OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPAND THE CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE PROCESS INTO THE NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS TSI PROJECT AREA

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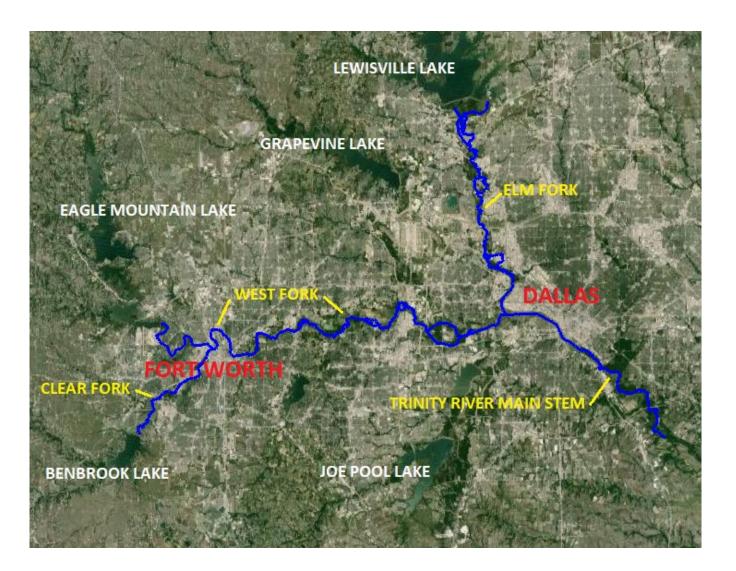
PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE

- NCTCOG and the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) signed a grant contract agreement in November 2021 and subsequent agreements with other organizations for the development of a Regional Planning Study of Wise County and portions of Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Hood, Johnson, Parker, and Tarrant counties
- NCTCOG is lead agency of this effort, known as the integration of Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure (TSI)
- Project team: NCTCOG, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fort Worth District (USACE), Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD), Texas A&M AgriLife, the University of Texas at Arlington (UTA), and others
- Per the Agreement, "development of model regulatory tools cities and counties could integrate into their existing development and planning processes."
- Managing Land Task Deliverable item: "Evaluate opportunities to expand the Corridor Development Certificate process into the <u>Project area</u>"

CURRENT CDC PROCESS/MODEL EXTENTS

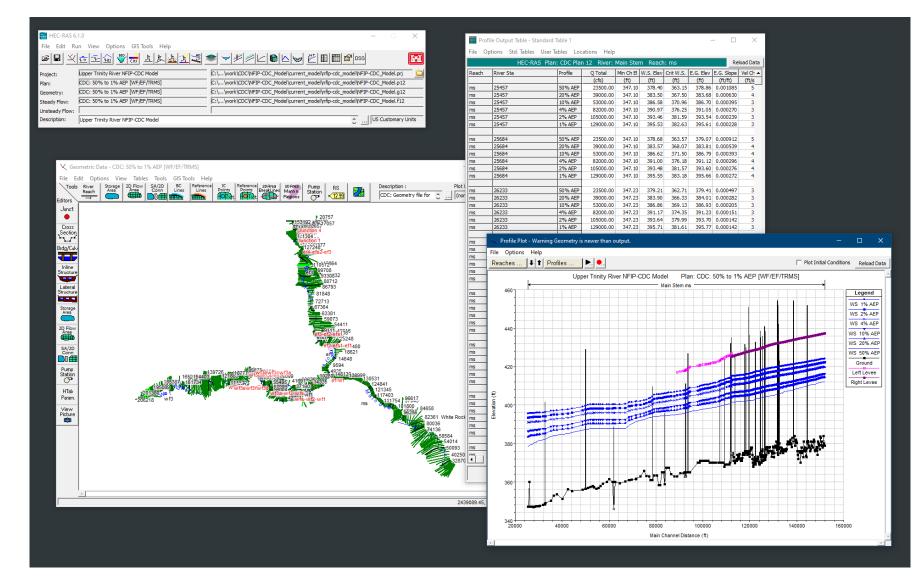
Extents as developed since the beginning of the CDC Process in the early 1990s

- Clear Fork ~12.4 miles
- West Fork ~58 miles
- Elm Fork ~ 29 miles
- Trinity River main stem ~23.5 miles
- Total ~123 miles



