

Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 Raul E. Sesin, PE, CFM District General Manager Hidalgo County Floodplain Administrator

# Grants: Funding for Flood Management Projects Flood Management

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## Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 Grants: Purpose and Need

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Hidalgo County District No. 1 is to proactively manage the Hidalgo County Master Drainage System and allow for the efficient exportation of drainage water, to protect life and property for Hidalgo County residents, businesses and surrounding jurisdictions.

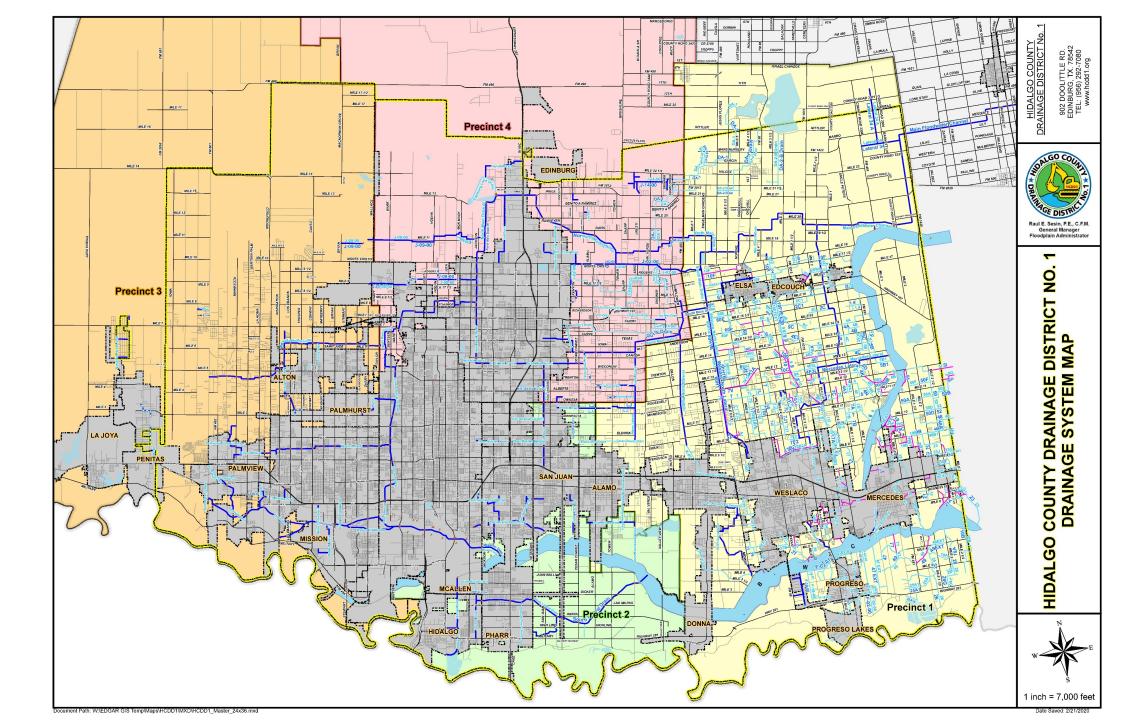
- RESTORE Act (Bucket 1) Raymondville Drain
- GLO 2015 Flood Mitigation Competition MFWC Expansion Project Phase I
- GLO 2015 Flood Mitigation Competition MFWC Expansion Project Phase II
- Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) / Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) South Main Drain Expansion Project - Community Flood Mitigation Project
- Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) / Flood Infrastructure Fund Flood Control Project Phase I (Project 40031)





















## Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 Grants: Raymondville Drain – RESTORE Act

#### **Raymondville Drain Project Overview**

- The main function of the diversion channel is to improve regional storm water capacity and avoid significant flooding.
- The Recommended Plan generally consists of multiple sections of proposed new stormwater channels, improvements to existing channels, as well as the construction or use of necessary retention/detention basins and control structures.
- ✤ The diversion channel would intercept overland flow and divert flood water away from the North Main Drain.
- Within Hidalgo and Willacy counties, the proposed improvements include:
  - The construction of 13.9 miles of new diversion channel.
  - ✤ Approximately 45.0 miles of channel modifications (widening).
  - The construction of a 300-acre detention basin in Hidalgo County.
  - The use of La Sal Vieja as a retention basin.
  - The construction of four control structures.

