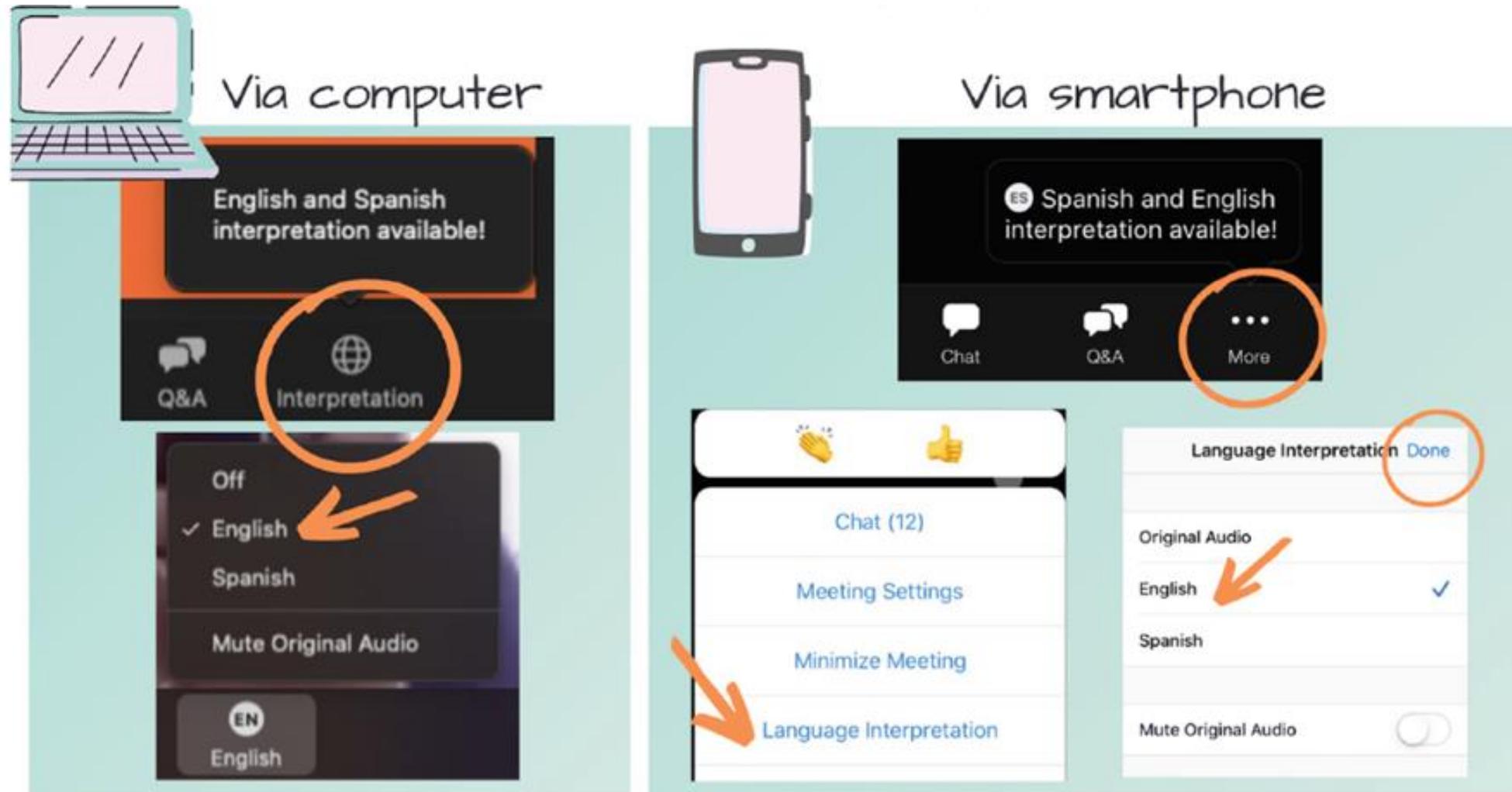


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Community Meeting #1 Feb. 11, 2021 Reunión Comunitaria #1 febrero 11 de 2021

