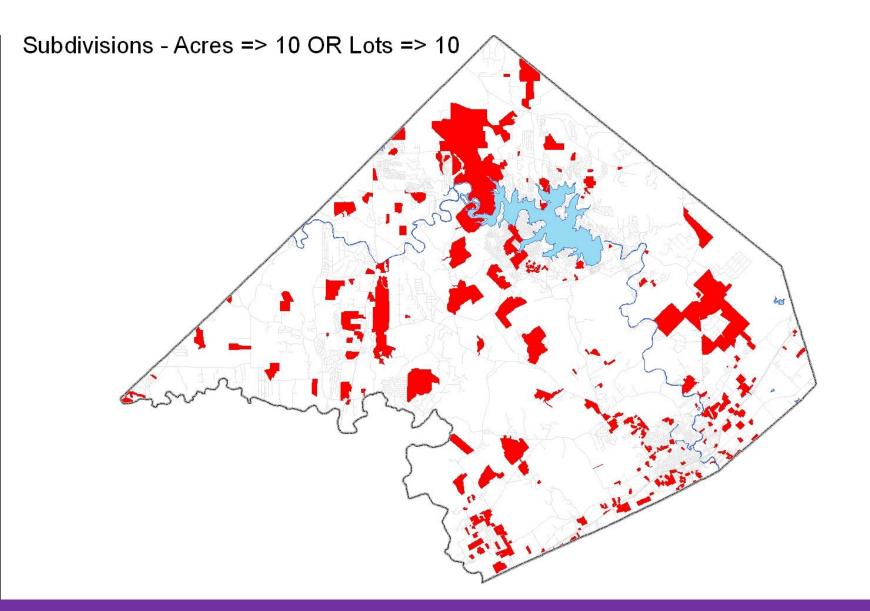




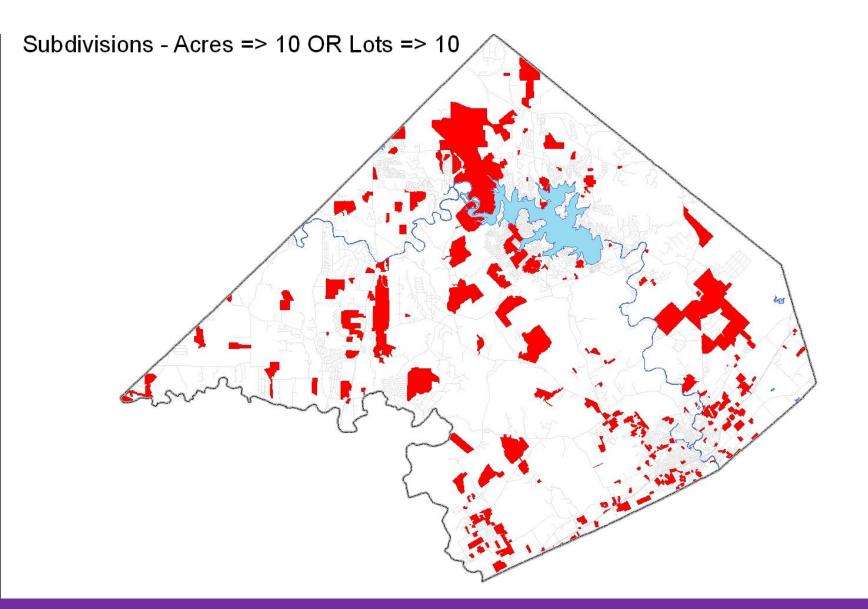
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add 5 years, the 10 years between 1995 to 2005...



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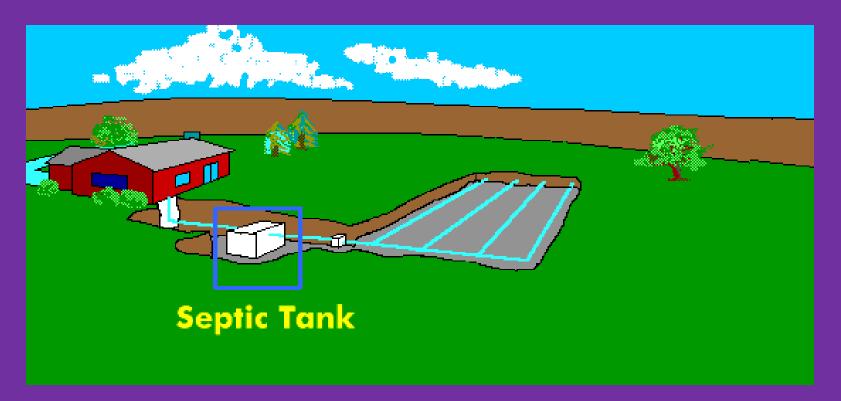


