



## BIRDING REPORT



## TEXAS: BIRDING DI FRONTIERA

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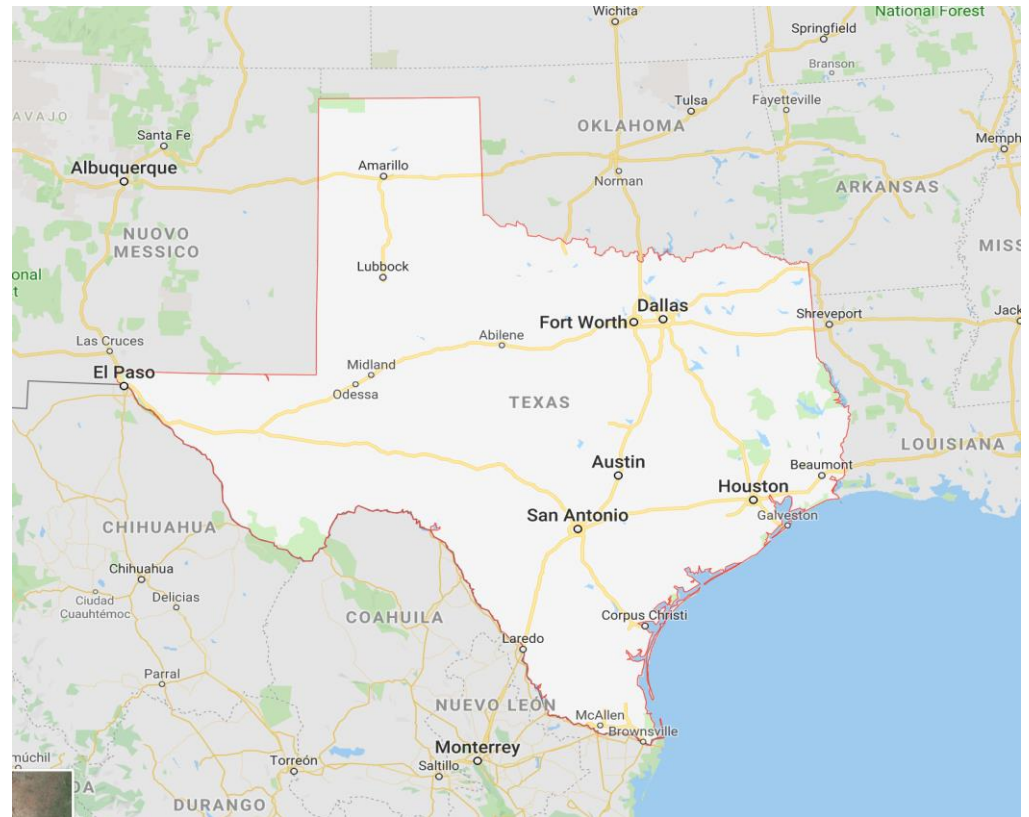
## Texas: factsheet