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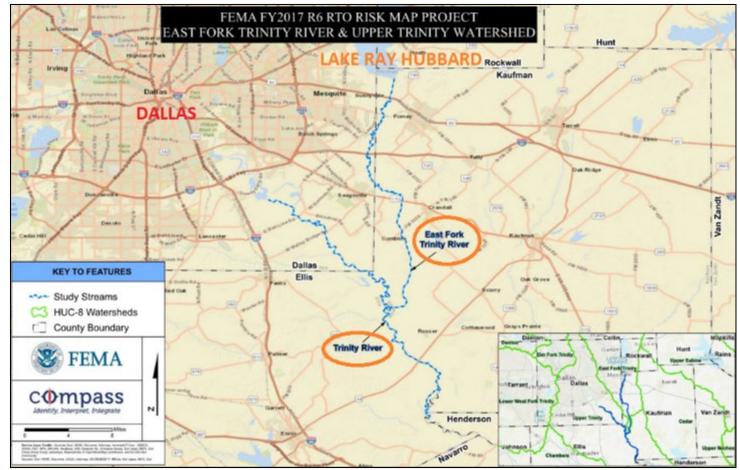
The CDC Model uses watershed flood event flows and floodplain information to compute water surface elevations



EXPANSION OF CDC PROGRAM/MODEL

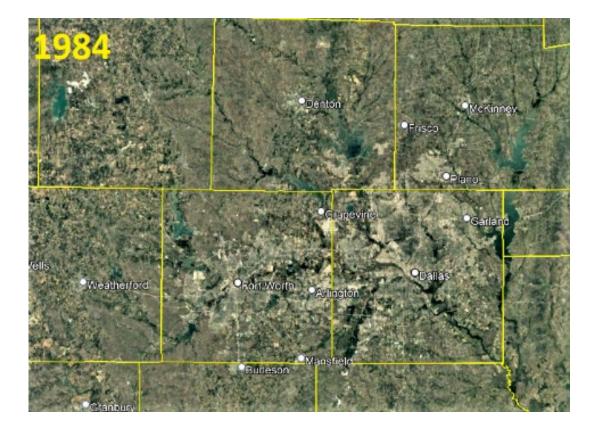
Expansion to the east (Kaufman County) and south (Henderson County). Work is ongoing – final adoption anticipated for 2025.

- East Fork ~29 miles
- Trinity River main stem ~30 miles
- Total ~59 miles



WHY EXPANSION?

- Development growth to the east and west (and north and south)
- Increased in impervious cover creating increased runoff
- Local and regional challenges (transportation, water quality, open space)





