

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF MASON §

**ORDER ESTABLISHING A LOCAL RIVER ACCESS PLAN
AT JAMES RIVER CROSSING OF THE LLANO RIVER**

THIS ORDER is adopted in accordance with Texas Parks and Wildlife Code Section 90.004(a).

WHEREAS, to provide Mason County residents with continued access to the fishing, swimming, boating, floating, camping, and related activities on the Llano River at James River Crossing on R.R. 2389 that residents have engaged in for so many years, the Commissioners Court of Mason County, Texas heretofore designates the following specific area within the riverbed of the Llano River at James River Crossing on R.R. 2389 for motorized vehicle traffic to access the river under the following orders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, by the Commissioners Court of Mason County, Texas as follows:

- Mason County hereby designates the gravel/sand bar area between the confines of the two forks of the Llano River at R.R. 2389 for limited motorized vehicle use under the following conditions.
- This local access plan pursuant to Texas Parks and Wildlife Code Section 90.004 shall be referred to as the **Mason County - James River Crossing Local Access Plan**.
- This plan minimizes the removal or disturbance of both aquatic and terrestrial vegetation in the access area by utilizing previously cleared trails and limiting vehicle use to unvegetated rock, sand and gravel areas.
- No native deciduous vegetation with a diameter of four inches or greater at 4 feet above the ground will be removed or destroyed.
- See attached map showing the approved area for motor vehicles and GPS coordinates.
- See attached county map showing location of local access plan within the county.
- To be sure vehicles remain within the allowed area, signs will be posted at F.M. 2389. Placement of signs in other locations is not effective due to the likelihood of vandalism and the likelihood of signs washing away with each flood of the river in this low lying gravel bar area.
- No glass containers will be allowed in the designated area.
- The approved area does not allow motor vehicle travel up and down riverbanks. All vehicle travel is limited to the exposed gravel bar within the riverbed, except for the paved water crossings of R.R. 2389 at the points shown on the attached map.
- No motor vehicles are allowed to enter into, or park in, the water at any time.
- No all terrain vehicles (ATVs) will be allowed in the designated area.
- The speed limit in the designated area is 5 miles per hour.
- All motor vehicle travel in the designated area is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.
- This plan will be enforced by the Mason County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The plan protects public safety in the following particulars:

- The county ordinance establishes a speed limit of 5 miles per hour in the designated area.
- The designated area keeps vehicles from parking on the side of R.R. 2389 which would create a traffic hazard to traffic traveling on R.R. 2389.
- The plan prohibits glass bottles within motor vehicles in the access area.

The Plan provides for adequate enforcement in the following particulars:

- The enforcement provisions of the county ordinance will be enforced by the Mason County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Parks & Wildlife.

The plan coordinates with adjacent and overlapping jurisdictions.

- The plan area is within the jurisdiction of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA). A draft of the plan was provided to the LCRA by certified mail. The LCRA submitted written comments which, which are included with this submission and were considered in the adoption of the plan.
- The plan is otherwise totally within the confines of Mason County and outside the city limits of any city.

The plan provides for and publicizes adequate public access to a protected freshwater area by the following:

- Mason County will erect signs at the listed public access points at R.R. 2389.

The plan provides for adequate public services relating to access to a protected freshwater areas by the following:

- Defendants performing community service for Mason County will conduct litter pick up in the area.


The plan protects private property rights in the following particulars:

- Motor vehicle travel is limited to the designated area entirely within the river bed. No motor vehicle traffic is permitted on the riverbanks of adjoining landowners.
- Motor vehicle traffic is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. reducing the potential for disturbing the peace of adjacent landowners.

PRESENTED AND ADOPTED this 23^d day of February, 2004 at
a meeting of the Mason County Commissioners Court in Mason, Texas.


MASON COUNTY JUDGE

Attest:


COUNTY CLERK

II. ATTACHMENTS

- County map
- Detail map of the designated access area

MASON COUNTY – JAMES RIVER CROSSING
LOCAL RIVER ACCESS PLAN

Adopted by: Commissioners' Court of Mason County, Texas

Proposed Effective Date: February 23, 2004

Means of Adoption: Commissioner's Court Order

Location: James River Crossing at the Llano River, R.R. 2389

**I. COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS IN PARKS & WILDLIFE
CODE SECTION 90.004(d)(1-7)**

**(1) How the plan protects fish, wildlife, water quality, and other
natural resources.**

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- No glass containers will be allowed in the designated area.
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- No motor vehicles are allowed to enter into, or park in, the water at any time.
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- The plan will be enforced by the Mason County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

(2) How the plan protects public safety

- The county ordinance establishes a speed limit of 5 miles per hour in the designated area.
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- would create a traffic hazard to traffic traveling on R.R. 2389.
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(3) How the Plan provides for adequate enforcement

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(4) How the plan coordinates with adjacent and overlapping jurisdictions.

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(5) How the plan provides for and publicizes adequate public access to a protected freshwater area.

- Mason County will erect signs at the listed public access points at R.R. 2389.

(6) How the plan provides for adequate public services relating to access to a protected freshwater areas.

