

CANEY CREEK WATERSHED BRAZOS - COLORADO COASTAL BASIN

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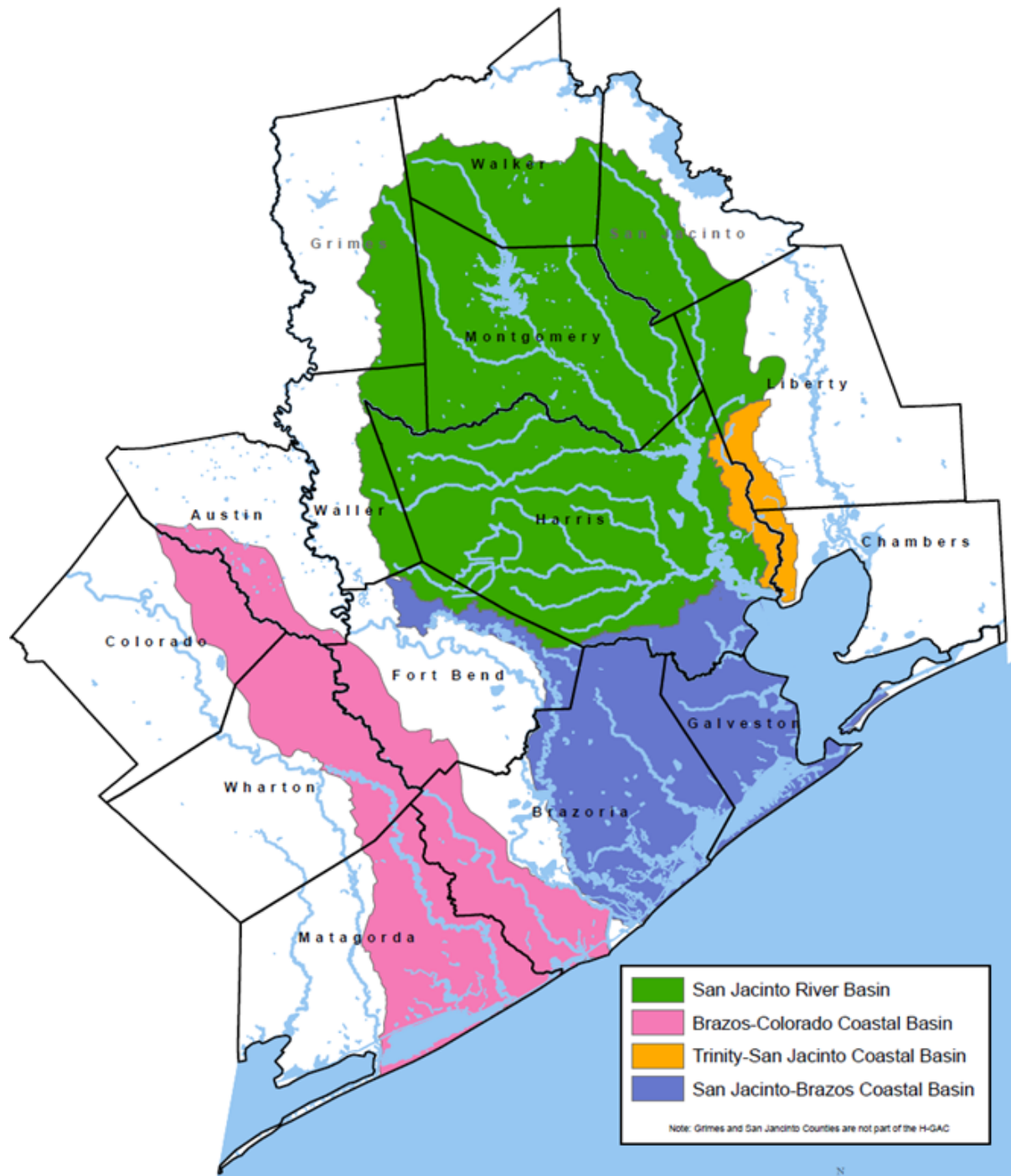
Meeting Agenda

- 10:00 – 10:05 Welcome - Open Meeting
- 10:05 – 10:25 Basin Approach Review
- 10:25 – 10:45 Caney Creek Special Study
- 10:45 – 11:30 Coordination Committee Discussion
- 11:30 – 12:00 Q&A / Meet and Greet

