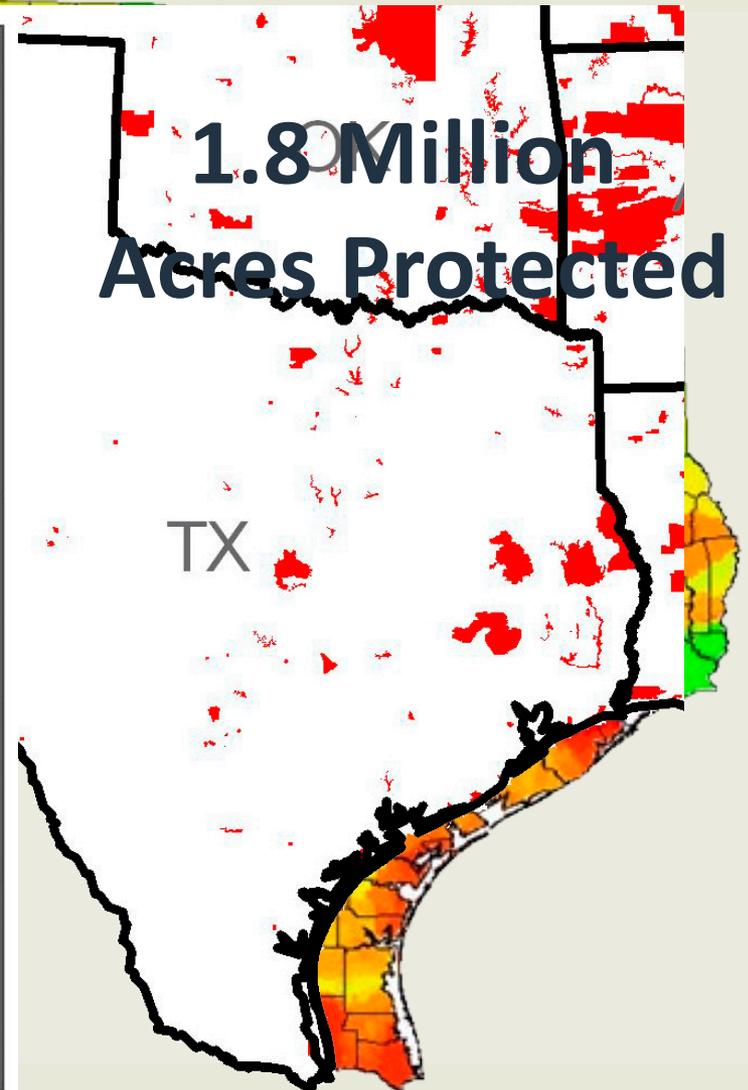
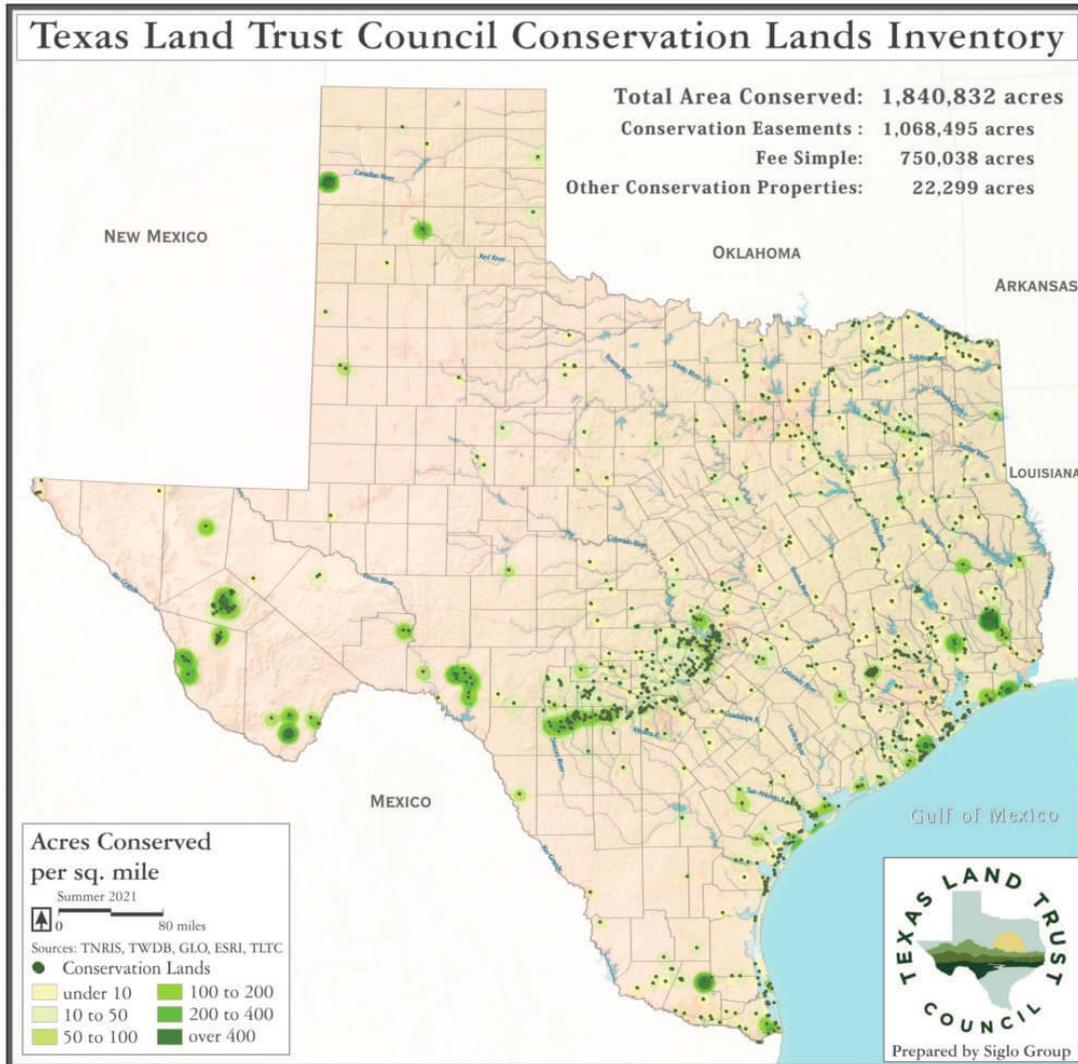




