# WILLIAMSON COUNTY PARKS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

# CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

#### **FOCUS AREAS**

I.Regional Trail Connections

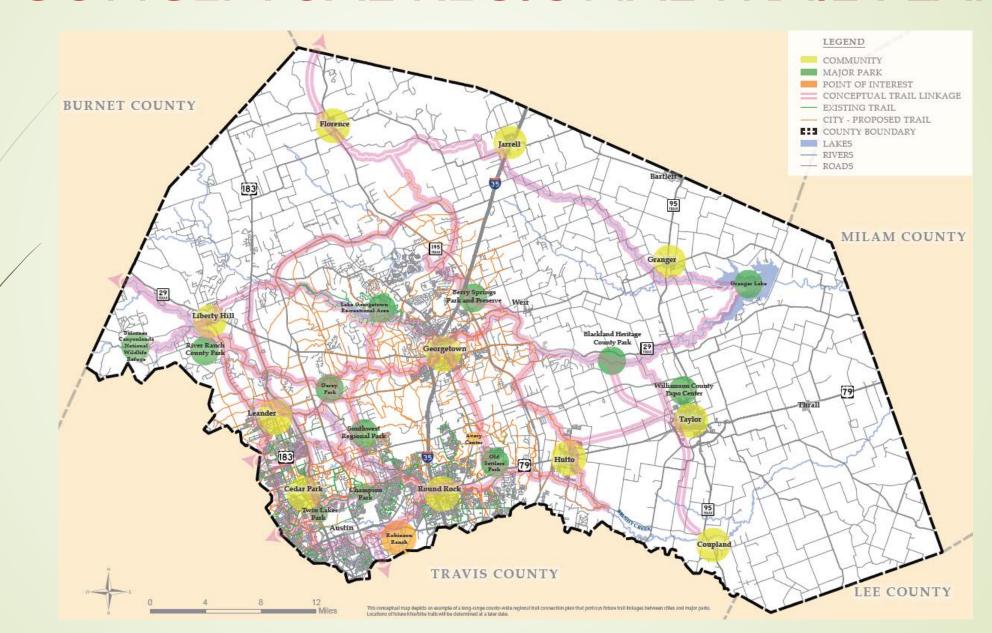
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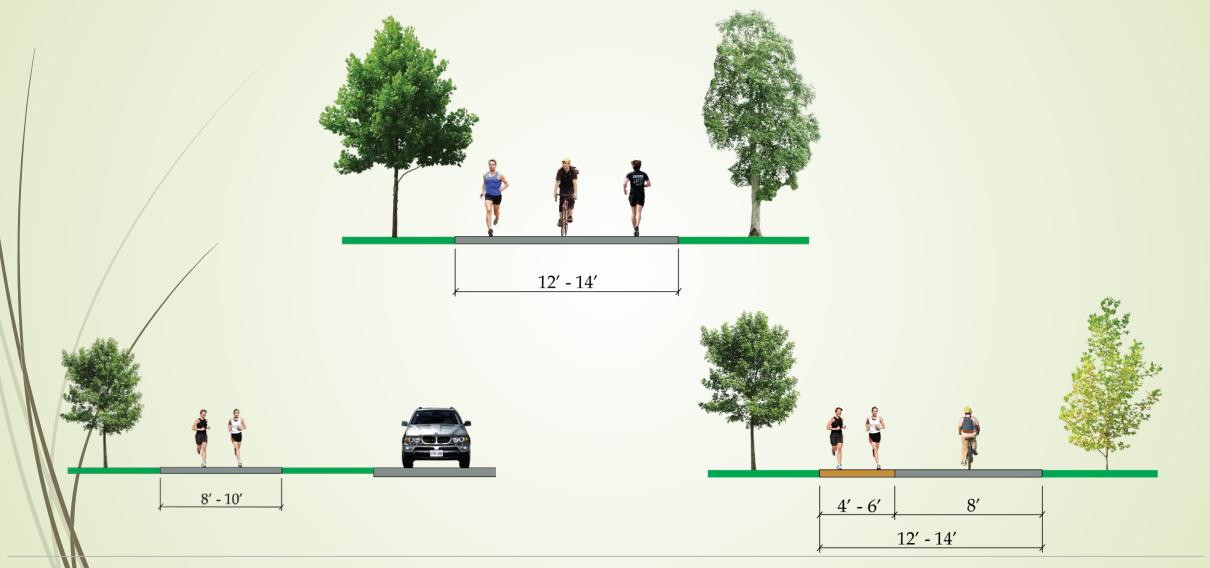