696 241 km<sup>2</sup>: **il secondo stato degli USA dopo l'Alaska**

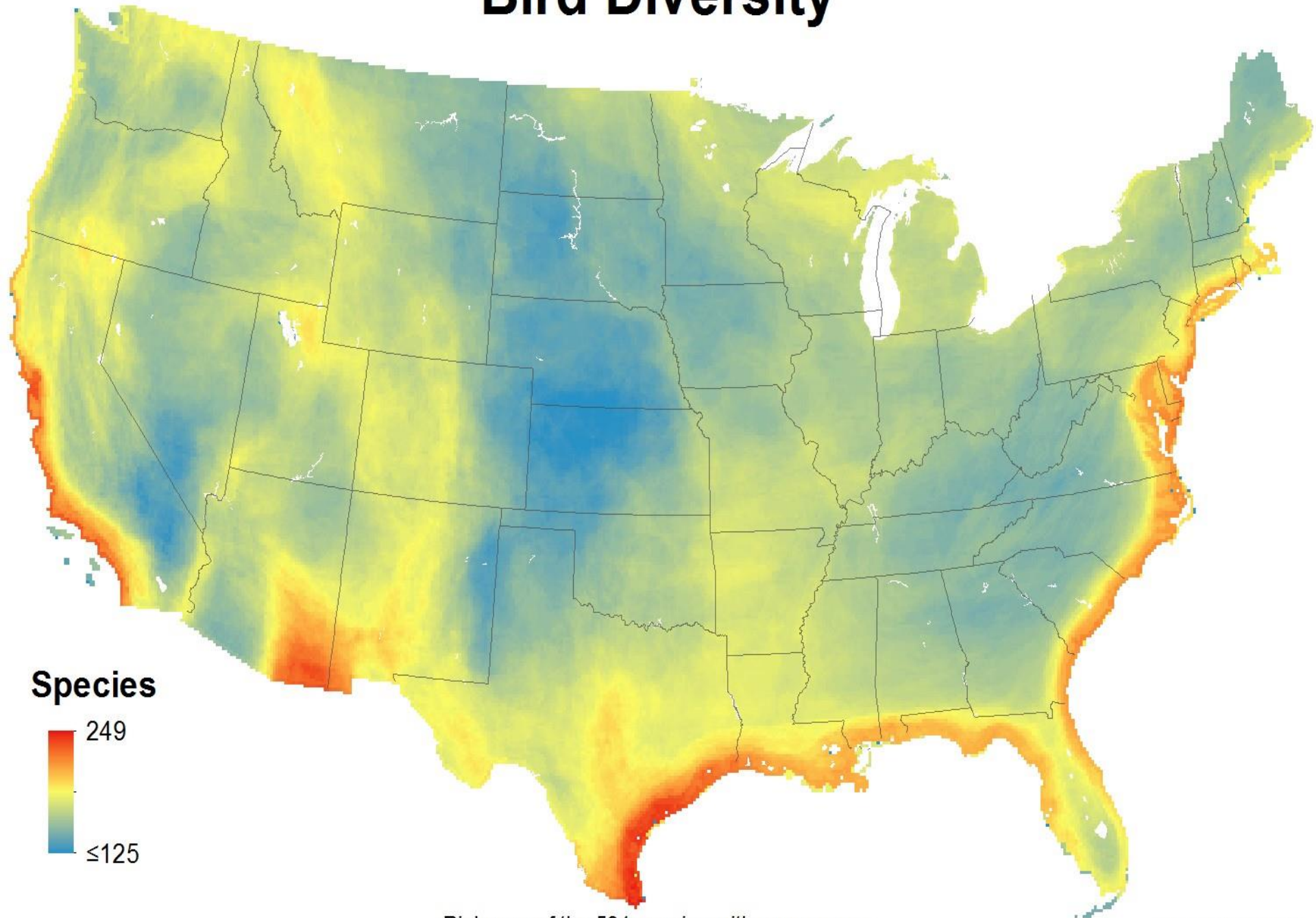
L'80% dei suo 28 milioni di abitanti vive nelle città

**649 specie di uccelli** (159 “review”) TOS 2018

Lo stato più attezzato per il birding con le strutture, i percorsi e le fiere più importanti degli USA (World Birding Center, Harlingen's Rio Grande Birding Festival, Great Texas Birding Trail)



# Bird Diversity



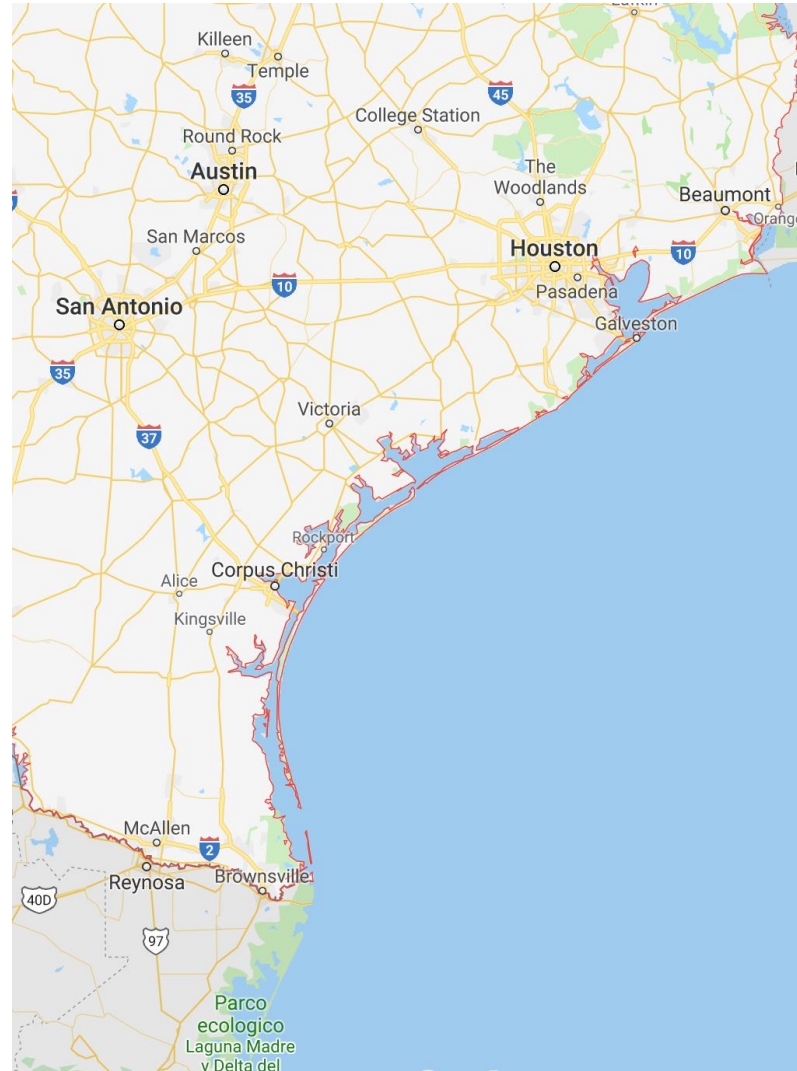
Richness of the 591 species with range maps

