

Objectives

2024 Objectives

- Hold District Organizational Meeting and Swearing-In of Directors
- Formalize District Boundaries, Creation of Legal Description And Map
- Solicit Financial Support For District Operations And Future Confirmation Election
- Develop a Generational Flood Risk & Resiliency Plan For Cypress Creek Watershed.
- Schedule Follow Up Town Hall Meetings
- Create a legislative agenda to address funding and additional powers in preparation for the 2025 Legislative session

2025 Objectives

- Prepare District Status Report For Legislature
- Work with State Legislators to address additional powers
- Complete Comprehensive Plan For Cypress Creek Watershed

2026 Objectives

- November District Confirmation Election
- Continue outreach and fundraising

2027 Objectives

- May District Confirmation Election, if needed



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Mission

To reduce future flooding and increase flood resilience in the Cypress Creek Watershed through a comprehensive mitigation and funding plan.

Vision

To serve the public as a governmental entity providing a unified voice in the Cypress Creek Watershed.

Purpose

The purpose of the Special District is to provide an entity to evaluate, recommend, and move forward much-needed action regarding Cypress Creek flood mitigation.

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The Need

To place Cypress Creek Watershed in the forefront for increased funding & flood risk mitigation implementation.

In order to reduce current and future flooding and to prepare adequately for the exploding growth within the District boundaries, a high-priority, comprehensive Flood Risk and Resiliency Plan must be created, funded and implemented.

Cypress Creek Drainage Improvement District is a Special Purpose District chartered by the Texas State Legislature June 18, 2023. Charitable contributions are tax-deductible under section 170(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Background

On June 18, 2023 Texas Gov. Greg Abbott signed into law House Bill 5334—authored by State Rep. Sam Harless—which created a special-purpose district to address flooding along the Cypress Creek watershed.

This special purpose district became the Cypress Creek Drainage Improvement District (CCDID) that encompasses the Cypress Creek and Little Cypress Creek watersheds, excluding the cities of Waller and Prairie View.

The District is governed by a temporary board of five directors and will require an election to select five permanent directors and confirm the creation of the district prior to Sept. 1, 2027. The District does not have the powers of eminent domain to impose a tax or issue bonds under current law.

As a State created public entity, this Special District provides for the FIRST time, Recognized Status for the citizens of Cypress Creek Watershed and an entity that meets criteria for seeking state and federal funding.

Action Plan

Solicit Community Input
Town Hall Meetings, print & web media

Evaluate & Update Previous Studies

Coordinate Planning with related Local, State, & Federal Agencies & Organizations

District Funding Needs

Administration
Accounting
Web & Digital Systems
Legal Counsel
Engineering Consultants
Boundaries Mapping
Public Election Costs

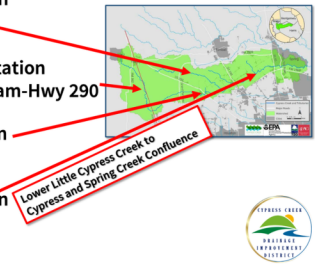
Strategies

for Review and Plan Development

- Preservation of prairie vegetation
- Regional detention/retention of stormwater
- Surface conveyance
- Tunnel conveyance
- Integrating stormwater and water supply
- Trails and Parks
- Other permanent and temporary solutions

Flood Risk & Resiliency Plan Elements

- Little Cypress Creek
 - Regional detention/retention
 - Surface conveyance
- Upper Cypress Creek
 - Preservation of prairie vegetation
 - Detention/Retention upstream-Hwy 290
- Middle Cypress Creek
 - Regional detention/retention
 - Surface conveyance
- Lower Cypress Creek
 - Regional detention/retention
 - Surface conveyance
 - Tunnel conveyance



District Goals 2024-25
Develop a Comprehensive Flood Risk Resiliency & Funding Plan for Cypress Creek Watershed