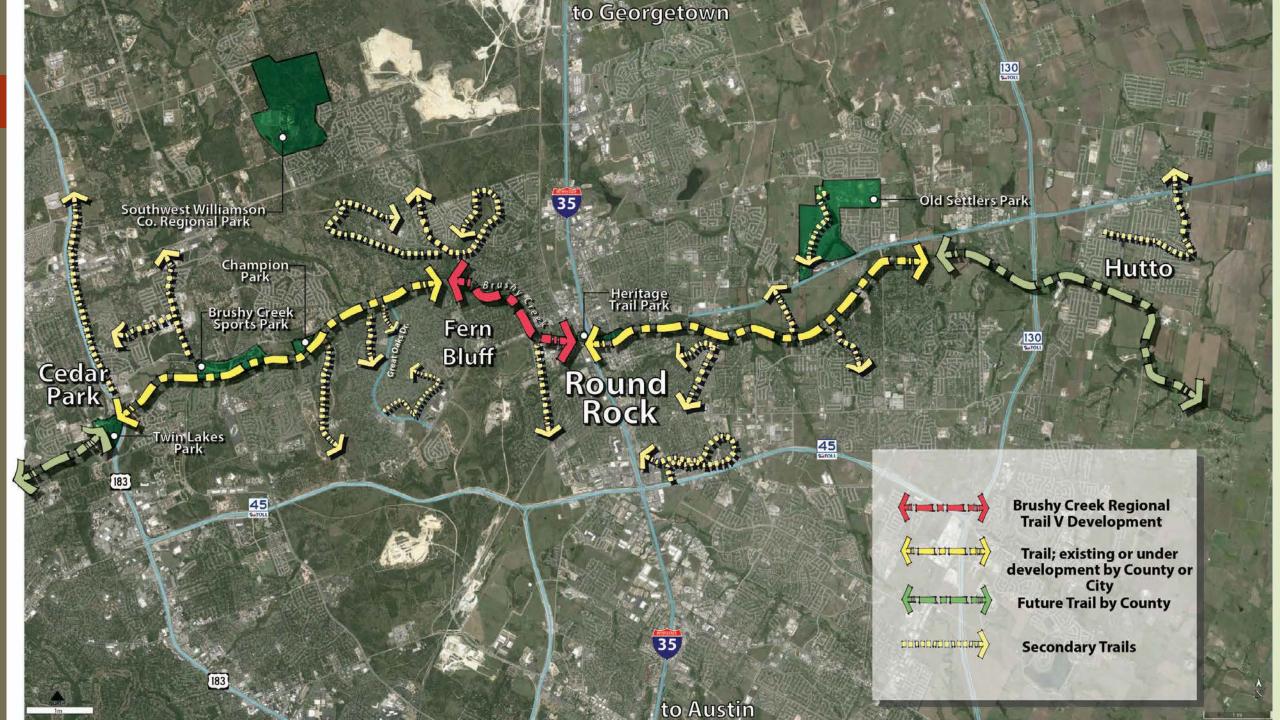
### CONCEPTUAL REGIONAL TRAIL PLAN



## IMPLEMENTATION | TRAIL DESIGN







# TRAIL EXPANSION AND CONNECTION



#### CONTINUE WITH TRAIL CONNECTIONS AND EXPANSION AND ACCORDING TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PARK MASTER PLAN



