

# Enhancing and Restoring Monarch Butterfly Habitat in Texas

Monarch populations have experienced a measured decline over the last 20 years, to some extent from a reduction in nectar producing plants. The mature butterflies need nectar producing vegetation to produce energy on their annual, multi-generation migration from Mexico to Canada, while milkweed is a critical food source for the Monarch caterpillar.



The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) is working in cooperation with 143 Soil and Water Conservation Districts located in Texas to enhance or restore Monarch Butterfly habitat by planting pollinator friendly plant species on over 1,600 acres on rural lands and by installing Monarch Butterfly gardens in public areas. Funding for this project is provided by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Beginning in May of 2016, funding for habitat enhancement and restoration on 1 to 30 acre plots will be available to ranchers, farmers, or private landowners. In addition, funding for butterfly gardens will be made available to entities such as schools, businesses, or municipalities. To apply, contact your local Soil and Water Conservation District. You can find your local SWCD by visiting: [www.tsswcb.texas.gov/swcds/locatormap](http://www.tsswcb.texas.gov/swcds/locatormap)

For more information about the project, please visit:  
[www.tsswcb.texas.gov/monarch](http://www.tsswcb.texas.gov/monarch)



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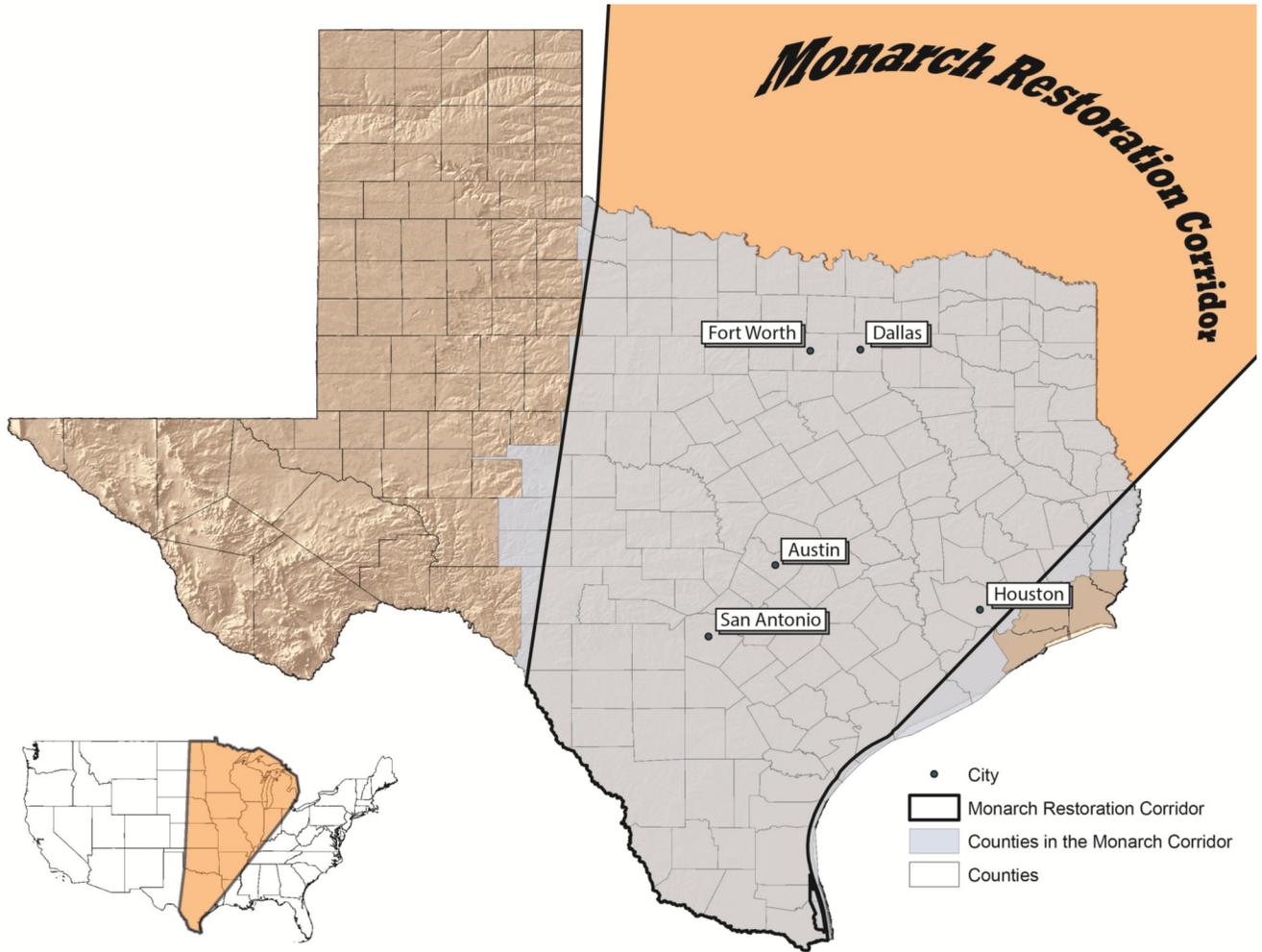
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# PROJECT AREA



## COUNTIES WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA:

Anderson	Burnet	Denton	Gregg	Jim Hogg	Limestone	Newton	Schleicher	Victoria
Angelina	Caldwell	DeWitt	Grimes	Jim Wells	Live Oak	Nolan	Shackelford	Walker
Aransas	Calhoun	Dimmit	Guadalupe	Johnson	Llano	Nueces	Shelby	Waller
Archer	Callahan	Duval	Hamilton	Jones	Madison	Palo Pinto	Smith	Washington
Atascosa	Cameron	Eastland	Hardeman	Karnes	Marion	Panola	Somervell	Webb
Austin	Camp	Edwards	Hardin	Kaufman	Mason	Parker	Starr	Wharton
Bandera	Cass	Ellis	Harris	Kendall	Matagorda	Polk	Stephens	Wichita
Bastrop	Chambers	Erath	Harrison	Kenedy	Maverick	Rains	Stonewall	Wilbarger
Baylor	Cherokee	Falls	Haskell	Kerr	McCulloch	Real	Sutton	Willacy
Bee	Clay	Fannin	Hays	Kimble	McLennan	Red River	Tarrant	Williamson
Bell	Coleman	Fayette	Henderson	Kinney	McMullen	Refugio	Taylor	Wilson
Bexar	Collin	Foard	Hidalgo	Kleberg	Medina	Robertson	Throckmorton	Wise
Blanco	Colorado	Fort Bend	Hill	Knox	Menard	Rockwall	Titus	Wood
Bosque	Comal	Franklin	Hood	La Salle	Milam	Runnels	Tom Green	Young
Bowie	Comanche	Freestone	Hopkins	Lamar	Mills	Rusk	Travis	Zapata
Brazoria	Concho	Frio	Houston	Lampasas	Montague	Sabine	Trinity	Zavala
Brazos	Cooke	Gillespie	Hunt	Lavaca	Montgomery	San Augustine	Tyler	
Brooks	Coryell	Goliad	Jack	Lee	Morris	San Jacinto	Upshur	
Brown	Dallas	Gonzales	Jackson	Leon	Nacogdoches	San Patricio	Uvalde	
Burleson	Delta	Grayson	Jasper	Liberty	Navarro	San Saba	Van Zandt	