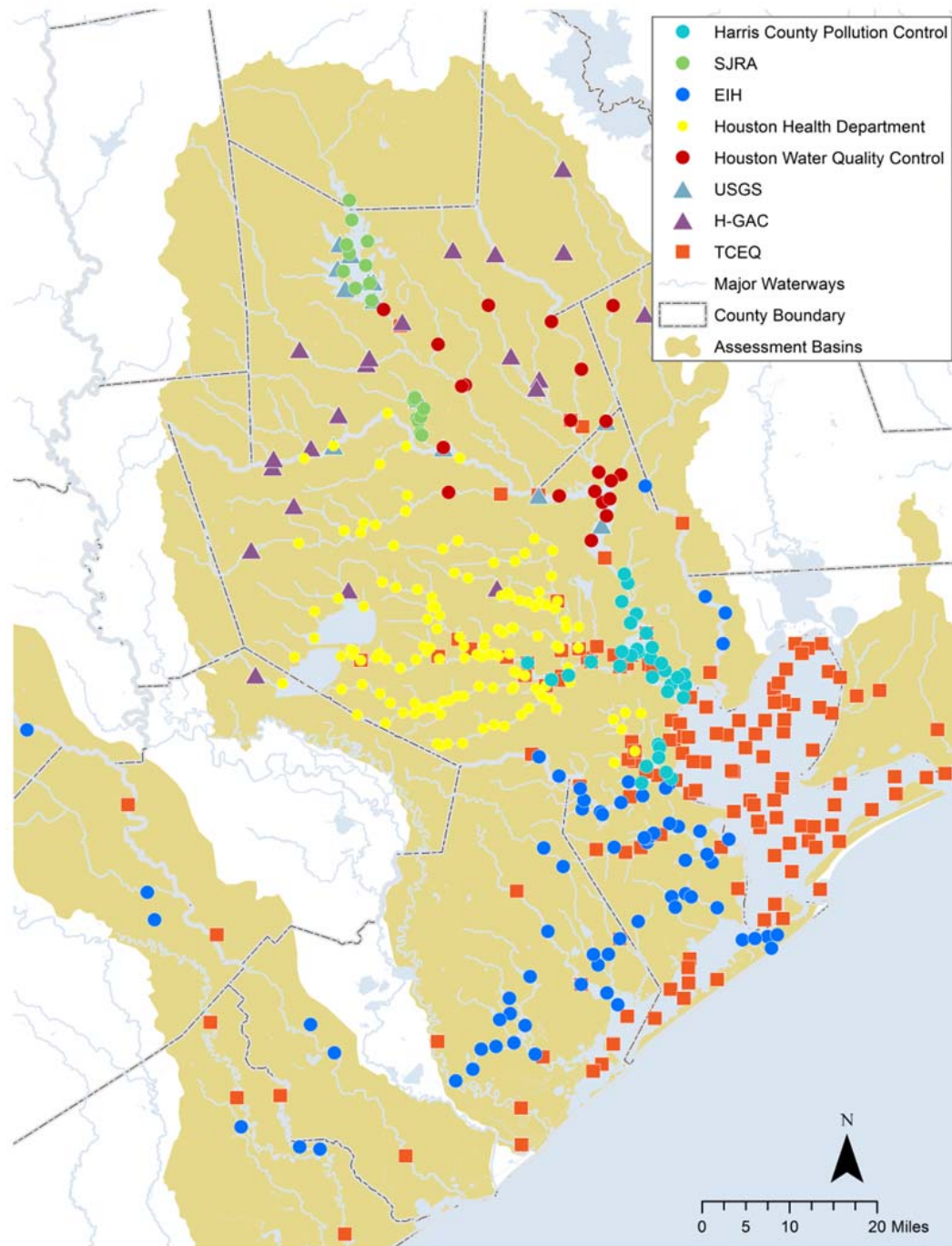
Meeting Goals

- ✓ Share Basin Water Quality – Bacteria
 - ❖ Review Water Quality Data
- ✓ What Are Potential Sources
- ✓ Watershed Planning Tools
- ✓ Initiate Creek Stakeholder Involvement in Decisions
 - ❖ Caney Creek Watershed Planning

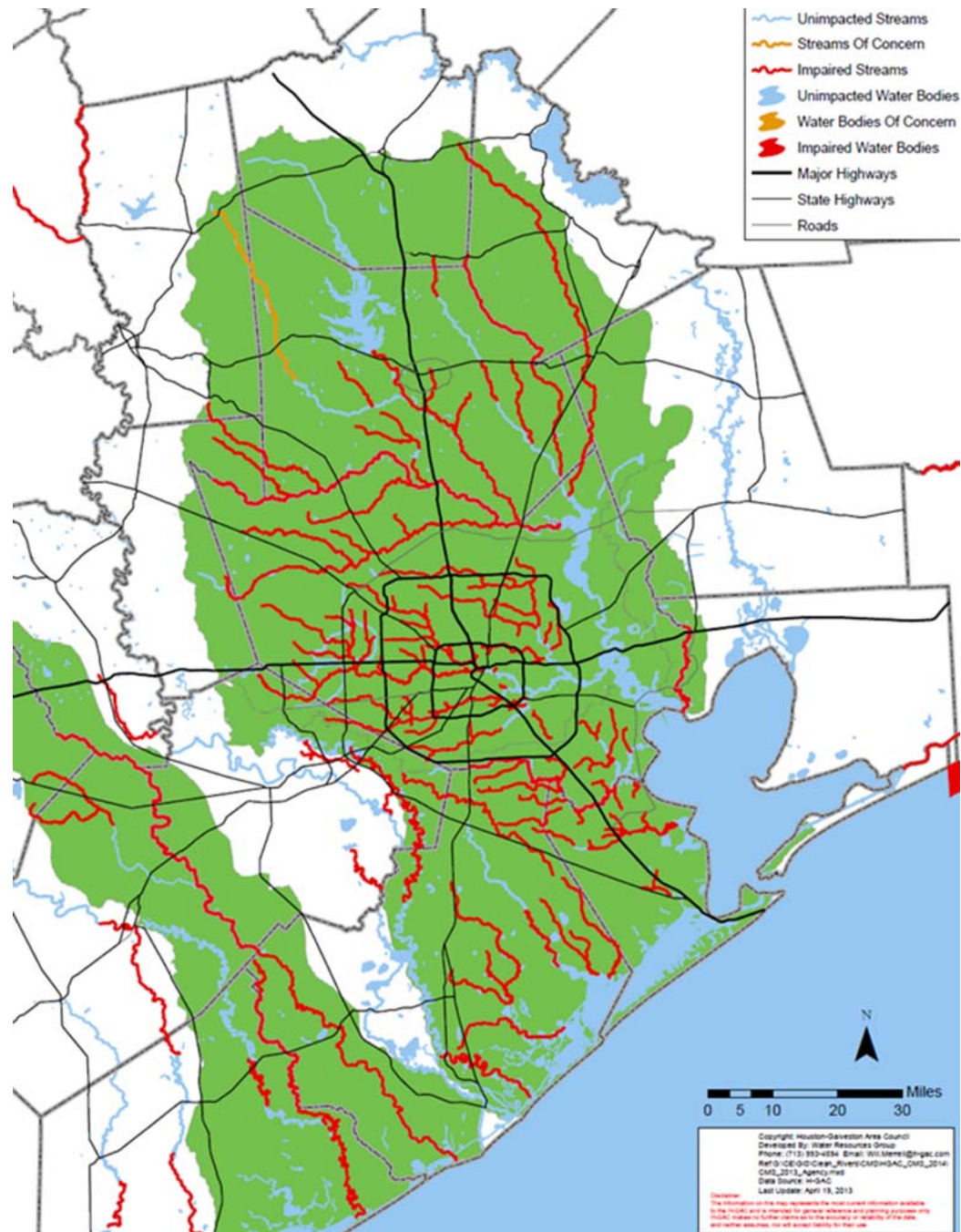
Clean Rivers Program - Region



Regional Coordinated Monitoring



Why Are We Here?



Basin 13

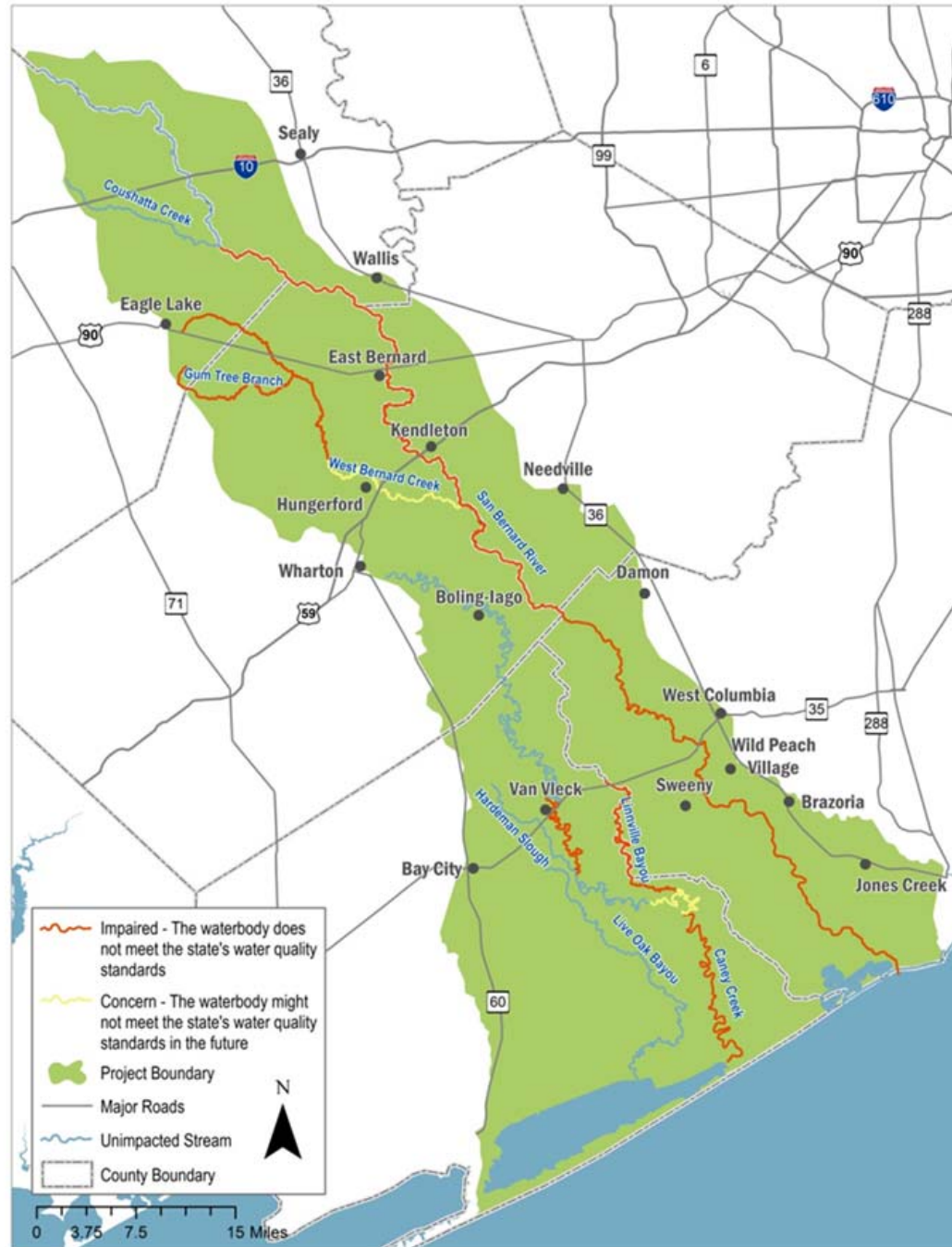
BASIN CHARACTERIZATION REPORT FOR THE BRAZOS – COLORADO COASTAL BASIN FOR INDICATOR BACTERIA