## Regione costiera (Golfo del Messico)

**Nord:** Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge, 35 aree protette, 3 IBAs

**Centro:** Aransas National Wildlife Refuge, 22 aree protette, 2 IBAs

**Sud:** Lower Rio Grande Valley  
19 Riserve naturali (9 del World Birding Center )  
12 Riserve private  
2 Important Bird & Biodiversity Areas (IBAs)



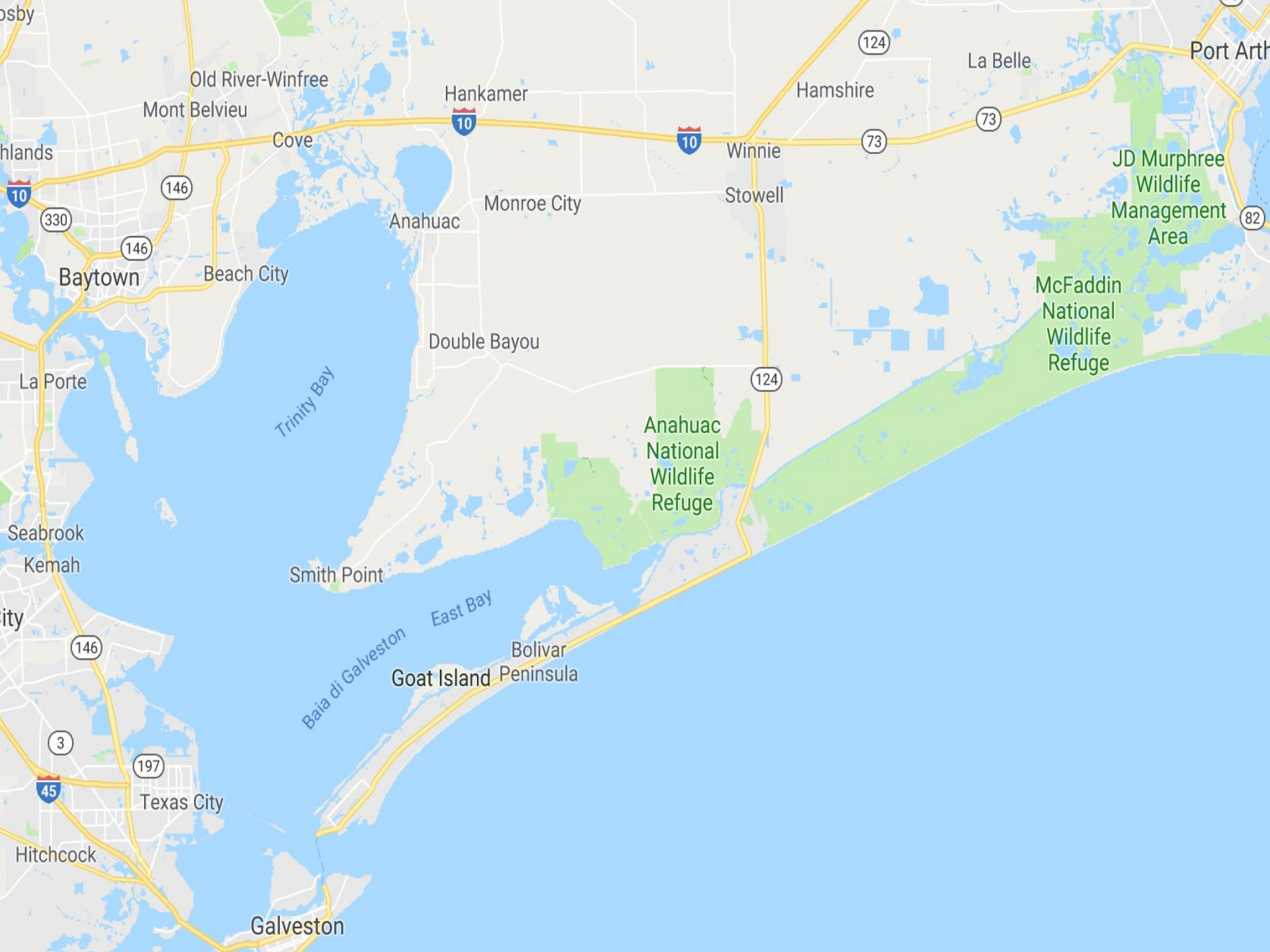


## Texas Northern Coast

**Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge:** Wetlands (Shoveler Pond) e praterie (anatidi, cormorani, ibis, aironi, spatole e rallidi, rapaci, passeriformi, gru e oche svernanti nelle praterie)

**High Island:** il più famoso birding site in Nord America durante la migrazione primaverile per i suoi straordinari fenomeni di “fall-out”

**Bolivar Peninsula e Bolivar Flats:** Limicoli, gabbiani, sterne e pellicani.



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Old River-Winfree

Mont Belvieu

Hankamer

Hamshire

La Belle

Port Arth

hlands

Cove

Winnie

JD Murphree  
Wildlife  
Management  
Area

Anahuac

Monroe City

Stowell

Baytown

Beach City

Double Bayou

McFaddin  
National  
Wildlife  
Refuge

La Porte

Trinity Bay

Anahuac  
National  
Wildlife  
Refuge

Seabrook

Kemah

Smith Point

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East Bay

Baia di Galveston

Bolivar

Goat Island

Peninsula

Texas City

Hitchcock

Galveston





























































































Anahuac  
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High Island Bird Sanctuaries



