Brushy Creek Regional Trail - Hairy Man road (south and east)



Bagdad Road - Leander / Liberty Hill connection



SWWC Regional Park north Lake Georgetown connection



SWWC Regional Park south to Brushy Creek Regional Trail



Brushy Creek Regional Trail - Round Rock / Hutto connection



Trail expansion across CR 152 at Berry Springs Park & Preserve

# PROPOSED TRAIL CONNECTION PARTNERSHIPS



City of Cedar Park - Regional Trail connection with Lakeline Park and Twin Lakes Park .75 miles / 12 feet wide / with bridge over Bell Blvd. - Tab #6

• Requested funding = \$1,250,000

#### Twin Lakes Park / YMCA Greater Williamson County -

- (1) Pedestrian Bridge spanning 225 feet
- (2) Pedestrian Bridge spanning 450 feet Tab #7
- Requested funding = \$2,800,000

City of Leander - San Gabriel River Trail - 1.46 miles / 10 - 12 feet wide / 5-6 bridges / trailhead parking with restroom / signs and additional amenities - Tab #8

• Requested funding = \$1,524,000

**City of Leander -** Brushy Creek Trail – 2.08 miles/ 10 -12 feet wide / 2-3 bridges / trailhead parking / signs and additional amenities - Tab #9

• Requested funding = \$1,599,525

# PROPOSED TRAIL CONNECTION PARTNERSHIPS



City of Liberty Hill - Shared Use Path connecting Loop 332 and SH 29 to 183A via Seward Junction Loop / 2.2 miles / 10 feet wide - Tab #10

• Requested funding = \$1,300,000

City of Liberty Hill - Shared Use Path from Loop 332 along Bagdad Road connecting at County Road 281 / 4.7 miles / 10 feet wide / - Tab #10

• Requested funding = \$3,533,560

City of Georgetown - South San Gabriel River Trail Connecting SH 29 from University Avenue to IH 35 at Wolf Ranch / .75 miles / 10 feet wide / Tab #11

• Requested funding = \$1,275,000

Brushy Creek Municipal Utility District - Trailhead Beautification at Hairy Man Road and Great Oaks in association with Great Oaks Bridge project - Tab #12

• Requested funding = \$0.00

# PROPOSED TRAIL CONNECTION PARTNERSHIPS



**Sonterra Municipal Utility District –** Sonterra Blvd. Trails Section A / .6 miles / 6 feet wide / connecting schools to neighborhoods - Tab #13

• Requested funding = \$125,000

**Sonterra Municipal Utility District –** Sonterra Blvd. Trails Section B / .5 miles / 6 feet wide / connecting the Library to neighborhoods – Tab #13

• Requested funding = \$125,000

**Sonterra Municipal Utility District -** Sonterra Blvd. Trails Section C / 1 mile / 6 feet wide / connecting schools to neighborhoods - Tab #13

• Requested funding = \$175,000

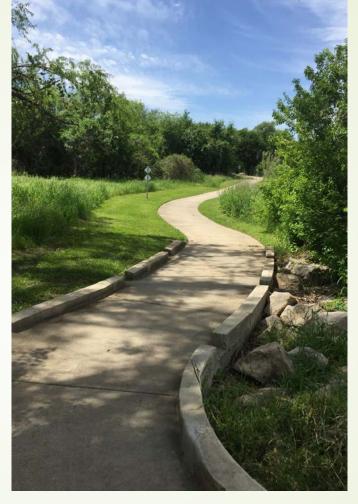
**Upper Brushy Creek Water Control Improvement District** flood control and regional park/trail development project - Tab #14 Requested funding = \$26,000,000

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# Existing County Parks and Trails

