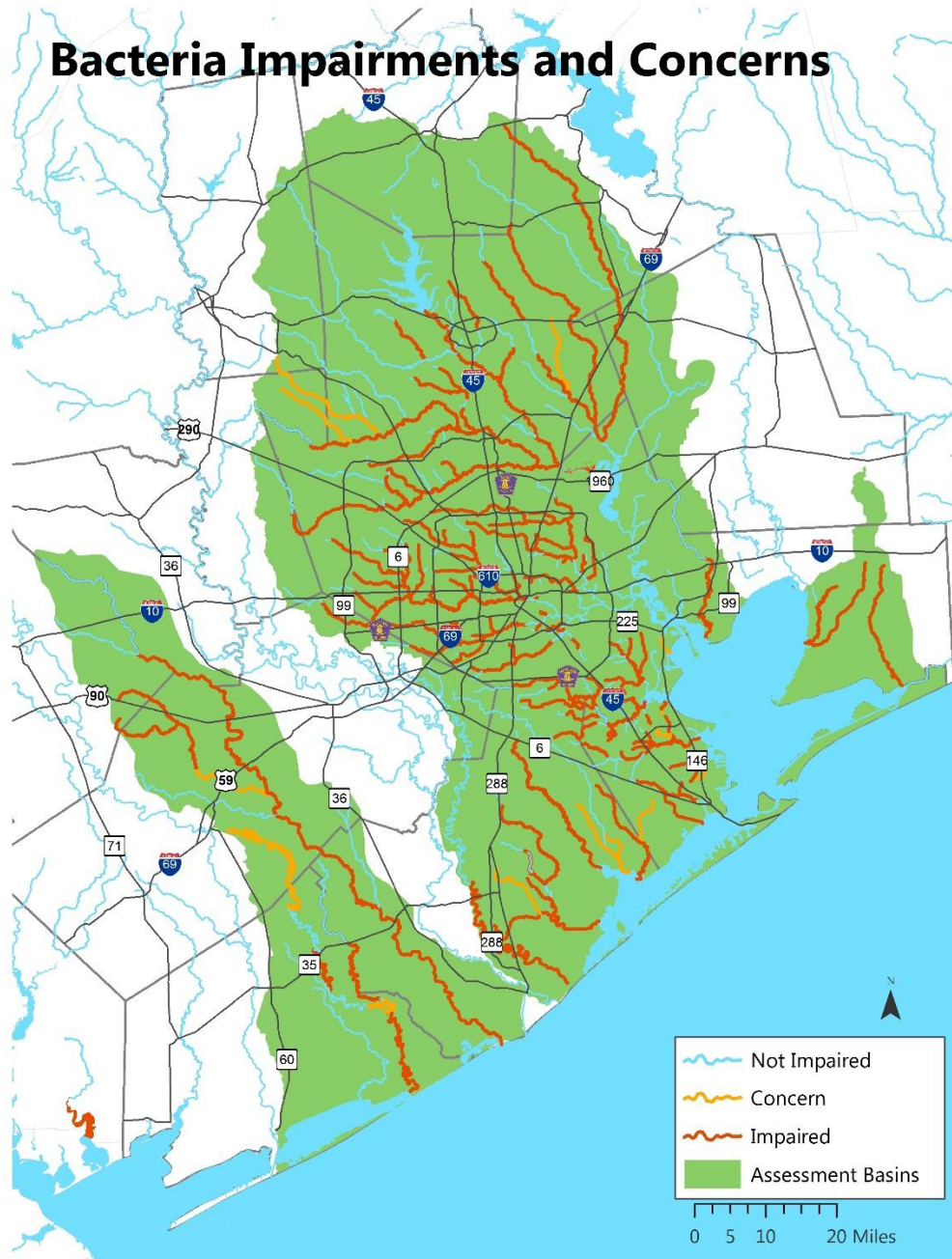


CLEAN RIVERS PROGRAM

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Bacteria Impairments and Concerns

