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**CULTURAL RESOURCES SURVEYS CONDUCTED DURING NOVEMBER 2014
SOUTH EAGLE FORD ZONE
ATASCOSA, LA SALLE, AND MCMULLEN COUNTIES**

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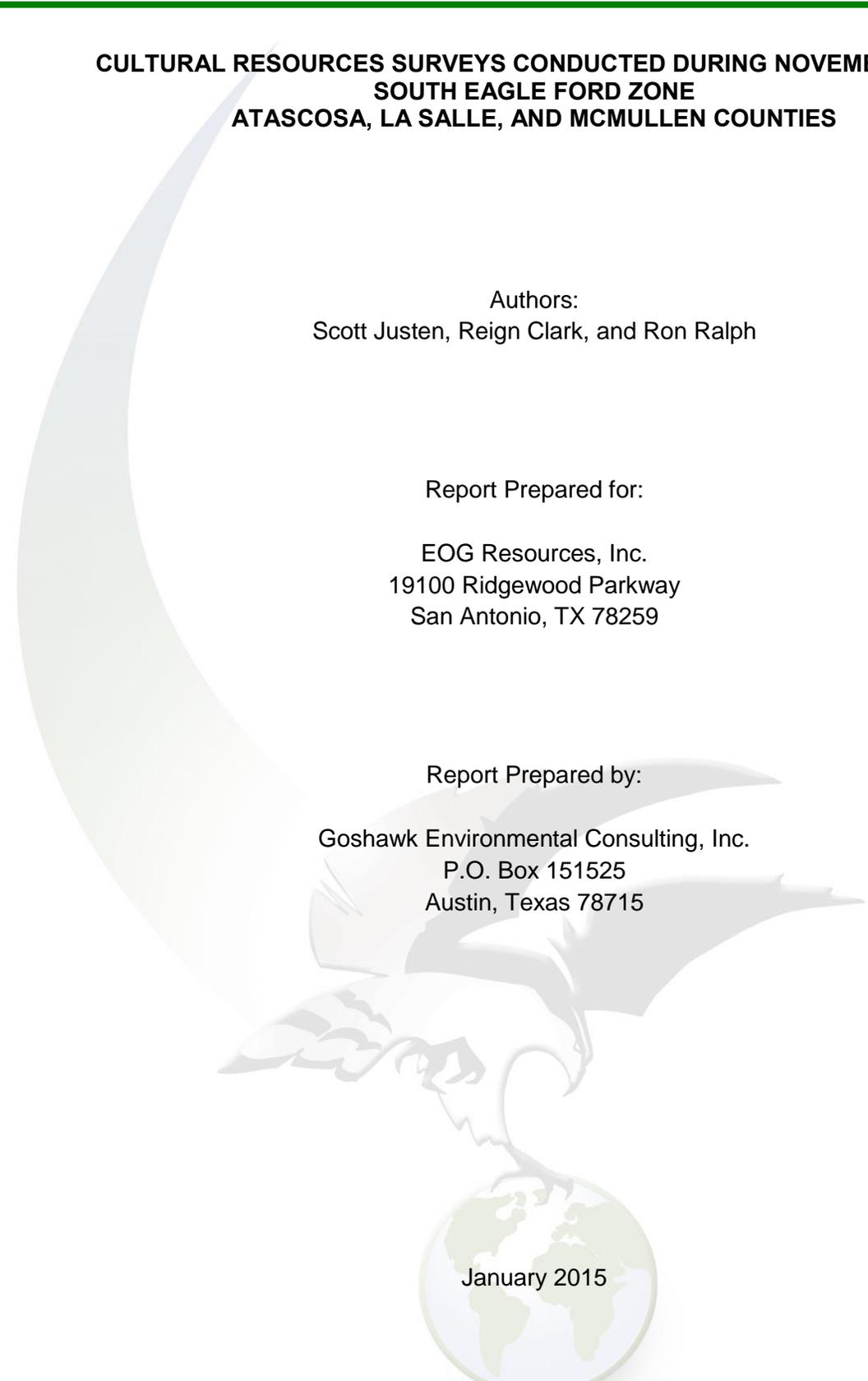
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MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

During the month of November 2014, Goshawk Environmental Consulting, Inc. (Goshawk) conducted four cultural resources surveys within the Eagle Ford Play, South Eagle Ford Zone at the request of EOG Resources, Inc. (EOG). The four project areas subjected to cultural resources investigations included the proposed Joanne-Pena Gathering Pipeline, Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road, Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H and #2H Access Road, and Golden to Moy Waterline. Except where noted, each Area of Potential Effect (APE) was a 75-foot (23-meter [m]) wide Right-of-Way (ROW) consisting of a 50-foot (15-m) wide permanent easement and a 25-foot (8-m) wide temporary construction easement. Investigations were conducted by Goshawk archeologists Scott Justen and Reign Clark with assistance from Bear Aspra and Mitch Juenke. Scott Justen served as primary author and Reign Clark and Ron Ralph served as contributing authors for this report of investigations.

The cultural resources surveys were performed according to Council of Texas Archeologists survey standards, in compliance with the Texas Historical Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Chapter 26, Section 27, and under the general guidelines of the Register of Professional Archaeologists. Site files on the THC's Archeological Sites Atlas (Atlas) website database were consulted prior to the commencement of the field effort for previously recorded site locations, references to previous archeological surveys undertaken, and place names of interest in the vicinity of the proposed projects.

Streams potentially under United States Corps of Engineers (USACE) jurisdiction which cross the APEs were assessed by an ecologist via desktop and field reviews prior to commencement of the cultural resources survey. As per the established procedure of due diligence, any segment of an APE that falls within an area potentially under federal jurisdiction or any portion of an APE that falls within a 328-foot (100-m) radius of a known cultural site would be subjected to a cultural resources survey. Any segment of an APE to be surveyed under this protocol was labeled as a "review area" and was subjected to cultural resources survey.

During the survey of each project, shovel tests were placed within each review area. Shovel testing and surface inspection resulted in no significant cultural deposits documented within the survey areas. Based on these results, it is Goshawk's opinion that no significant cultural resources will be impacted by construction within the surveyed ROWs. Goshawk recommends that the projects be allowed to proceed as planned with the caveat that construction be limited to the surveyed ROWs. In the unlikely event that cultural resources (including human remains) are discovered, all construction or maintenance activities should be immediately halted and both the USACE and an archeologist should be notified.



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

During the month of November 2014, Goshawk Environmental Consulting, Inc. (Goshawk) conducted four cultural resources surveys within the Eagle Ford Play, South Eagle Ford Zone, at the request of EOG Resources, Inc. (EOG). The South Eagle Ford Zone includes portions of La Salle, McMullen, Live Oak, Frio, Webb, and Atascosa Counties (Figure 1-1). The four project areas subjected to cultural resources investigations during the month of November included the proposed Joanne-Pena Gathering Pipeline, Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road, Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H and #2H Access Road, and Golden to Moy Waterline (Figure 1-2). Except where otherwise noted, each Area of Potential Effect (APE) was a 75-foot (23-meter [m]) wide right-of-way (ROW) consisting of a 50-foot (15-m) wide permanent easement and a 25-foot (8-m) wide temporary construction easement. The results from the survey of each project are presented below.

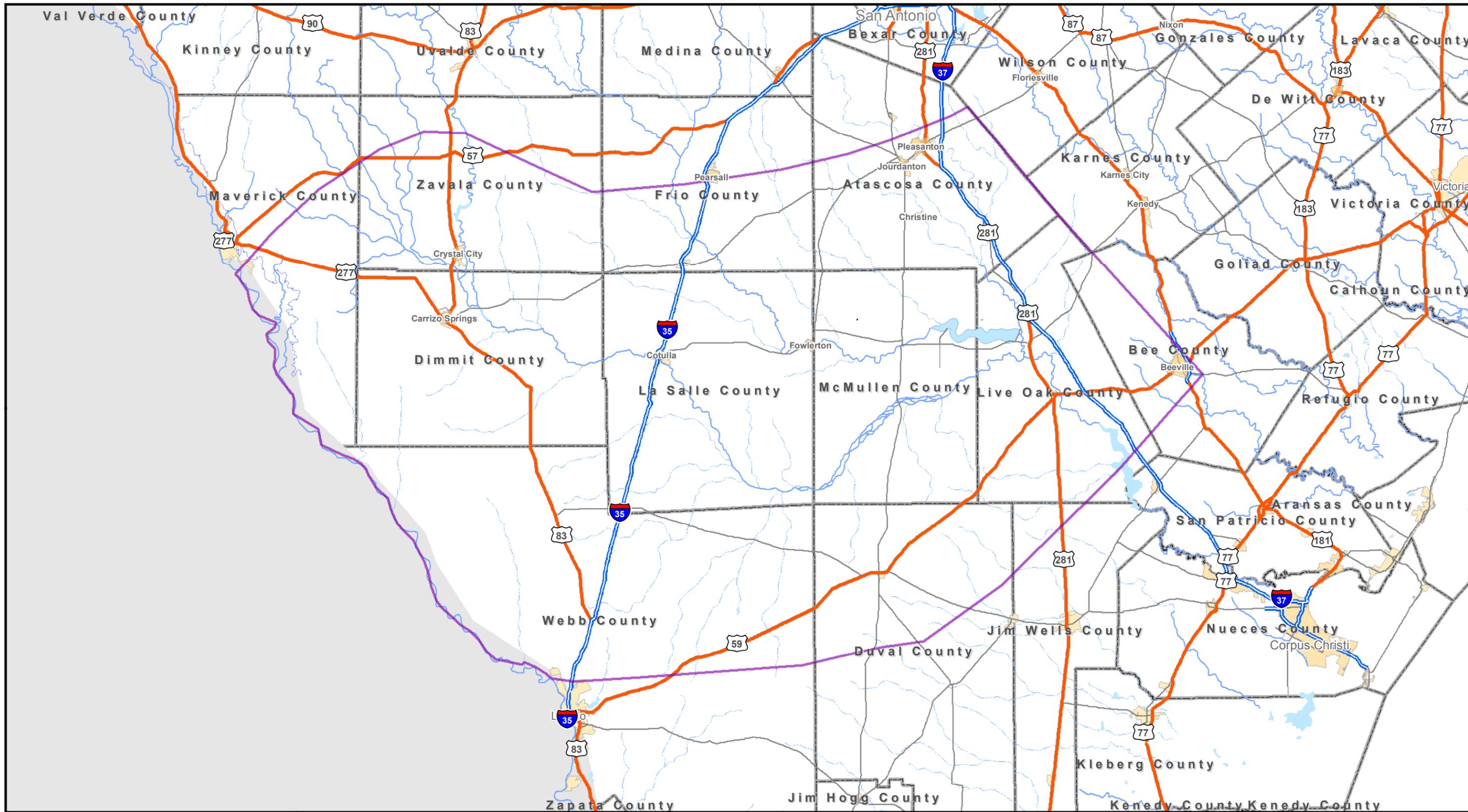
2.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONTEXT OF THE SOUTH EAGLE FORD ZONE