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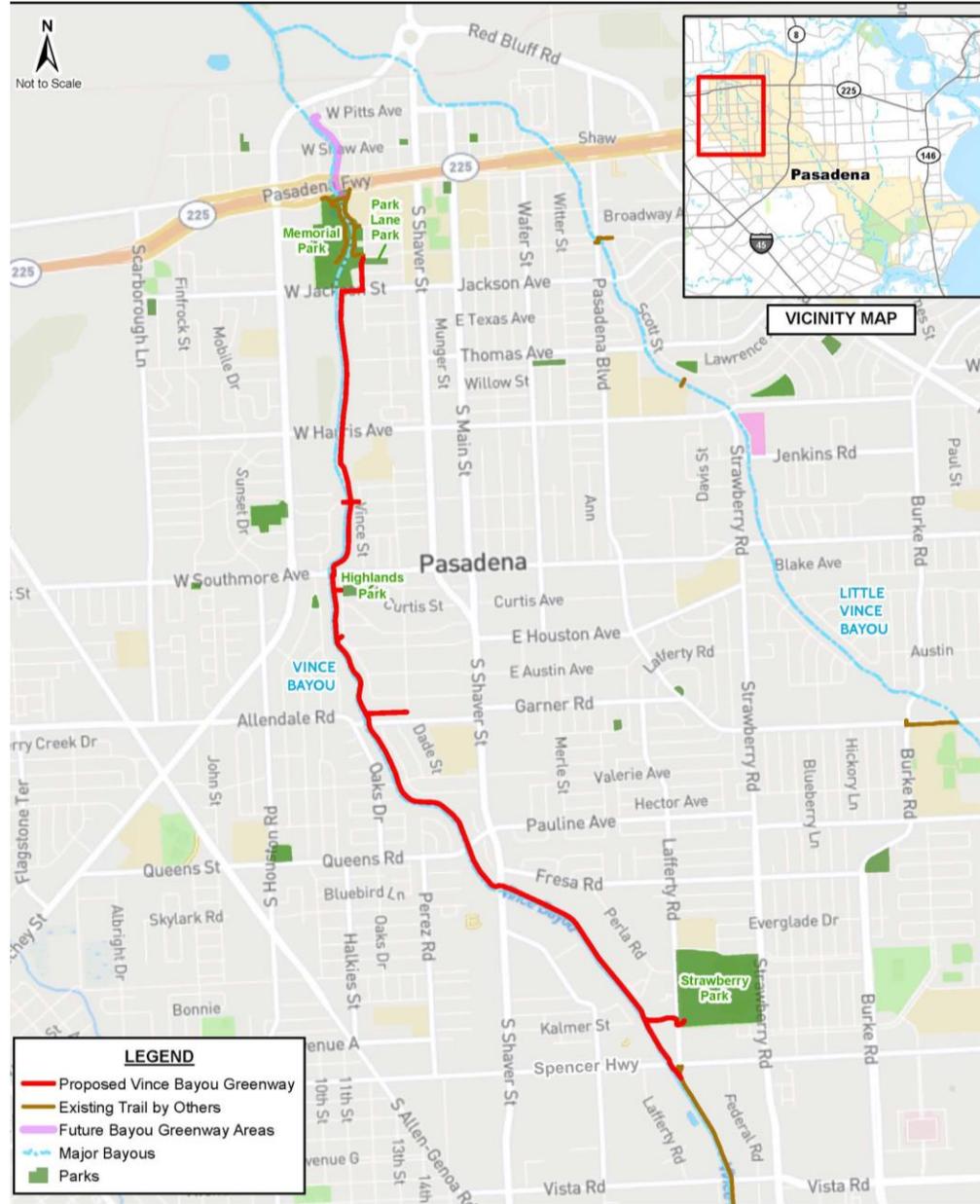
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