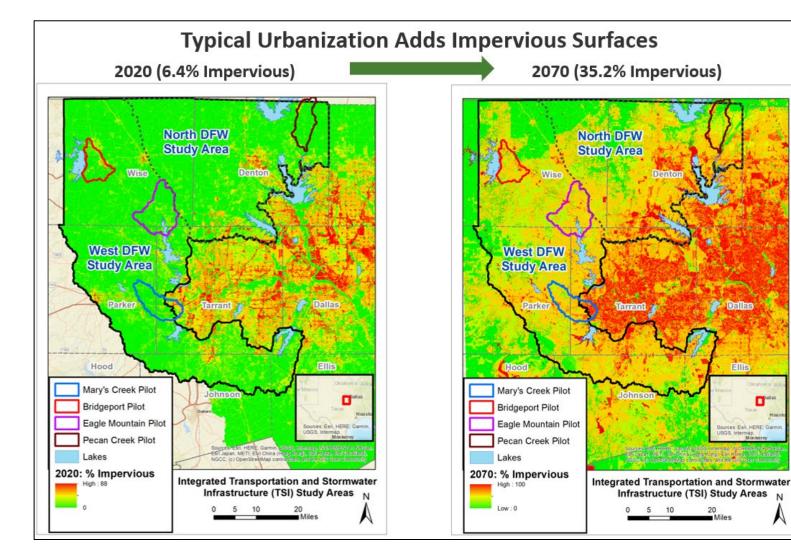
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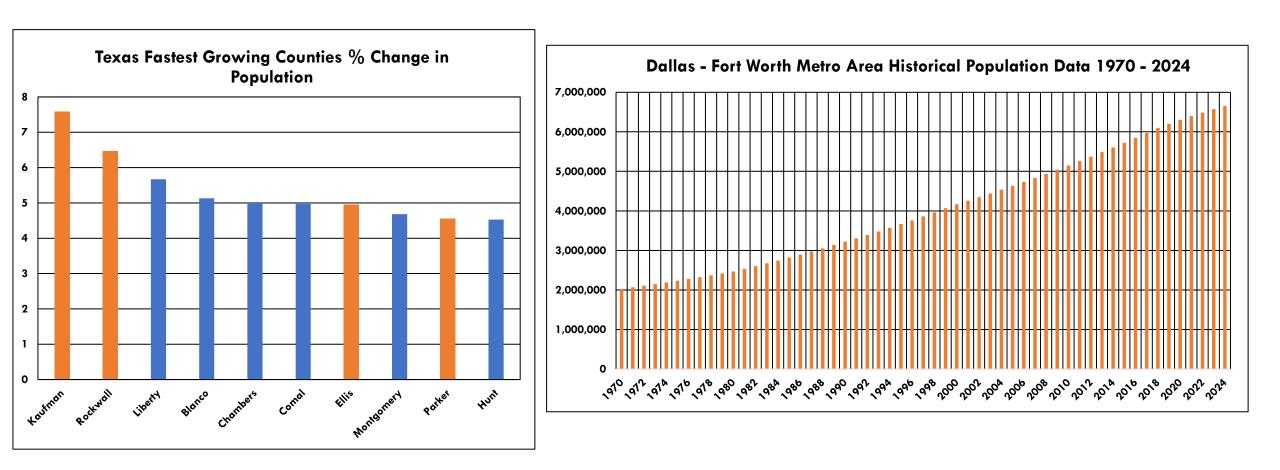
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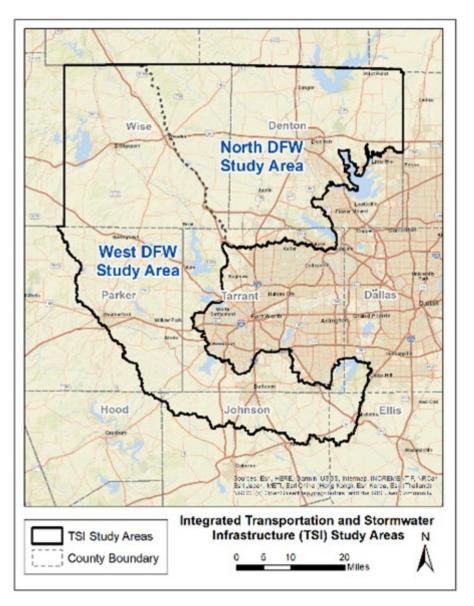
Population growth



PROJECT AREA

Project area details:

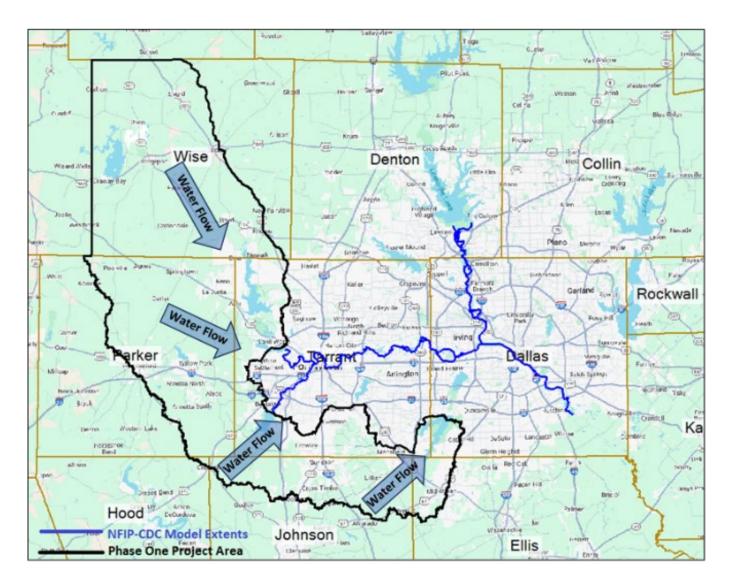
- 85 cities and portions of 8 counties
- 126% increase in population (2020 2045)
- 60% undeveloped (2015)
- 19% growth in impervious surface (2006 2016)
- > 7,000 miles of streams
- > 274,000 acres of 100-year floodplain



