

Desalination in Texas

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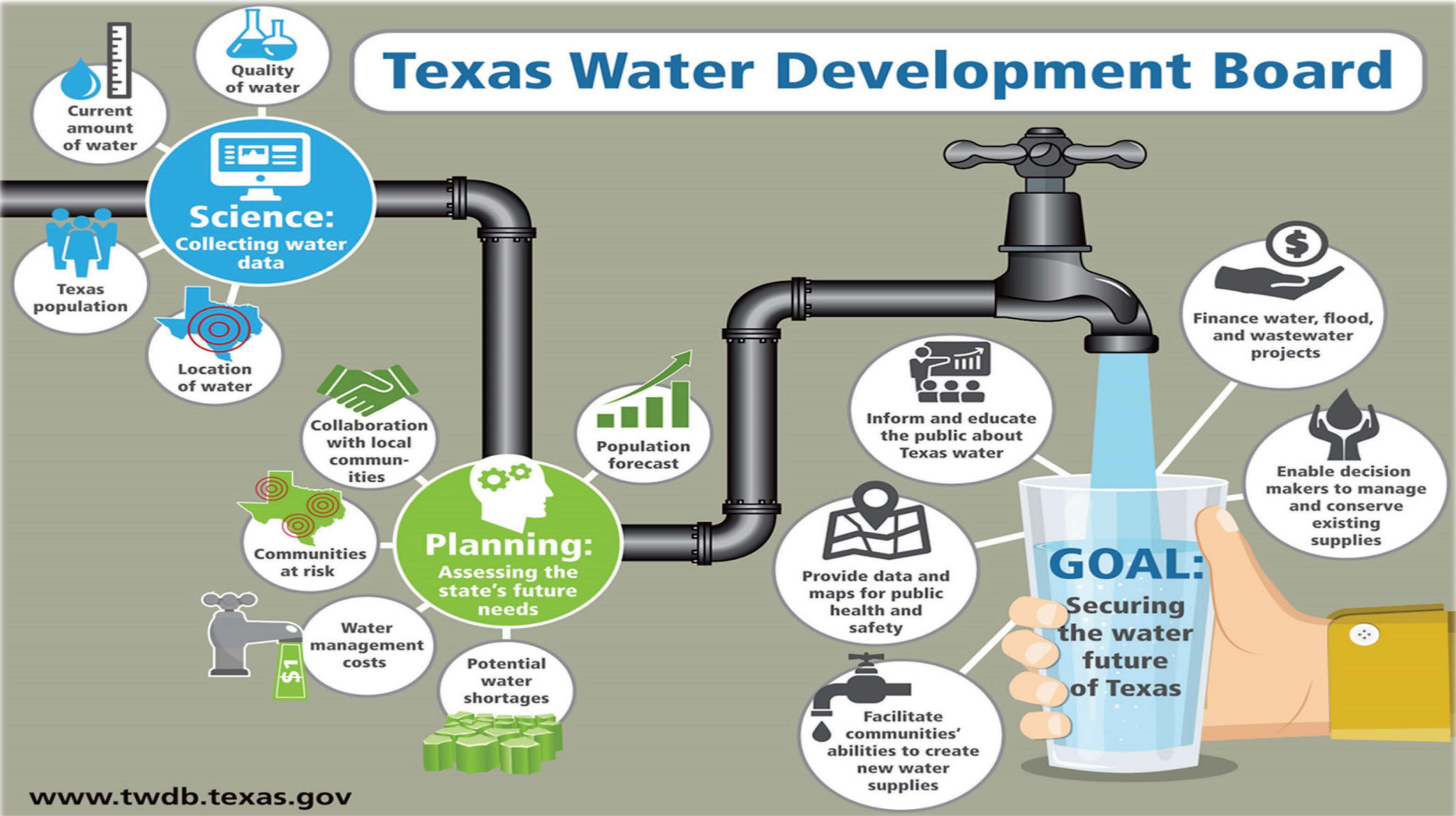
Desalination Technology for Coastal Resilience – Perspectives from the Texas Coastal Bend Region for a Path Towards Implementation