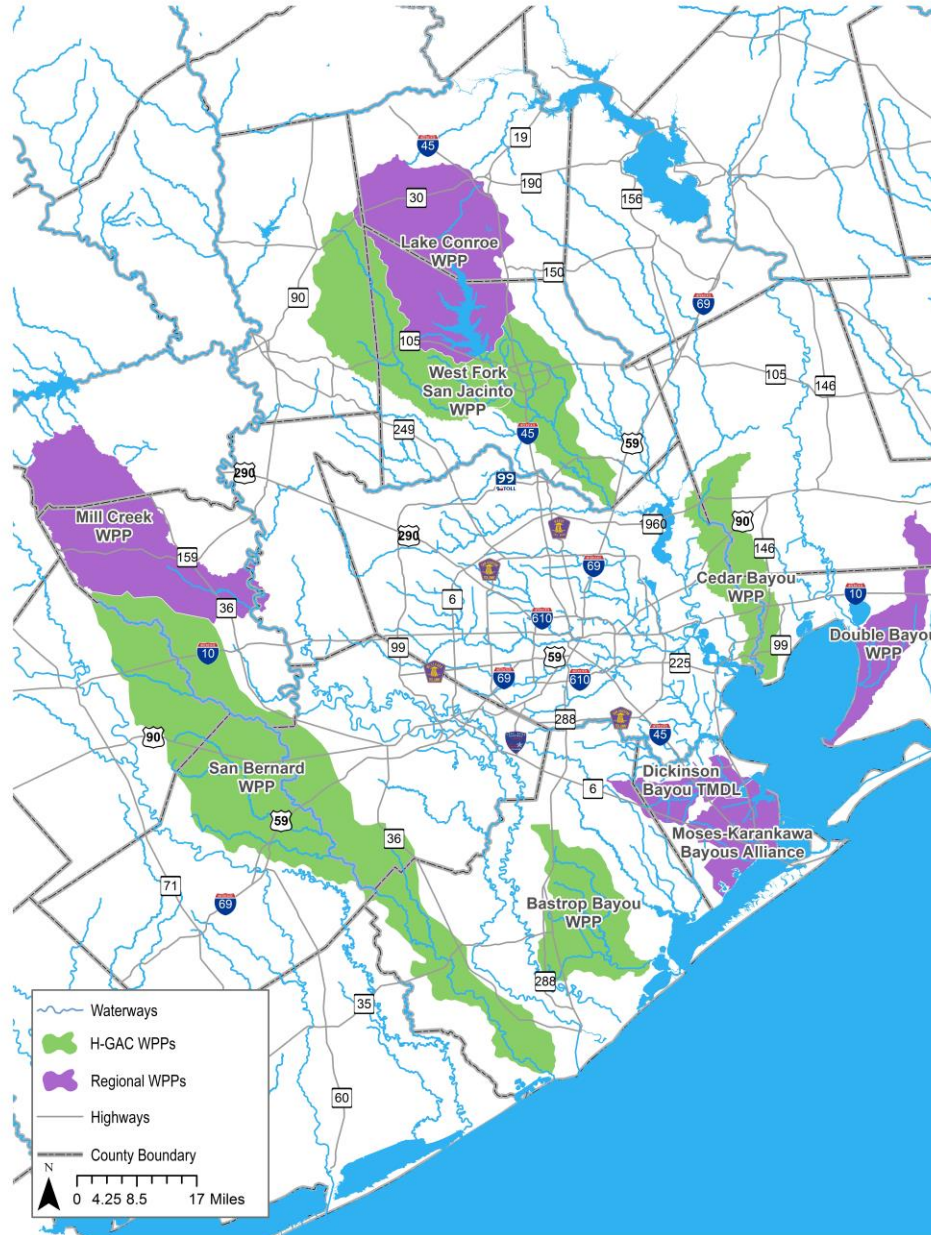


A photograph of a stream flowing over a bed of large, mossy rocks. The water is clear and creates white foam as it cascades over the rocks. A single wooden stick lies across the stream in the middle ground. The surrounding area is lush with green vegetation, including ferns and other plants. A semi-transparent blue rectangular box is overlaid on the upper portion of the image, containing white text.