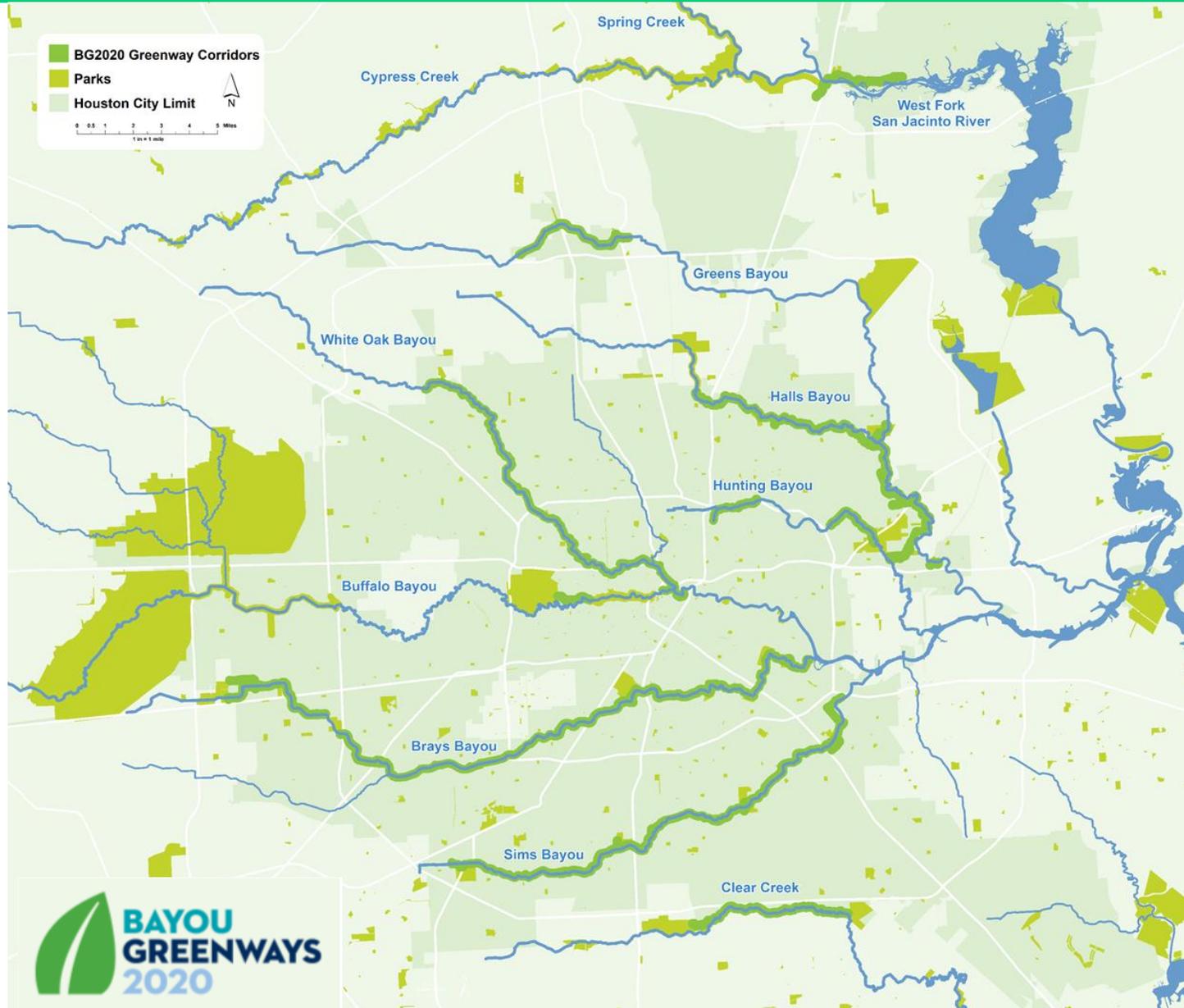
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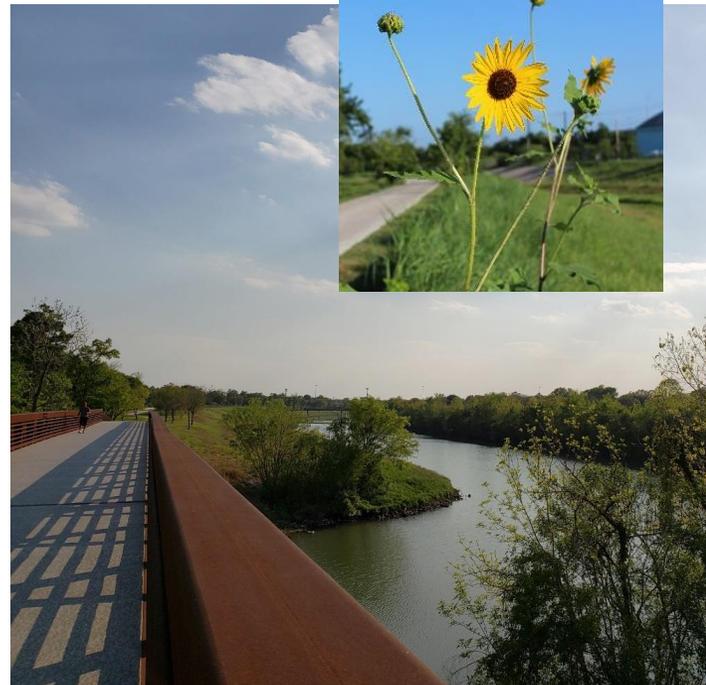
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