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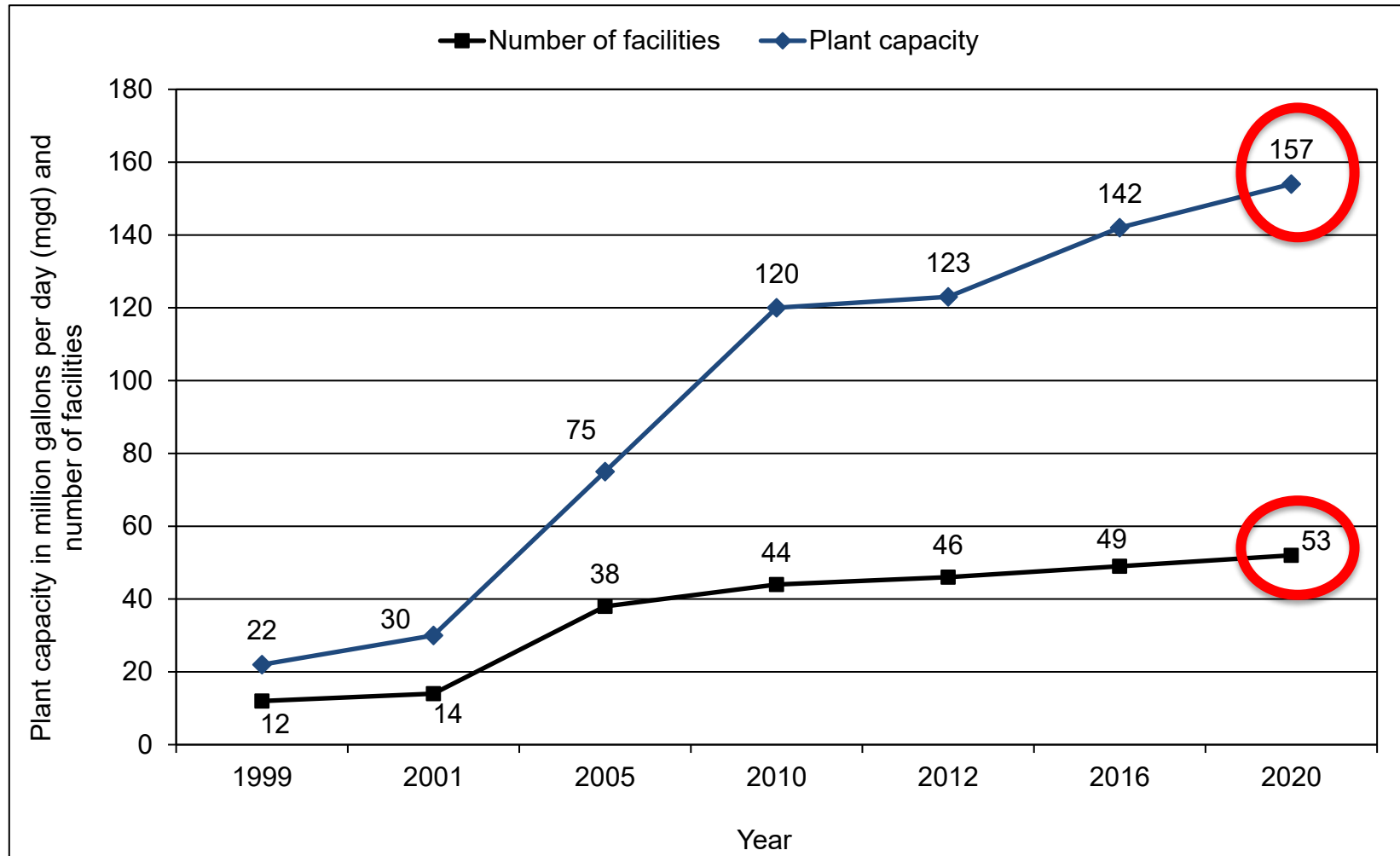
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Existing desalination growth in Texas



Desalination Plant Database

WATER DATA Interactive Groundwater Layers Base Maps

- TWDB Groundwater
- Brackish Groundwater
- Submitted Driller's Reports**
 - Well Reports
 - Plugging Reports
 - Desalination Plants**
 - Surface Water
 - Groundwater
 - Other

Desalination Plant

Desalination Plant Report: [View Report](#)