#### **TRAILS**

Brushy Creek Regional Lake Creek

#### **PARKS**

Berry Springs Park and Preserve

Champion

Expo Center

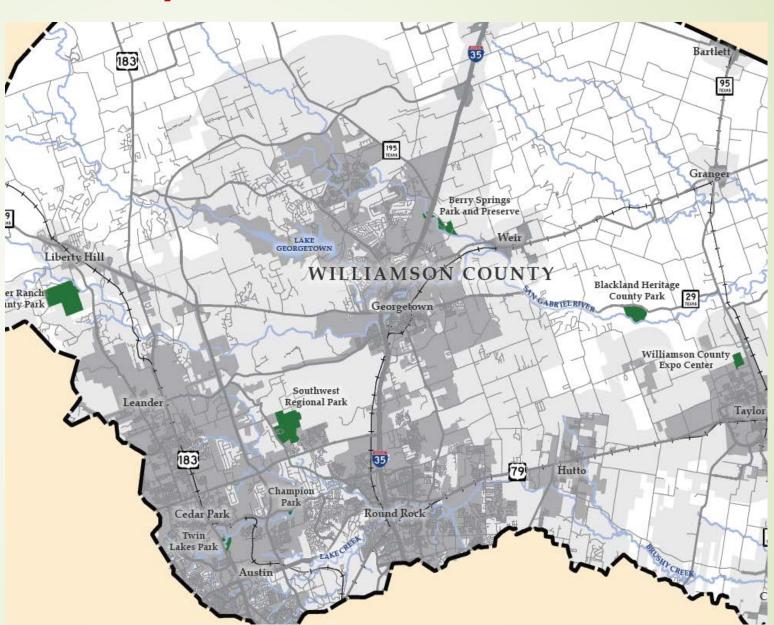
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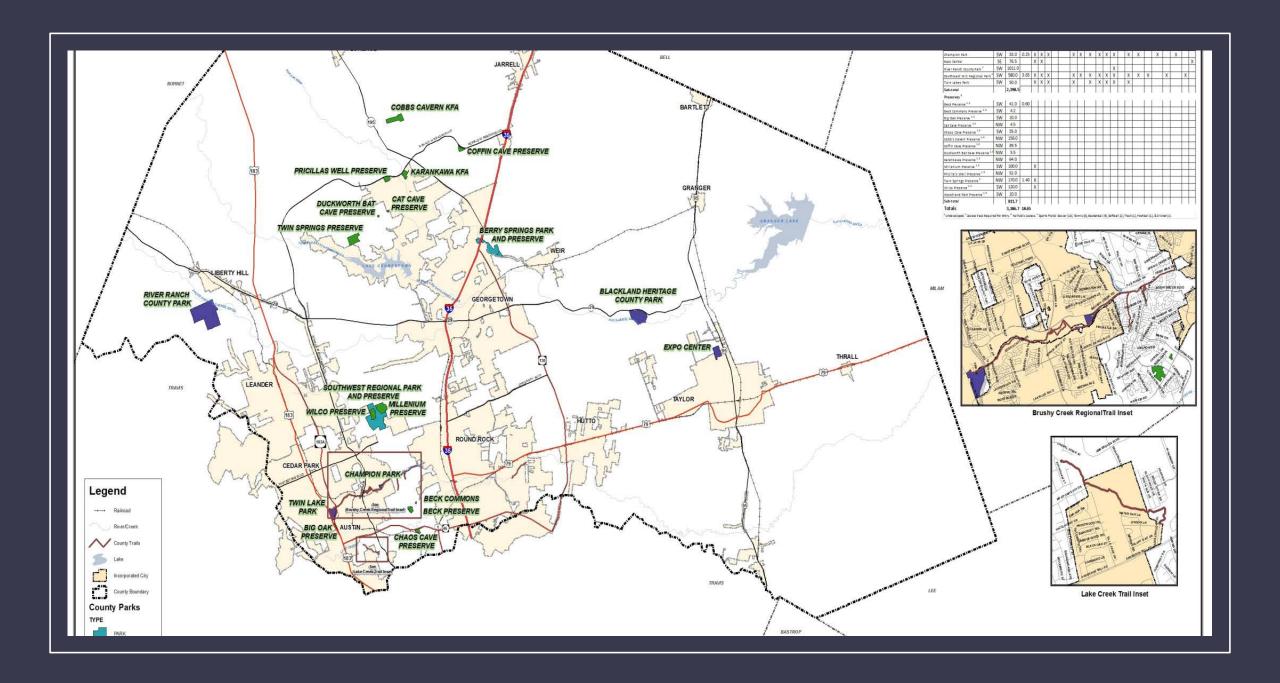
Twin Lakes