The Eagle Ford Shale Region covers a large portion of south and southeast Texas totaling approximately 22,000 square miles. This region of Texas can be broken down into zones reflecting biologic, geologic, physiographic, and cultural diversity within the Eagle Ford Shale. The South Eagle Ford Zone is an area characteristic of the Tamaulipan Biotic Province (Blair 1950). The area is semi-arid brush land, extending north from Laredo, Texas into Zavala County, eastward across La Salle, McMullen, and Live Oak Counties, and continuing to the northeast to the central portion of Atascosa County (Figure 1-1). The area is a series of level to gently rolling uplands supporting mixed thorny trees, shrubs, cacti, and grasses. Streams within the South Eagle Ford Zone drain generally southwest toward the Rio Grande River or to the east and northeast toward the Frio and Nueces Rivers. The northern boundary of the South Eagle Ford Zone corresponds with Blair's division between the Tamaulipan and Texas Biotic Provinces. Coincidentally, the division falls directly along where Atascosa County meets Wilson and Karnes Counties.

2.1 LAND USE

At current, the most common uses for land falling within the South Eagle Ford Zone includes cattle ranching, oil and gas development, lease hunting, and limited agriculture. Many of the common land uses result in the clearing of the omnipresent invasive thorn brush so that development can proceed. The persistent problem of invading brush and cacti is often addressed by "chaining," whereby a heavy chain is dragged across the landscape by bulldozers, uprooting unwanted brush. Additionally, large senderos are often cut through the vegetation to facilitate wildlife management and seismic surveys. Root plowing, using a large tracked bulldozer and a dragging blade is also used to clear brush. All clearing methods are disruptive to archeological sites. Poor soil conservation practices have resulted in the depletion of top soil, exposing clay pans across much of the area. Many of the soils originally mapped by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) had pronounced A-horizons over distinct clays. It is thus particularly noteworthy that A-horizons across much of the survey area are virtually non-existent, indicating disturbances and erosion of topsoil. Thin gravel outcrops with sand over clay are common across the uplands while





Source: ESRI, Maps & Data 10.2, 2013, EIA, 2011
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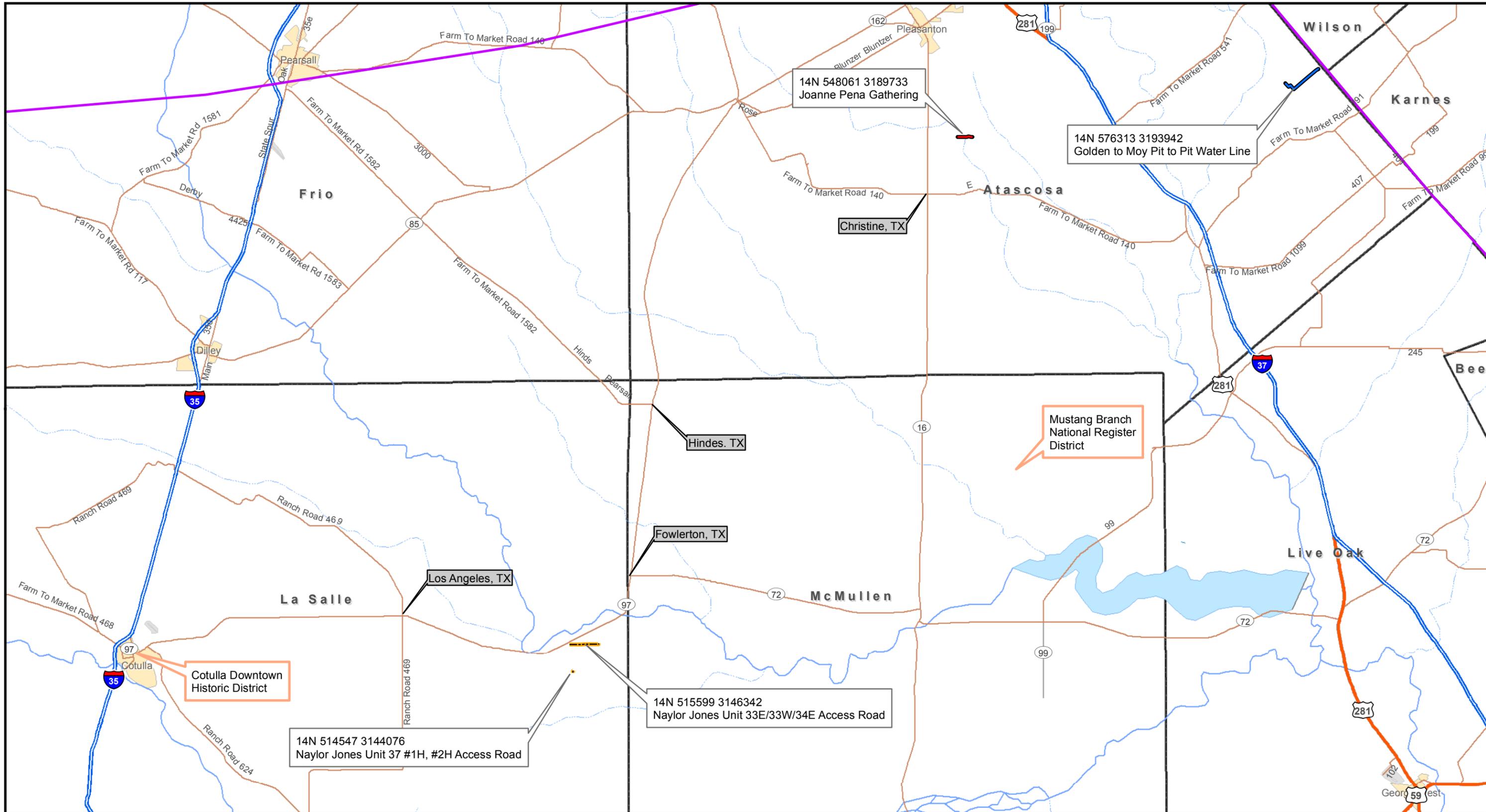
Figure 1-1
 Vicinity Map

South Eagle Ford Zone

Legend:

- South Eagle Ford Zone Perimeter

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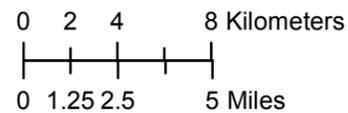
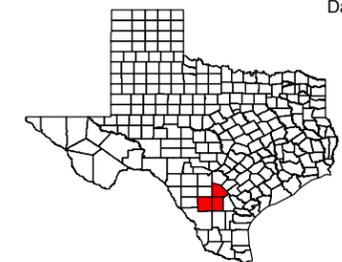


Figure 1-2
 Project Locations
 Atascosa, La Salle and McMullen Counties, Texas

South Eagle Ford Zone

-  Boundary of South Eagle Ford Zone
-  Proposed Pipeline Alignment
-  Proposed Access Road Alignment
-  Proposed Water Line Alignment



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shallow alluvial clay and clay loams blanket most areas along the creeks. The areas most likely to contain intact, stratified soil deposits and significant archeological sites are located along the rivers and larger creeks including Cibolo and Esperanza Creeks, the Frio River, and the Dull Flats Stream Complex.

2.2 GEOLOGY AND PHYSIOGRAPHY

Geology within the South Eagle Ford Zone encompasses the recent alluvium and fluvial terrace deposits overlying older Eocene Yegua Formations (Barnes 1976). Alluvium or floodplain deposits consist of gravels, sand, clay, silt, and organic materials along with a variety of igneous and sedimentary rock washed down from the Rocky Mountains to the northwest and deposited as lag gravels on low terraces. Recent alluviums were deposited during the Pleistocene flanking streams. The surrounding fluvial terrace deposits consist of the same clay and clay loam soils, but often contain discontinuous sheets or pavements of let-down gravels. These concentrations of stone have been of great interest to prehistoric populations as source material for tools.

Other major geological formations underlying the South Eagle Ford Zone are Quaternary alluvium and the undivided Manning/Wellborn Sandstone/Caddell Formations of the Jackson Group. These formations are composed of sandstones, clay, tuff, and siltstone; some fossiliferous and one with fossil wood. To the southeast of the project area laid remnants of Uvalde Gravels, a source of lithic material much prized by prehistoric peoples (Barnes 1976, Harshbarger, et al 2010). Uvalde Gravel occurs as deposits up to 30 feet (9 m) thick or as lag gravels on rounded hills. Within the South Eagle Ford Zone, much of the Holocene age alluvial deposits have eroded away due to land clearing and maintenance practices.

2.3 PROJECT AREA SOILS

The Web Soil Survey of the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS 2014), the Atascosa County Soil Survey (Dittmar, et al., 1980), the La Salle County Soil Survey (Gabriel, et al., 1994), and the McMullen County Soils Survey (Harshbarger, et al., 2010) were consulted for each project within the South Eagle Ford Zone. Generally, soils encountered consist of clay, clay loam, and sandy loam along benches and terraces adjacent to smaller streams. In-situ clay soils are commonly found on the wider floodplains of named creeks. Occasionally, expansive outcrops of chert gravels and cobbles are found on eroded uplands and shoulder slopes which prehistoric native groups used as raw material quarries for tool making.