#### ✤ Construction of the project is divided into six (6) phases.

- Phase 1 is the construction of the Diversion Channel and channel expansion within Hidalgo County.
- Phase 2 was the cleaning of the existing channel which is now the RESTORE Act Project.
- Phases 3 through 6 are the channel expansion within Willacy County.
  - Phase 3 from the Hidalgo/Willacy County Line to La Sal Vieja Control Structure
  - Phase 4 from SH 186 to FM 2209
  - Phase 5 from FM 2209 to UP Railroad at I-69E
  - Phase 6 From UP Railroad at I-69E to La Sal Vieja Control Structure







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## Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 Grants: Raymondville Drain – RESTORE Act

#### **Total Project Costs**

- Utility Adjustments \$35,053,079
- Right of Way \$20,437,183
- Planning and Design \$23,523,211
- Construction \$261,369,012
- Total Installed Cost \$327,102,275

Current WRDA Guidelines require a Federal/Non-Federal share of project costs to be at minimum 35-65 percent.

#### **RESTORE Act Project Overview**

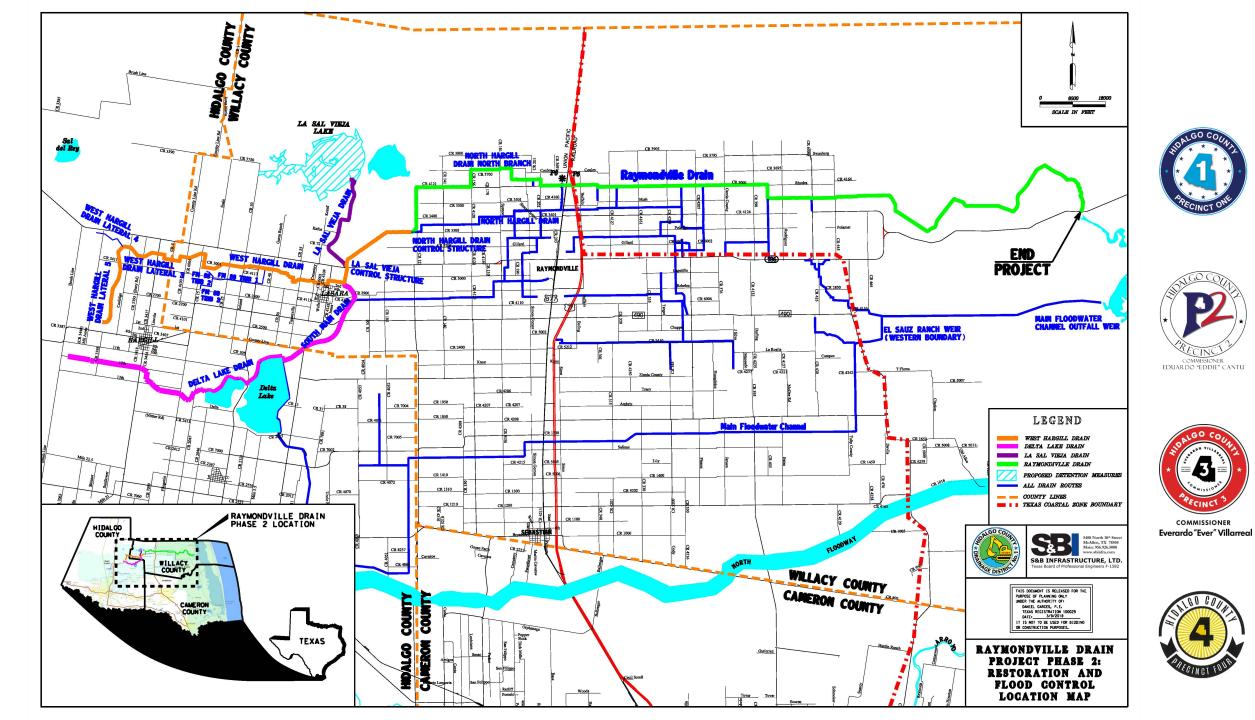
- The Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 received a \$7M grant under the Direct Component (Bucket 1) of the RESTORE Act as part of Texas' Multiyear Implementation Plan to clean out and Restore the existing Raymondville Drain Channel.
   Treasury Department through TCEQ
- The project aims to provide immediate relief to communities along the existing Raymondville Drain, such as San Perlita, Raymondville, Lasara and Hargill by cleaning the channel of obstructions.
  - Approximately 62 miles of existing channel from the channel crossing at SH 186 near Port Mansfield, Willacy County to the end of the Hargill Drain Lateral 5 near Hargill, including the La Sal Vieja Drain and the Delta Lake Drain
    - 14.8 miles in Hidalgo
    - 47.3 miles in Willacy
  - $\,\circ\,$  Activities include Survey, Permitting and PS&E which are underway.
  - $\,\circ\,$  HCDD1 in-house forces will perform the restoration work.
  - $\circ \,\, \text{Time}$ 
    - Environmental: approximately 60 days
    - Construction: 2 years