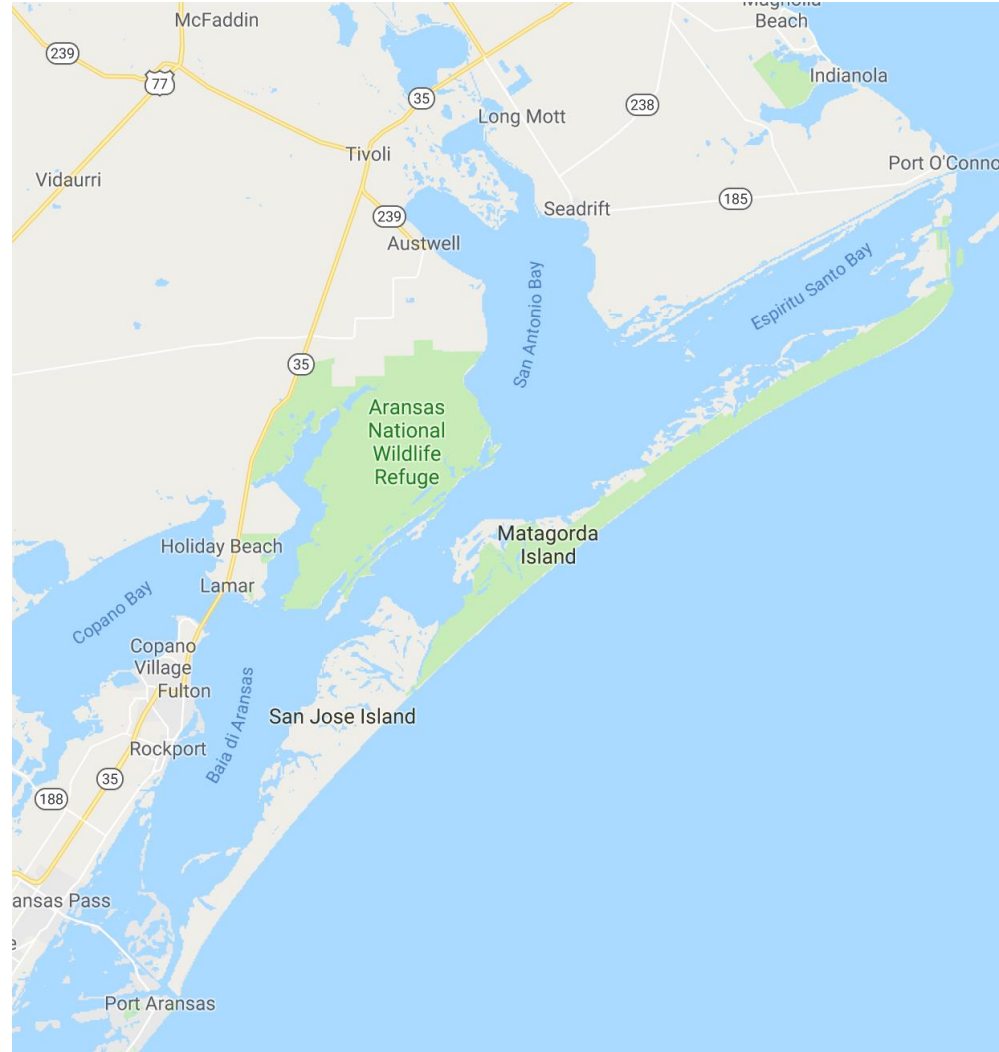
## Texas Central Coast

### Aransas National Wildlife Refuge:

Wetlands estese

Svernamento dell'ultimo stormo di  
**gru americane**

**Baie di Aransas, San Antonio ed  
Espiritu Santo:** zona di  
svernamento di migliaia di anatidi,  
strolaghe, svassi





San Antonio Bay

Aransas  
National  
Wildlife  
Refuge

Matagorda  
Island

Holiday Beach

Lamar

Copano Bay

Copano  
Village

Fulton

Rockport

Baia di Aransas

San Jose Island

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## Texas Southern Coast e Lower Rio Grande Valley