2.4 FLORA AND FAUNA

Within the South Eagle Ford Zone, native tree species include mesquite, huisache, pecan, live oak, Texas wild olive, and Texas persimmon. Common shrubs and succulents in the region include prickly pear, fiddlewood, desert yaupon, agave, yucca, and autumn sage. Native grass species include sideoats grama, slender grama, buffalograss, inland sea-oats, plains lovegrass, and little bluestem (Gould 1978; TPWD 2014a). The Tamaulipan Biotic Province is characterized by semi-arid, megathermal conditions. Although moisture levels are low, temperatures allow for certain plant growth to occur year-round (Blair 1950).



There are at least 61 mammal species, 57 reptile species, and 22 amphibian species within the South Eagle Ford Zone (Schmidly 2004). Common small mammals in the region include several species of rats, mice, and bats; the Texas pocket gopher; the eastern mole; the eastern cottontail rabbit; and the Mexican ground squirrel (Blair 1950). Medium to large mammals include white-tailed deer, American hog-nosed skunk, and armadillo. Another of the mammalian species located in the ecoregion is the Mexican opossum, also the only marsupial in the ecoregion. Rare or extinct mammalian species in the area include ocelot, jaguar, javelina, bison, and jaguarondi (TPWD 2014b). Reptile species within the region include the western box turtle, Texas banded gecko, Texas spiny lizard, red racer, western diamondback rattlesnake, and diamond-backed water snake (Blair 1950, TPWD 2014a). Rare reptilian species include the Texas tortoise, indigo snake, and Texas horned lizard (TPWD 2014b). Despite the drier climate within the Tamaulipan Biotic Province, the region is host to several water-loving urodeles (salamanders and newts) and anurans (frogs and toads) (Blair 1950; Davis 1978). There are three species of urodeles and 18 species of anurans. Raptors, songbirds, doves, gulls, and terns are the dominant birds near the APE (Bryan, et al. 2006). The rare Cactus Ferruginous pygmy-owl is also occasionally found within the ecoregion (TPWD 2014a, TPWD 2014b).

2.5 CLIMATE

The South Eagle Ford Zone exhibits a tropical, sub-humid climate with average high temperatures of 98 degrees Fahrenheit in July and an average yearly high of 83 degrees. The average low of 42 degrees occurs in January with an average yearly low of 60 degrees. The yearly average rainfall is 22 inches (56 centimeters [cm]). Rainfall is bimodal with early summer and late summer accounting for 65 percent of the yearly average. The growing season averages over 250 days with only one year in two having a yearly low below 28 degrees (Gabrial, et al., 1994).

3.0 CULTURAL CONTEXT OF THE SOUTH EAGLE FORD ZONE

The South Eagle Ford Zone is located in the South Texas Archeological Region where nomadic hunter-gatherer groups migrated seasonally, following resources and sharing cultural traits with other groups. This is evidenced in the dispersal of point types and ceramic styles across the region (Prewitt 1995). Open camps are the most common type of archeological site found in the South Texas Archeological Region. Open camps can be shallow or deeply buried and are often adjacent to streams and usually contain clustered archeological material such as burned rocks, lithic debris, hearths, or middens. Bone and shell are less common in the assemblages, as organics rarely survive due to the alkaline nature of the soils.

Notable work in South Texas archeological research has been conducted by Fox et al. (1974), Mallouf et al. (1977), Mercado et al. (1996), Hall et al. (1986), Black (1989), and Hester (1980). However, the lack of intensive investigations, high rate of looting, and levels of erosion that occur throughout South Texas have left barriers to fully understanding and dating the periods of occupation in the area (Perttula 2004).

The following cultural background is divided into several periods in this portion of the state: Paleoindian (9,500 to 6,000 B.C.), Early Archaic (6,000 to 2,500 B.C.), Middle Archaic (2,500 B.C. to A.D. 400), Late Archaic (A.D. 400 to 700), Late Prehistoric (A.D. 700 to 1750), and Historic (A.D.



1750 to present) (Aten 1983; Perttula 2004; Turner and Hester 1999). Some scholars include another period, the Protohistoric, but it will not be included here due to the lack of a useful definition and contextual information available in this region.

3.1 PREHISTORY

3.1.1 *Paleoindian Period (ca. 9,500 to 6,000 B.C.)*

Recent archeological evidence indicates prehistoric people may have occupied this area prior to the Paleoindian Period. However, the controversial sites that show evidence of an earlier period of habitation have not yet been widely accepted by the archeological community. For this reason, the prehistoric period will begin with Paleoindians.

Beginning around 9,500 B.C., the Paleoindian is the earliest identified cultural period in the vicinity of the South Eagle Ford Zone. It spans over 3,000 years to about 6,000 B.C. (Ensor and Ricklis 1998). According to some authors, the Paleoindian period begins approximately 1,200 years earlier (11,500 B.C.) further to the south in the South Texas region. It has been postulated that this is most likely due to the earlier habitation of the Paleoindian Clovis peoples coming north from central Mexico (Perttula 2004).

Coinciding with the decline of the Wisconsin glaciation, the Paleoindian period is characterized by a relatively cool, moist climate that encouraged the development of now-extinct species of Pleistocene megafauna, such as bison. This period is sometimes called the Big Game Hunting tradition (Willey 1966), due to a presumed heavy reliance by Paleoindian peoples on megafauna as a food source during the earlier portion of the period. Environmental changes that brought about the extinction or dislocation of megafauna precipitated a shift toward smaller game, creating the transition into the Archaic (Aten 1983:146-148; Willey and Phillips 1958:107).

Temporally diagnostic tool types attributed to this period include a variety of finely chipped, sometimes fluted, lanceolate projectile point styles, such as Clovis, Folsom, Plainview, and Scottsbluff (Meltzer and Bever 1995; Prikryl 1990; Willey 1966). The Paleoindian projectile point types show a transitional change between the earlier Paleoindian points and the Early Archaic. By the late Paleoindian period, unfluted lanceolate projectile points such as Plainview, Golondrina, and Angostura were more common (Story, et al. 1990).

3.1.2 *Archaic Period (6,000 B.C. to A.D. 400)*

Following the close of the Pleistocene, the South Texas region experienced a trend toward a warmer and drier climate. It has been postulated that this climate shift was at least partially responsible for the extinction of megafaunal species. The archeological record of this period exhibits evidence of a gradual diversification in subsistence patterns. This is the beginning of the Archaic, which lasts from about 6,000 B.C. to A.D. 400 (Aten 1983:152-157). The Archaic period is divided into three time periods: the Early Archaic (6,050 to 2,500 B.C.), the Middle Archaic (2,500 B.C. to 1,000 B.C.), and the Late Archaic (1,000 B.C. to A.D. 400) (Perttula 2004; Turner and Hester 1999). Few Archaic sites are recorded on the Upper Texas Coast (Aten 1983:153; Story 1985:28-29). Story (1985:31-34) suggests site density was low on the coastal plain during this period. Archaic sites tested or excavated near the modern shoreline generally consist of shell-



bearing sites with varying degrees of lithic tools and debitage, shell or bone tools, and the bones of fish, mammals, and reptiles (Ambler 1967, 1970, 1973; Aten 1979, 1983; Ensor 1998; Howard et al. 1991). Inland sites tend to contain more lithic artifacts and debitage with terrestrial mammal bones comprising the bulk of the inland faunal assemblages. Archaic patterns in tool-making for the South Texas region are centered on corner-notching technology and triangular points, moving away from the basal-notching technology.

3.1.2.1 Early Archaic Period (6,000 to 2,500 B.C.)

Paleoindian projectile point types are replaced in the Early Archaic by unfluted lanceolate projectile points such as Plainview, Golondrina, and Angostura (Story et al. 1990). The Early Archaic in the South Texas region is significantly shorter than in other regions due to the onset of specific regional cultural patterns occurring around 2,500 B.C., which emphasized un-stemmed dart points and smaller bifacial and unifacial beveled tools (Perttula 2004). In addition to these cultural patterns, the archeological record shows the diet of the people in this area consisted of turtles, snails, and freshwater mussels. Land snails (*Rabdotus* sp.) are often present at prehistoric sites, but there is debate regarding whether the prehistoric peoples were consuming them or if the snails were merely “cleaning up” after the group moved out of the area.

3.1.2.2 Middle Archaic Period (2,500 to 1,000 B.C.)

For the South Texas region, the Middle Archaic is more thoroughly represented in the archeological record than the Early Archaic. It is during this time period that the triangular Tortugas and Abasolo points were developed. In addition, the archeological record shows the development of smaller, unifacial, distally beveled tools that show a high amount of reworking and resharpening. Evidence supports that these common tools were used in wood-working (Perttula 2004). During this period, most open campsites were placed in flood-prone zones along low terraces, and while information concerning their diet is scant, numerous types of fuel materials have been identified including mesquite, acacia, oak, and hackberry (Perttula 2004). There is also significant data concerning treatment of the dead in this area and time frame (Patterson et al. 1998). Especially later in the period, cemeteries were commonly used, most of which contained grave goods such as points, flakes, cores, and sandstone pieces (Perttula 2004; Hall et al. 1986). One such cemetery, Loma Sandia, is dated to the late Middle Archaic and is located in Live Oak County (Taylor and Highley 1995). With its hundreds of burials and thousands of artifacts, it remains one of the most studied archeological sites in South Texas.

3.1.2.3 Late Archaic Period (1,000 B.C. to A.D. 400)

In general, Late Archaic sites in the South Texas Region show a marked increase in site utilization and heavy dependence on seasonal base camps, where various maintenance, extractive, and processing tasks were used in exploiting local resources. Assemblages characterizing these technological activities include a variety of dart point styles, a suite of ground and polished stone tools, and the beginning use of ceramics.



3.1.3 Late Prehistoric Period (A.D. 400 to 1750)

The Late Prehistoric period in the South Texas Region saw a continuation of many of the same cultural and subsistence patterns in place during the Late Archaic (e.g. cemeteries and burned rock features) with two very significant technological adaptations: a heavier reliance on ceramics by certain groups and the introduction of the bow and arrow (Ensor 1998).

3.2 HISTORIC PERIOD (A.D. 1750 TO PRESENT)

3.2.1 Historic Native Groups in the Area

Early Spanish expeditions in Texas afford the primary evidence of the relevant historic Indian tribes in the South Texas Region during the late sixteenth through early eighteenth-centuries. Initial exploration of the Gulf of Mexico and the American Southwest was accomplished by Spanish explorers Alonso Alvarez Piñeda (1519) and Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca (1528). Following Piñeda's initial maritime effort to map the Gulf Coast, the earliest exploration of the South Texas Region was accomplished by de Vaca, who shipwrecked in the Gulf of Mexico in 1528 along with other members of an expedition led by Pánfilo de Narváez (Weddle 1985).