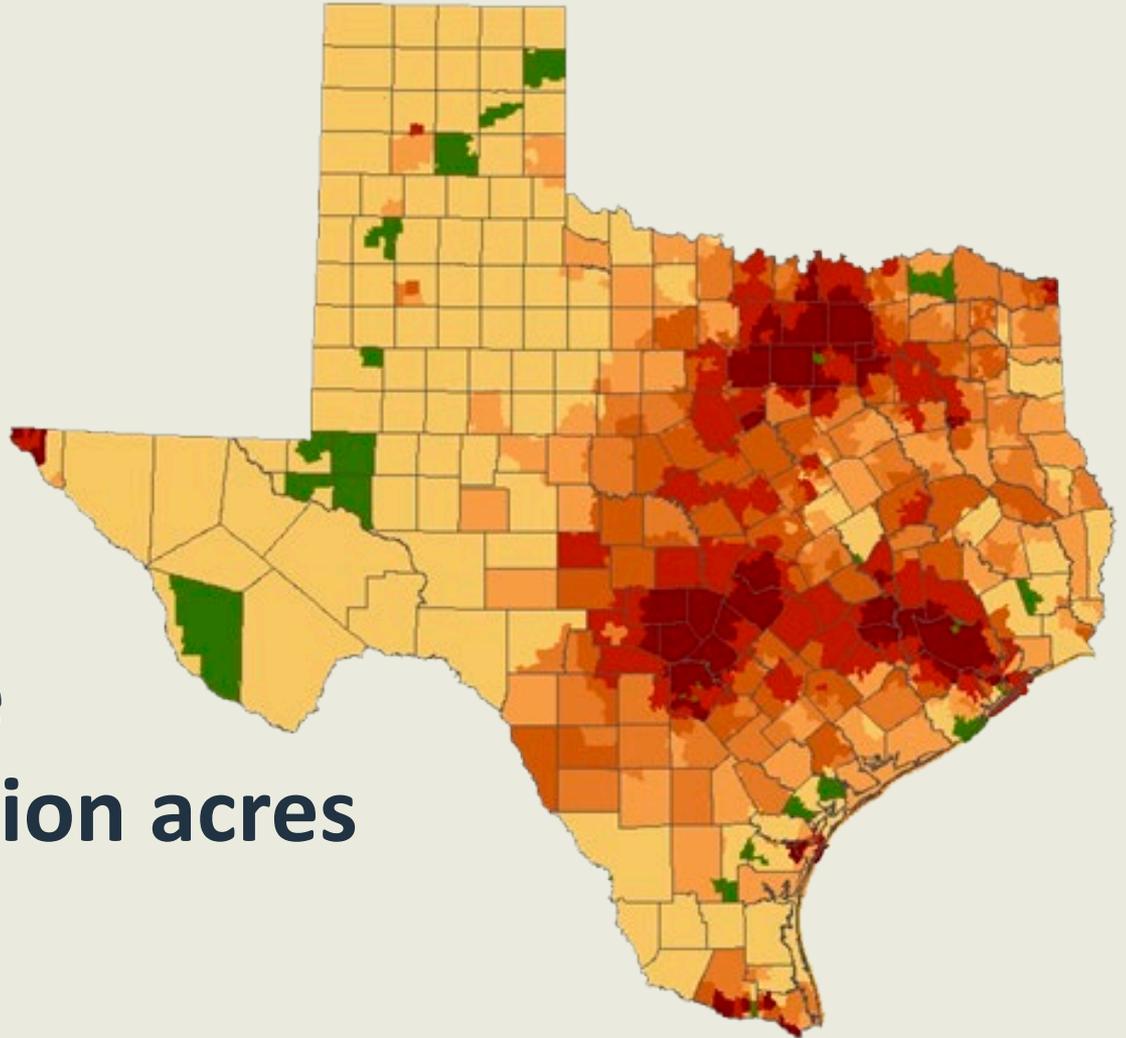
CONSERVATION EASEMENTS  
IN TEXAS

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# WHERE WE ARE NOW



# WHERE WE COULD BE



**By 2030 we lose  
another 1.5 million acres**