**Est:** Laguna Atascosa NWR, South Padre Island Birding & Nature Center, Sabal Palm Audubon Center & Sanctuary, Oliveira Park (Brownsville)

**Centro:** Santa Ana NWR, Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley ed Estero Llano Grande State Parks & World Birding Centers, Frontera Audubon Thicket Nature Preserve

**West:** Falcon Dam State Park, Salineño



San Diego

Laredo

Rio Bravo

Hebbronville

Kingsville

Riviera

Falfurrias

Zapata

Nueva Ciudad Guerrero

Ciudad Miguel Alemán

Edinburg

McAllen

Harlingen

Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife...

South Padre Island

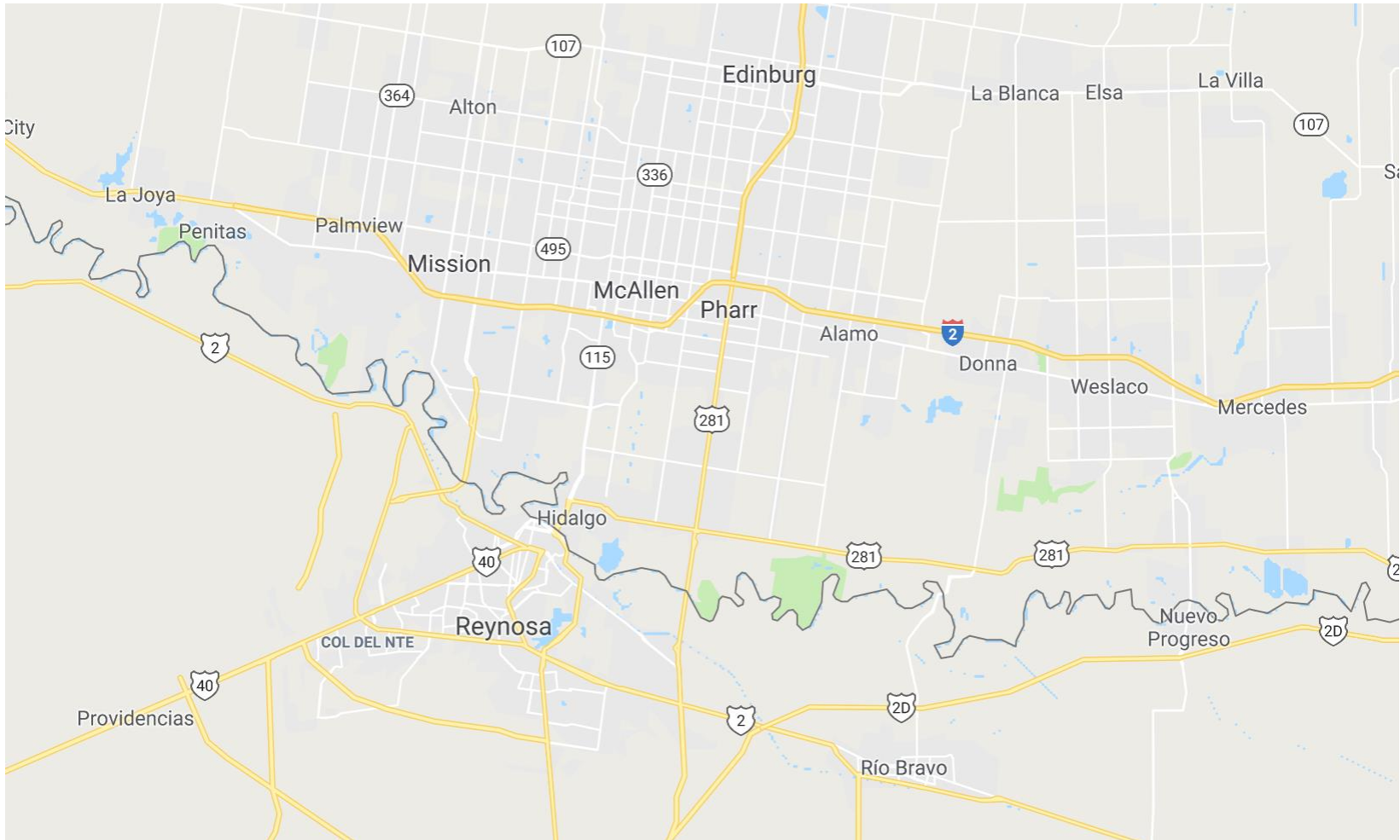
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Brownsville