De Vaca's account served as the basis upon which subsequent explorations of the region were conducted by Hernando de Soto (1539) and Luis de Moscoso (1542). By 1561, Spain was facing increasing difficulties in maintaining its few colonies in Florida. The relatively poor economic prospects for these colonies and increasing competition from other colonial powers quelled the Spanish Crown's interest in colonizing their Florida territories which included Texas. As a result, the Texas Gulf Coast remained relatively uninhabited by Europeans for the next two centuries until the threat of increased French exploration in the territory stimulated the Spanish government to establish more permanent settlements in the area (Weddle 1991). In 1685, René Robert Cavelier and Sieur de la Salle established Fort St. Louis along the Gulf Coast (Gilmore 1984, Tunnel and Ambler 1967). Plagued by disease, starvation, and Indian attacks, the Fort St. Louis was no longer in use by late 1688 or early 1689 (Bruseth and Turner 2005).

Spanish expeditions to the South Texas Region include the 1689 expedition of Governor Alonso de León, the 1691 to 1692 expedition of Governor Domingo Terán de los Ríos, the Espinosa-Olivares-Aguirre expedition of 1709, Ramón's expedition of 1716, Alarcón's expedition of 1718, and Rivera's inspection tour of 1727 (Campbell 1983; Foster 1995). The Indians encountered during those journeys included indigenous Sanan speakers and displaced and migrating tribes from well outside the region such as the Jumano of west Texas, the Wichita-speaking Yojuane of north central Oklahoma, and the Simaomo and Tusonibi of northeastern Mexico (Campbell 1979). Many other tribes, not so fortunate, had been decimated by European disease in Coahuila and Nueva Leon according to Chapa, an early historian who documented over 160 groups annihilated during the 1600s (Foster 2008:108).

3.2.2 European Settlement (ca. 1750)

Although there were no permanent Spanish settlements established in the area now known as La Salle and McMullen Counties, Spaniards did traverse the area at various times. Alonso De León passed through the area in 1689 and 1690, as did Diego Ortiz Parrilla in 1766. In the early 1800s, the Old Laredo-San Antonio road passed to the east of the survey area. Even earlier, a large



waterhole on Esperanza Creek was the meeting place where presidio soldier escorts passed off their charges before returning to their posts in Laredo and San Antonio (Leffler 2014).

3.2.3 La Salle and McMullen Counties

After Mexican independence in 1810, the Mexican government issued land grants to citizens for settlement. In 1834, Jesús Cárdenas received 31,500 acres of land along the Nueces River, including about 10,000 acres in what became La Salle County. After the Texas revolution, La Salle County became disputed land lying between the Rio Grande and the Nueces River. Lacking an established government, it became a haven for outlaws (Leffler 2014). The Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo on 2 February 1848 ended the Mexican War and recognized the 1845 annexation of Texas to the United States (Russell 2010:210).

The area now known as McMullen County was originally granted to Benjamin Drake Lovell and John G. Purnell by the Mexican state of Coahuila in 1825, but it was never developed. In 1828, the same land was assigned to John McMullen and James McGloin who intended to settle 200 families. None of the families ever occupied the area, and by the time of the Texas Revolution, the area was still inhabited predominantly by native people.

La Salle County was formed from the Bexar District in 1858, with early villages established along the San Antonio to Laredo road – the old El Camino Real. In the same year, McMullen County was officially established from parts of Bexar, Atascosa, and Live Oak counties. The United States Army established an outpost, Fort Ewell, in 1852 at the road crossing on the Nueces River, but abandoned it in 1854. Guajoco grew up near the outpost and grew larger when the army deserted the post. By 1871, Guajoco, had a post office, a saloon, a general store, a stagecoach stop and roughly 60 inhabitants.

From cattle to cotton to oil and gas, the boom and bust cycle has repeated itself in South Texas. It has never been an easy place to live. During the early years, more than 25 ranches were established with the ranch headquarters often becoming a stopping point for cattle buyers, and then growing into small communities. One such was Waugh's Rancho established in 1861 and granted a post office in 1879. Another was Iuka, a small settlement just west of present day Cotulla, the county seat. The 1870 census showed 69 inhabitants in La Salle County, growing to 789 in 1880. La Salle County, named for René Robert Cavelier, Sieur de La Salle, now covers over 1,517 square miles of South Texas (Leffler 2014)

Formal organization of La Salle County occurred in 1880 with Stuart's Rancho, near Guajoco, designated its first seat of government. The last Indian raid occurred in 1878 as the railroad began building south to the winter garden on the Rio Grande. About the same time, James J. and Andrew J. Dull, two steel-magnet brothers from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, purchased La Salle County land, including much of W. A. Waugh's property, to put together a vast ranch.

3.2.4 Fowlerton History

The history of eastern La Salle County and western McMullen County is steeped in actors and actions larger than life. At the turn of the 20th century, a couple of shrewd businessmen, the Fowler brothers, decided to form a land company and promote the dry cactus and mesquite covered



country along the Frio River in La Salle and McMullen Counties as the “Wintergarten.” They attracted more than 2,000 buyers, many of whom migrated from the east coast for the chance to own a plot of fertile farmland for as little as \$25 down and \$10 a month. Many have called the brothers “swindlers,” but some historians maintain that they did have a vision of the area as a farming utopia. The Fowler brothers happened to tour the county just prior to one of the “wet” cycles when almost any crop could grow (Troesser 2014).

Two other brothers with the name of Dull, who had made their fortunes in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, once owned the vast 400,000-acre (161,874-ha) Dull Ranch. The Dull brothers later sold 240,000 acres (97,125 ha) to B. L. Naylor and Judge A. H. Jones. Naylor died in 1910 and Jones in 1912. Before Jones died, he had contracted with the Fowler brothers to develop 100,000 acres (40,469 ha) around what would eventually become the town of Fowlerton, Texas. After the railroad was constructed in 1912, growth of the town increased, supporting several lumber yards.

The Fowler brothers, in conjunction with the Naylor & Jones Land Co., laid out the town on a grid system and over 200 miles (322 km) of roads were built. Lots were divided up, some as small as 1/16 acre (0.4 Hectares [ha]) in the town site, as well as numerous farm plots of anywhere from 1 to 100 acres (1 to 40 ha) or more. When a 10 to 160-acre (4 to 65-ha) tract of farmland was purchased, the buyer automatically received a lot in Fowlerton. Between 1913 and 1915 a cotton gin, large rail depot, hotels, two banks, department stores, and schools were all built.

There was a seafood restaurant with fresh oysters and shrimp brought in from the coast. There were many free flowing artesian wells (some containing salt). The “Artesian Route” as described on the San Antonio Uvalde and Gulf Railroad (SAU&G Railroad) advertisements referred to the new farming center with crops of cotton and Egyptian wheat to faraway markets. At the height of the Fowlerton heyday, some 2,000 to 4,000 people called the vicinity home. Over the years a series of droughts, plus using saline artesian well water, forced all the farmers to leave the county (Troesser 2014).

3.3 CULTURAL RESOURCES OF THE SOUTH EAGLE FORD ZONE

Atascosa County lists more than 272 archeological sites, many of which are associated with the development of the San Miguel Mine in the 1980s. According to the THC’s Archeological Sites Atlas (Atlas), only one site has been designated as a State Antiquities Landmark (SAL) in Atascosa County, the Atascosa County Courthouse in Jourdanton, Texas. The county courthouse is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), along with the Korus Farmstead and the Frederick and Sallie Lyons House. The county courthouse was completed in 1912 and represents the Mission Revival style architecture. There are 80 recorded historic cemeteries and 49 historical markers in the county (THC 2014b).

La Salle County lists more than 285 recorded archeological sites. According to the Atlas, only one site has been designated as a SAL in La Salle County, the La Salle County Courthouse in Cotulla, Texas. The county courthouse is also listed on the NRHP, along with the Cotulla Downtown Historic District. There are 12 recorded historic cemeteries and 19 historical markers in the county (THC 2014b).



McMullen County lists over 640 recorded archeological sites, many of which are associated with work for the Choke Canyon Reservoir. According to the Atlas, no sites have been designated as a SAL. The Mustang Branch National Register District (NRD) site (41MC163) is the only listed prehistoric NRHP site in McMullen County, based mainly on an ephemeral Paleoindian component. Designated in 1978, the Mustang Branch Site NRD encompasses 24.7 square acres (10 sq. ha) of agricultural lands along the confluence of San Miguel Creek and Mustang Branch close to, and within, the Choke Canyon Reservoir in eastern McMullen County. The NRD includes campsites, chipping-quarrying areas, middens, and lithic scatters; all of which contributed to its NRD designation. There are 6 recorded historic cemeteries and 23 historical markers in the county (THC 2014b).

4.0 METHODOLOGY

The cultural resources surveys were performed in compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq., P.L. 89-665, 80 Stat. 915), and the implementing regulations 36CFR800. The surveys complied with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969; the National Environmental Policy Act of 1974 (PL 81-190, 83 Stat. 915, 41 USC 4321, 1970); the Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (PL 93-291); the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation (48 Fed. Reg. 44716-42, Sept. 29, 1983); the National Register Bulletin Series of the National Park Service; and the Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1979. The surveys conformed to standards of the United States Department of the Interior (1977) and the guidelines set forth by the Council of Texas Archeologists (1995) and the Register of Professional Archeologists (2014). Cultural resources investigations consisted of archival research, pedestrian survey, shovel testing, and preparation of a report suitable for review by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), the regulatory agency responsible for oversight in most situations.

Streams potentially under USACE jurisdiction which crossed project alignments were assessed by an ecologist via desktop and field reviews prior to commencement of the cultural resources survey. As per the established procedure of due diligence, any segment of an alignment that falls within an area potentially under federal jurisdiction or any portion of a project alignment that falls within a 328-foot (100-m) radius of a known cultural site would be subjected to a cultural resources survey. Any segment of a project alignment to be surveyed under this protocol would be labeled as a "review area" and subjected to cultural resources survey. Except where specified in descriptions below, project alignments consisted of a 75-foot (23-m) wide ROW. ROWs consisted of a 50-foot (15-m) wide permanent easement and a 25-foot temporary construction easement.