- Defendants performing community service for Mason County will conduct litter pick up in the area.
- Mason County will publicize in the local newspaper and radio the public access to the area.
- Site amenities such a picnic tables are not feasible due to flooding of the designated area by the Llano river.

(7) How the plan protects private property rights.

- Motor vehicle travel is limited to the designated area entirely within the river bed. No motor vehicle traffic is permitted on the riverbanks of adjoining landowners.
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- Detail map of the designated access area
- Copy of certified mail to LCRA regarding the proposed access plan.

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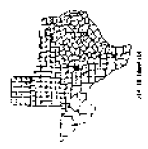
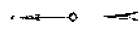
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LOCAL ACCESS AREA IS DESIGNATED IN YELLOW

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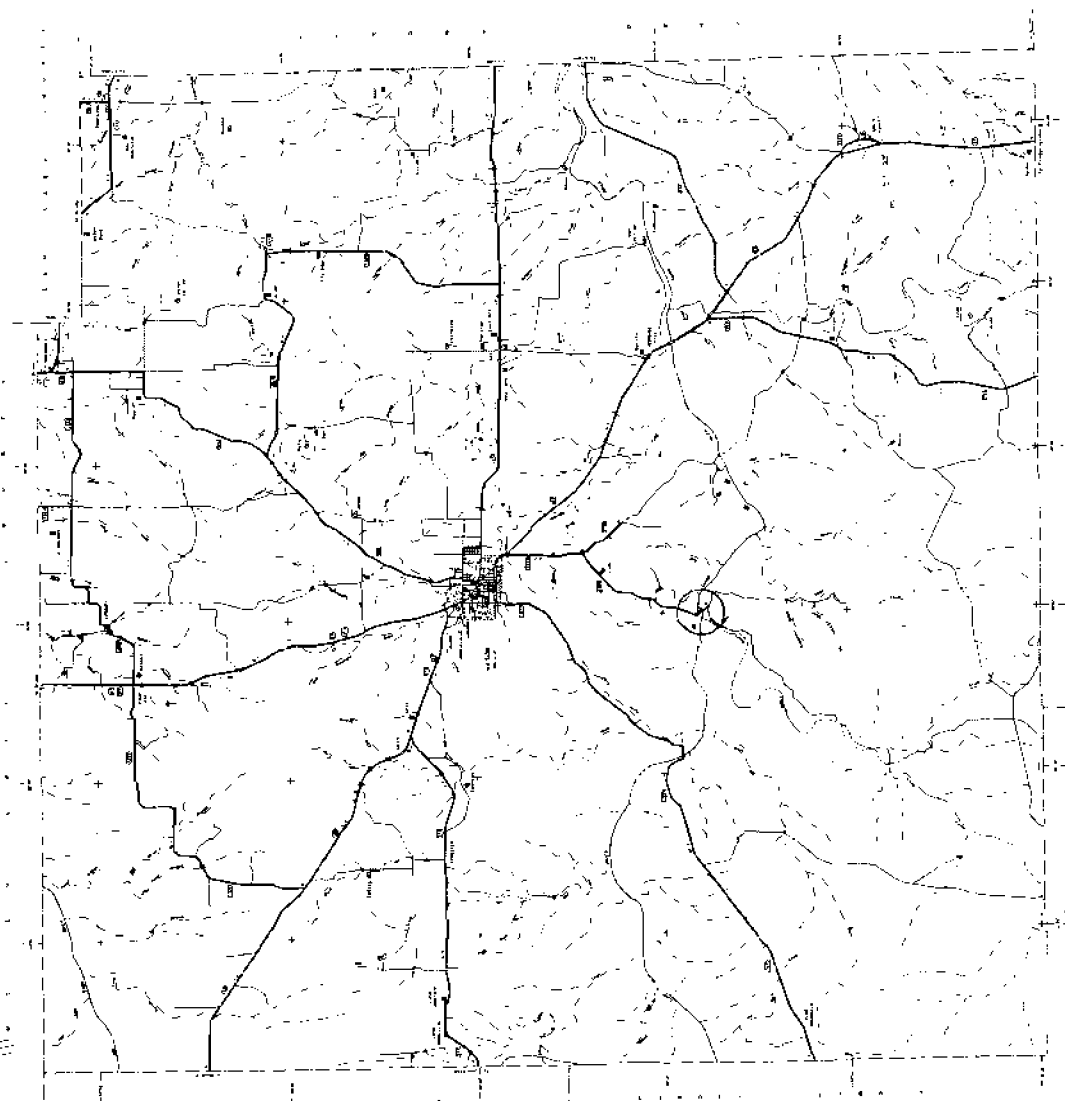
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- 5. Railroad
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- 10. Pond
- 11. Marsh
- 12. Swamp
- 13. Forest
- 14. Pasture