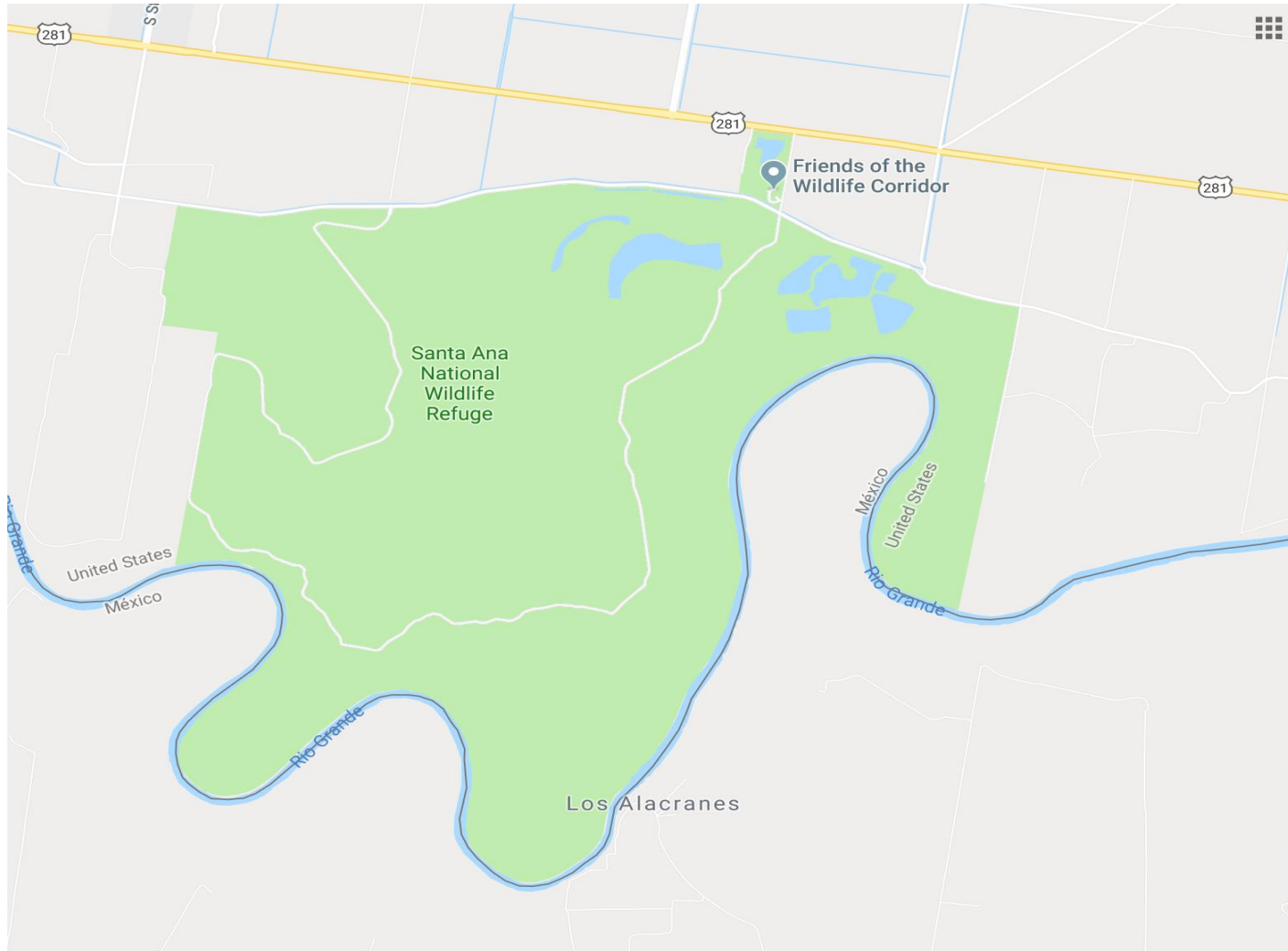
Los Herreras

China

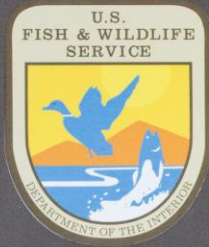
## Centro: Santa Ana NWR e Bentsen-Rio Grande SP



# Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge







# Visitor Center

**Santa Ana and Lower Rio Grande Valley  
National Wildlife