During each survey effort, the ground surface of the proposed project alignment was visually inspected on foot within the established review areas. Shovel tests were administered in the portions of the review areas which harbored the greatest potential for temporally stratified soil deposits. Shovel tests, typically 12-inches (30-cm) in diameter, were excavated to sterile substratum. The shovel probe matrix was sifted through ¼-inch (0.6-cm) hardware cloth. If soils of high clay constituency were encountered, the matrix was hand sorted. Shovel test locations were recorded with hand-held Global Positioning System (GPS) units and transferred to topographic



maps. If present, newly discovered or revisited sites were documented using standard State of Texas site recording forms and plotted by GPS coordinates for entry into the Atlas database. Shovel testing was conducted to ascertain the horizontal and vertical limits of any cultural manifestation discovered within the areas of review. Hand-drawn sketch maps were produced for each cultural site recorded or revisited. The field efforts reported herein were performed on private property and were funded by a private source. No artifacts were collected during the survey. If present, artifact assemblages were photographed in the field and left where found.



5.0 JOANNE-PENA GATHERING PIPELINE

Goshawk conducted a cultural resources survey of the proposed $\pm 4,238$ -foot (13,904-m) Joanne-Pena Gathering Pipeline ROW in Atascosa County, Texas. A single review area was identified within the proposed ROW, containing a single stream potentially under federal jurisdiction. The cultural resources survey, including shovel testing and surface inspection, was conducted within the review area which totaled approximately 1.5 acres (0.6 hectares [ha]). The review area encompassed a segment of La Parita Creek. The field investigation was conducted by Goshawk archeologist Scott Justen with Bear Aspra on 18 November 2014.

The Joanne-Pena Gathering Pipeline APE was located approximately 3.0 miles (5.2 km) to north-northwest of the town of Christine, Texas. The APE traversed in a generally west-to-east direction across nearly level sandy and clayey fluvial terrain. The vegetation within the ROW consisted of grasses, mesquite, hackberry, oak, cedar elm, and forbs. The APE was located on the Christine West, Texas, United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic quadrangle (Figure 5-1). The dominant local land use was for rangeland, and oil and gas development.

5.1 ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

Archival research conducted using the Atlas online database did not identify any previously recorded archeological sites situated within a 1.2-mile (2.0-km) radius of the APE. The nearest site (41AT254) was located 2.3 miles (3.6 km) northwest of the APE and will be discussed in detail below. The Mustang Branch NRD is located approximately 20.1 miles (32.3 km) south of the APE. According to the Atlas, the nearest NRHP-listed property is the Atascosa County Courthouse, located 6.7 miles (10.1 km) northwest of APE.

5.1.1 Site 41AT254

Site 41AT254 was recorded in 2012 as part of the ETC Lone Star project. The site was documented as a small surface lithic scatter located along the eastern bank of an unnamed tributary of La Parita Creek measuring 197 feet by 98 feet (60 m by 30 m) in size. The observed artifact assemblage included undifferentiated debitage, flakes, and bifaces. It was noted that the site had been disturbed by farming practices. The site was considered ineligible for designation as a SAL or for listing on the NRHP.

5.2 SURVEY RESULTS

A single review area was identified within the proposed Joanne-Pena Gathering Pipeline ROW, containing a segment of La Parita Creek. The stream was identified as "Waters of the US" by desktop review and ecological field survey conducted prior to the commencement of the cultural resources survey. No other potentially jurisdictional streams were identified during the field effort.

5.2.1 Review Area

The review area traversed a segment of a well-channelized, La Parita Creek (Photo 5-1). Ground surface visibility was considered good, ranging between 40 and 80 percent within the ROW (Photo 5-2). Vegetation within the APE consisted of grass, mesquite, hackberry, oak, cedar elm, and forbs. Soils within the review area consisted of Odem fine sandy loam, Sinton soils, and Webb fine sandy loam. These series of soils typically exhibit shallow to moderately deep sandy soils

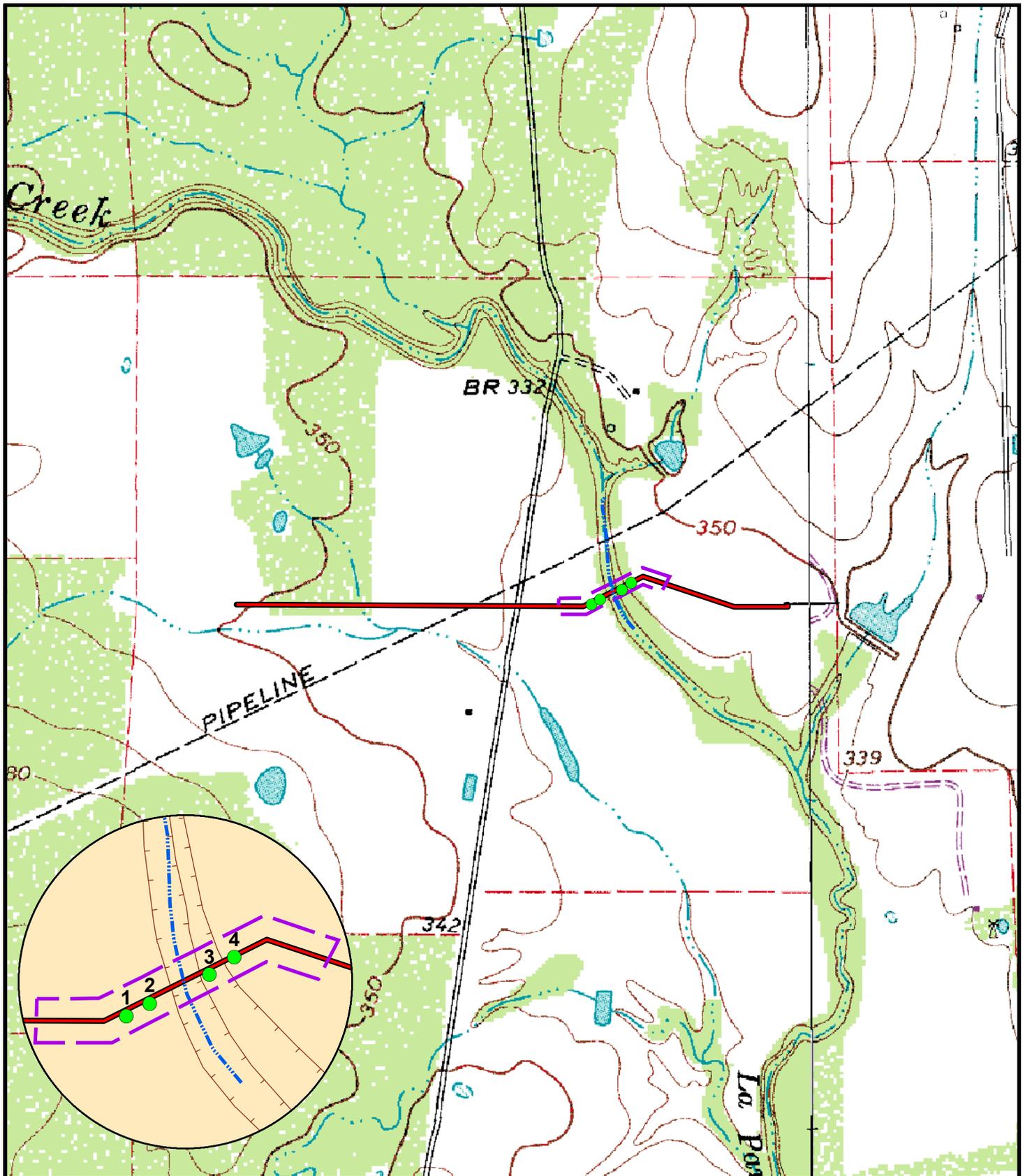


overlying in situ clays. These soils have a moderate potential for containing temporally stratified deposits. Four shovel tests were conducted in the vicinity of the stream which yielded brown or reddish brown sandy soils overlying sterile clays. Shovel tests were terminated between 12 and 24 inches (30 and 60 cm) below surface. No cultural materials were observed during surface inspection or shovel testing conducted within the review area.

5.3 RECOMMENDATIONS

Goshawk conducted a cultural resources survey consisting of an intensive surface inspection and four shovel tests within the proposed Joanne-Pena Gathering Pipeline ROW. None of the shovel tests conducted within the APE yielded positive results and no cultural materials were observed upon the ground surface. It is Goshawk's opinion that construction of the Joanne-Pena Gathering Pipeline, as proposed, will cause no impacts to significant cultural resources within the surveyed portion of the APE. Therefore, Goshawk recommends that construction be allowed to proceed, as planned. In the unlikely event that cultural resources (including human remains) are discovered, all construction or maintenance activities should be halted immediately and the USACE and an archeologist should be notified.





Source: USGS, Christine West, Texas Quadrangle.

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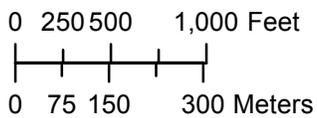


Figure 5-1
Shovel Test Locations
Atascosa County, Texas

LEGEND

-  Pipeline
-  Waters of the US
-  Review Areas
-  Negative Shovel Test



Joanne Pena Gathering





Photo 5-1: Stream within Review Area, Facing East



Photo 5-2: Typical Surface Visibility within APE



Joanne -Pena Gathering Pipeline (14 NAD 1983)								
Report ST#	ST#	WP#	Easting	Northing	Depth (cm)	Soil Color	Soil Composition	Artifacts
1	BA1	78	3189645	548254	0-1	Light brown	Sand	None
					1-30	Very dark brown	Clay	None
2	BA2	79	3189656	548274	0-60	Brown	Sandy loam	None
					60+	Dark brown	Clay	None
3	BA3	80	3189680	548323	0-60	Brown	Sandy clay loam	None
					60+	Dark yellowish brown	Clay loam	None
4	BA4	81	3189695	548344	0-30	Reddish brown	Sandy clay loam	None
					30+	Mottled reddish brown w/very dark brown	Clay	None



6.0 NAYLOR JONES UNIT 33E/33W/34E ACCESS ROAD

Goshawk conducted a cultural resources survey of the proposed ±8,379-foot (2,554-m) Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road right-of-way (ROW) in La Salle County, Texas. Two review areas were identified within the proposed ROW containing four streams potentially under federal jurisdiction. The cultural resources survey, including shovel testing and surface inspection, was conducted within the areas of review which totaled approximately 4 acres (1.6 ha). The review areas encompassed a segment of a first-order tributary of Sevenmile Creek fed by a flowing well (Review Area 1, Stream 1), two channels of a braided Sevenmile Creek, proper (Review Area 1, Streams 2 and 3), and a portion of a first-order tributary of Seven Mile Creek (Review Area 2, Stream 1). The field investigation was conducted by Goshawk archeologist Scott Justen with Mitch Juenke on 5 November 2014.

The Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road APE was located approximately 0.9 miles (1.5 km) to the west of the intersection of Cemetery Road and South Sherman Avenue (Ave). The APE crossed sandy, loamy, and clayey undulating terrain that was vegetated with mesquite, cedar elm, various forbs, and grasses. The APE was located on the Fowlerton, Texas, USGS topographic quadrangle (Figure 6-1). The dominant local land use was for rangeland, and oil and gas development.

6.1 ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

Archival research conducted using the THC's Atlas online database did not identify any previously recorded archeological sites situated within a 1.2-mile (2.0-km) radius from the APE. The nearest site (41LS99) was located 2.1 miles (3.5 km) north-northeast of the APE and will be discussed in detail below. The Mustang Branch NRD is located approximately 21.6 miles (35.1 km) east-northeast of the APE. According to the Atlas, the nearest NRHP-listed property is the La Salle County Courthouse, located in the town of Cotulla, Texas, approximately 24.9 miles (40.1 km) west of the APE.

6.1.1 Site 41LS99

Site 41LS99 was recorded in 2001 by the Texas Archeological Society, along with the Texas Historical Commission. The site was documented as an undifferentiated prehistoric lithic and ceramics scatter and was located along the northern bank of the Frio River just north of Fowlerton, Texas. The artifacts observed included ceramic sherds, a distal biface fragment, chipped stone tools, lithic debitage, snail shell, and burned rock. There is no information on the Atlas as to the eligibility of the site for listing on the NRHP or designation as a SAL.

6.2 SURVEY RESULTS

Two review areas were identified within the proposed Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road ROW, containing a segment of a first-order tributary of Seven Mile Creek fed by a flowing well, two segments of a braided Sevenmile Creek, and a section of a first-order tributary Sevenmile Creek. The streams were identified as "Waters of the US" by desktop review and ecological field survey conducted prior to the commencement of the cultural resources survey. No other potentially jurisdictional streams were identified during the field effort.



6.2.1 Review Area 1

The review area traversed a segment of a marginally channelized, first-order tributary of Sevenmile Creek that was fed by the Mangus Flowing Well (Photo 6-1) and two well-channelized braids of Sevenmile Creek, proper. The APE paralleled an existing fence line and followed a two track ranch road (Photo 6-2). The streams were heavily disrupted within the APE but exhibited better channelization to the north and south of the ROW. Ground surface visibility within the APE was excellent ranging between 60 and 85 percent (Photo 6-3). Vegetation within the APE consisted of mesquite, cedar elm, prickly pear, various forbs, and grasses. Soils within the review area were mapped as Imogene very fine sandy loam, occasionally flooded. Imogene soils are shallow sandy soils that exhibit a low probability of containing temporally stratified deposits. Ten shovel tests were conducted in the vicinity of the streams which yielded brownish grey or dark grey clays in a surface context. The tests were terminated between 6 and 12 inches (15 and 30 cm) below surface. No cultural materials were observed during surface inspection or shovel testing conducted within the review area.

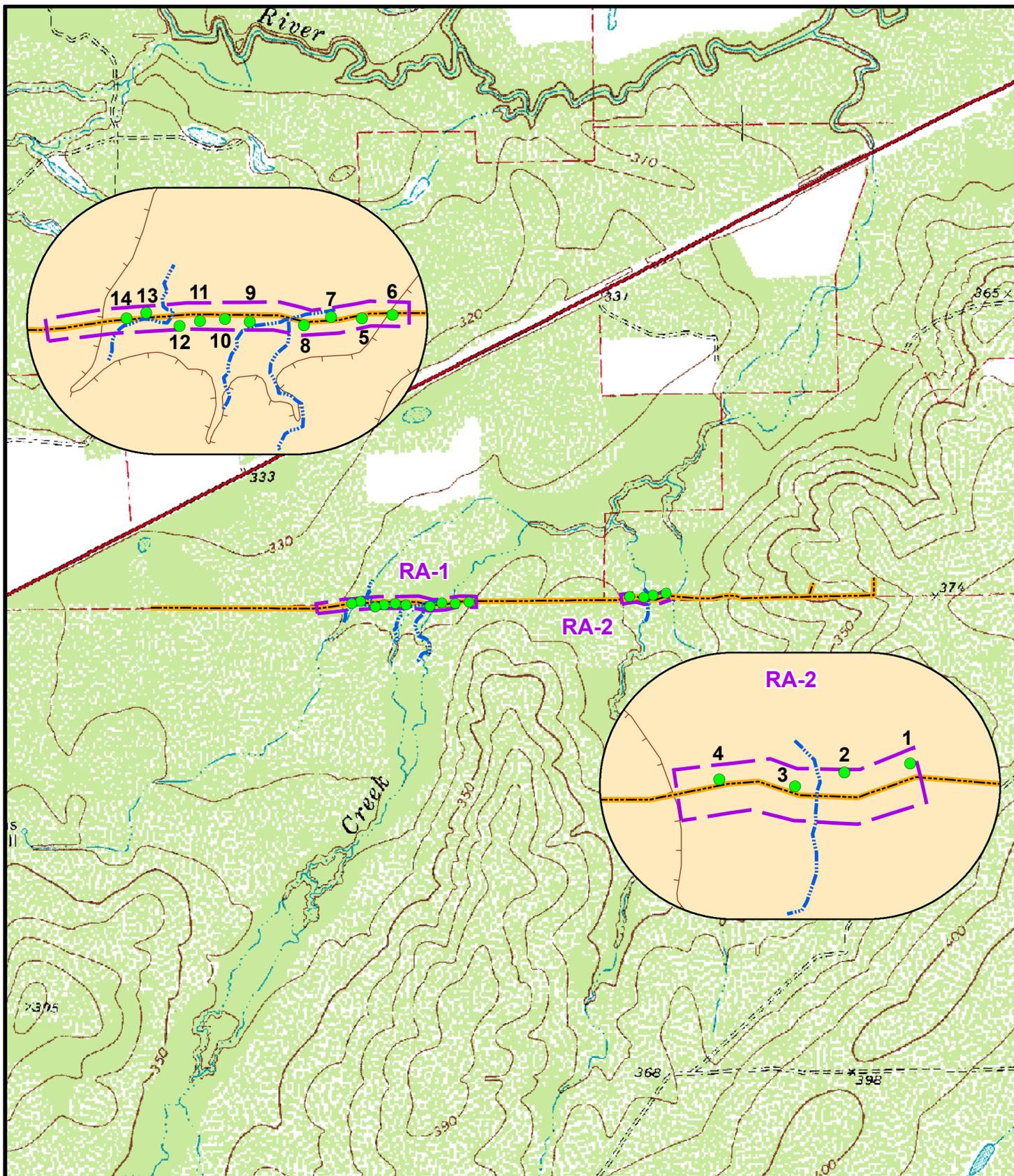
6.2.2 Review Area 2

The review area traversed a segment of a well-channelized first-order tributary of Sevenmile Creek (Photo 6-4). Ground surface visibility was considered good ranging between 40 and 80 percent. Vegetation within the APE consisted of mesquite, cedar elm, prickly pear and various forbs and grasses. Soils within the review area were mapped as Bookout clay loam and Imogene very fine sandy loam. Bookout soils are moderately deep loamy soils that sometimes exhibit a high probability of containing temporally stratified deposits in the surrounding area. Imogene soils are clayey in composition and exhibit little potential to contain stratified deposits. Four shovel tests were conducted in the vicinity of the stream which yielded dark brown clays overlying dark brown clays with calcium carbonate inclusions. The tests were terminated between 8 and 12 inches (20 and 30 cm) below surface. No cultural materials were observed during surface inspection or shovel testing conducted within the review area.

6.3 RECOMMENDATIONS

Goshawk conducted a cultural resources survey consisting of an intensive surface inspection and 14 shovel tests within the proposed Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road ROW. None of the shovel tests conducted within the APE yielded positive results and no cultural materials were observed upon the ground surface. It is Goshawk's opinion that construction of the Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road, as proposed, will cause no impacts to significant cultural resources within the surveyed portions of the APE. Therefore, Goshawk recommends that construction be allowed to proceed, as planned. In the unlikely event that cultural resources (including human remains) are discovered, all construction or maintenance activities should be halted immediately and the USACE and an archeologist should be notified.





Source: USGS, Fowlerton, Texas Quadrangle.