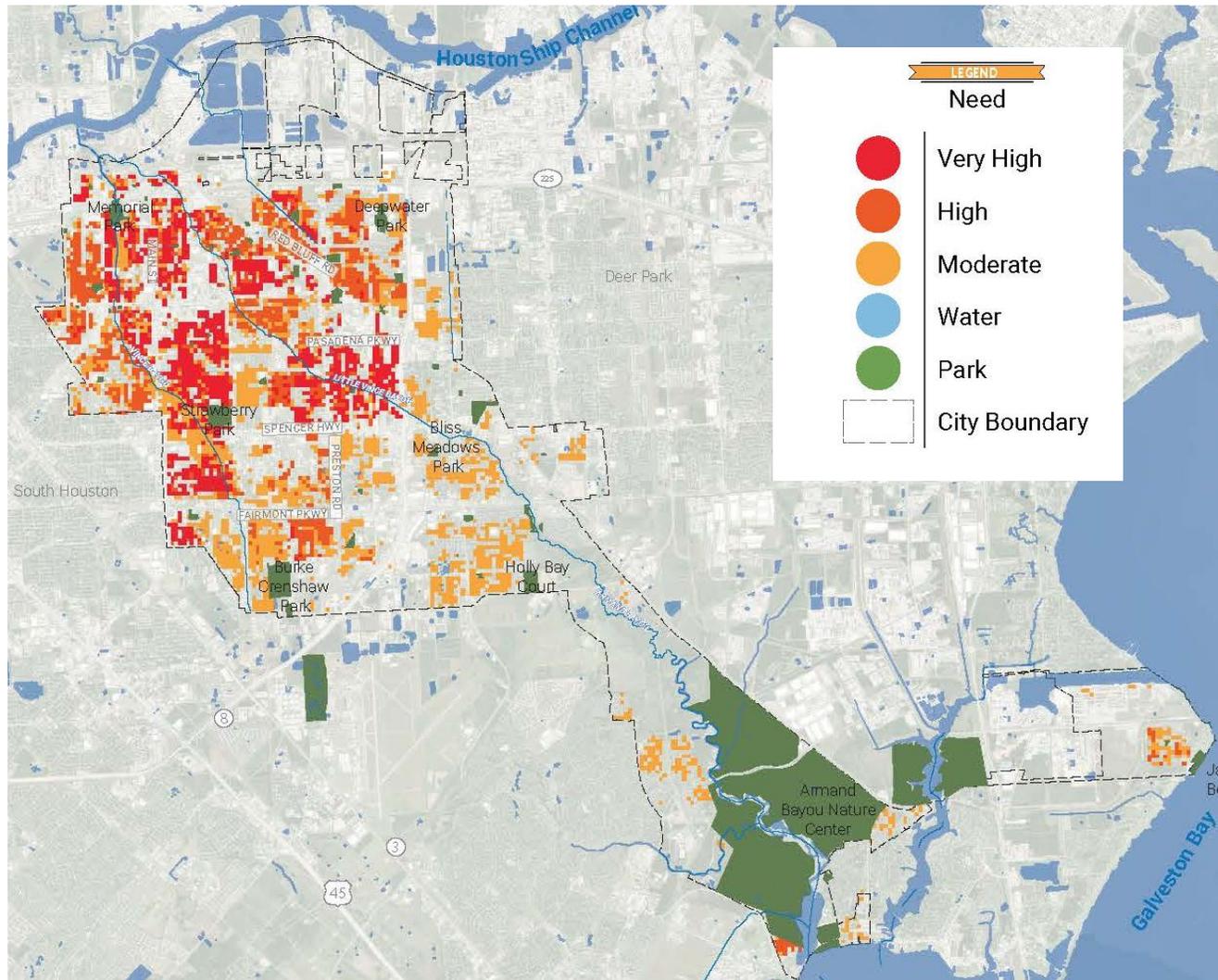
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Help prevent obesity and strengthen muscles.