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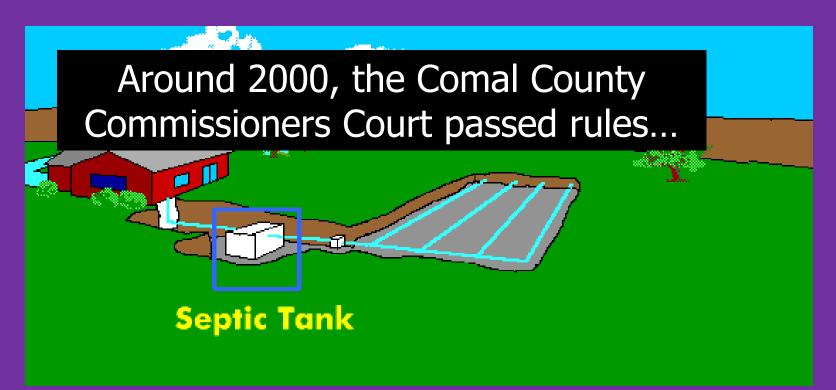
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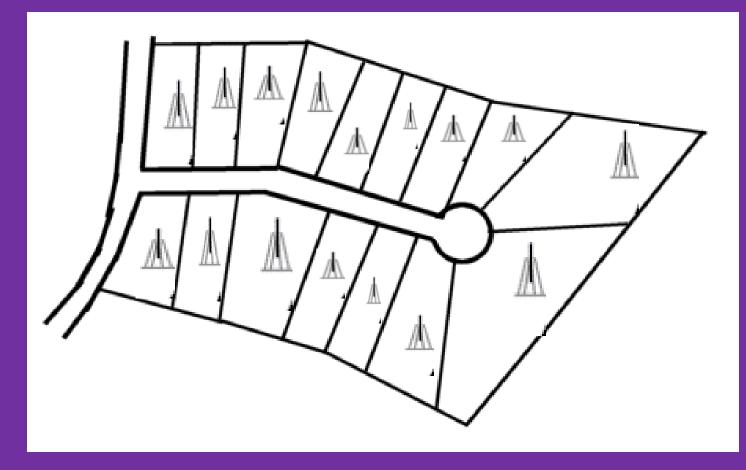
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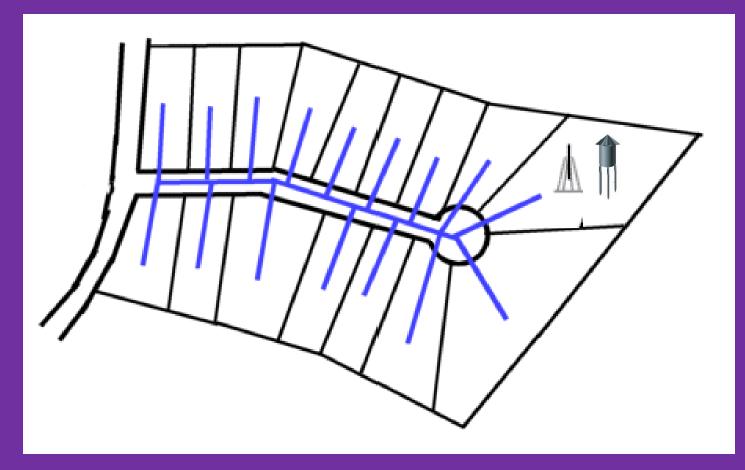