# Texas Land Conservation

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WMA's

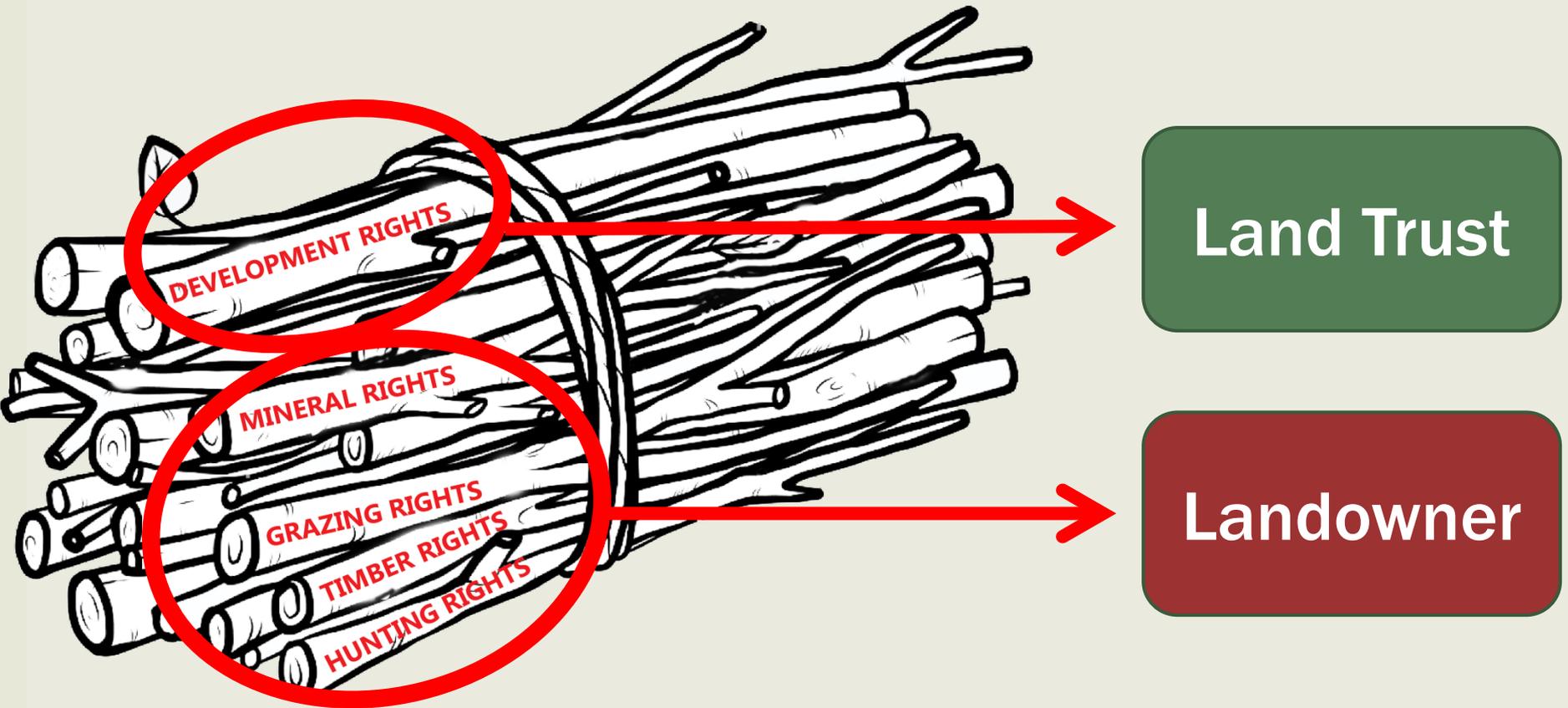
Private  
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# WHAT IS A CONSERVATION EASEMENT