Segments: 1301, 1302, 1304, 1305

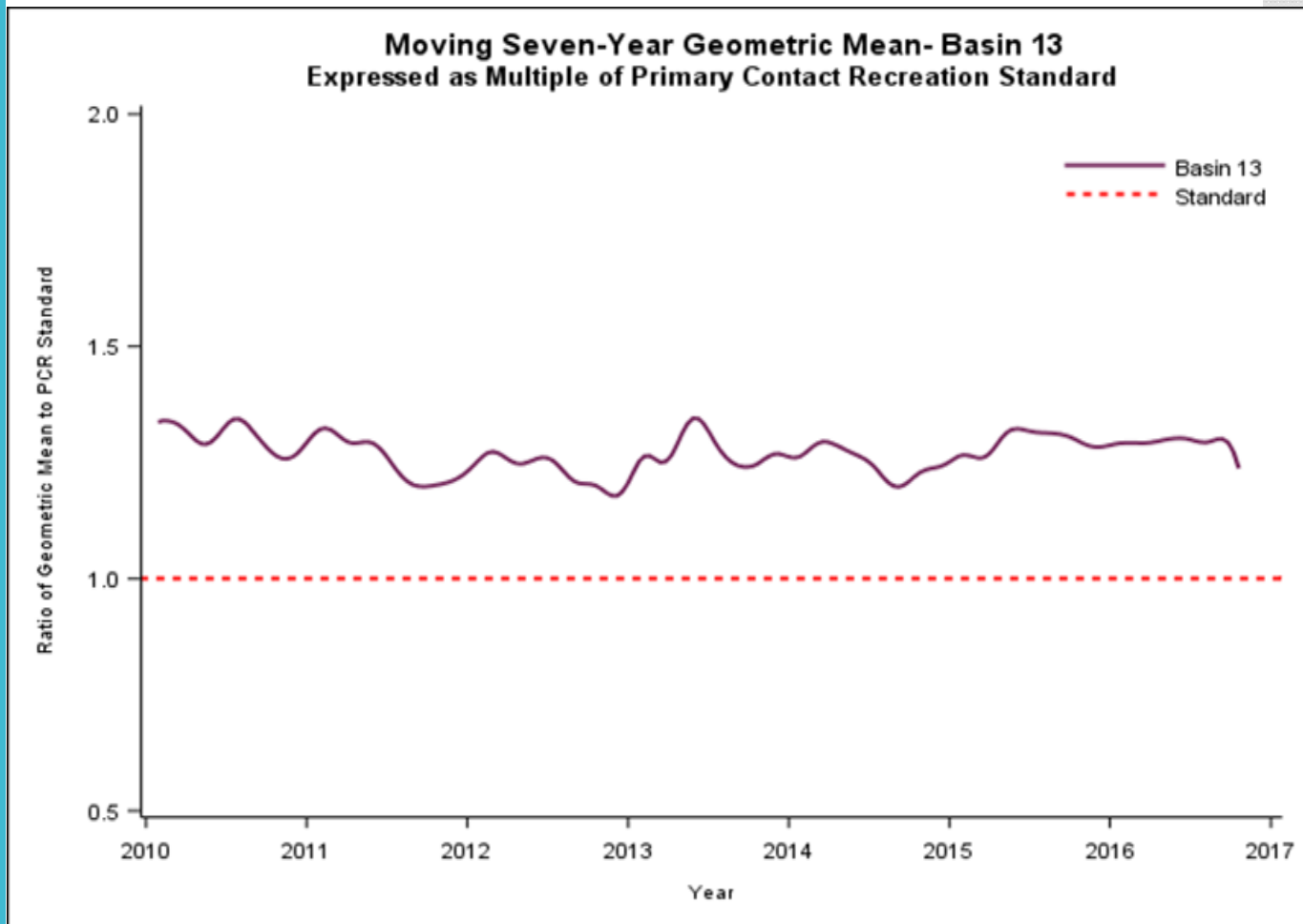


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Bacteria



Bacteria Trends in Basin 13



Addressing Impaired Waterways

Watershed Planning Tools include:

- Increase or Expand Monitoring
- Recreation Use Attainability Analysis (RUAA)
- Watershed Based Plans
 - Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) and Implementation Plan (I-Plan)
 - Watershed Protection Plan (WPP)
 - Galveston Bay Coalition of Watersheds