#### FUTURE

River Ranch County Park

Blackland Heritage





# PARK SYSTEM ACQUISITION

TREMENDOUS GROWTH DEMANDS OPEN SPACE FOR OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL PURSUITS, CONSERVATION AND EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

CONSIDER LOCATING AND ACQUIRING THE NEXT REGIONAL PARK PROPERTY(S)

WAITING TO ACQUIRE WHEN THE NEED ARISES WILL BE MORE COSTLY, ESPECIALLY IF NEAR FUTURE POPULATION CENTERS

WAITING TO ACQUIRE WHEN THE NEED ARISES COULD MEAN LAND IS FRAGMENTED AND DEVELOPED BEYOND REGIONAL PARK STATUS

#### PARK SYSTEM **ACQUISITION**



CONSIDER PROXIMITY TO:



REGIONAL TRAILS



STREAMS, LAKES, AND RIVERS



SENSITIVE HABITATS



**CONSERVATION EDUCATION ATTRIBUTES** 



KARST MITIGATION LANDS AND ENDANGERED SPECIES.



UNDERSERVED PARTS OF THE COUNTY

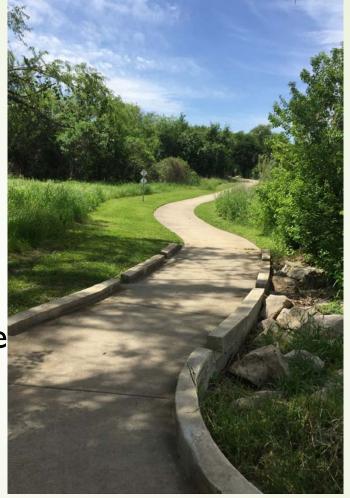


LARGE PARCELS OF COMMON OWNERSHIP

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### IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING PARKS

- HEADQUARTERS
- SCREENED SHELTERS
- GROUP MEETING SPACE
- ► INTERPRETIVE CENTERS
- RESTROOMS/VAULT/SHOWERS
- ► CAMPSITES/PICNIC PAVILIONS
- MAINTENANCE AREAS
- PARKING AREAS/TRAILHEADS
- WEDDING ARCH
- PLAYGROUNDS





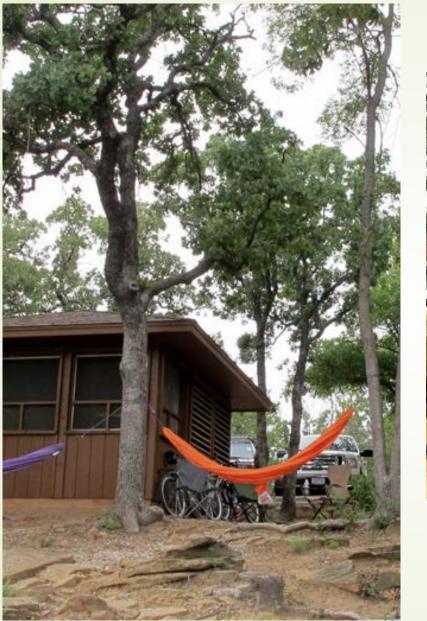
# PARK HEADQUARTERS

### SCREENED SHELTERS

- WHEN CAMPING EQUIPMENT IS LIMITED
- ADDED PRIVACY
- GATHERING
- INCLIMATE WEATHER
- ADDED PROTECTION FROM INSECTS AND WILDLIFE

