Date: 8 December 2014

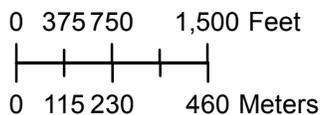


Figure 6-1
Shovel Test Locations
La Salle County, Texas

LEGEND

- Proposed Access Road
- Waters of the US
- Review Areas
- Negative Shovel Test



Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E





Photo 6-1: Review Area 1, Stream 1, Facing South



Photo 6-2: Review Area 1, General Overview, Facing West





Photo 6-3: Typical Surface Visibility within Review Area 1



Photo 6-4: Review Area 2, Stream 1, Facing Northeast,



Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road (14 NAD 1983)										
Report ST#	ST#	WP#	Easting	Northing	Depth (cm)	Soil Color	Soil Composition	Artifacts	Stream Number	Review Area
1	MJ1	27	516035	3146395	0-30	Dark brown	Clay	None	1	2
					30+	Dark brown	Clay w/ CaCO ₃	None		
2	MJ2	28	515992	3146390	0-30	Dark brown	Clay	None	1	2
					30+	Dark brown	Clay w/ CaCO ₃	None		
3	MJ3	29	515959	3146380	0-30	Dark brown	Clay	None	1	2
					30+	Dark brown	Clay w/ CaCO ₃	None		
4	MJ4	30	515910	3146385	0-20	Dark brown	Clay	None	1	2
					20+	Dark brown	Clay w/ CaCO ₃	None		
5	MJ5	31	515313	3146360	0-15	Brownish grey	Clay	None	2/3	1
					15+	Brownish grey	Clay			
6	MJ6	32	515360	3146365	0-20	Brownish grey	Clay	None	2/3	1
					20+	Brownish grey	Clay			
7	MJ7	33	515267	3146362	0-20	Grey	Clay	None	2/3	1
8	MJ8	34	515226	3146350	0-30	Dark grey	Clay	None	2/3	1
9	MJ9	35	515144	3146355	0-20	Dark grey	Clay	None	2/3	1
10	MJ10	36	515144	3146354	0-20	Brown	Clay	None	2/3	1
11	MJ11	37	515069	3146356	0-30	Greyish brown	Clay	None	1	1
12	MJ12	38	515038	3146348	0-30	Greyish brown	Clay	None	1	1
13	MJ13	39	514988	3146368	0-30	Greyish brown	Clay	None	1	1
14	MJ14	40	514958	3146361	0-20	Grey	Clay	None	1	1
					20+	Grey w/ white	Clay w/ CaCO ₃ and sand	None	1	1



7.0 NAYLOR JONES UNIT 37 #1H AND #2H ACCESS ROAD

Goshawk conducted a cultural resources survey of the proposed ±650-foot (198-m) Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H and #2H Access Road ROW in La Salle County, Texas. A single review area was identified within the proposed ROW containing a single stream potentially under federal jurisdiction. The cultural resources survey, including shovel testing and surface inspection, was conducted within the area of review which totaled approximately 0.8 acre (0.3 ha). The review area encompassed a segment of a first-order tributary of Sevenmile Creek which emptied into a stock tank to the east of the APE. The field investigation was conducted by Goshawk archeologist Scott Justen with Bear Aspra on 18 November 2014.

The Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H and #2H Access Road APE was located approximately 2.7 miles (4.4 km) to southwest of the town of Fowlerton, Texas. The APE traversed in a generally northerly direction across nearly level sandy and occasionally flooded terrain. The vegetation within the ROW consisted of cactus, sage, clump grasses, creosote, mesquite, and acacia. The APE was located on the Fowlerton, Texas, USGS topographic quadrangle (Figure 7-1). The dominant local land use was for rangeland, and oil and gas development.

7.1 ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

Archival research conducted using the Atlas online database did not identify any previously recorded archeological sites situated within a 1.2-mile (2.0-km) radius of the APE. The nearest site (41LS99) was located 4.1 miles (6.6 km) northeast of the APE and will be discussed in detail below. The Cotulla Downtown Historic District is located approximately 23.3 miles (37.6 km) west of the APE. According to the Atlas, the nearest NRHP-listed property is the La Salle County Courthouse, located within the Cotulla Downtown Historic District.

7.1.1 Site 41LS99

Site 41LS99 was recorded in 2001 by the Texas Archeological Society, along with the Texas Historical Commission. The site was documented as an undifferentiated prehistoric lithic and ceramics scatter and was located along the northern bank of the Frio River just north of Fowlerton, Texas. The artifacts observed included ceramic sherds, a distal biface fragment, chipped stone tools, lithic debitage, snail shell, and burned rock. There is no information on the Atlas as to the eligibility of the site for listing on the NRHP or designation as a SAL.

7.2 Survey Results

A single review area was identified within the proposed Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H and #2H Access Road ROW containing a segment of an unnamed first-order tributary of Sevenmile Creek. The stream was identified as “Waters of the US” by desktop review and ecological field survey conducted prior to the commencement of the cultural resources survey. No other potentially jurisdictional streams were identified during the field effort.

7.2.1 Review Area

The review area traversed a segment of a marginally-channelized, first-order tributary of Sevenmile Creek. To the east of the APE, the stream exhibited better channelization and emptied into a stock tank (Photo 7-1). Ground surface visibility was very good, ranging between 40 and 80 percent.

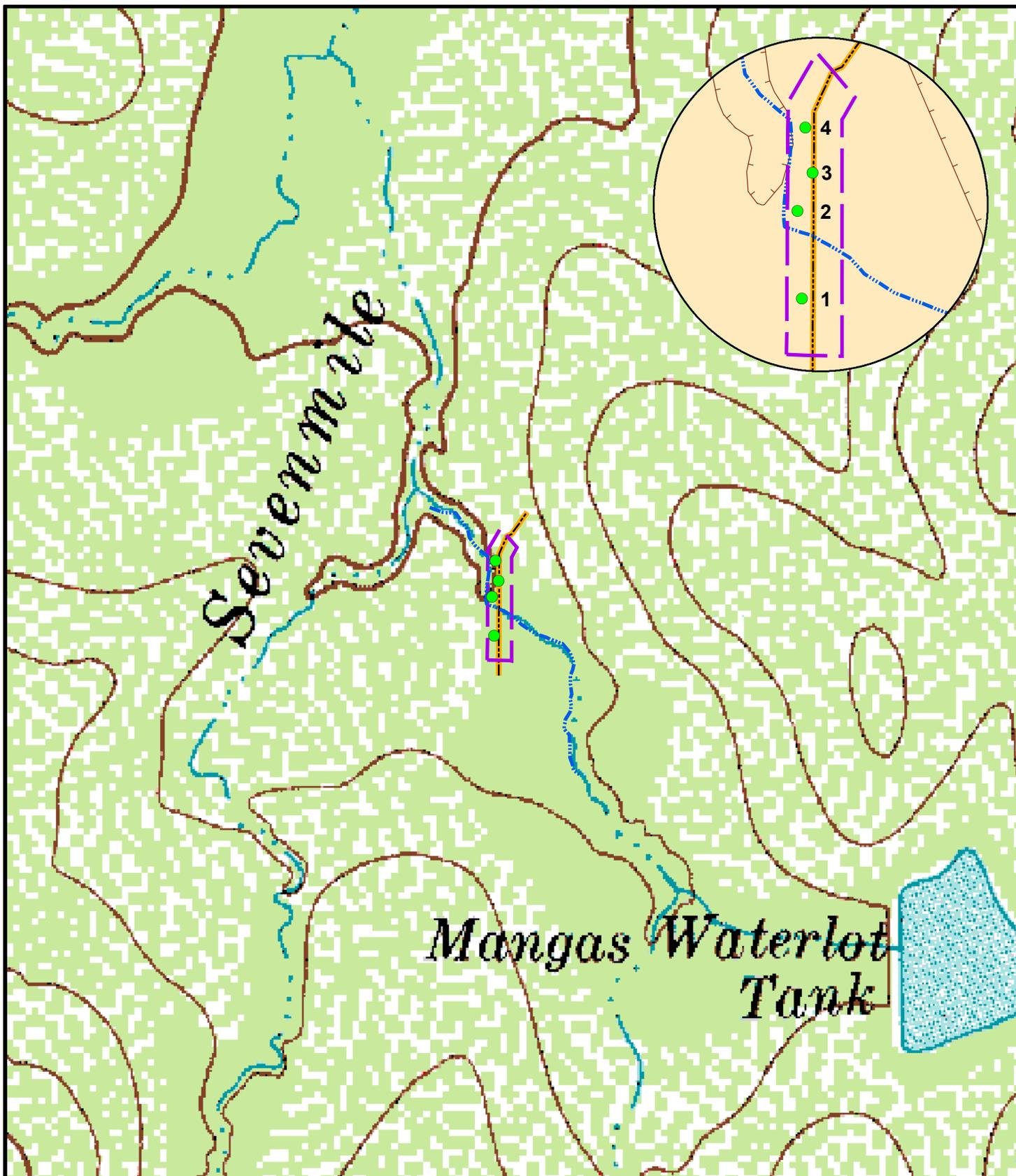


Vegetation within the APE consisted of cactus, sage, clump grasses, creosote, mesquite, and acacia. Soils within the review area were mapped entirely of Imogene very fine sandy loam. The soils of this series of soils are very shallow sandy soils that are highly eroded and disturbed within the APE (Photo 7-2). Four shovel tests were conducted in the vicinity of the stream which yielded dark brown, brown, and reddish brown homogenous or mottled clays in a surface context. The tests were terminated between 12 and 16 inches (30 and 40 cm) below surface. No cultural materials were observed during surface inspection or shovel testing conducted within the review area.

7.3 RECOMMENDATIONS

Goshawk conducted a cultural resources survey consisting of an intensive surface inspection and four shovel tests within the proposed Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H and #2H Access Road ROW. None of the shovel tests conducted within the APE yielded positive results and no cultural materials were observed upon the ground surface. It is Goshawk's opinion that construction of the Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H and #2H Access Road, as proposed, will cause no impacts to significant cultural resources within the surveyed portion of the APE. Therefore, Goshawk recommends that construction be allowed to proceed, as planned. In the unlikely event that cultural resources (including human remains) are discovered, all construction or maintenance activities should be halted immediately and the USACE and an archeologist should be notified.





Source: USGS, Fowlerton, Texas Quadrangle.

Date: 2 December 2014

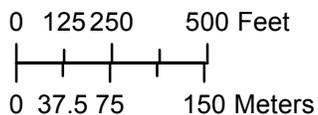


Figure 7-1
Shovel Test Locations
La Salle County, Texas

LEGEND

- Proposed Access Road
- Waters of the US
- Review Areas
- Negative Shovel Test



Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H
Naylor Jones Unit 37 #2H





Photo 7-1: Stream within Review Area, Facing East



Photo 7-2: Typical Surface Visibility and Push Pile within APE

Naylor Jones Unit #37 #1H and #2H Access Road (14 NAD 1983)									
Report ST#	ST#	WP#	Easting	Northing	Depth (cm)	Soil Color	Soil Composition	Artifacts	Comments
1	BA1	75	3143982	514554	0-30	Dark brown	Clay	None	
2	BA2	76	3144026	514552	0-40	Brown w/ Pale brown	Mottled clay and sand	None	Disturbed soils
3	BA3	77	3144045	514559	0-30	Reddish brown w/ very dark brown	Mottled clay	None	Disturbed soils
4	BA4	78	3144068	514556	0-35	Reddish brown w/ very dark brown	Mottled clay	None	Disturbed soils



8.0 GOLDEN TO MOY WATERLINE

Goshawk conducted a cultural resources survey of the proposed ±12,500-foot (3810-m) Golden to Moy Waterline ROW in Atascosa County, Texas. A single review area was identified within the proposed ROW, containing a single stream potentially under federal jurisdiction. The cultural resources survey, including shovel testing and surface inspection, was conducted within the area of review which totaled approximately 0.8 acre (0.3 ha). The review area encompassed a segment of a first-order tributary of Tordia Creek. The field investigation was conducted by Goshawk archeologist Scott Justen with Bear Aspra on 18 November 2014.