Watershed- based Plans

TMDL Study

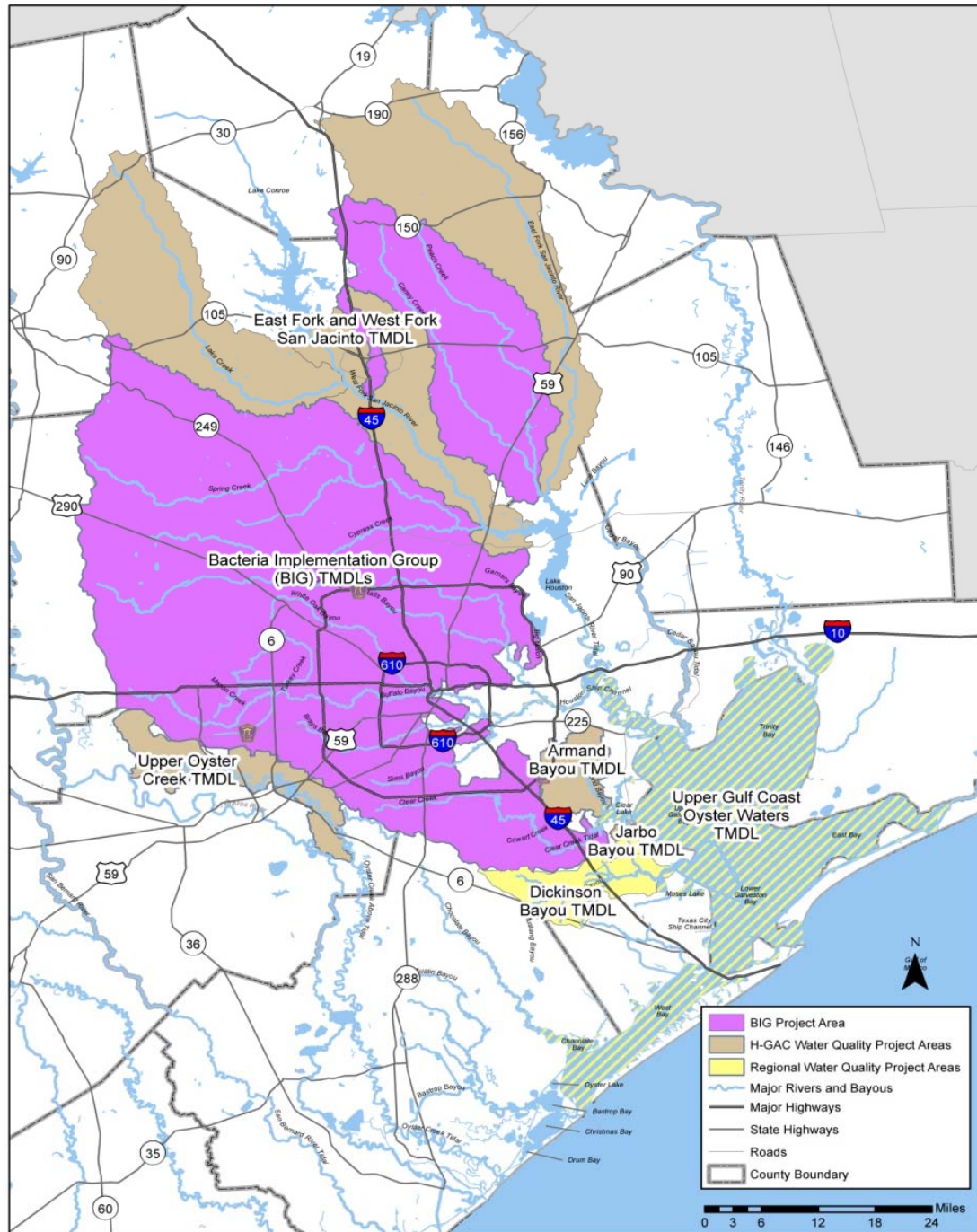
- “Budget” for pollutant
- Focus only on constituent of concern
- Can lead to mandatory and voluntary changes

Implementation Plan

- Determines HOW reductions will be made
- Based on stakeholder recommendations



TMDL Projects with I-Plans

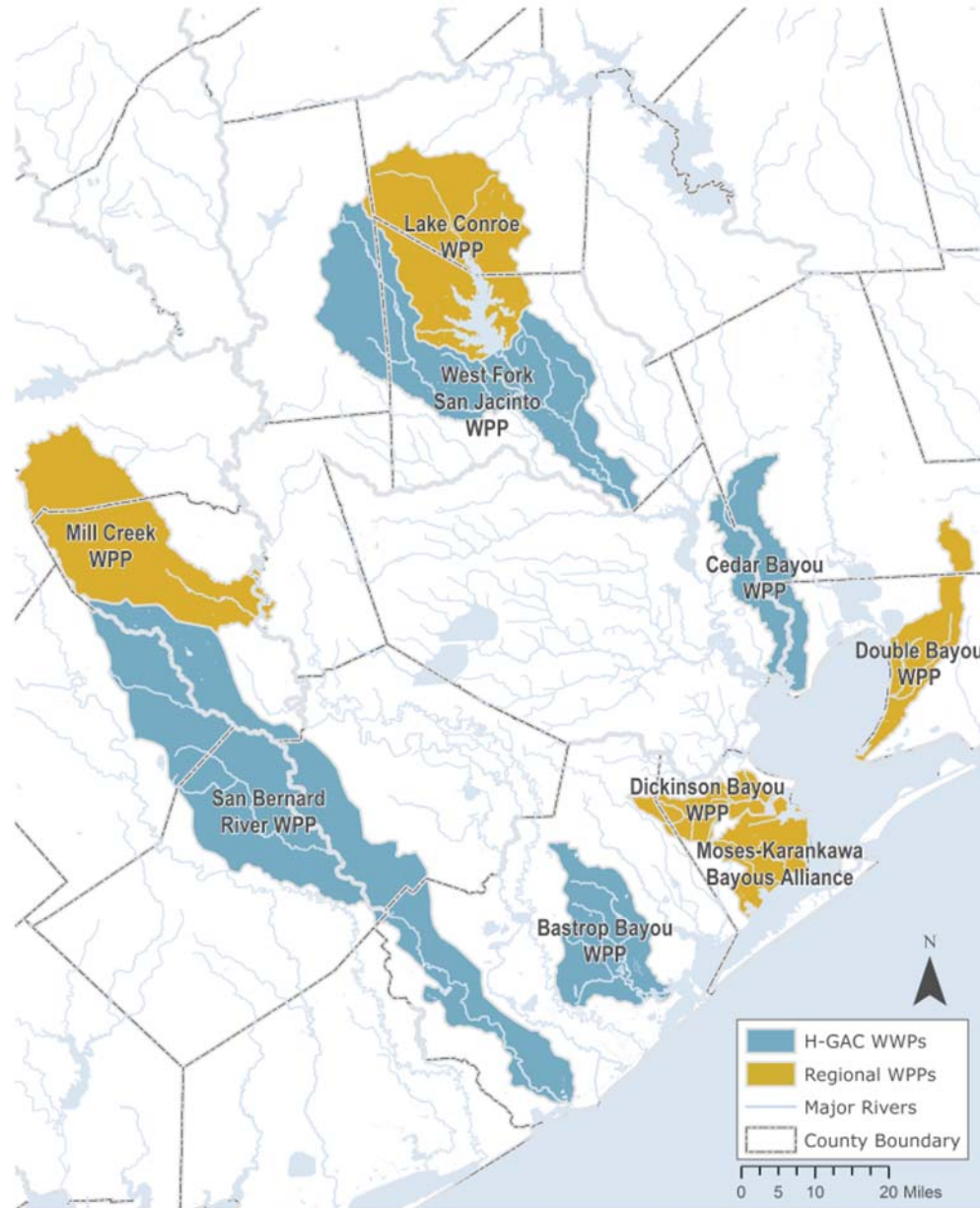


Watershed-based Plans (cont.)