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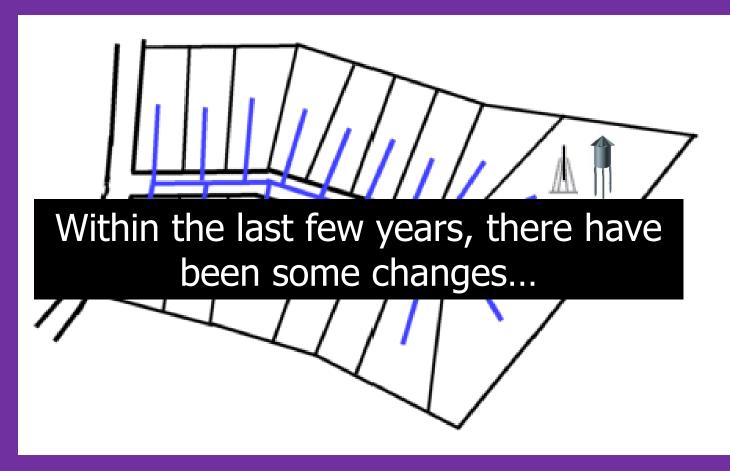
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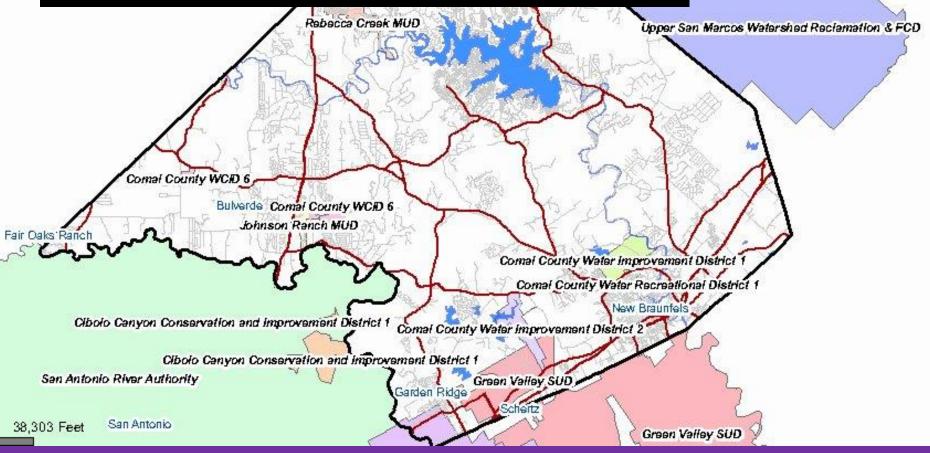
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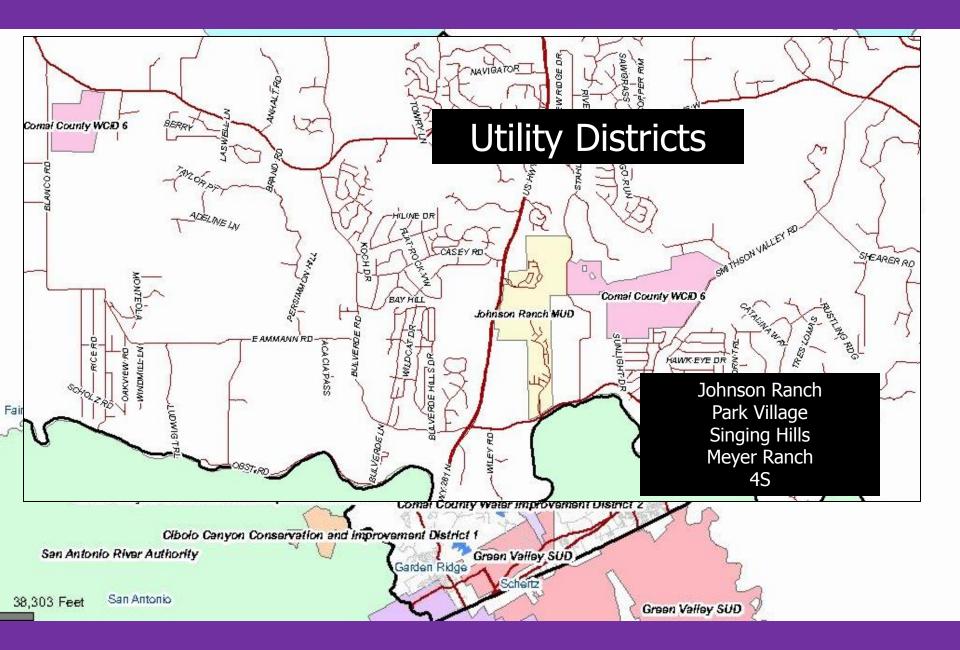
True Ranch MUD 1