The Golden to Moy Waterline APE was located approximately 1.9 miles (1.2 km) to south-southwest of the intersection of County Road (CR) 413 and CR 446. The far western portion of the APE traversed in a generally north-to-south direction then turned toward the northeast for the remainder of the proposed ROW. The vegetation within the ROW consisted of grasses, mesquite, oaks, creosote and cactus. The APE was located on the Three Oaks, Texas, USGS topographic quadrangle (Figure 8-1). The dominant local land use was for rangeland, and oil and gas development.

8.1 ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

Archival research conducted using the Atlas online database did not identify any previously recorded archeological sites situated within a 1.2-mile (2.0-km) radius of the APE. The nearest site (41KA158) was located 2.3 miles (3.5 km) east of the APE and will be discussed in detail below. The Panna Maria NRD is located approximately 15.9 miles (25.4 km) northeast of the APE. According to the Atlas, the nearest NRHP-listed property is the Karnes County Courthouse, located 17.3 miles (27.84 km) northwest of APE in the town of Karnes City, Texas.

8.1.1 Site 41KA158

Site 41KA158 was located along the western bank of an unnamed tributary of Tordilla Creek. No other information regarding the site was found on the Atlas.

8.2 Survey Results

A single review area was identified within the proposed Golden to Moy Waterline ROW, containing a segment of a first-order tributary of Tordia Creek. The stream was identified as “Waters of the US” by desktop review and ecological field survey conducted prior to the commencement of the cultural resources survey. No other potentially jurisdictional streams were identified during the field effort.

8.2.1 Review Area

The review area traversed a segment of a marginally channelized, first-order tributary of Tordia Creek (Photo 8-1). The APE paralleled an existing fence line and access road, the APE was also located within an existing pipeline ROW. Ground surface visibility within the ROW was considered good ranging between 40 and 60 percent (Photo 8-2). Vegetation within the APE consisted of grasses, mesquite, oaks, creosote, and cactus. Soils within the review area consisted of Laparita loam, Monteola clay, Poth loamy fine sand, and Tordia clay. Laparita series soils are shallow loams overlying sterile clays that exhibit a low probability of containing temporally stratified

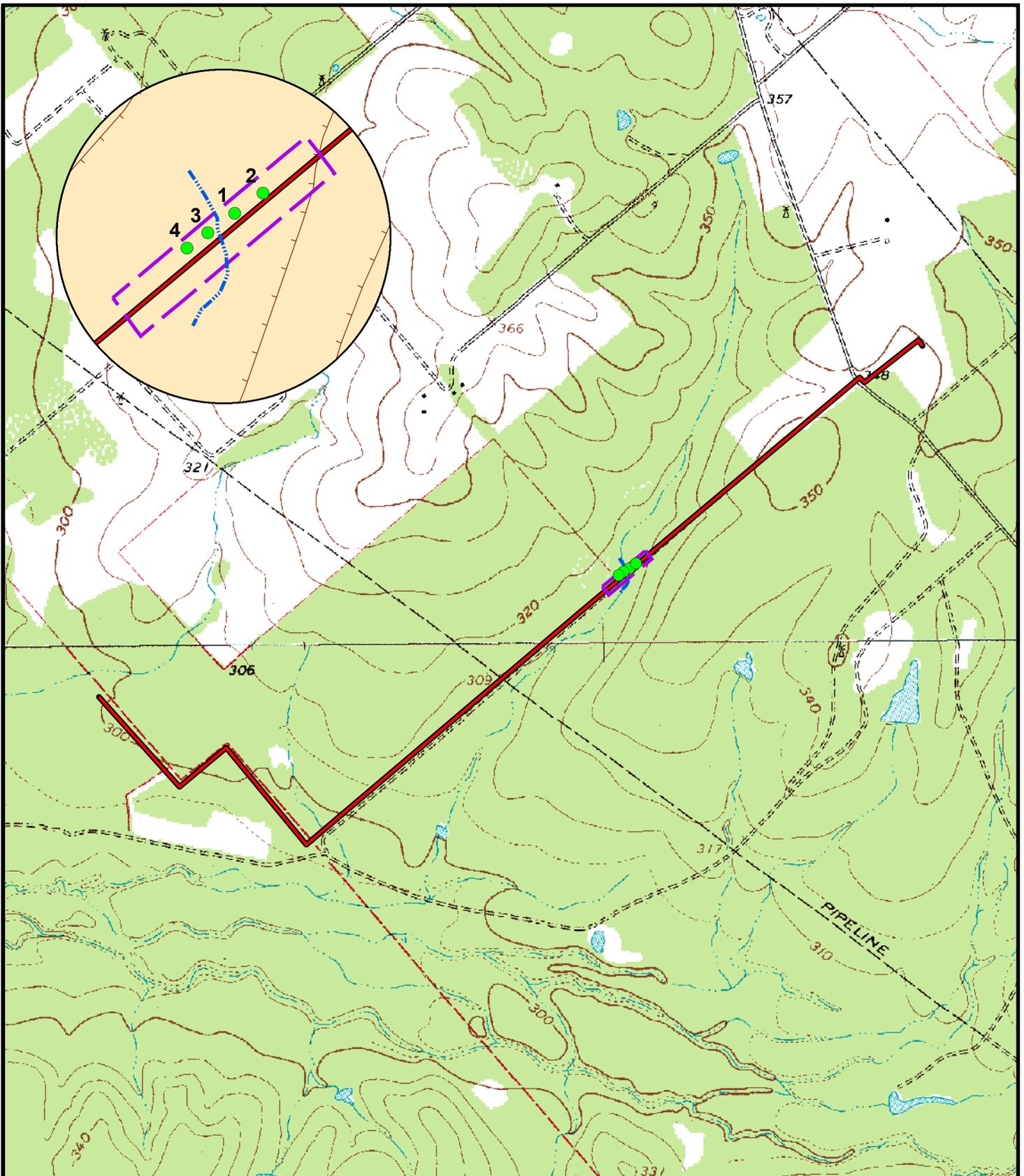


deposits. Monteola and Tordia clay series soils are in situ clay soils that have little possibility of containing stratified deposits. Poth sandy soils are moderately deep soils which can contain stratified deposits in some settings. Four shovel tests were conducted in the vicinity of the stream which yielded black sterile clay soils in a surface context. Shovel tests were terminated at approximately 12 inches (30 cm) below surface. No cultural materials were observed during surface inspection or shovel testing conducted within the review area.

8.3 RECOMMENDATIONS

Goshawk conducted a cultural resources survey consisting of an intensive surface inspection and four shovel tests within the proposed Golden to Moy Waterline ROW. None of the shovel tests conducted within the APE yielded positive results and no cultural materials were observed upon the ground surface. It is Goshawk's opinion that construction of the Golden to Moy Waterline, as proposed, will cause no impacts to significant cultural resources within the surveyed portion of the APE. Therefore, Goshawk recommends that construction be allowed to proceed, as planned. In the unlikely event that cultural resources (including human remains) are discovered, all construction or maintenance activities should be halted immediately and the USACE and an archeologist should be notified.





Source: USGS, Fashing, Three Oaks, Texas Quadrangles.

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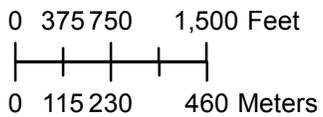


Figure 8-1
Shovel Test Locations
Atascosa County, Texas

LEGEND

-  Water Line
-  Waters of the US
-  Review Area
-  Negative Shovel Test



Golden to Moy





Photo 8-1: Stream to North of Review Area, Facing North



Photo 8-2: Typical Surface Visibility within APE

Golden to Moy (14 NAD 1983)									
Report ST#	ST#	WP#	Easting	Northing	Depth (cm)	Soil Color	Soil Composition	Artifacts	Comments
1	BA1	82	3194676	577264	0-30	Black	Clay	None	In an existing ROW
2	BA2	83	3194691	577286	0-30	Black	Clay	None	In an existing ROW
3	BA3	84	3194661	577244	0-30	Black	Clay	None	In an existing ROW
4	BA4	85	3194649	577228	0-30	Black	Clay	None	In an existing ROW



9.0 DISCUSSION

The goal of the cultural resource surveys was not only to locate and record sites, but to provide conclusions and site recommendations, based on NRHP criteria of significance (36 CFR 60.4), and the requirements of Section 106 and 36 CFR 800. According to the NRHP “The quality of significance in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture is present in district, sites, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association that:

- a. are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- b. are associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- c. embody distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction; represent the work of a master; possess high artistic values, or represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- d. have yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.”

10.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

During the month of November 2014, Goshawk conducted four cultural resources surveys within the Eagle Ford Play, South Eagle Ford Zone. The four project areas subjected to cultural resources investigations included the proposed Joanne-Pena Gathering Pipeline, Naylor Jones Unit 33E/33W/34E Access Road, Naylor Jones Unit 37 #1H and #2H Access Road, and Golden to Moy Waterline. During the survey of each project, shovel tests were placed within each review area near the streams and upon the adjacent slopes or within the review radius of previously recorded archeological sites according to due diligence protocol. Shovel testing and surface survey resulted in the documentation of no significant cultural deposits within the survey areas.

Based on the results of investigations, it is Goshawk’s opinion that no significant cultural resources will be impacted by construction within the surveyed portions of the proposed ROWs. Goshawk recommends that the projects be allowed to proceed as planned with the caveat that construction be limited to the surveyed ROWs. In the unlikely event cultural resources (including human remains) are discovered, all construction or maintenance activities should be immediately halted and both the USACE and an archeologist should be notified.



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