Watershed Protection Plans

- Voluntary approach to reducing impairments in local waterways
- Most funded under EPA CWA 319(h) grants from TCEQ, TSSWCB
- Engage local stakeholders to use good science to generate solutions
- Target one or more issues, not only water quality

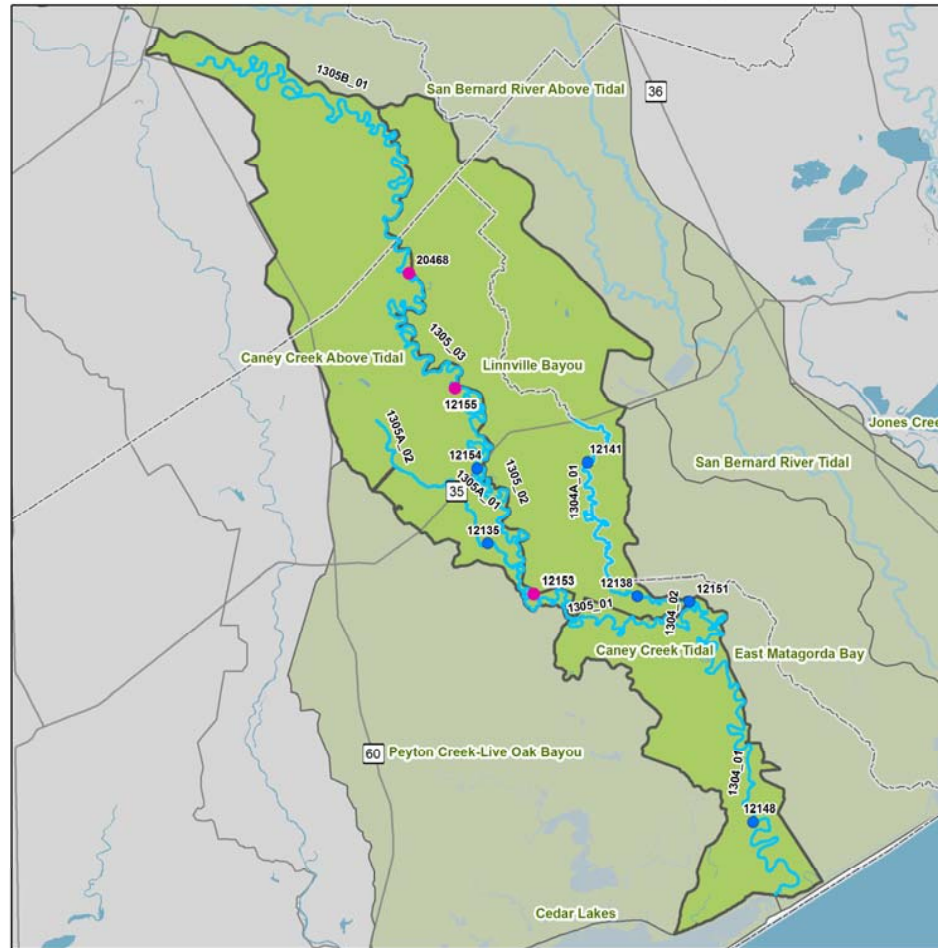
Watershed Protection Plans in the H-GAC Region



Regional
WPP
Projects

Caney Creek Special Study

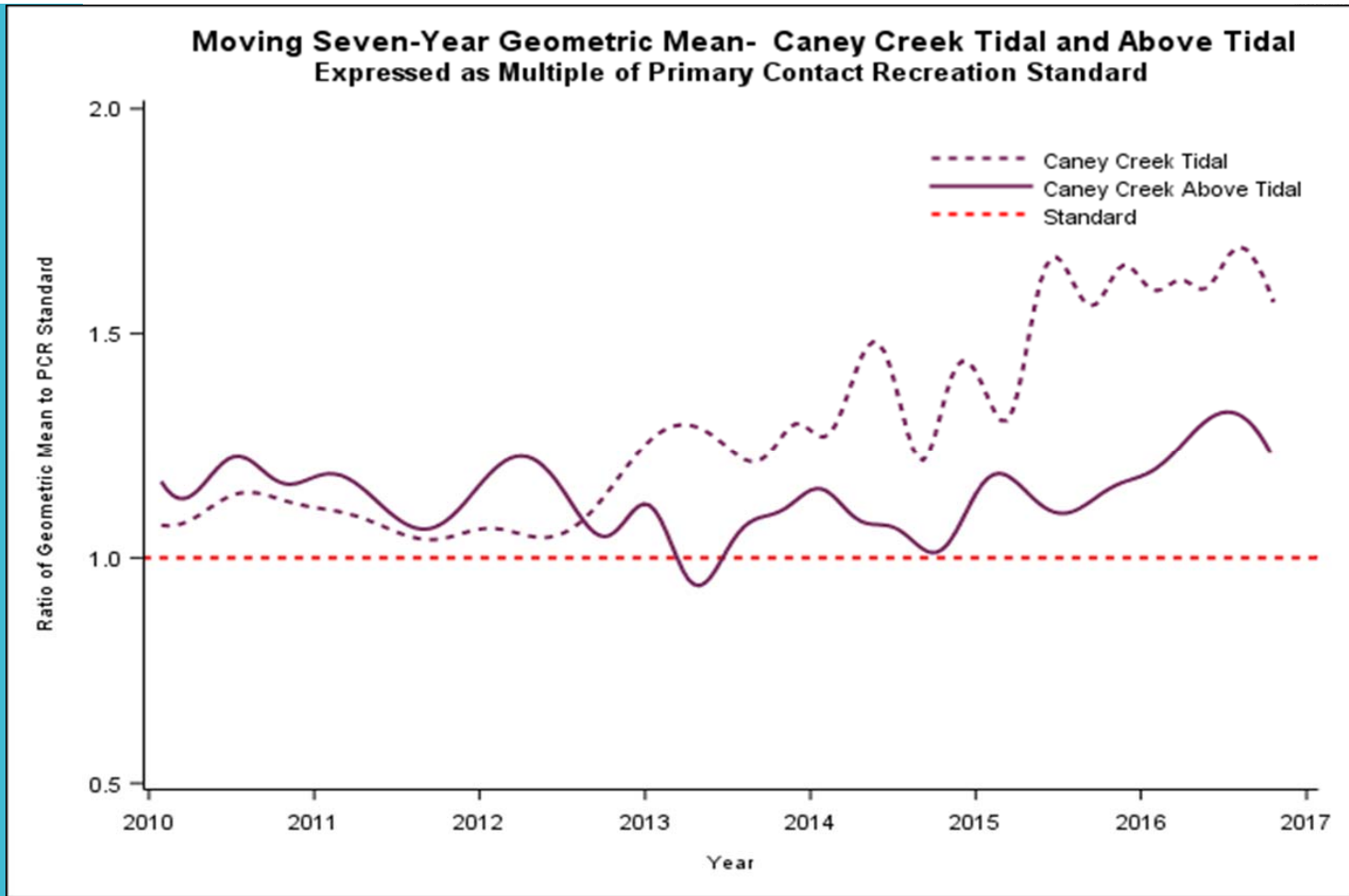
Caney Creek - Monitoring Site Locations



- Added Station
- Monitoring Station
- County Boundary
- Major Roads
- AU
- Watershed Boundary

	No. Of Monitoring Sites
Caney Creek Above Tidal	5
Caney Creek Tidal	2
Linnville Bayou	2