Help lower blood pressure

Health Benefits:

Moderate-to-vigorous physical activity utilizing hiking and biking trails can prevent obesity, strengthen muscles, and lowers blood pressure¹³².

Scale:

Trails systems can be a short 1 mile loop or connect to regional wide systems that continue for multiple miles. Consider tying trails to larger networks to promote more use.

Potential Cost:

Trail with asphalt surface	\$/\$\$
Trail with natural surface	\$

What We Heard:

Residents love the trails in Pasadena's parks and nearly half would like to be able to walk or bike to the park.

Place-based Considerations:

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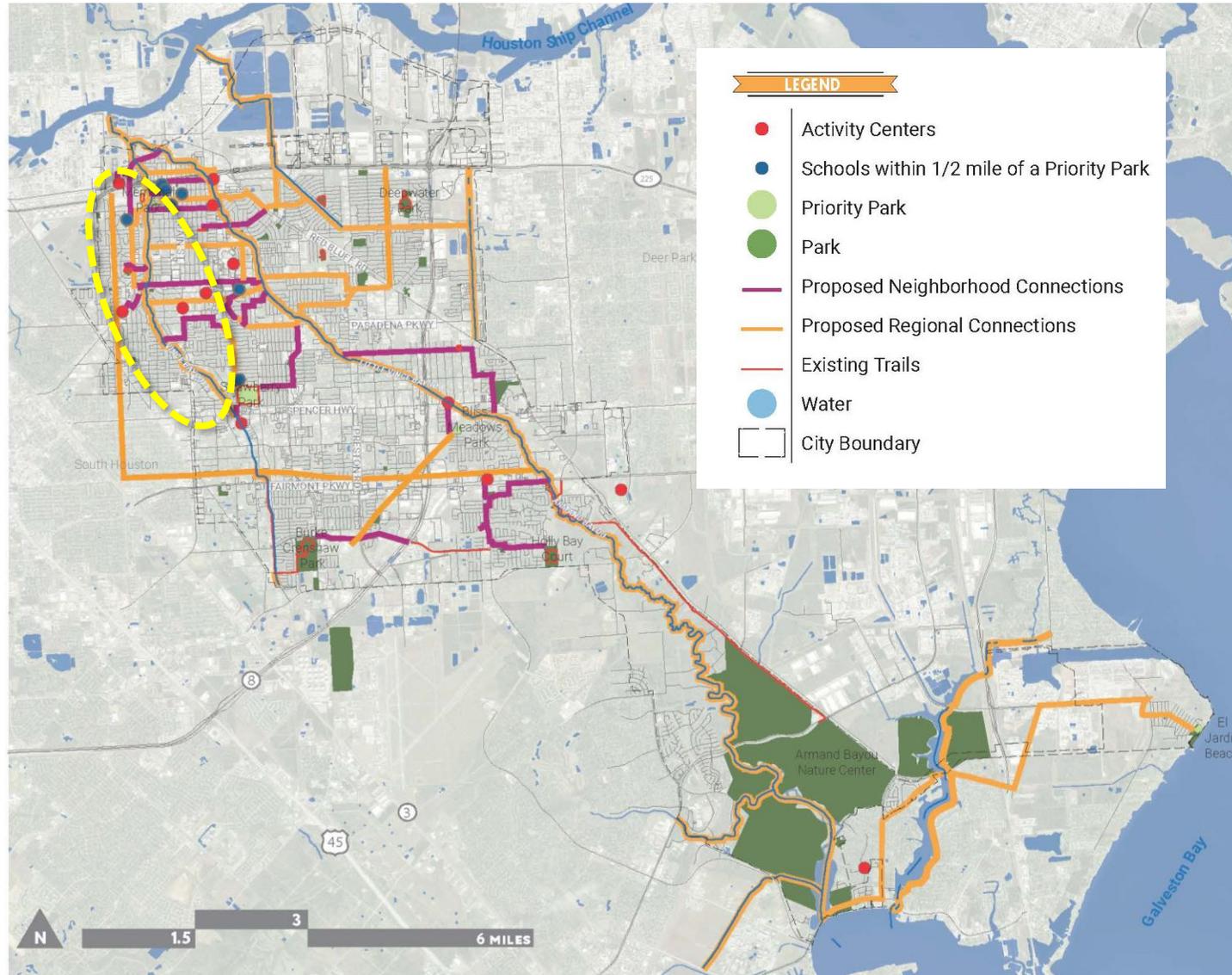
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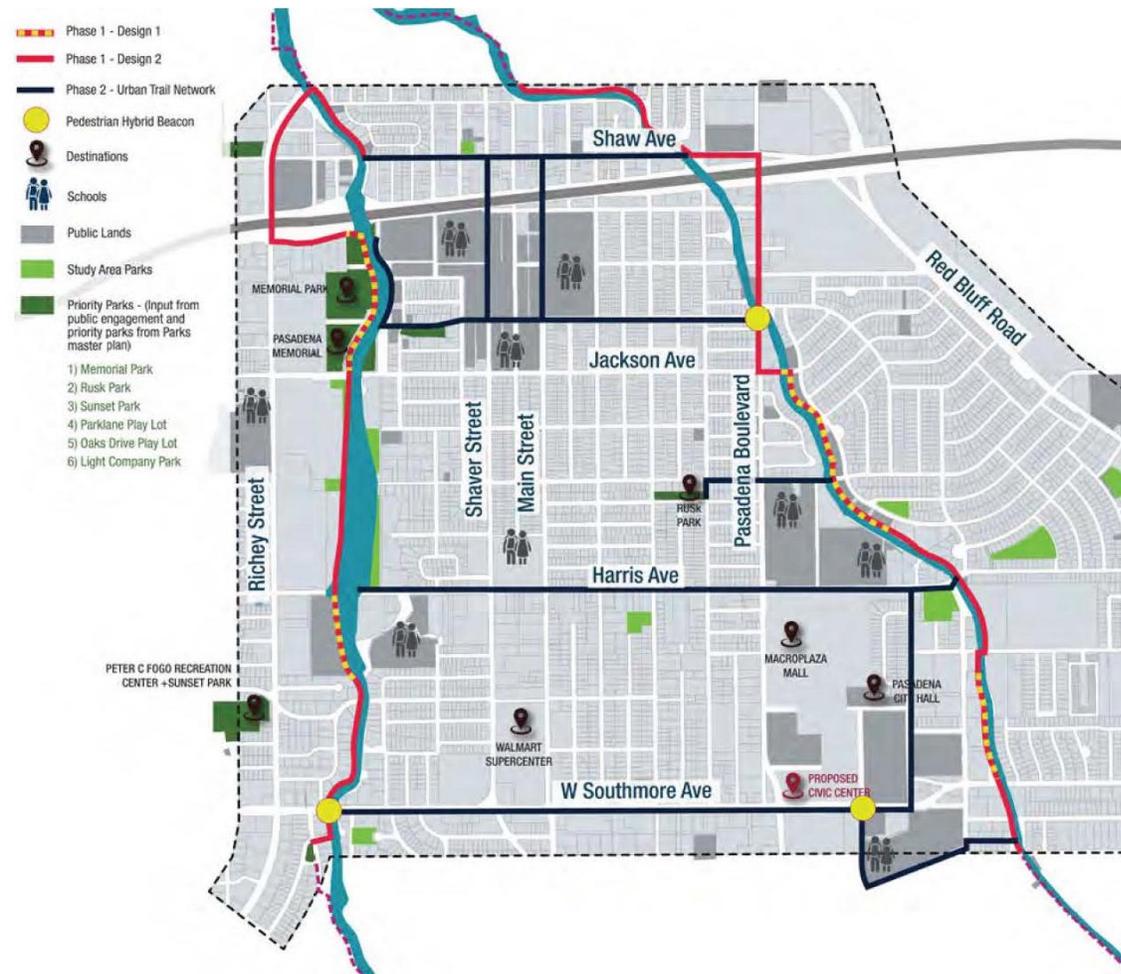