Plant Name: Kay Bailey Hutchison Desalination Plant

County: El Paso

Plant Production - Design: 27.5

Water Source: Groundwater

Raw Water Total Dissolved Solids (mg/L): 2500 - 3500

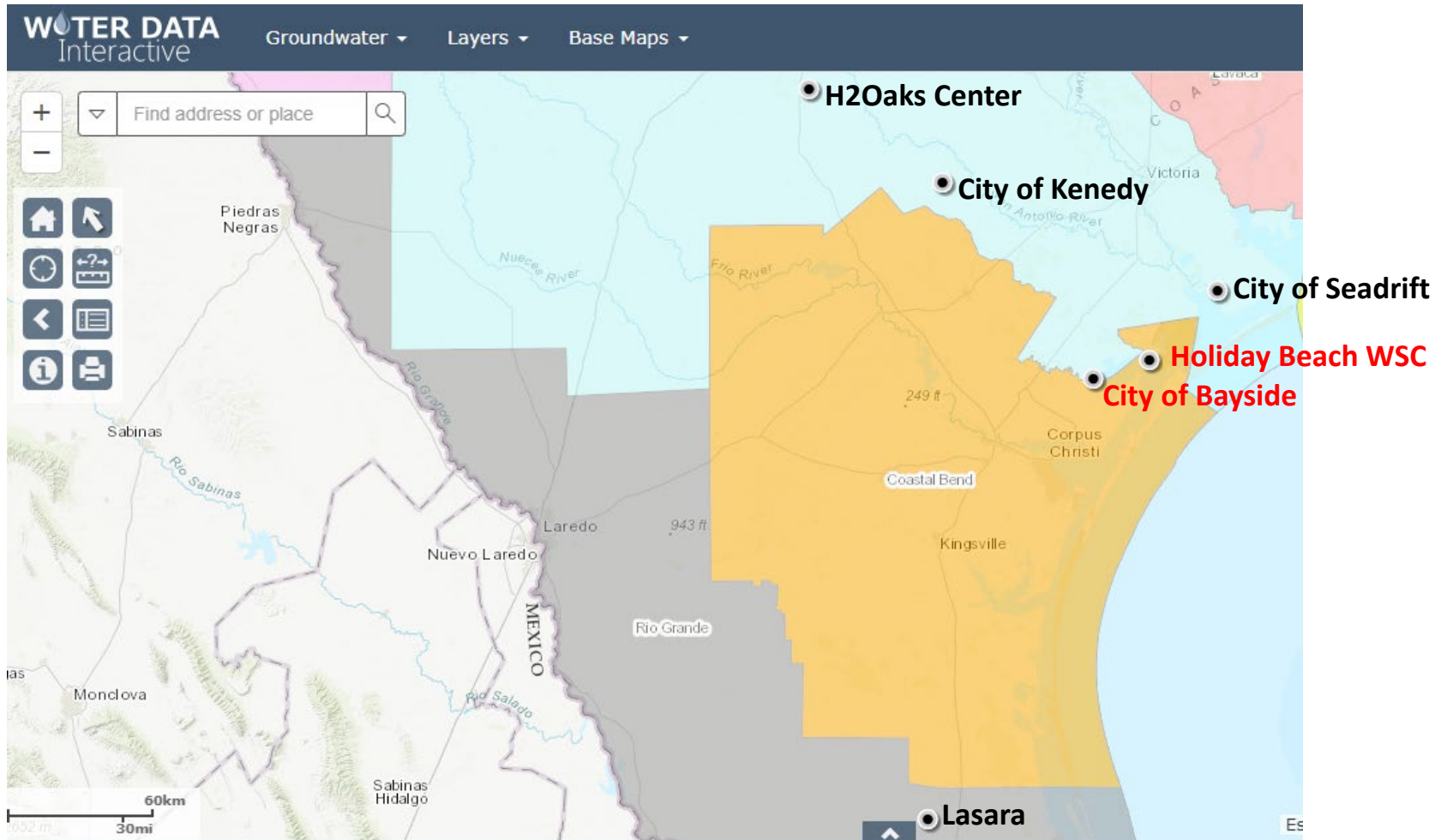
Operational Status: Operating

Process Type(s): Reverse Osmosis

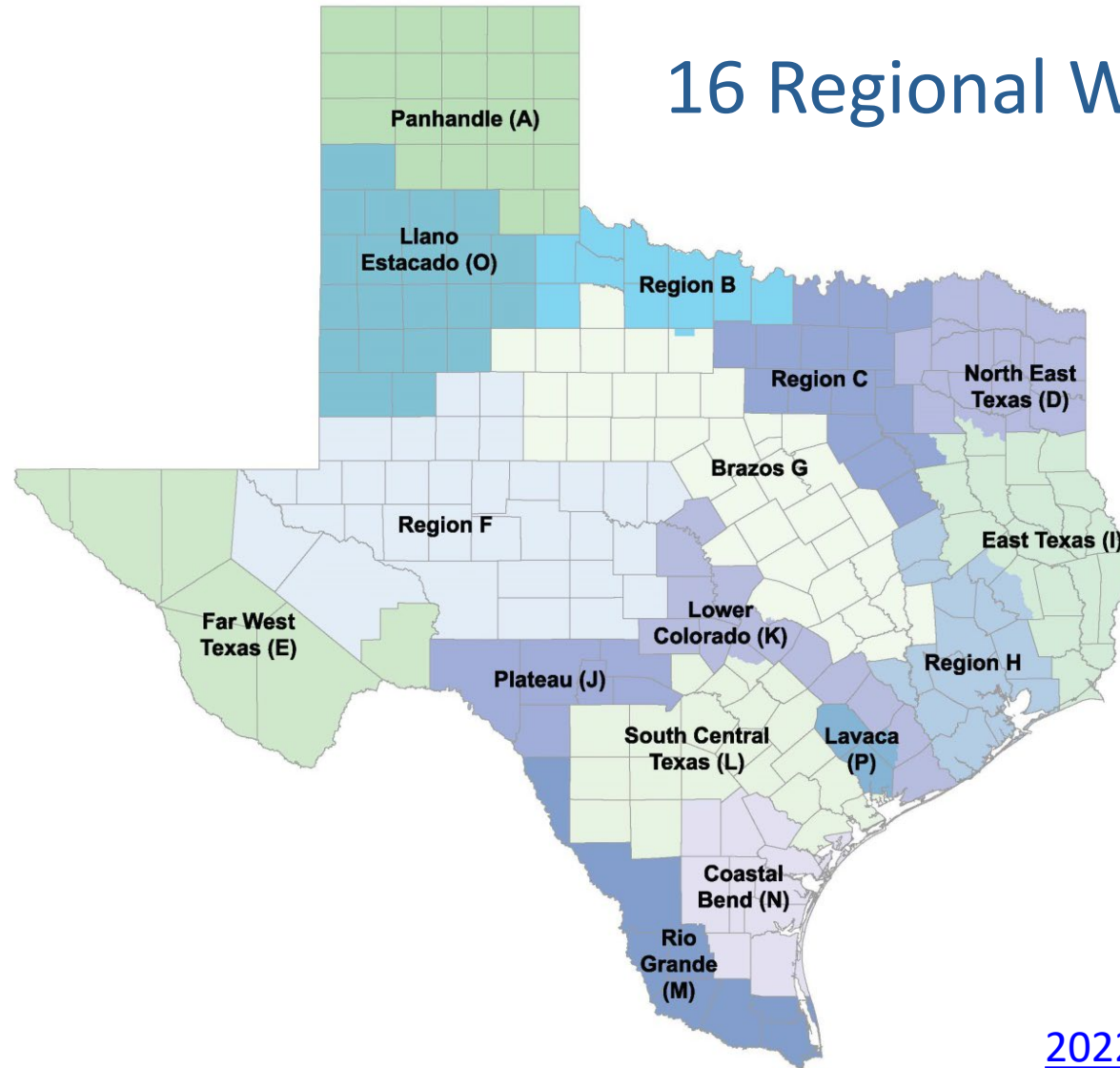
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Pointer - DMS: 38° 55' 49.34" N 101° 51' 28.12" W || DD: 38.930371 -101.857812