Refuges**







































































# Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park



















































# Falcon Dam State Park



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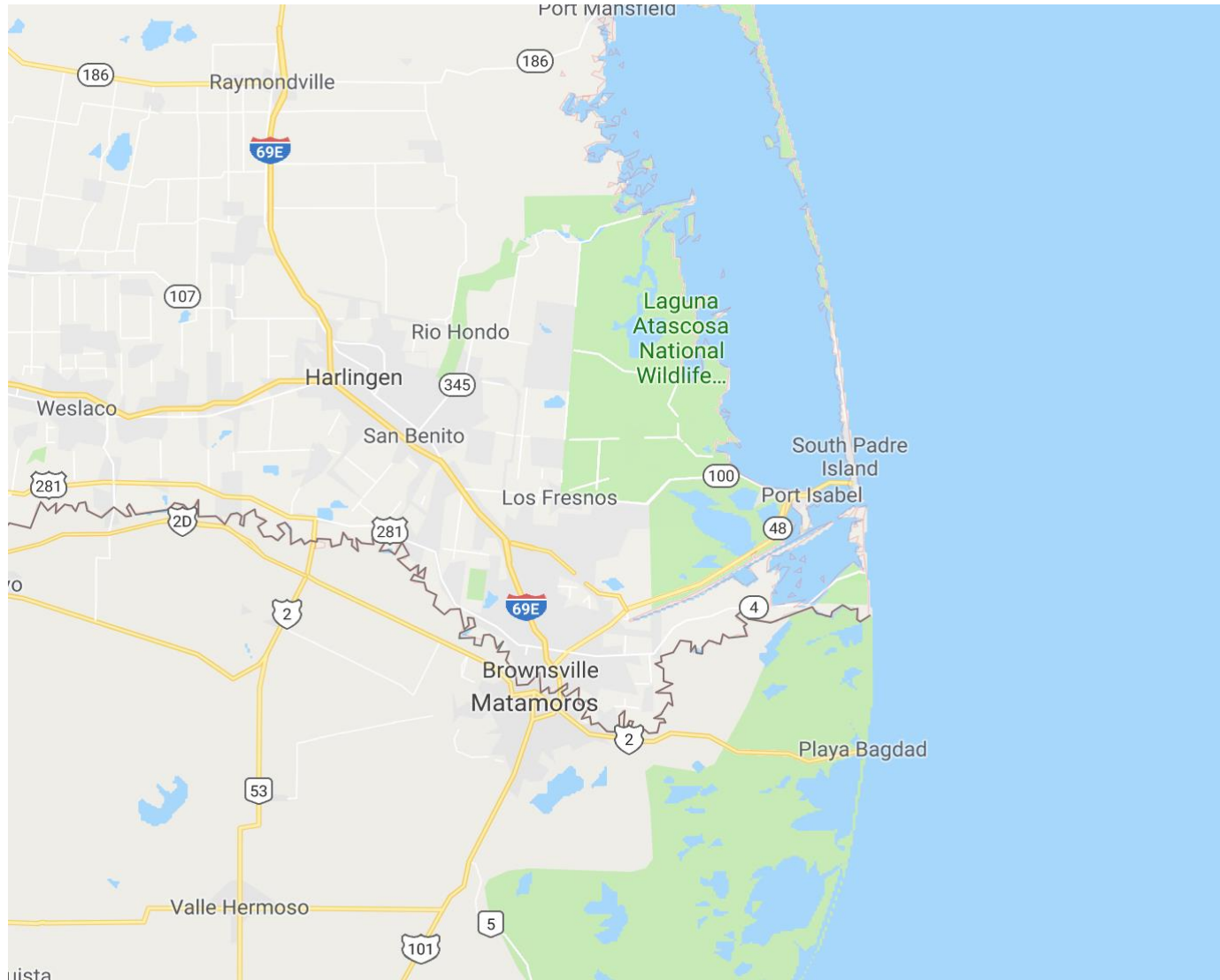