Bacteria Trends



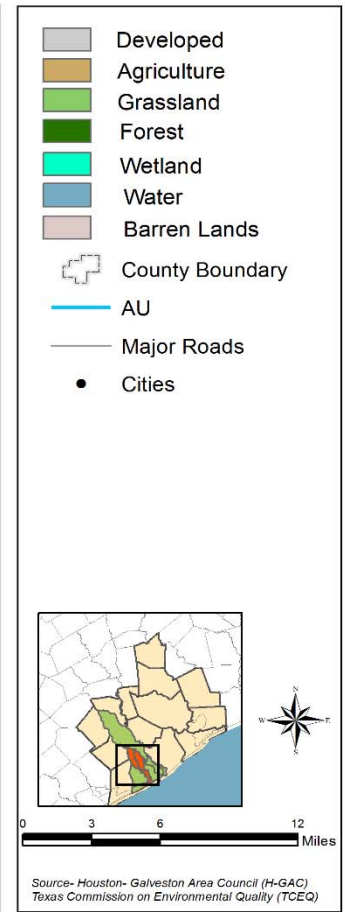
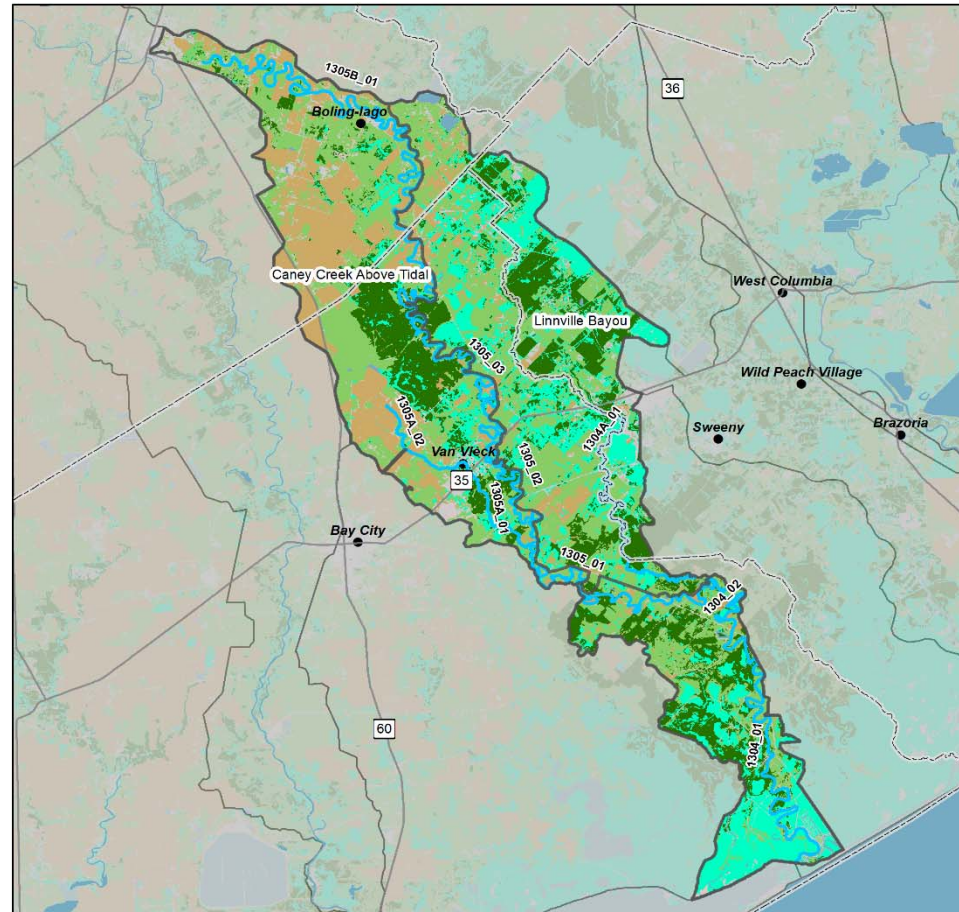
Segment	Earliest Data	Most Recent Data	Number of Results	Indicator	Standard (MPN/100 mL)	Geometric Mean (MPN/100 mL)
Caney Creek Above Tidal	1/28/2010	10/13/2016	27	e. coli	126.00	155.5
Caney Creek Tidal	1/28/2010	10/20/2016	36	enterococci	35.00	55.1

Basin Data



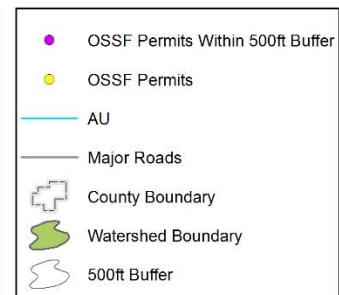
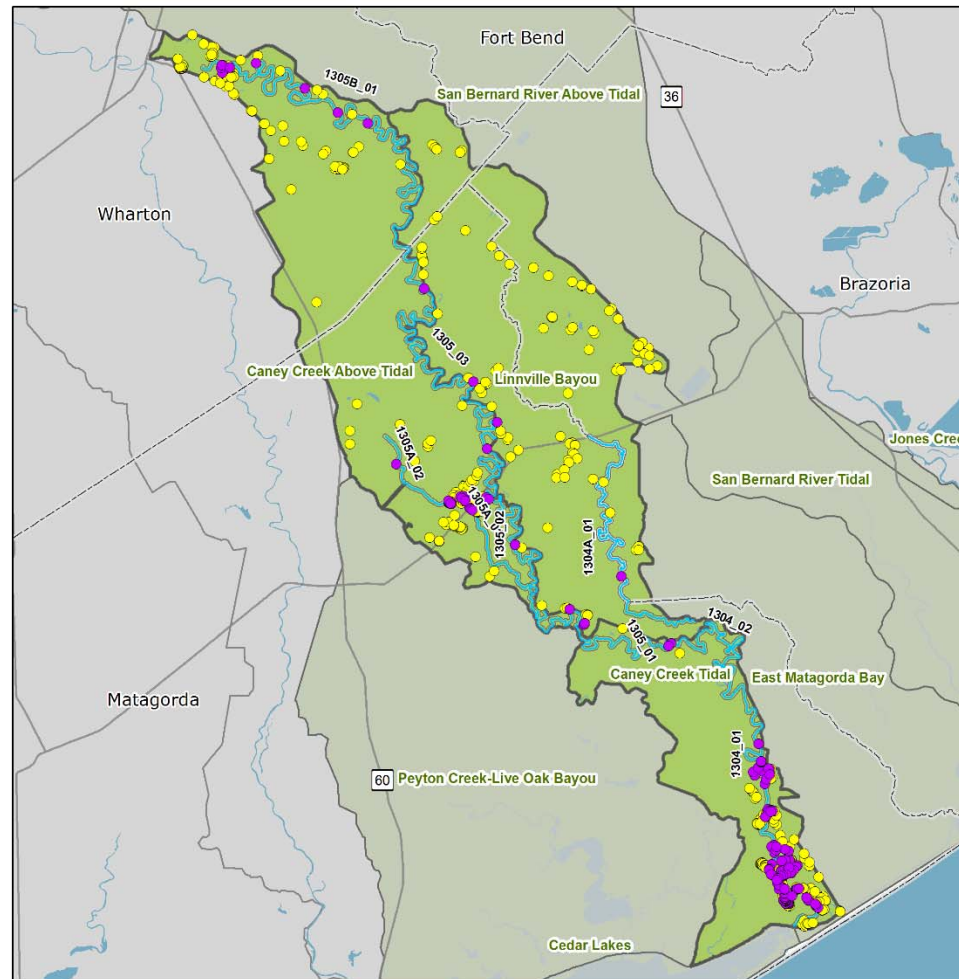
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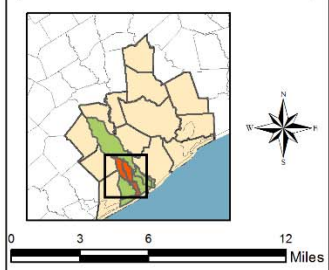