# Utilization of organized wastewater collection and treatment.

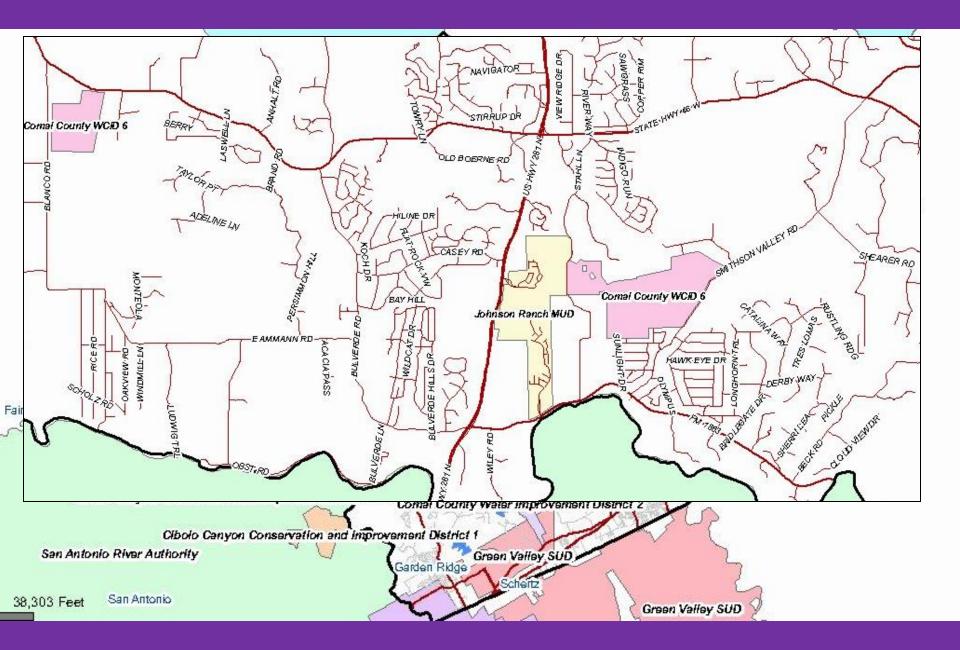


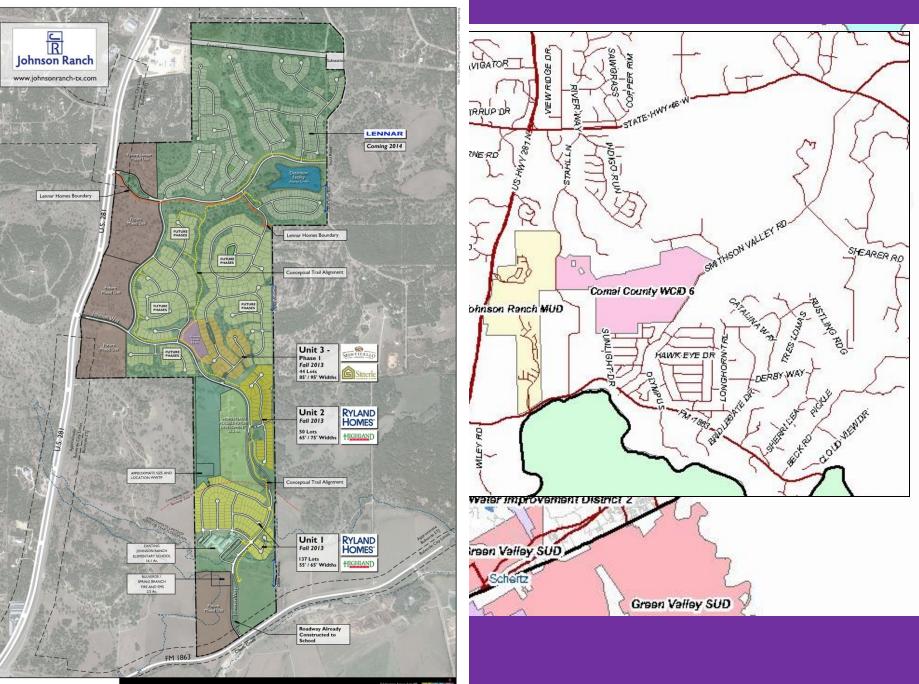
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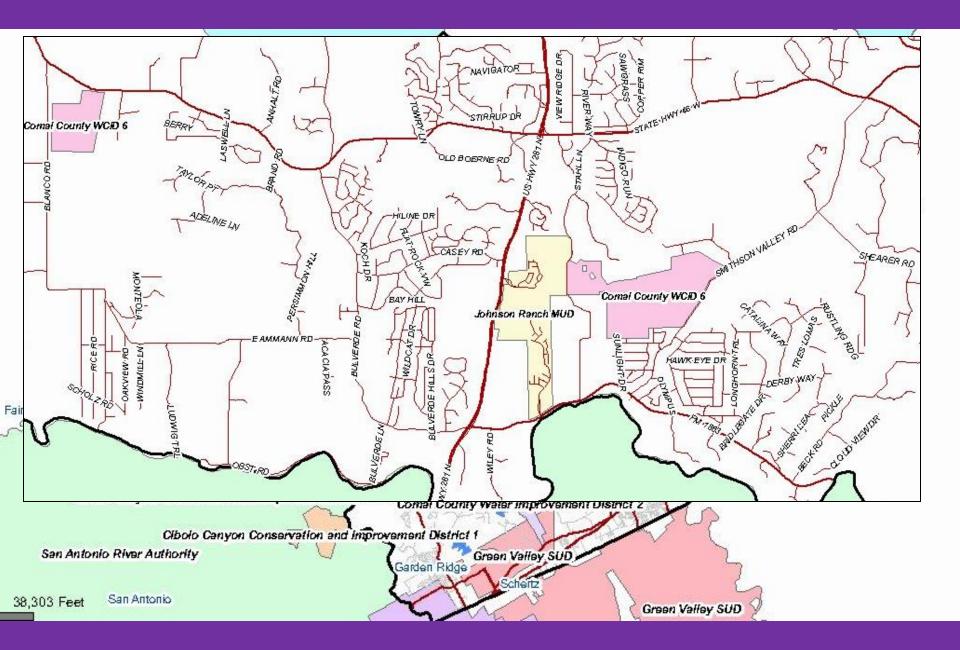
	Typical WWTP	Aerobic OSSF			
CBOD <sub>5</sub>	5 mg/L	25 mg/L			
TSS	5 mg/L	30 mg/L			
Ammonia- Nitrogen	2 mg/L	No Limit			
Phosphorus	0.5 mg/L	No Limit			
Operator	Licensed	Homeowner			
Site Visits	Daily	No requirement			