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## Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 Grants: GLO 2015 Flood Mitigation Competition MFWC Expansion Project Phase I

Grant Amount: \$9,858,499.00

- All stormwater in Hidalgo County ultimately outfalls to the Gulf of Mexico through either the Main Floodwater Channel, the USIBWC North Floodway, or the Arroyo Colorado Floodway.
- Expansion of the Main Floodwater Channel due to the greater regional benefit.
- All drainage systems from Abram Road, FM 495, FM 490, and FM 491 flow through the Main Floodway Channel.
- ✤ 3.29 miles in length
- ✤ Average of 150 feet to more than doubling its capacity, a width of 350 400 feet.
- Estimated to benefit nearly 400,000 residents
- ✤ LMI more than 53%
- Classified by U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service in the National Wetlands Inventory as a R2UBHx.
- Awaiting award from GLO to start the Environmental and design work which will be performed with in house forces.
- Construction will be bid out in approximately \$3M segments.
- Stimated design time: six (6) months.
- Estimated construction time: two (2) years.







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## Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 Grants: GLO 2015 Flood Mitigation Competition MFWC Expansion Project Phase II

Grant Amount: \$9,962,444.40

- All stormwater in Hidalgo County ultimately outfalls to the Gulf of Mexico through either the Main Floodwater Channel, the USIBWC North Floodway, or the Arroyo Colorado Floodway.
- Expansion of the Main Floodwater Channel due to the greater regional benefit.
- All drainage systems from Abram Road, FM 495, FM 490, and FM 491 flow through the Main Floodway Channel.
- ✤ 4.22 miles in length
- Existing ROW 330' to 410'
- ✤ Average Existing Channel Width 65' to 100'
- Average New Channel Width 321' to 346'
- The project is estimated to benefit nearly 377,800 residents
- ✤ LMI percentage of 54.26%
- Classified by U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service in the National Wetlands Inventory as a R2UBHx
- Awaiting award from GLO to start the Environmental and design work which will be performed with in house forces.
- Construction will be bid out in approximately \$3M segments.
- Estimated design time: six (6) months.
- Estimated construction time: two (2) years.







