

# 2018 Drainage Bond Referendum Program

## Flood Management

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## Introduction **2018 Drainage Bond Program**

The heavy rains of June 2018, produced the need for immediate funding to address areas in critical need of improved drainage. On November 6, 2018, \$190M were approved through a bond election to assist with this need. The proposed Hidalgo County countywide projects will help to protect more than 69,000 structures totaling over \$5.5 billion in property values. Thirty-seven (37) projects were funded by means of the bond election for a total of \$186,000,000. Machinery and equipment to perform maintenance and operations will be purchased with the remaining \$4,000,000. Contract execution with Engineering Consultants commenced in March 2019.



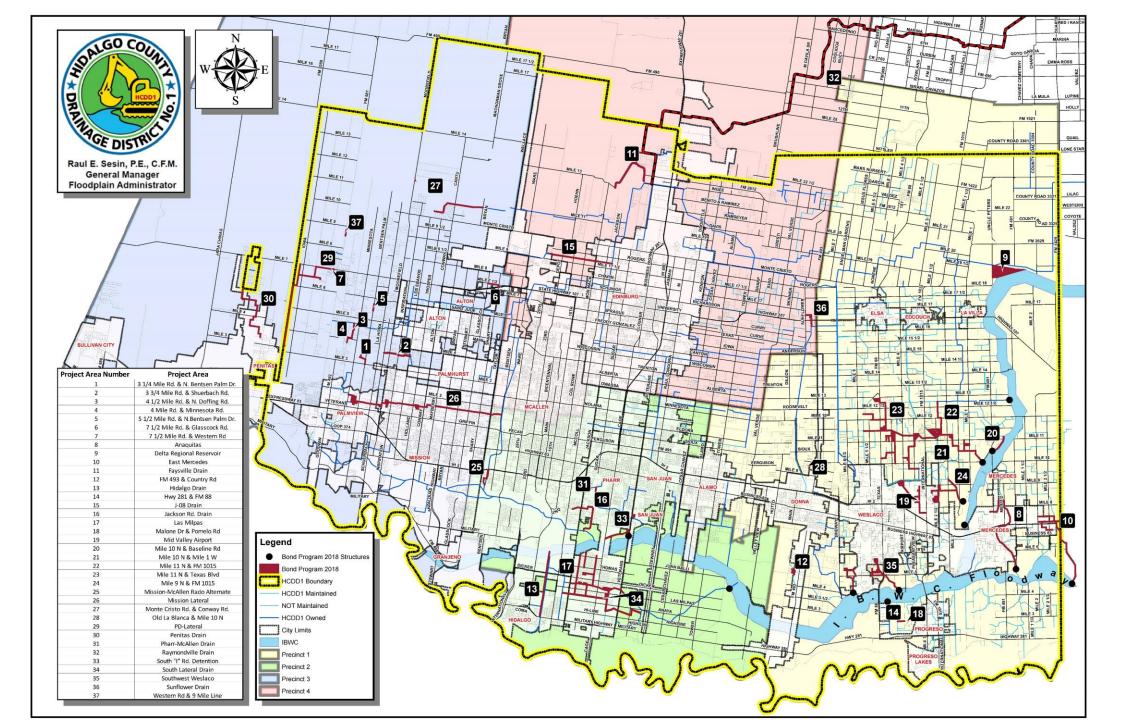




## **Summary of Contracts**

- **❖** Projects Contracted: 37
- **❖** Number of Actual Projects: 58
- **❖** Consultant Engineers: 18
- Machinery & Equipment: 1 Purchases have not been made.

- ❖ Projects Under Design: 23
  - Precinct 1 8 projects
  - Precinct 2 10 projects
  - Precinct 3 2 projects
  - Precinct 4 3 projects
- **❖** Projects Under Construction: 13
  - Precinct 1 4 projects
  - Precinct 2 4 projects
  - Precinct 3 4 projects
  - Precinct 4 1 project
- ❖ Projects Completed: 1
  - Precinct 2 1 project













## **Process** 2018 Drainage Bond Program

#### Hydraulic & Hydrology (H&H) Model

Purpose: H&H studies are completed to ensure structures are sized correctly to handle floodwaters, while not inadvertently increasing flooding up or down stream. The studies are performed to quantify the volume flow rate of water draining from a watershed (i.e., drainage area) and determine the depth and velocity of flow and forces from flowing water on a surface or at hydraulic structures. H&H studies are essential to mitigate against flood loss in the future.



#### **United States International Boundary & Water Commission (USIBWC)**

- > USIBWC considers environmental impacts of the proposed work and directly related construction.
- > Outgrants are necessary for any work or event, including construction, dredging, recreational events, entertainment, or any other interest or request(s) resulting in the use of USIBWC federal real property by lease, easement, license, or permit.
- > Six (6) resource agencies must environmentally clear a project for construction.