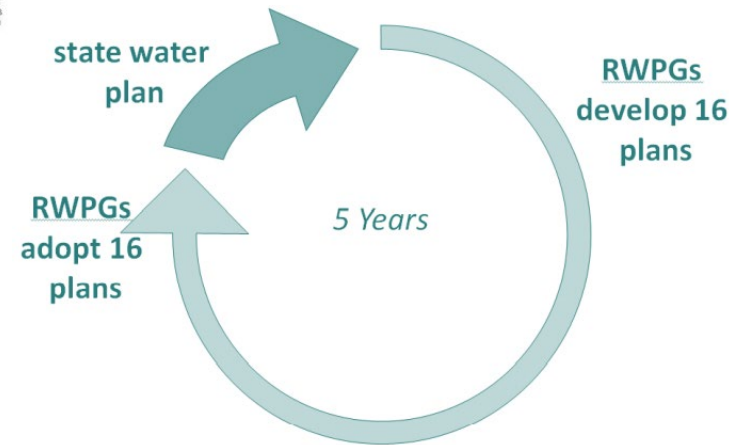
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16 Regional Water Planning Areas

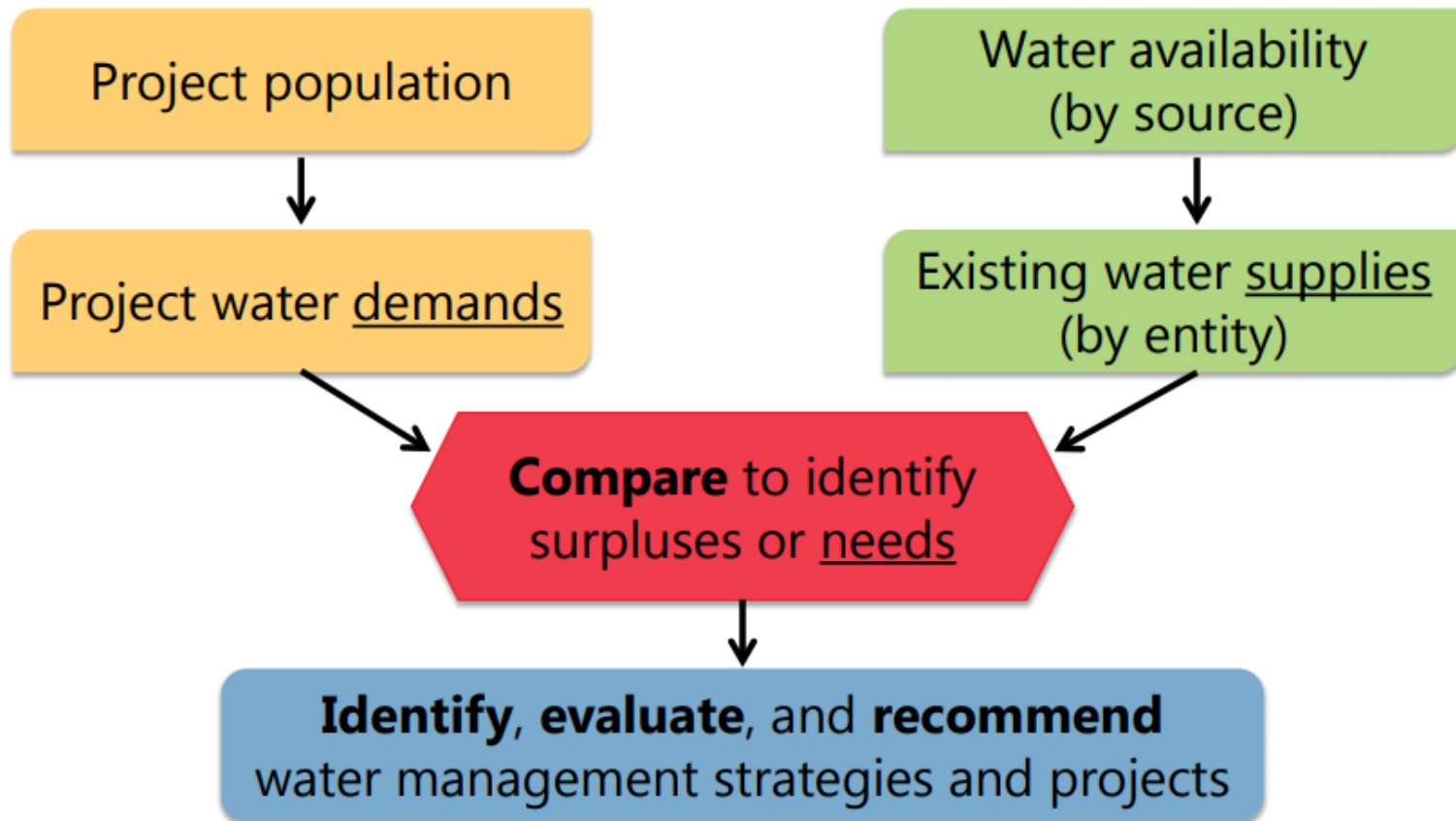


- Bottom-up approach
- State water plan every five years
- Approved 2022 State Water Plan