- A legal agreement between a property owner and a “qualified entity” to limit the kind and amount of development on a property
- Allows landowner to maintain ownership while protecting land in perpetuity



# HOW A CONSERVATION EASEMENT WORKS

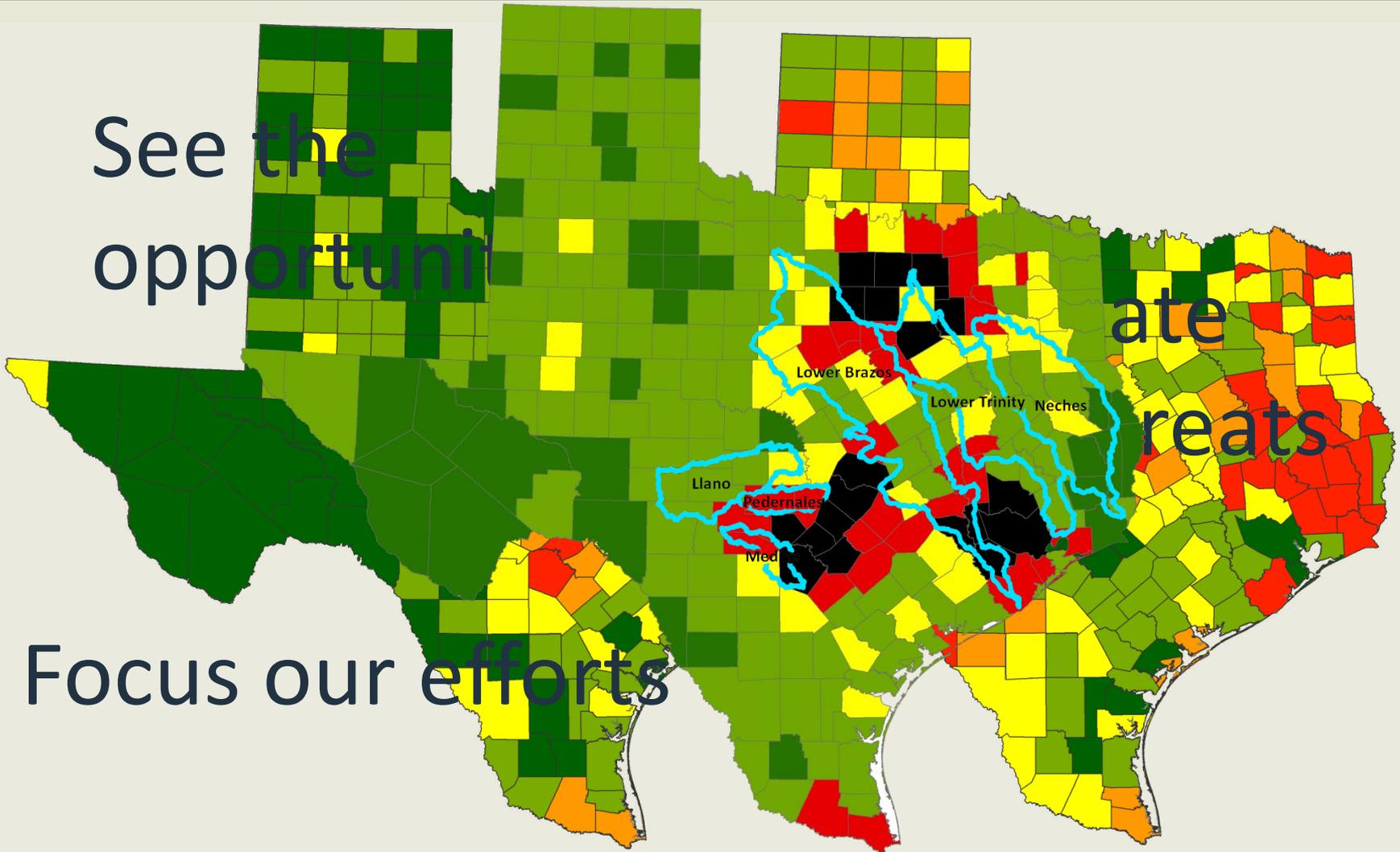


# THREATS AND OPPORTUNITIES

See the  
opportunities

Water  
threats

Focus our efforts

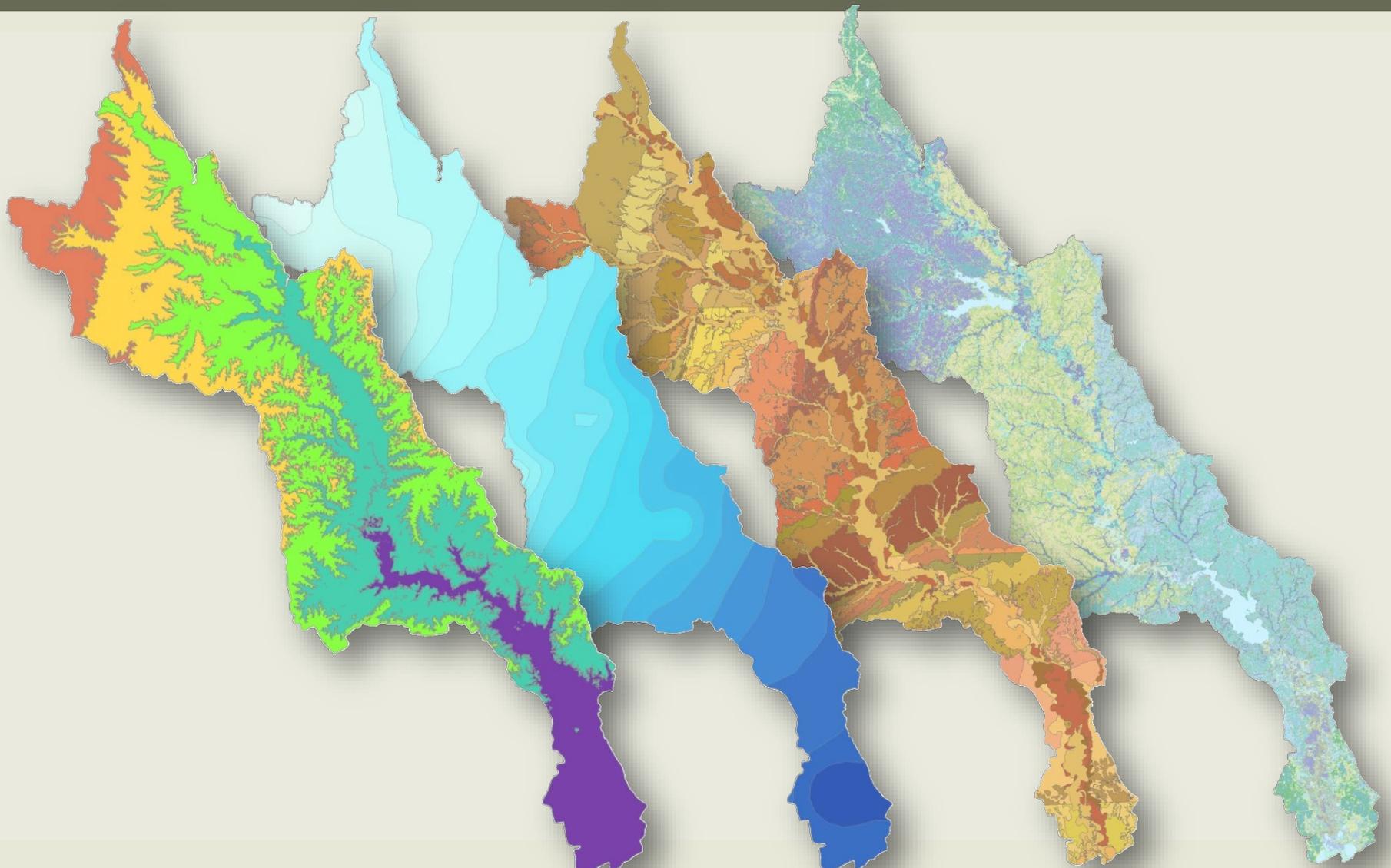


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