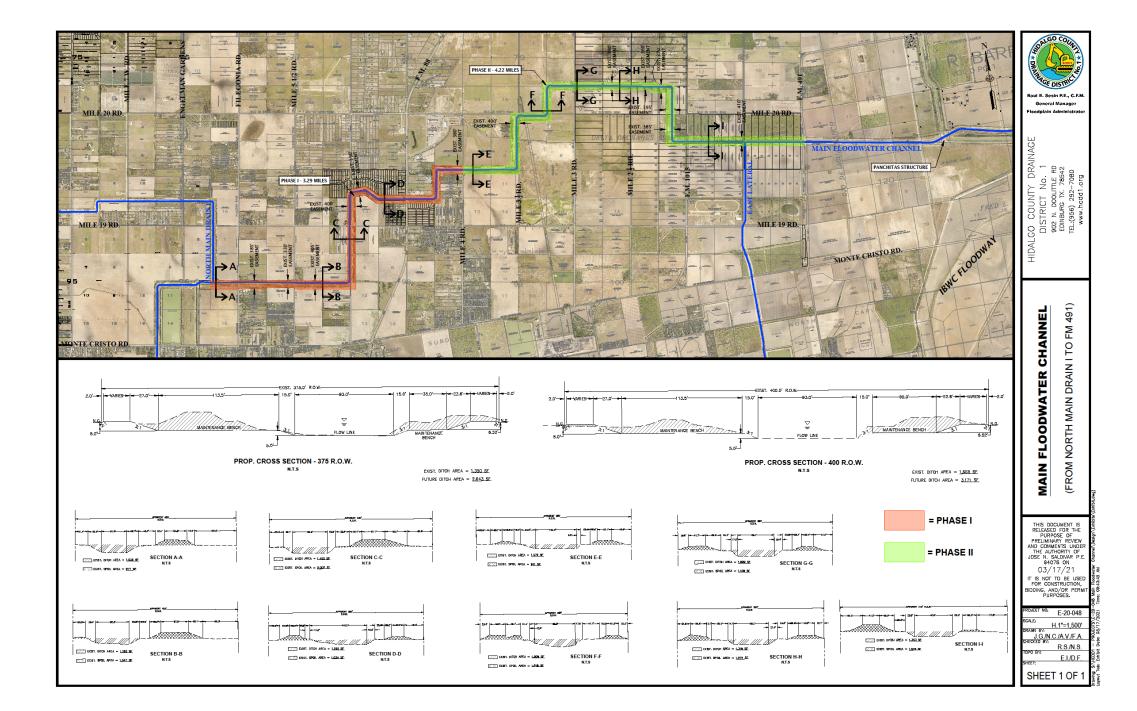














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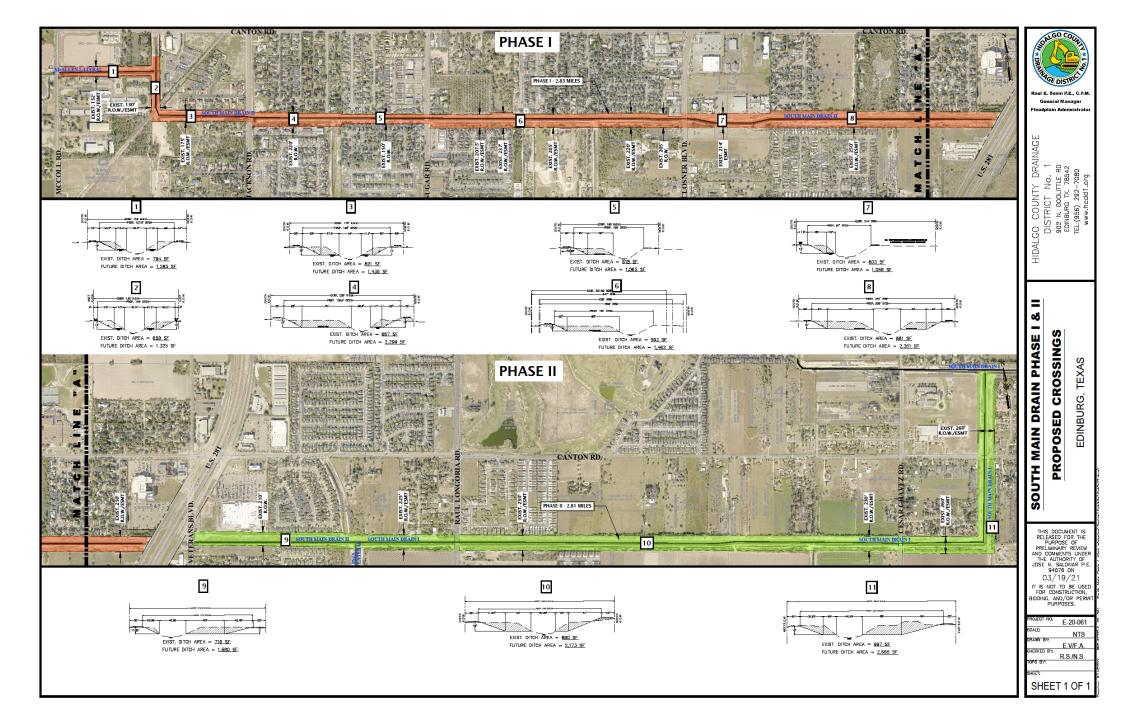
Project Cost Estimate: \$10,402,906.78