- 15. Field
- 16. Woodlot
- 17. Orchard
- 18. Vineyard
- 19. Farm
- 20. Ranch
- 21. Plantation
- 22. Estate
- 23. Park
- 24. Golf Course
- 25. Cemetery
- 26. School
- 27. Church
- 28. Post Office
- 29. Store
- 30. Gas Station
- 31. Hotel
- 32. Motel
- 33. Restaurant
- 34. Bar
- 35. Tavern
- 36. Club
- 37. Casino
- 38. Theater
- 39. Stadium
- 40. Arena
- 41. Convention Center
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- 44. Harbor
- 45. Pier
- 46. Dock
- 47. Wharf
- 48. Quay
- 49. Marina
- 50. Boatyard
- 51. Shipyard
- 52. Warehouse
- 53. Mill
- 54. Factory
- 55. Plant
- 56. Office
- 57. Bank
- 58. Post Office
- 59. Court
- 60. Jail
- 61. Prison
- 62. Hospital
- 63. Clinic
- 64. Pharmacy
- 65. Dispensary
- 66. Laboratory
- 67. Research Center
- 68. University
- 69. College
- 70. School
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
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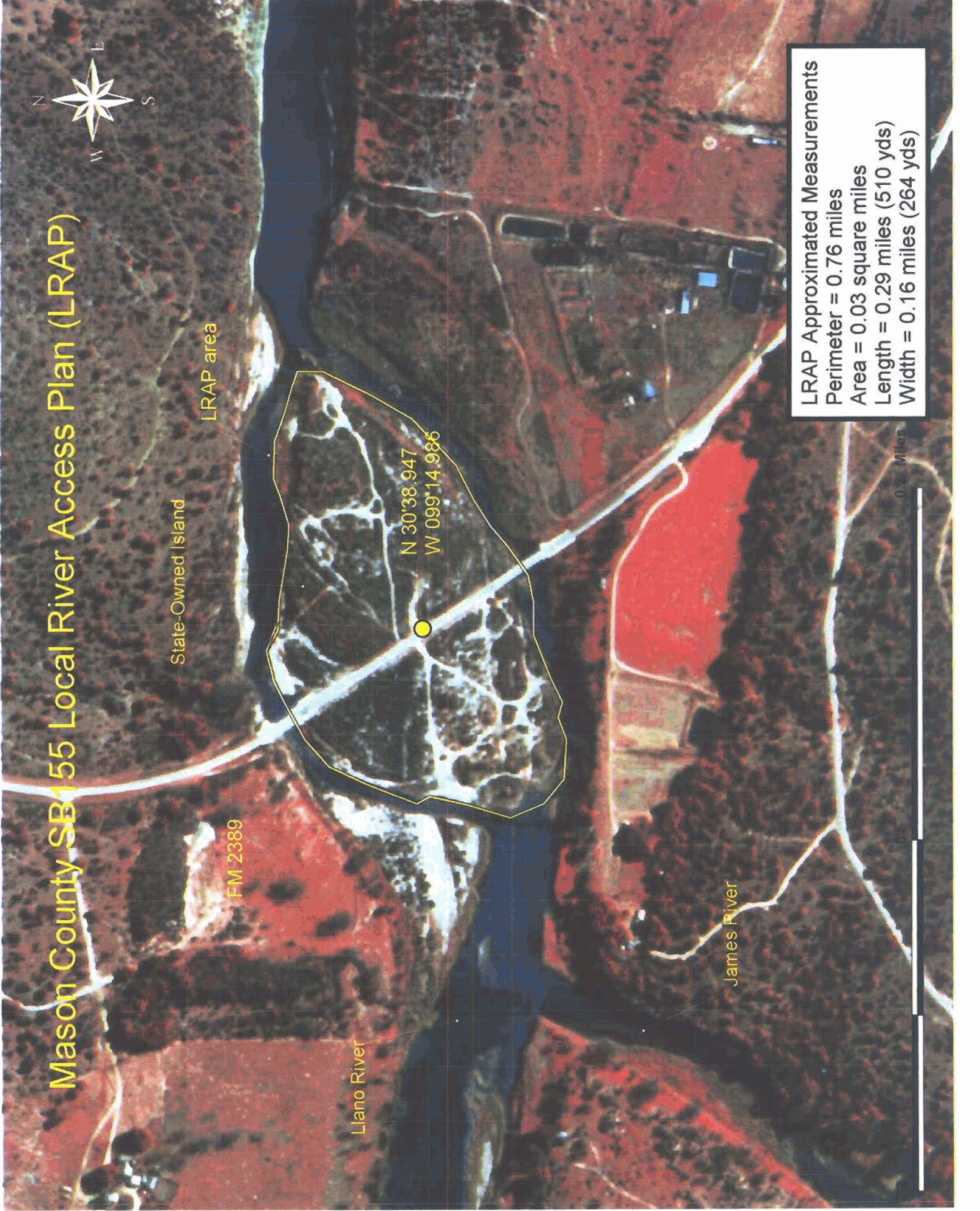
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Mason County SB155 Local River Access Plan (LRAP)



LRAP Approximated Measurements
Perimeter = 0.76 miles
Area = 0.03 square miles
Length = 0.29 miles (510 yds)
Width = 0.16 miles (264 yds)

0.2 Miles