Caney Creek: OSSF

Caney Creek - OSSF Permits

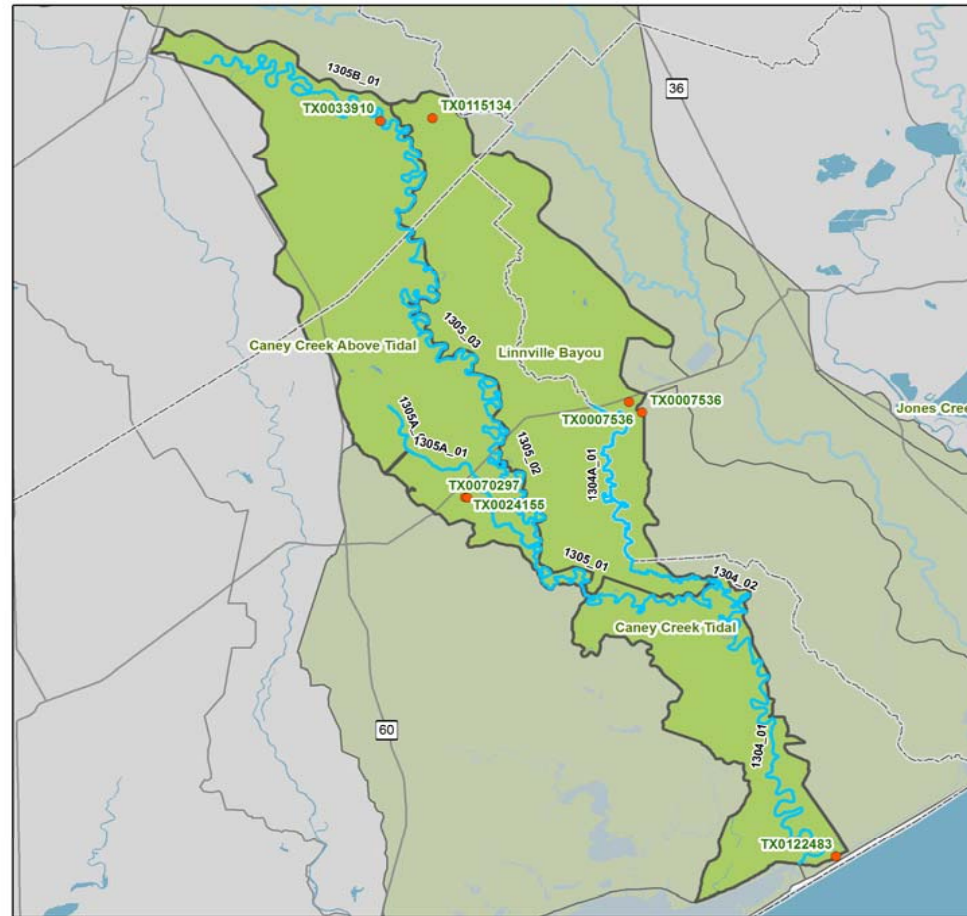


AU ID	OSSF within 500ft Buffer
1304_01	113
1304_02	2
1304A_01	1
1305_01	3
1305_02	3
1305_03	3
1305A_01	30
1305A_02	1
1305B_01	10



Caney Creek: WWTF Outfalls

Caney Creek - WWTF



- WWTF Outfalls
- County Boundary
- Major Roads
- AU
- Watershed Boundary

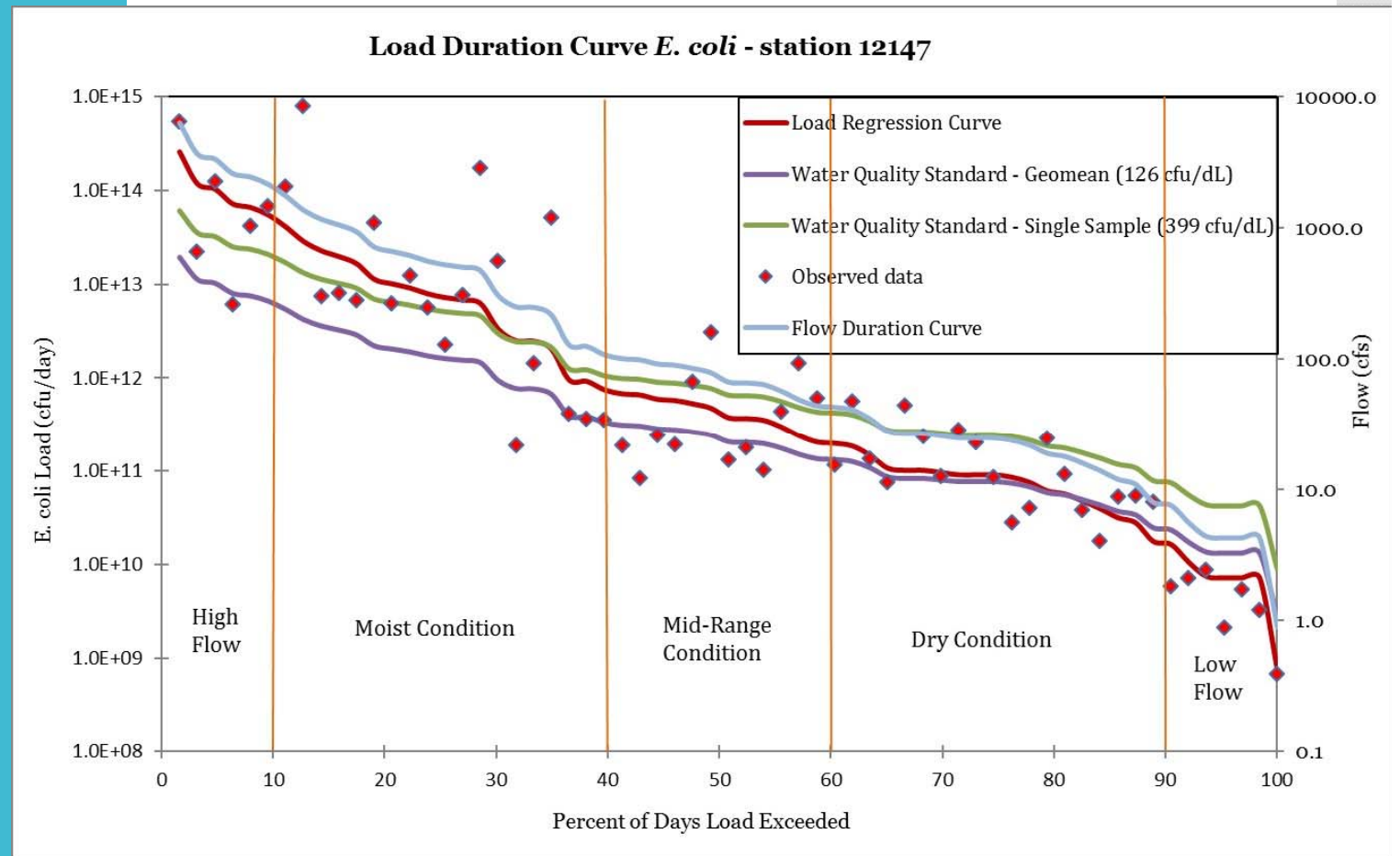
Watershed	WWTF
Caney Creek Above Tidal	3
Caney Creek Tidal	1
Linnville Bayou	3