Figure 53: Proposed Trail Design 1



Figure 54: Proposed Trail Design 2



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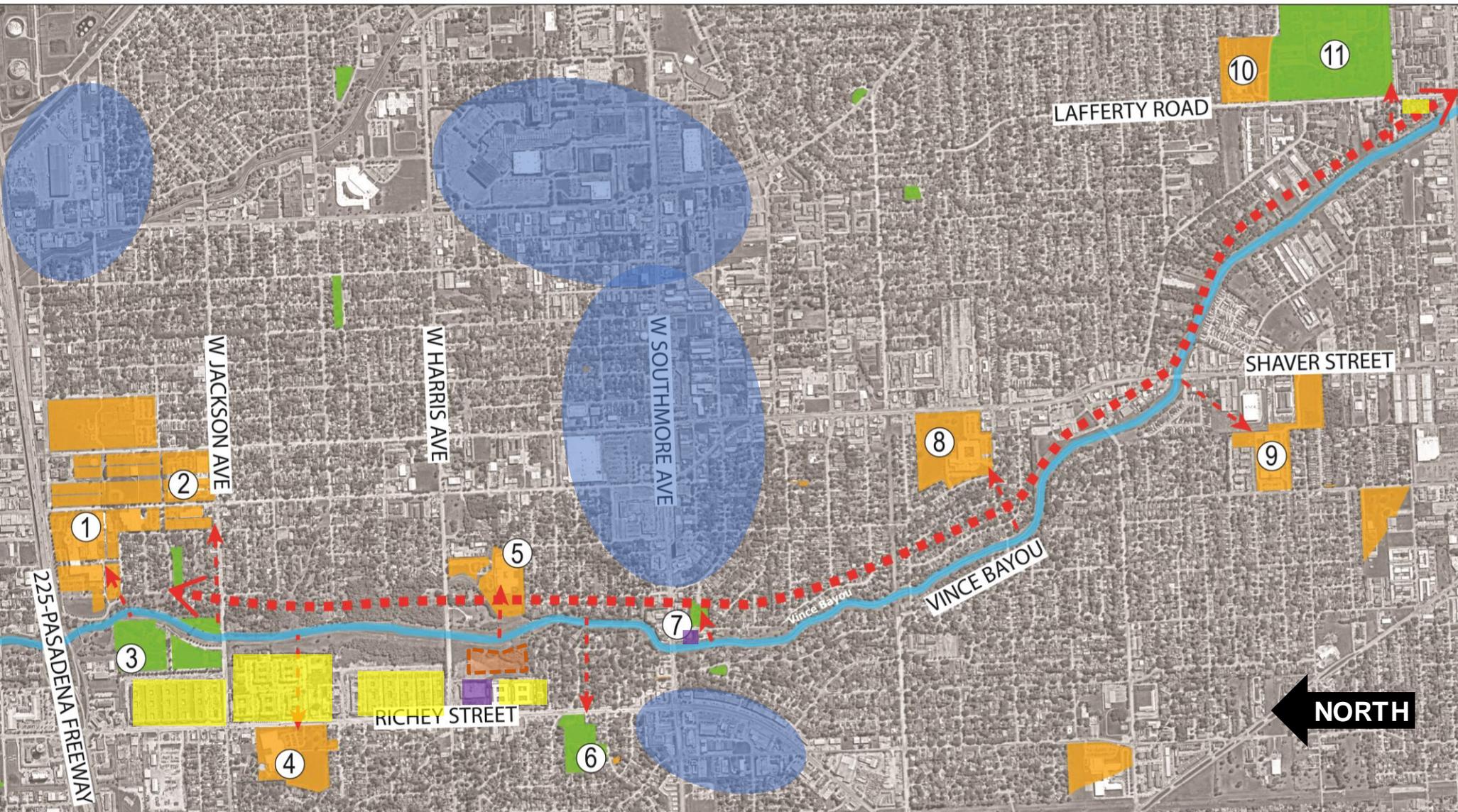
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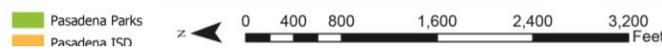
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Legend