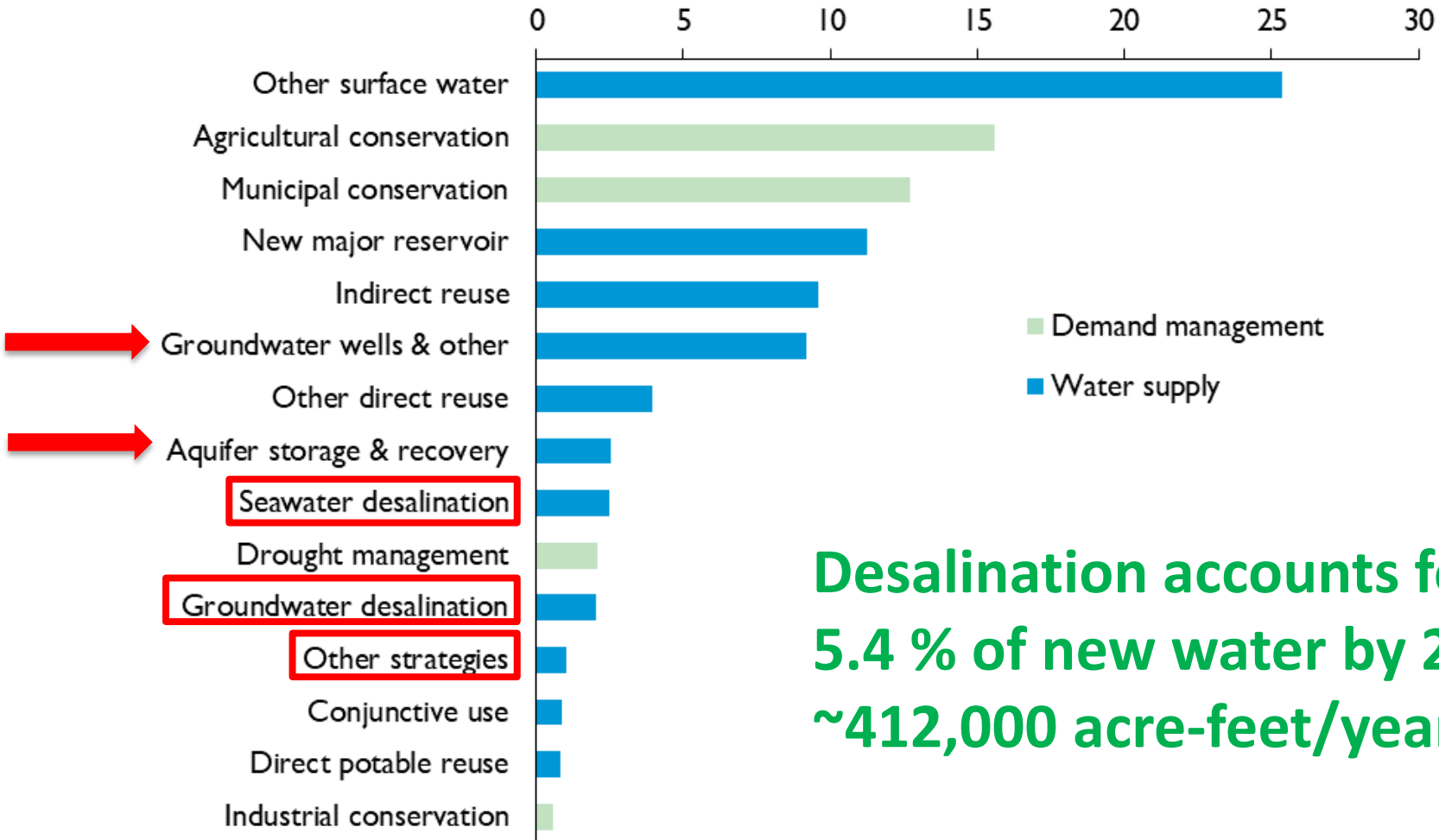


2022.texasstatewaterplan.org/statewide

Water Planning Basics

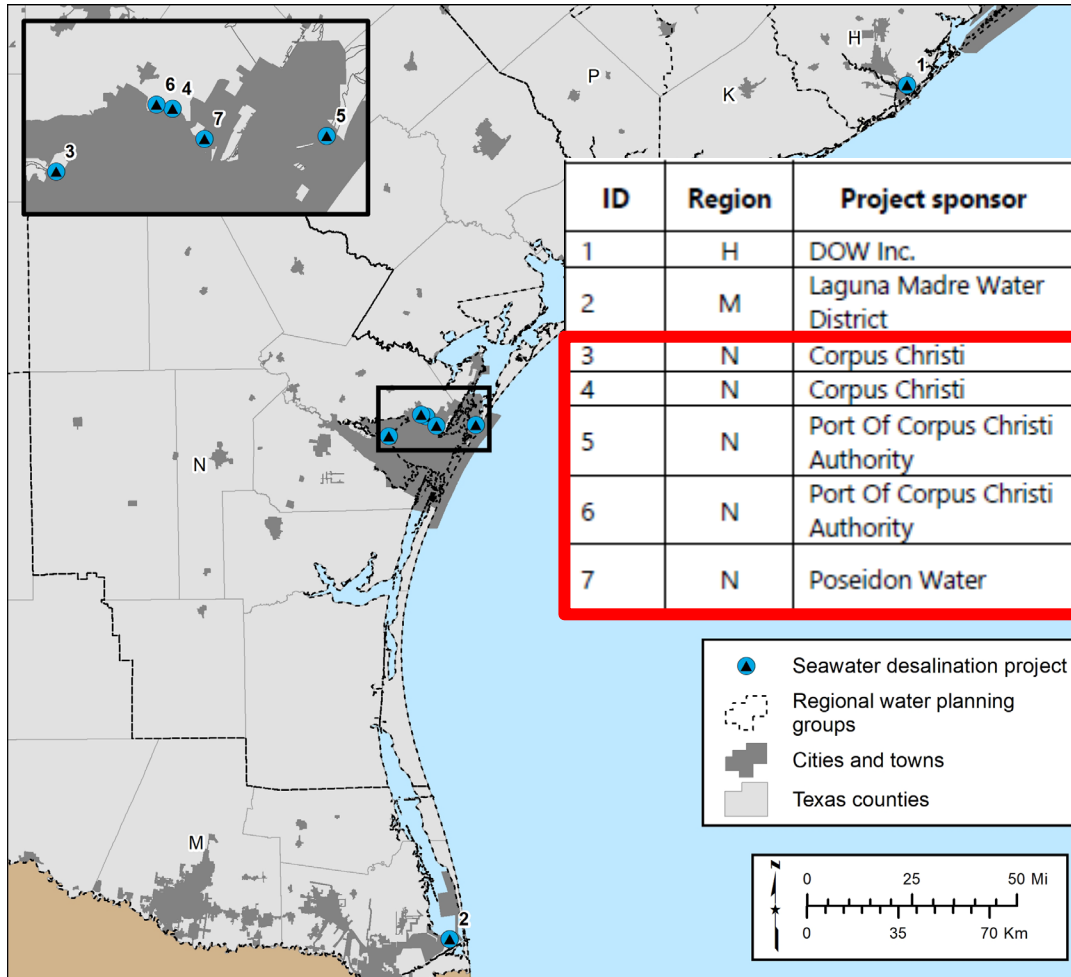