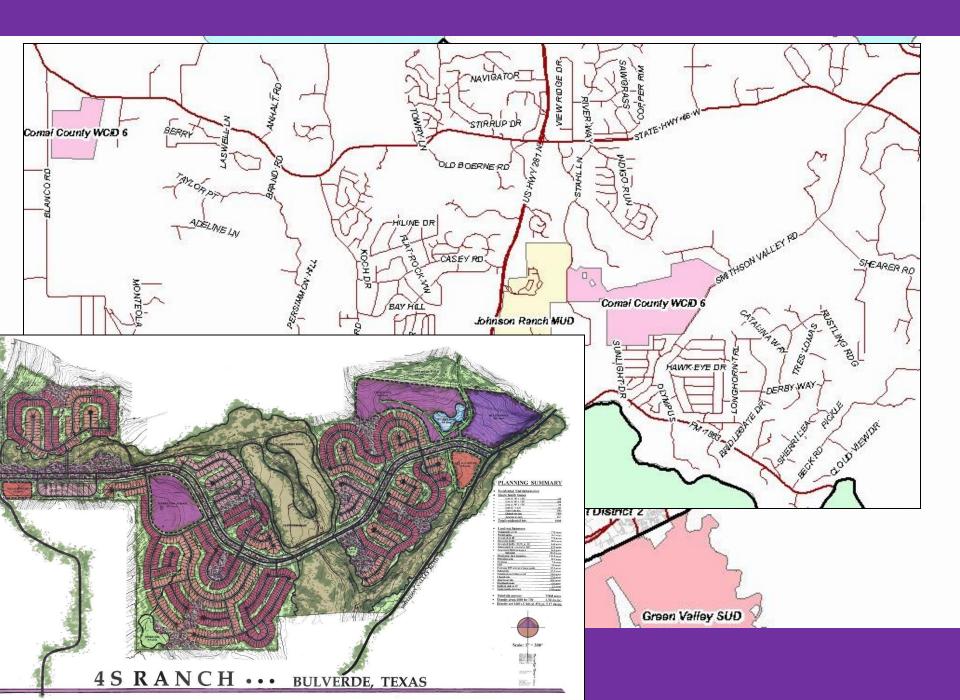


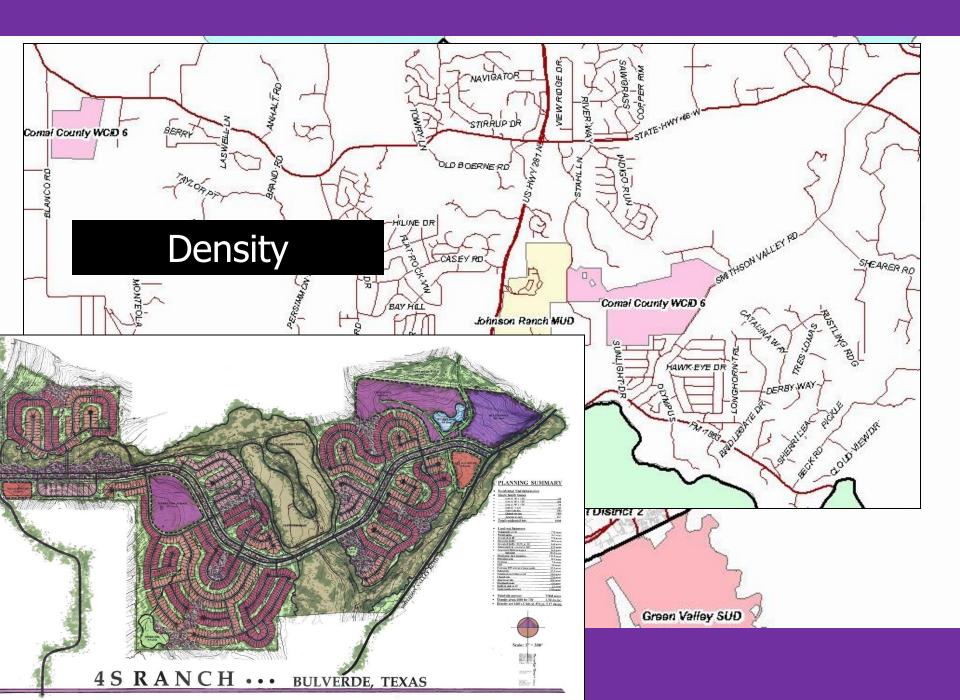


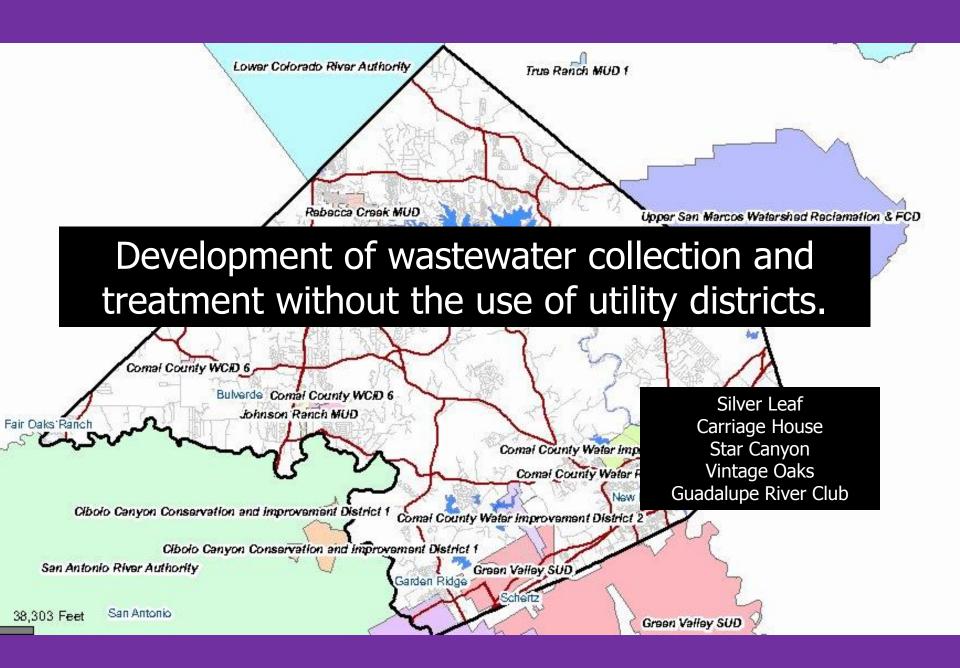


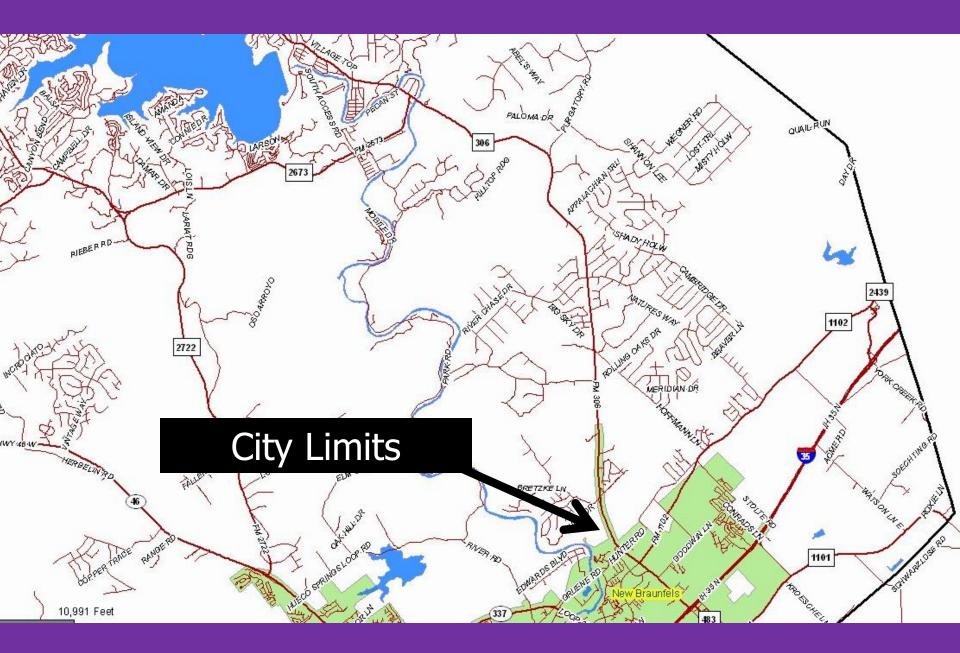