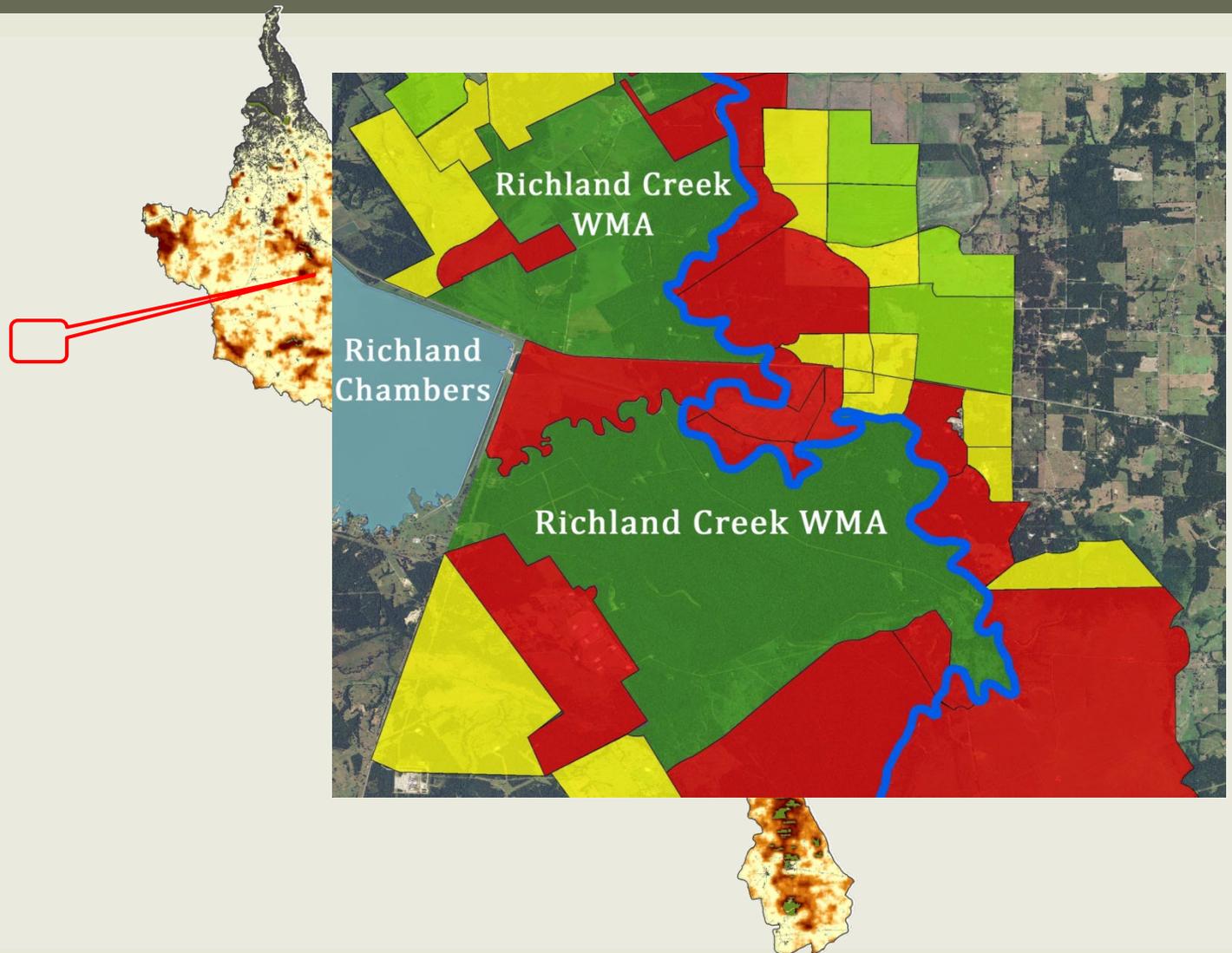
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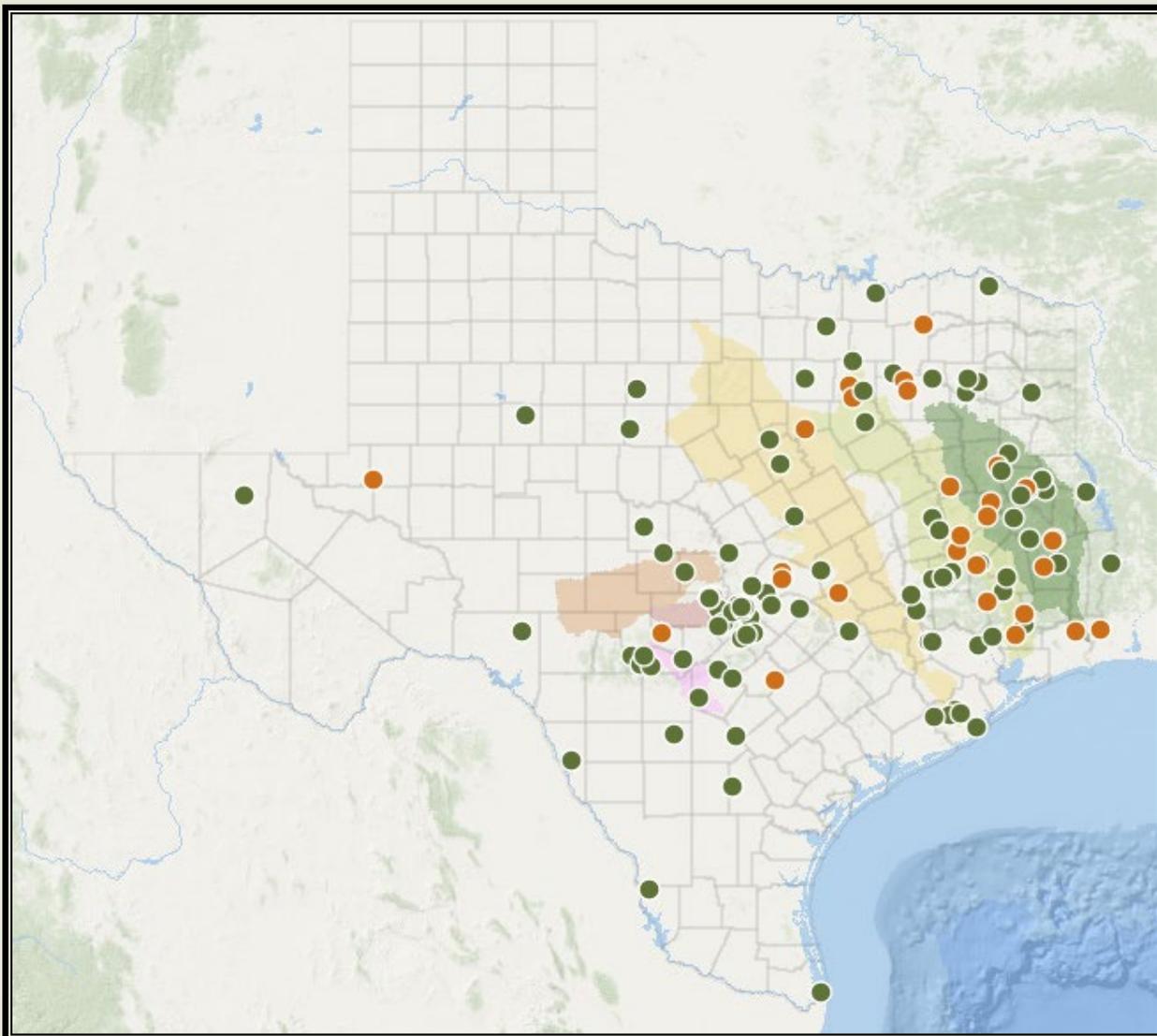
# CONSERVATION PLANNING



# FOCUSED CONSERVATION



# THE TEXAS LAND CONSERVANCY



# HOW DO YOU FIND A LAND TRUST

- Texas Land Trust Council  
([www.texaslandtrustcouncil.org](http://www.texaslandtrustcouncil.org))
- Each have different missions, and areas of operation
- Accreditation





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