- The project will add millions of additional cubic yards of stormwater storage capacity.
- Phase I: 2.83 Miles in Length
- Phase II: 2.81 Miles in Length
- Total: 5.64 Miles in Length
- Existing ROW 130' to 260'
- ✤ Average Existing Channel Top Width 68' to 80'
- Average New Channel Top Width 107' to 220'
- Approximate Hidalgo County residents: 828,000
- Approximate number of residents to Benefit: 150,000 (17%)
- Indirect Benefit: 225,000 acres
  - (includes critical infrastructure: i.e., county courthouse, medical areas, I-69C evacuation route)
- Approximate Beneficiaries: 397,000
- Classified by U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service in the National Wetlands Inventory as a R5UBHx
- Application Pending Approval



















## Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 Grants: Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Flood Infrastructure Fund Flood Control Project Phase I (Project 40031)

B-18-21 Mile 10 North & Mile 1 West (Phases I – II) B-18-22 Mile 11 North & FM 1015 (Phases I – IV) B-18-23 Mile 11 North & Texas Blvd (Phases I – III) HCDD1 Mercedes Lateral

Project Cost Estimate: \$32,670,000 Loan: \$22,869,000 | Grant: \$9,801,000

- Three (3) Consultant Engineers and HCDD1 Engineering Department are working on this project.
- Existing system will be improved through ditch widening, Regional Detention Facilities (RDFs), and USIBWC structures.
- Approximately 16.5 miles of existing ditch widening between Mile 9 North, Mile 15 North, and FM 493, and the USIWBC Floodway
- Approximately 149 acres of RDFs
- Two (2) USIBWC structures with a proposed additional box and 70 cfs pump
- Project will be bid out in approximately \$3M segments
- Estimated Construction Time: Start June 2022 / End May 2024







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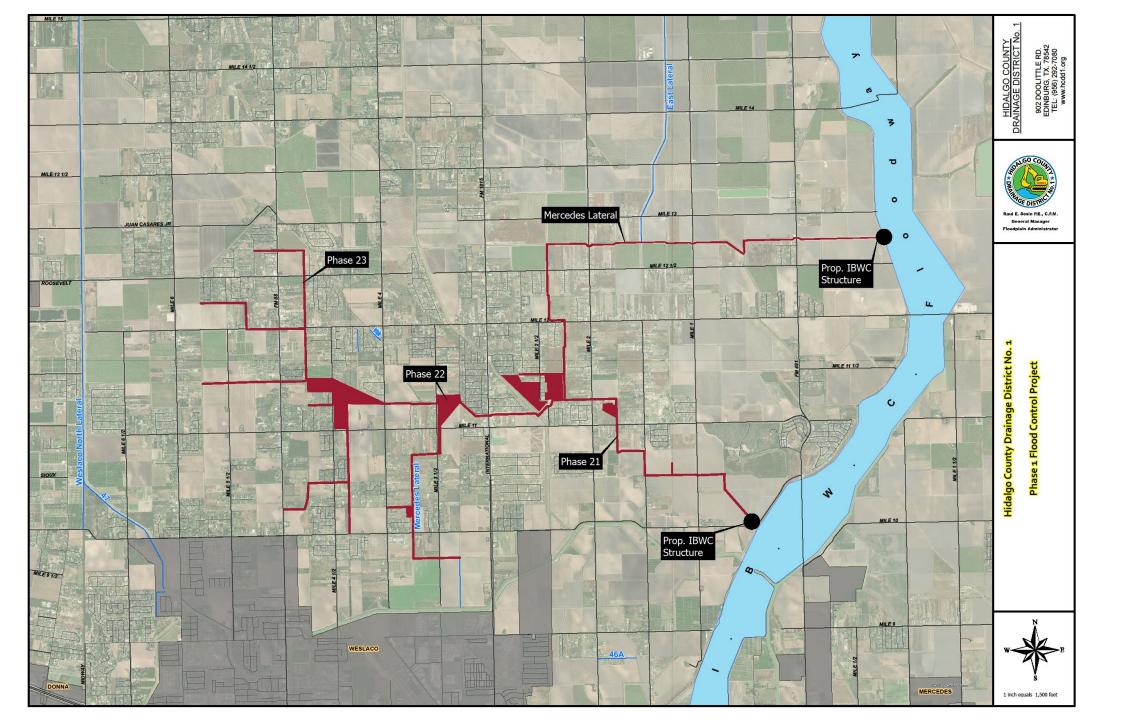












## Questions & Answers Thank You!

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