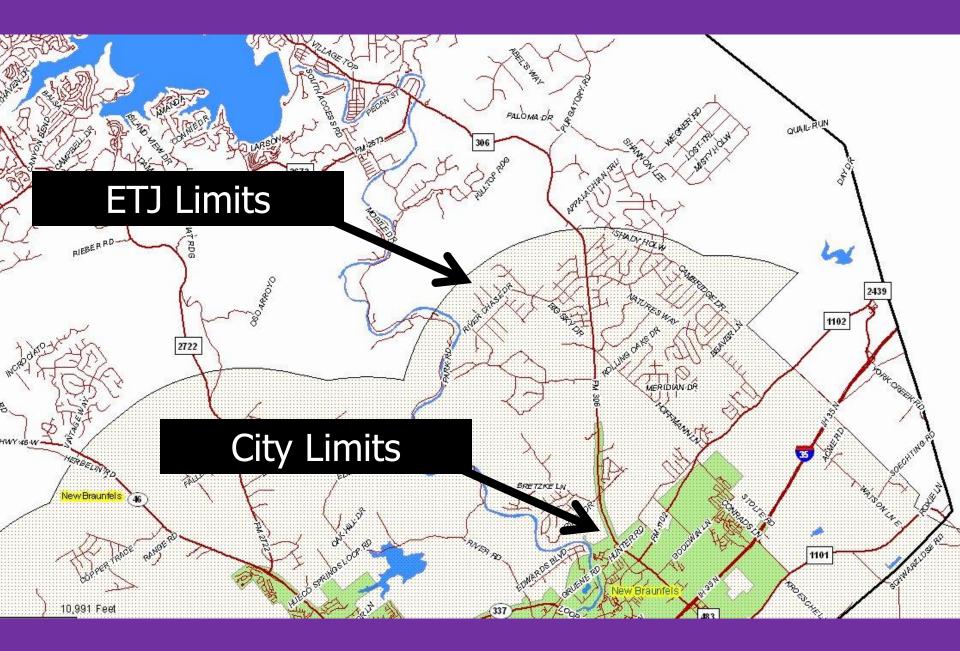












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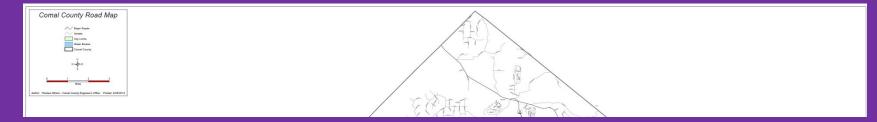