PROJECT AREA

West DFW Study Area

- Dallas County
- Ellis County
- Hood County
- Johnson County
- Parker County
- Tarrant County
- Wise County
- Mansfield, Burleson, Midlothian, Weatherford, Crowley, Decatur, Bridgeport
- ~ 1,690 square miles



OPPURTUNITIES TO EXPAND INTO THE PROJECT AREA

 USACE developed "Evaluation of Opportunities to Expand the Corridor Development Certificate Process into the North Central Texas TSI Project Area" 2024

Plan of Implementation

1. Solicit stakeholder interest by establishing a Technical Advisory Group, conducting training opportunities, preparing and issuing surveys, hosting scenario planning workshops throughout the Project Area

2. Meetings/workshops with the participation of NCTCOG staff, floodplain administrators/staff of current member communities, and USACE

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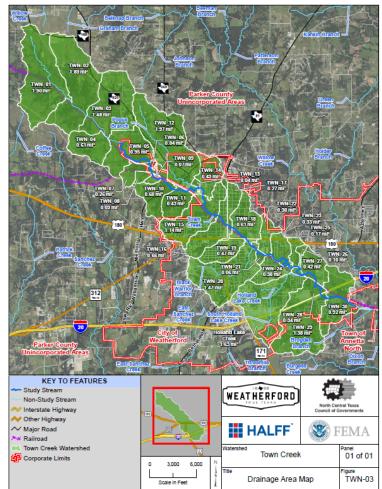
- Plan of Implementation (continued)
 - 3. Recommended meeting agenda
 - History of the CDC program
 - Benefits of the CDC program
 - CDC administrative procedures (reviews, fees)
 - The Technical Review process
 - Comparisons with the NFIP program and policies, modeling procedures
 - How to integrate the CDC in local ordinances
 - Discuss local master development plans and future land use for each community/county
 - Hydrology and hydraulics modeling
 - How the CDC program be applied to the stakeholder area of interest
 - Display NCTCOG/CDC program online products

OPPURTUNITIES TO EXPAND INTO THE PROJECT AREA

- Plan of Implementation (continued)
 - 4. Perform a pilot study
 - Identify a community through the previous efforts
 - Deliverable products will include hydrology and hydraulic modeling and Standard Operating Procedure to serve as a guide for implementation of future studies

EXPANSION OF THE CDC PROGRAM INTO WEATHERFORD

- City of Weatherford expressed interest in participating in a Pilot Study in May 2024
- Several meetings between Weatherford and USACE HH staff
- USACE developed a Scope/Plan of Procedure specific for Weatherford in August 2024
- Specific study tasks. Specific study tasks, including modeling, are as follows:
 - 1. Obtain and update the Town Creek HEC-RAS model
 - 2. Obtain and update the Town Creek HEC-HMS model
 - 3. Develop future land use HEC-HMS model
 - 4. Develop future flows
 - 5. Incorporate CDC Flows into HEC-RAS model



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- Specific study tasks (continued)
 - 6. Compare Model with FEMA model
 - 7. Floodplain Delineations
 - 8. Incorporate into NFIP-CDC Model
 - 9. Documentation
- Deliverables
 - 1. Town Creek HEC-RAS model incorporated into the regional NFIP-CDC Model
 - 2. Town Creek HEC-HMS future watershed conditions model
 - 3. Town Creek CDC $1\,\%$ and 0.2% AEP flood event delineations
 - 4. Project study report
- Funding/schedule: USACE will pursue additional federal funds to complete the technical portion of this pilot study given the limited budget for this TSI task - anticipated completion is 2026

THE FUTURE

The path forward:

- The Weatherford study to serve as a catalyst for future studies
- Engagement with other communities to ensure a tailored approach
- Document findings, recommendations, and next steps related to expanding CDC program into TSI project area

THANK YOU