Recommended Water Management Strategies by 2070 in 2022 State Water Plan



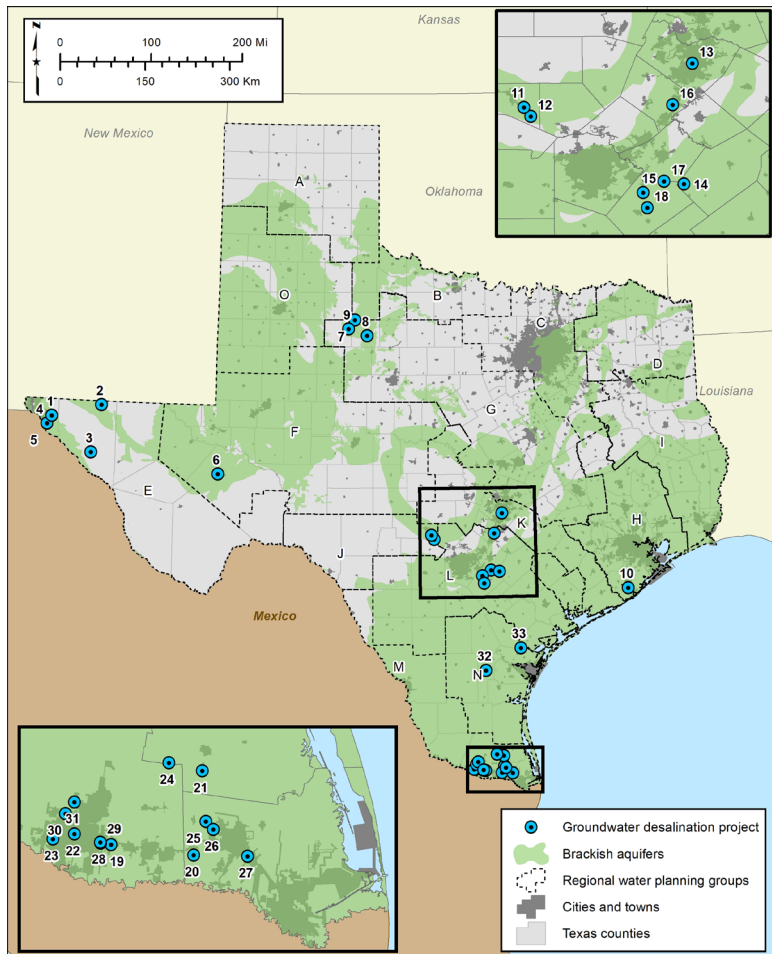
**Desalination accounts for
5.4 % of new water by 2070,
~412,000 acre-feet/year**