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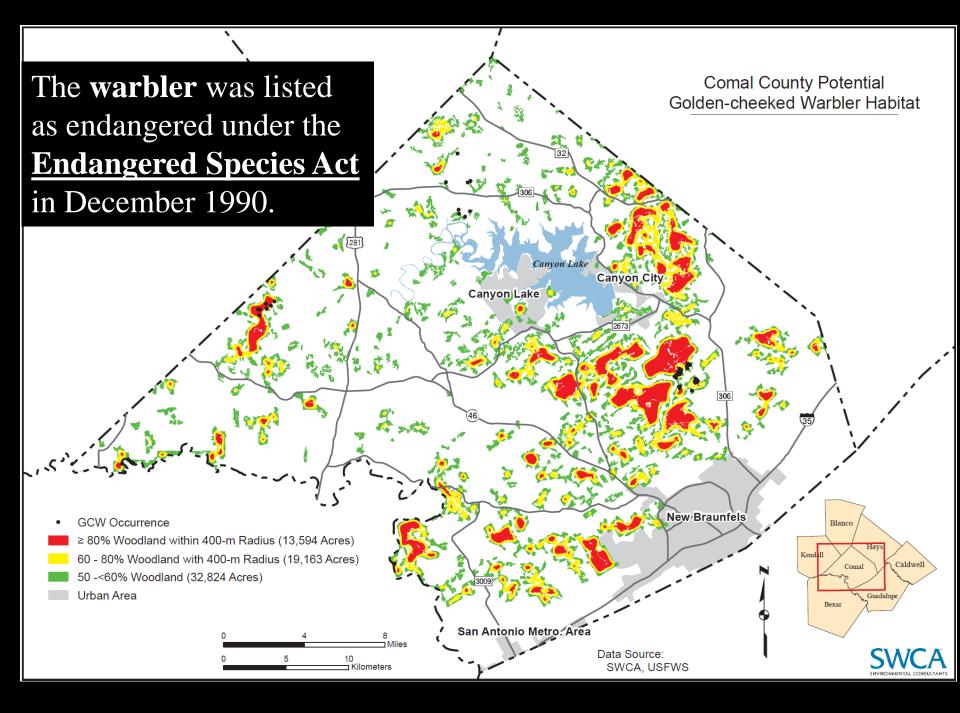
# **COMAL COUNTY Regional Habitat Conservation Plan**