### GROUP MEETING FACILITIES







TABLES AND CHAIRS



SCREENED SHELTERS / CABINS FOR EXTENDED STAYS

RESTROOMS WITH SHOWERS









# PARK INTERPRETIVE CENTERS







# OUTDOOR EDUCATION



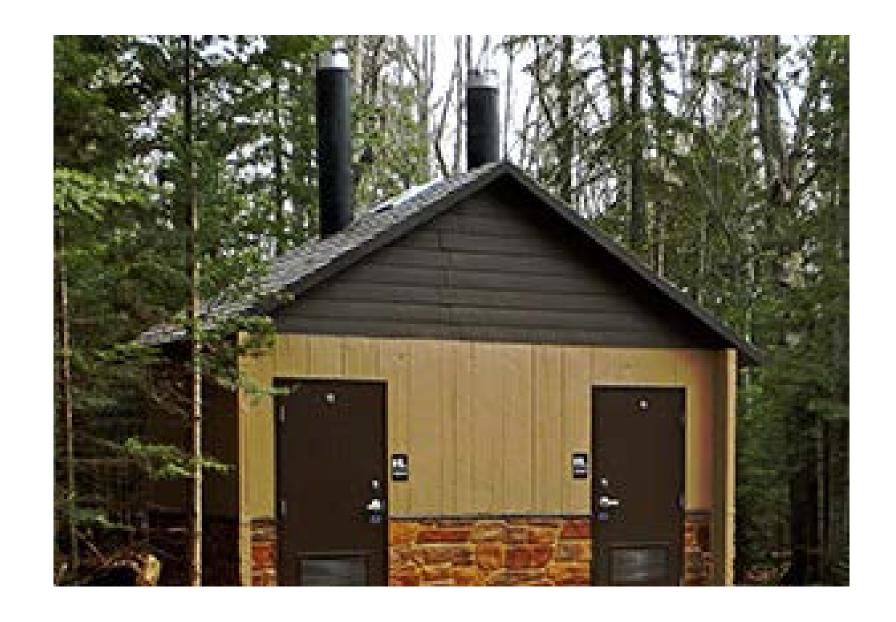


WILDLIFE VIEWING AREAS



# VAULT TOILETS



















## RIVER RANCH COUNTY PARK PHASE II





348 acres located on State Highway 29

Approximately 2 miles east of Jonah

Currently closed for public use



Blackland Prairie

- 348 ACRES PROVIDE EXPANSIVE OPEN SPACE
- NATIVE BLACKLAND PRAIRIE RESTORATION
- SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRACTICES CONSIDERING NATURAL RESOURCES
- OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE A SENSE OF DISCOVERY, INTRIGUE, AND ADVENTURE
- BOTTOMLAND HARDWOODS AND THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER ARE RICH IN PLANT AND WILDLIFE DIVERSITY
- WILL PROVIDE A UNIQUE PARK EXPERIENCE

- APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE OF RIVER ACCESS
- FISHING, KAYAK AND CANOE ACTIVITIES
- PECAN ORCHARD, WORKING FARMLAND AND EQUIPMENT
- PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERACTIVE EDUCATION
- WORKING FARMLAND AND DEMONSTRATION AREAS TO LEARN ABOUT CULTURAL / HISTORICAL HERITAGE OF THE AREA
- TRAILS, LOOKOUT POINTS, DAY USE AND GROUP FACILITIES, CAMPING, GROUP PICNIC PAVILIONS



#### IMPROVEMENTS TO EXPO

- WIND BLOCK
- RESTROOMS/SHOWERS
- WIDEN ARENA
- COVER WEST ARENA
- ► PICNIC PAVILIONS
- ► IMPROVED PARKING AREAS
- SUPPORT FAIRS/TRAILERS
- NORTH ACCESS ROAD
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