Future seawater desalination

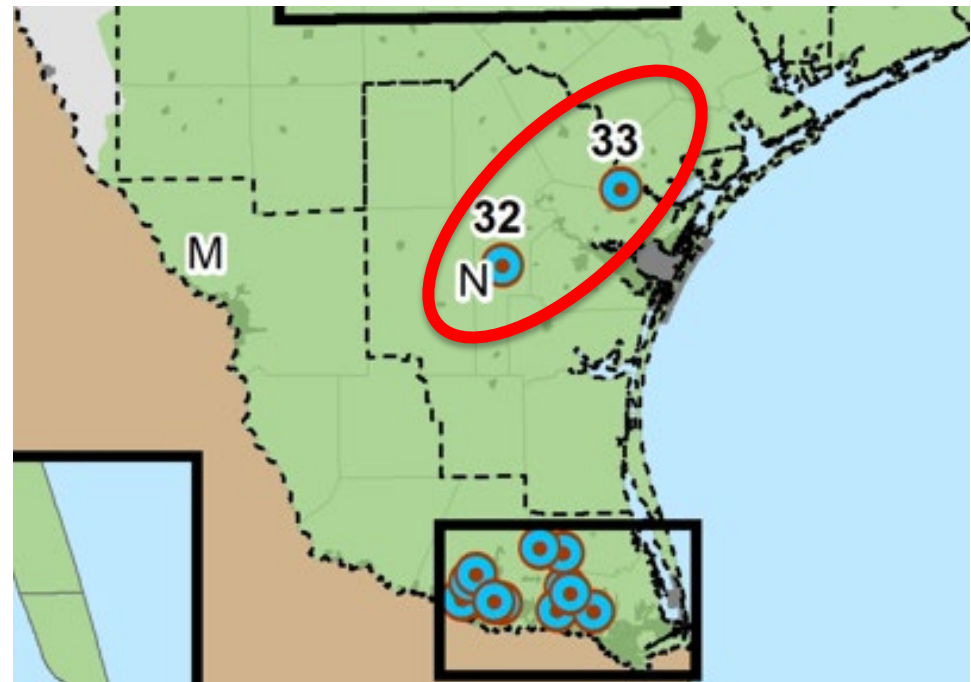


| ID | Region | Project sponsor | Project name | Online decade | Capital cost |
|----|--------|----------------------------------|--|---------------|---------------|
| 1 | H | DOW Inc. | Freeport seawater desalination | 2040 | \$155,877,822 |
| 2 | M | Laguna Madre Water District | Laguna Madre seawater desalination plant | 2050 | \$40,290,000 |
| 3 | N | Corpus Christi | Seawater desalination (Inner Harbor) | 2030 | \$236,693,000 |
| 4 | N | Corpus Christi | Seawater desalination (La Quinta) | 2030 | \$420,372,000 |
| 5 | N | Port Of Corpus Christi Authority | Seawater Desalination - Harbor Island | 2030 | \$802,807,000 |
| 6 | N | Port Of Corpus Christi Authority | Seawater Desalination - La Quinta Channel | 2030 | \$457,732,000 |
| 7 | N | Poseidon Water | Poseidon Regional Seawater Desalination Project at Ingleside | 2030 | \$724,984,000 |