#### **Resource Agencies**

- ❖ Hidalgo County Historical Commission (HCHC)
- ❖ Texas Commission of Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
- ❖ Texas Historical Commission (THC)
- Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD)
- United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- United States Fish & Wildlife Services (USFWS)





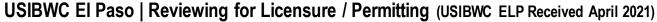




# Projects Requiring USIBWC Licensing / Permitting 2018 Drainage Bond Program

#### **United States International Boundary & Water Commission (USIBWC)**

- ❖ 11 Projects Require USIBWC Licensing / Permitting
  - 12 Licenses / Permits Needed



- 1. B-18-08 Anaquitas Drain
- 2. B-18-14 Hwy 281 & FM 88
- B-18-21 Mile 10 North & Mile 1 West

#### **USIBWC Mercedes | Preliminary Review**

4. B-18-34 South Lateral (Pending THC Final Archeological Survey Report)

#### **Pending Submittals to USIBWC Mercedes**

- 5. B-18-20 Mile 10 North & Baseline Road (Pending THC Final Archeological Survey Report)
- 6. B-18-24 Mile 9 North & FM 1015 (Pending Signed & Sealed Plans)

#### **Submitted to Resource Agencies for Environmental Clearance**

7. B-18-33 South "I" Road

#### **Pending Submittals to Resource Agencies**

- 8. B-18-10A East Mercedes (Ditch 23)
- 9. B-18-19 Mid Valley Airport (Ditch18B)
- 10. B-18-22 Mile 11 North & FM 1015 (South Mercedes Lateral)
- 11. B-18-35 Southwest Weslaco (Ditch 37)
- 12. B-18-35 Southwest Weslaco (Ditch 39)







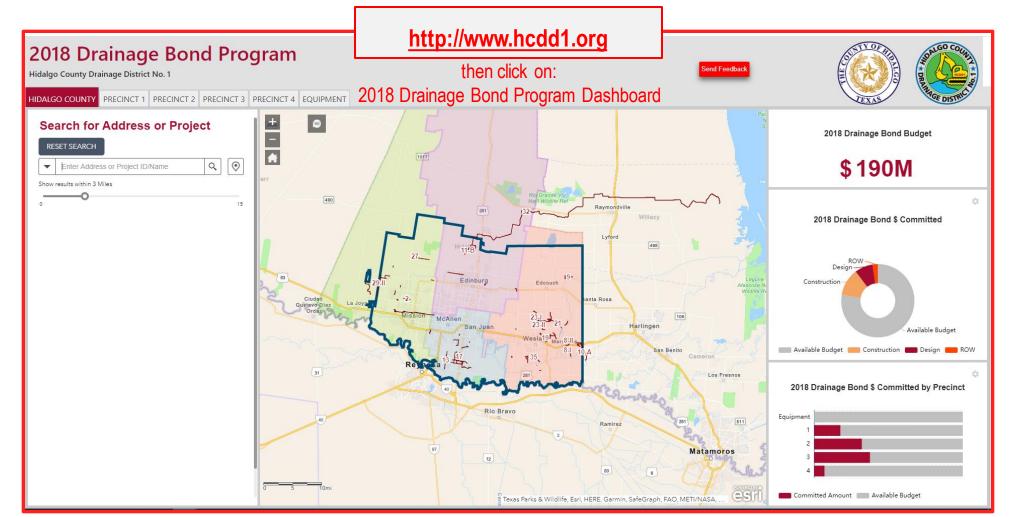




## Dashboard 2018 Drainage Bond Program

The Dashboard is an interactive map that was created to allow access to general information to each of the 2018 Bond Projects. The Dashboard is accessible directly on the homepage of our website, HCDD1, as follows:













### In House Design & Construction Overview

Over the last five years, Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 has designed over 200 projects.

64 Completed

- 24 Under Construction
- 25 Under Design
- 104 Pending / On hold



## **Highlights**

### <u>Ditch Widening: Approximate Average 160% Capacity Increase</u>

- ❖ La Mesa 0.3 miles
- ❖ Chaparral Drain 3.56 miles
- ❖ Alamo Lateral 4 miles
- ❖ Kenyon Road & Mile 17 2 miles
- ❖ Progresso Drains 19.52 miles
- South Main Drain: SH 107 / FM 493 to Main Floodwater Channel 4 miles
- ❖ Curry Drain 2.62 miles

#### Regional Detention Facilities: Approximately 63.06 Acres

- ❖ La Mesa 9.13 acres
- ❖ Chapa Las Brisas 10.15 acres
- ❖ Progresso Drains 43.78 acres

#### **Structures**

- Alamo Expressway Drain
  - $\circ$  2 5'x5' boxes with gate structures
  - $\circ$  2 12" mobile pumps
- ❖ Weslaco Drain
  - $\circ$  1 10'x10' box with gate structure
  - $\circ$  1 70 cfs pump





### **Crossings:**

In three (3) years, Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 has completed the following:

- 17 crossings,
- ❖ 6 ditch widenings, and
- 9 crossings with ditch widening





## In House Design La Mesa

## **Before**





## After



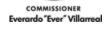
















## In House Design Chapa Las Brisas

## **Before**





## After