WATER QUALITY PROJECTS

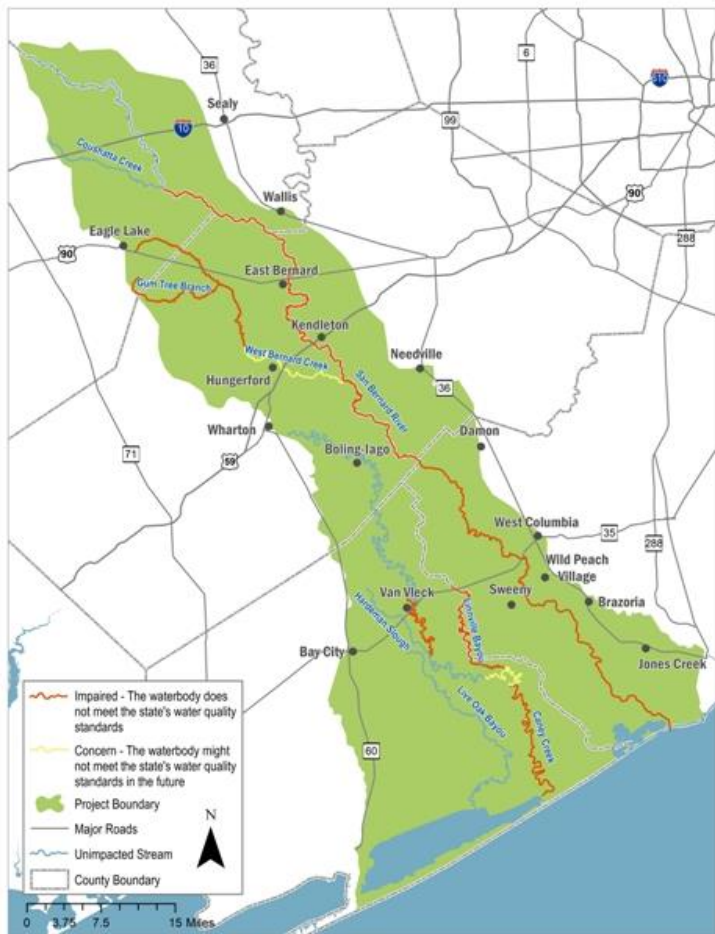
Bacteria Reduction Projects

WPP Projects within the H-GAC Region

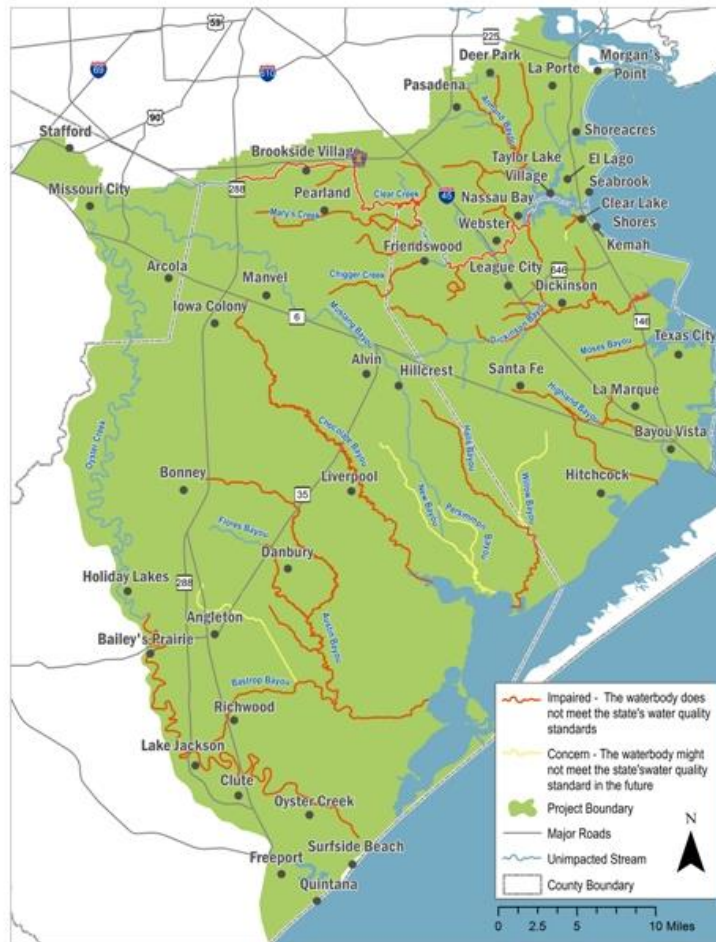


Bacteria Reduction Projects

Brazos- Colorado Coastal Basin



San Jacinto-Brazos Coastal Basin





COASTAL COMMUNITIES PROJECT

Water Quality Education & Outreach





Purpose

- Fill gap between **needs** of coastal communities and education/outreach **measures** identified in water quality projects
- Create a **template** for **outreach**
- Pursue **funding** to **implement** outreach activities



Goal

- Address **four** issues negatively impacting water quality
- Focus on **changing behaviors** of residents
 - Pet Waste Disposal
 - Improper Disposal of Fats, Oils, Grease
 - Littering & Illegal Dumping
 - Maintenance of On-site Sewage Facilities



Strategies

- Identify outreach **needs**.
- Create a **public outreach plan** template.
- Organize a collaborative outreach **working group**.
- Create a **toolbox of outreach materials and resources**.
- Support select public **outreach events**.
- Maintain a **website** for news, funding, resources.
- Search for **funding** sources for issues.



Septic Systems

FUNDING SOURCES

- Repair or replacement of failing traditional/aerobic systems
- Income restrictions do apply
- No cost-sharing required
- Must be the homeowner

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