### Comal County Regional Habitat Conservation Plan Why are we here?

- Comal County has over 65,000 acres of potential endangered species habitat
- Over 10,000 acres of this will likely be developed in the next 30 years
- The Federal Endangered Species Act prohibits harming listed species
- The ESA provides for "take" permits or habitat conservation plans (HCP), provided:
  - 1. The take is incidental to otherwise lawful actions
  - 2. The HCP demonstrates that impacts are minimized and mitigated to the maximum extent practicable
  - **3.** Funding is provided to implement the plan

## Purposes of the RHCP The Plan is 100% voluntary

- Preserve the open space heritage of Comal County while conserving endangered species
- Help conserve and obtain information on other species to assist the Service in precluding the need to list additional species in the County
- Provide the County and affected landowners within the County a more efficient process for complying with the ESA compared to individual permitting through the Service
- Allow the County to apply for Federal Habitat Conservation Plan Enhancement funds



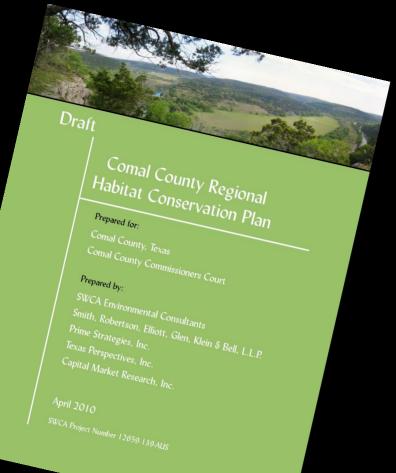
## Protection Under the Endangered Species Act

In the United States, it is illegal to "take" (kill, capture, wound, harass, or harm) a species that is on the Endangered Species Act's list of threatened or endangered species. Harm to the species includes destroying habitat if doing so kills or injures members of the species.



Landowners who want to bulldoze warbler habitat on their land have to get permission from the government. To get permission, they must prepare a plan to help conserve the **warbler** on their property even though they are cutting down some of the habitat. **Two options for compliance:** 

- **1. Individual Consultation with the USFW Service.**
- 2. Obtain a permit from a County with a Regional Habitat Conservation Plan.



What's in the Plan and the Permit?

- 1. Voluntary development of preserves.
- 2. Ability to permit "incidental take" within Comal County.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR				(1/97)			
FEDERAL FISH AND WILDLIFE PERM		2. AUTHORITY-STATUTES 16 USC 1539(a)(1)(B)					
1. PERMITTEE	REGULA	REGULATIONS (Attached) 50 CFR §§ 13 & 17					
Comal County, Texas 199 Main Plaza New Braunfels, Texas 78130		3. NUMBER TE-223267-0					
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e-mail: cctdrs@co.comal.tx.us	[ <b>x</b> ]	YES	[ <b>x</b> ]	YES			
	[]	NO	[]	NO			
		6. EFFECTIVE February 18, 2014		7.EXPIRES February 18, 2044			
8. NAME AND TITLE OF PRINCIPAL OFFICER: (if #1 is a business) Danny R. Scheel, Comal County County Judge.							
10. LOCATION WHERE AUTHORIZED ACTIVITY MAY BE CONDUCT	ED: Comal County	, Texas.					
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