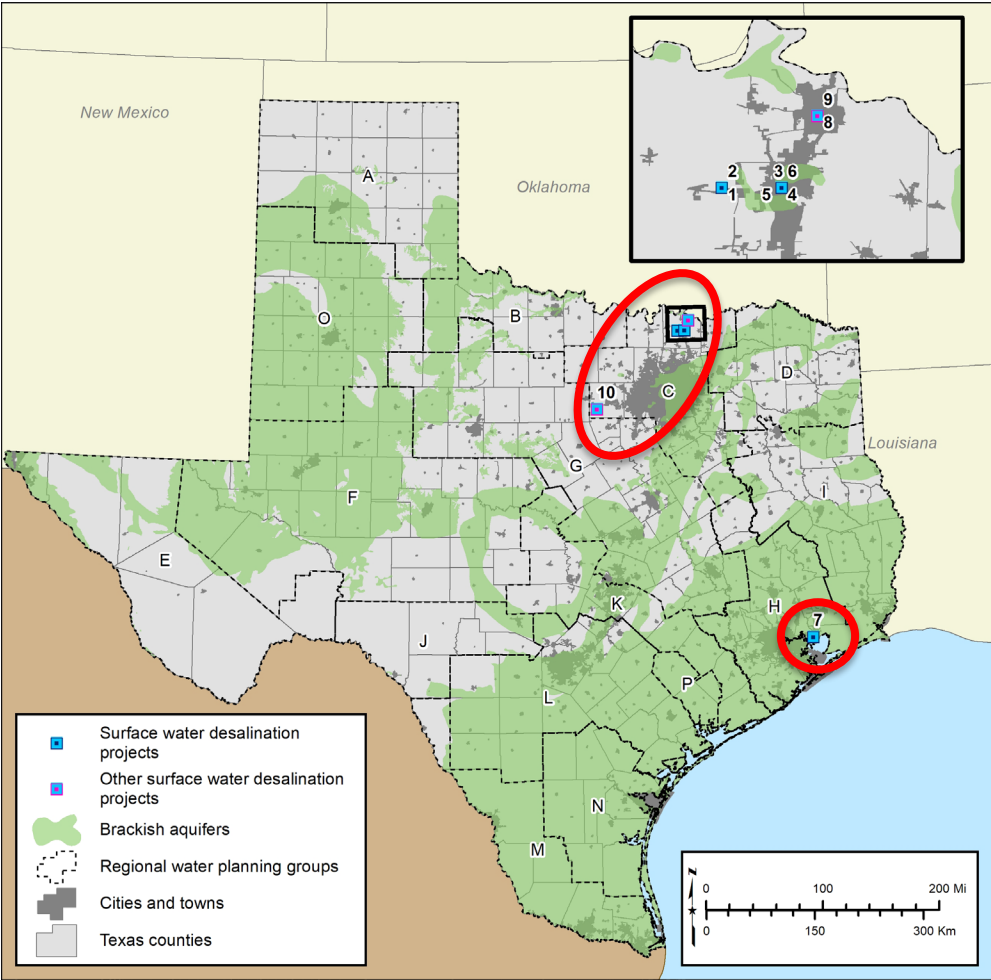
Future groundwater desalination



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| 32 | N | Alice | Brackish groundwater desalination | 2030 | \$23,983,000 |
| 33 | N | San Patricio Municipal Water District; Corpus Christi | Evangeline/Laguna treated groundwater project | 2030 | \$157,550,000 |

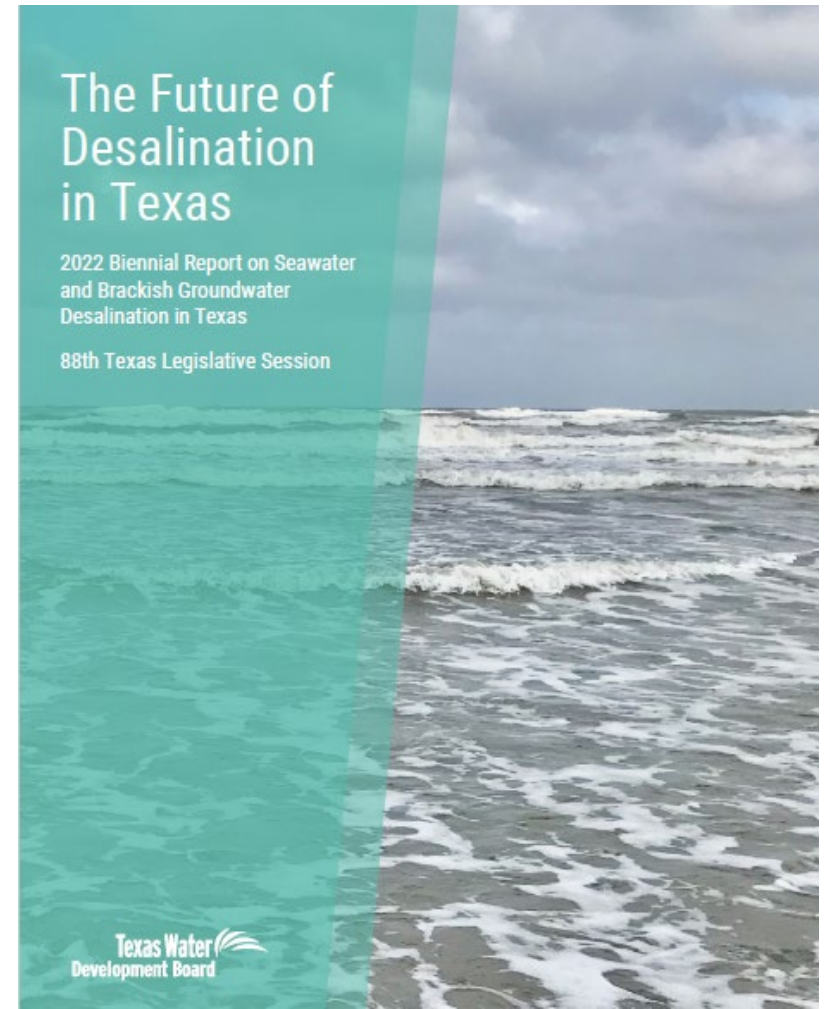


Future surface water desalination



Biennial Report on Desalination

- Tenth report in series
- 20 years of activities toward advancing seawater desalination
- Fourth report to include brackish groundwater desalination



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Desalination Program

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