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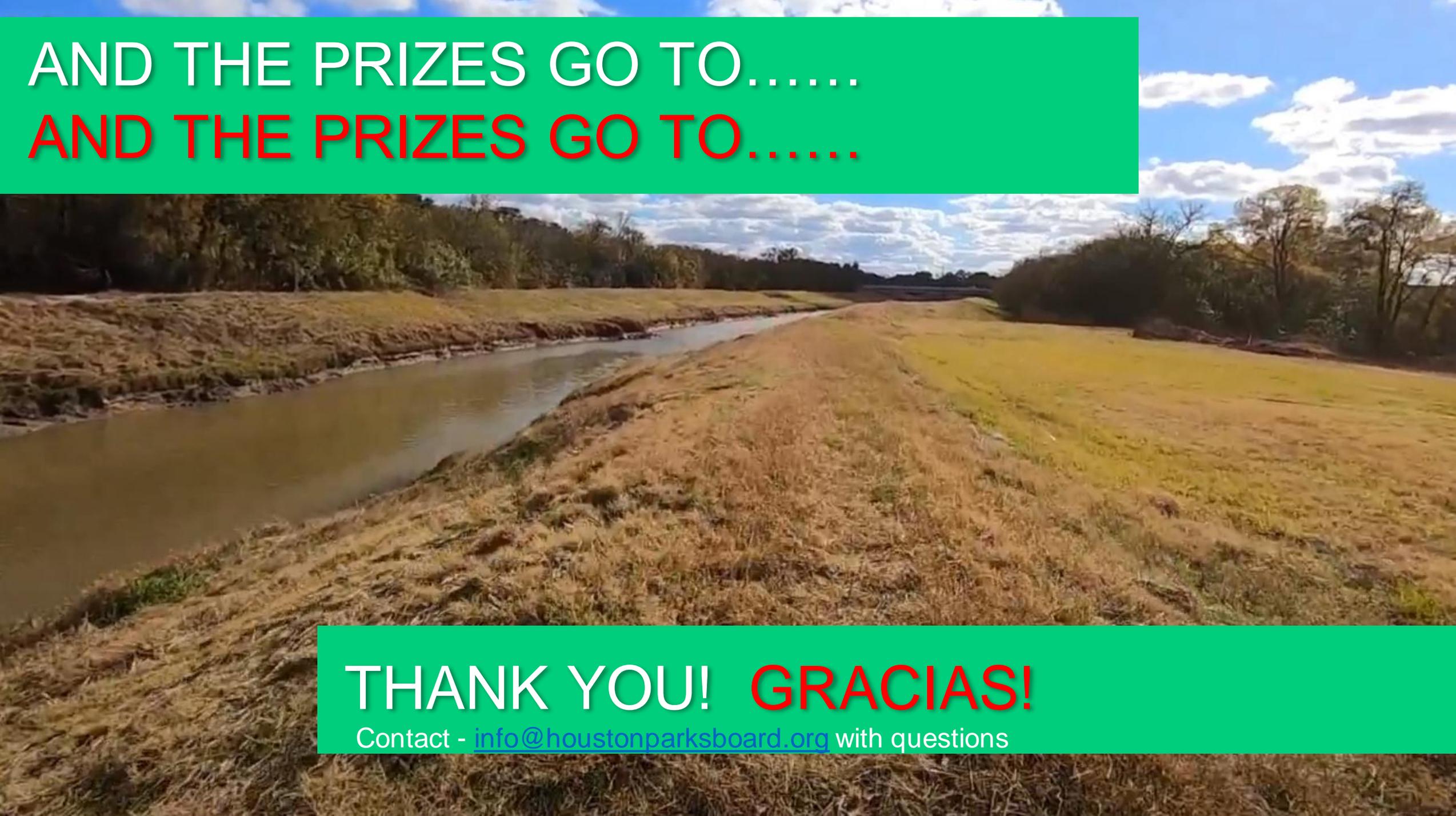
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