Other Potential Sources

- Agriculture
- Household Pets
- Feral Hogs
- Other Wildlife



Load Duration Curves



TMDL

$$\text{TMDL} = \text{WLA} + \text{LA} + \text{FG} + \text{MOS}$$

Example: Chocolate Bayou TMDL – (Preliminary)

Watershed	Segment	TMDL (Billion MPN/day)	MOS (Billion MPN/day)	WLA _{wwtf} (Billion MPN/day)	WLA _{sw} (Billion MPN/day)	LA (Billion MPN/day)
Chocolate Bayou Tidal	1107	718.01	21.08	44.72	18.46	633.75
Chocolate Bayou Above Tidal	1108	1,334.80	66.74	142.63	57.96	1,067.47

What's a Coordination Committee?

A proactive group of local and regional stakeholders helping to create and drive content for the TMDL / I-Plan and/or WPP documents.

Role of the Coordination Committee

- Attend Public Meetings
- Participate in Work Groups
- Act as Community Ambassadors
- Provide Input of Priorities for the Watershed
- Identify Appropriate Existing Measures
- Provide Input on Documents & Reports

What are Existing Measures?

Existing measures are a menu of voluntary strategies stakeholders can use to reduce bacteria levels in Caney Creek.

Small Group Discussion

(1) POTENTIAL INTERESTS

- Citizens
- Education
- Environmental Groups
- Government Interest
- Industry and Business
- Parks / Recreation
- Resource Agency
- Watersheds
- Wildcard
- Others?

(2) NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES

- Ideal size of the committee?
- Other committees range from 31 members to 18.
- Number should be fairly distributed by interest.

(3) PROCESS TYPES

FORMAL

- Formal nominations
- Recorded votes
- Written rules of order

INFORMAL

- Informal nominations
- Consensus-based
- Ground rules

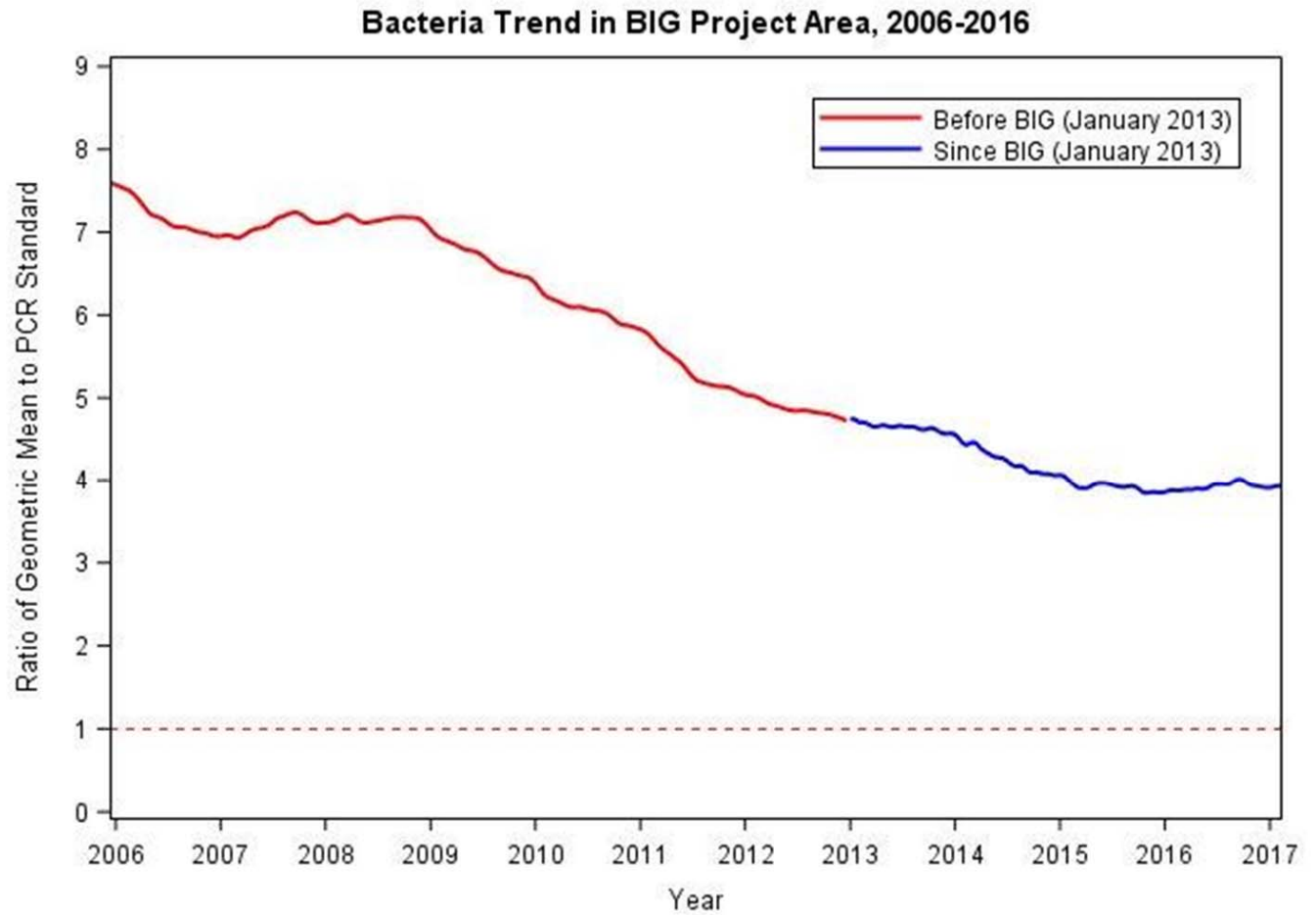
(4) MISSING PIECES

- Who should be here that isn't?
- Are we missing major industry or stakeholder groups?

Small Group Discussion - Results

1. Return to Larger Group
2. Review Results of break-out session
 - i. Interests to be represented
 - ii. Appropriate committee size
 - iii. Preferred process type
 - iv. Missing people & pieces?
3. Group Discussion of Results
4. Next Steps

Do Watershed Plans Work?



Dotted Red Line represents the Primary Contact Recreation Standard

Implementation: Workshops and Training



Texas Stream Team
Training – Spring 2017

Texas Watershed
Stewards Training/July
11, 2017



Questions?