# Laguna Atascosa NWR













# Laguna Atascosa

## National Wildlife Refuge



















































































**SABAL PALM SANCTUARY  
AND THE HISTORIC  
RABB PLANTATION HOUSE**







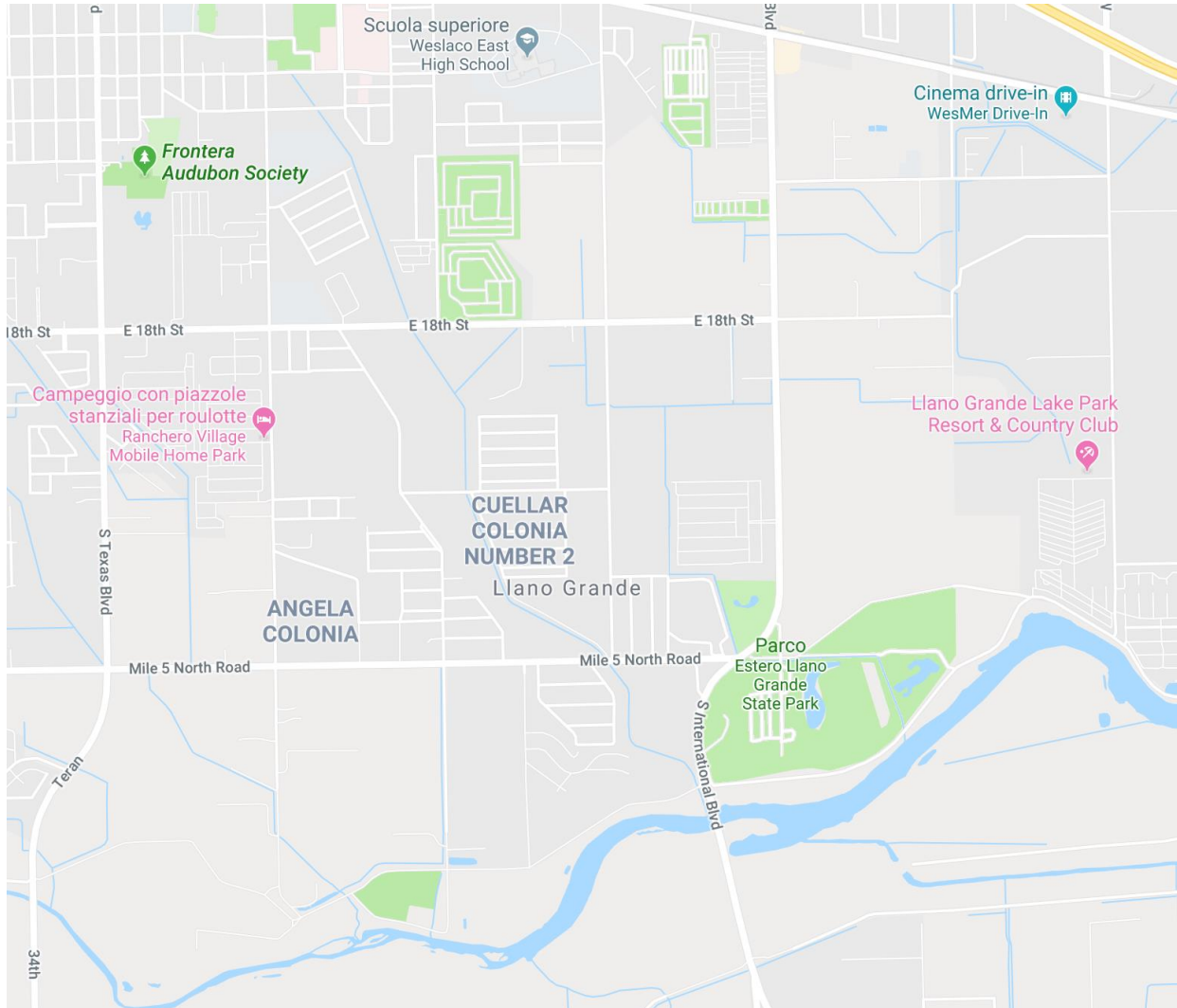








# Estero Llano Grande SP & Frontera Audubon









































































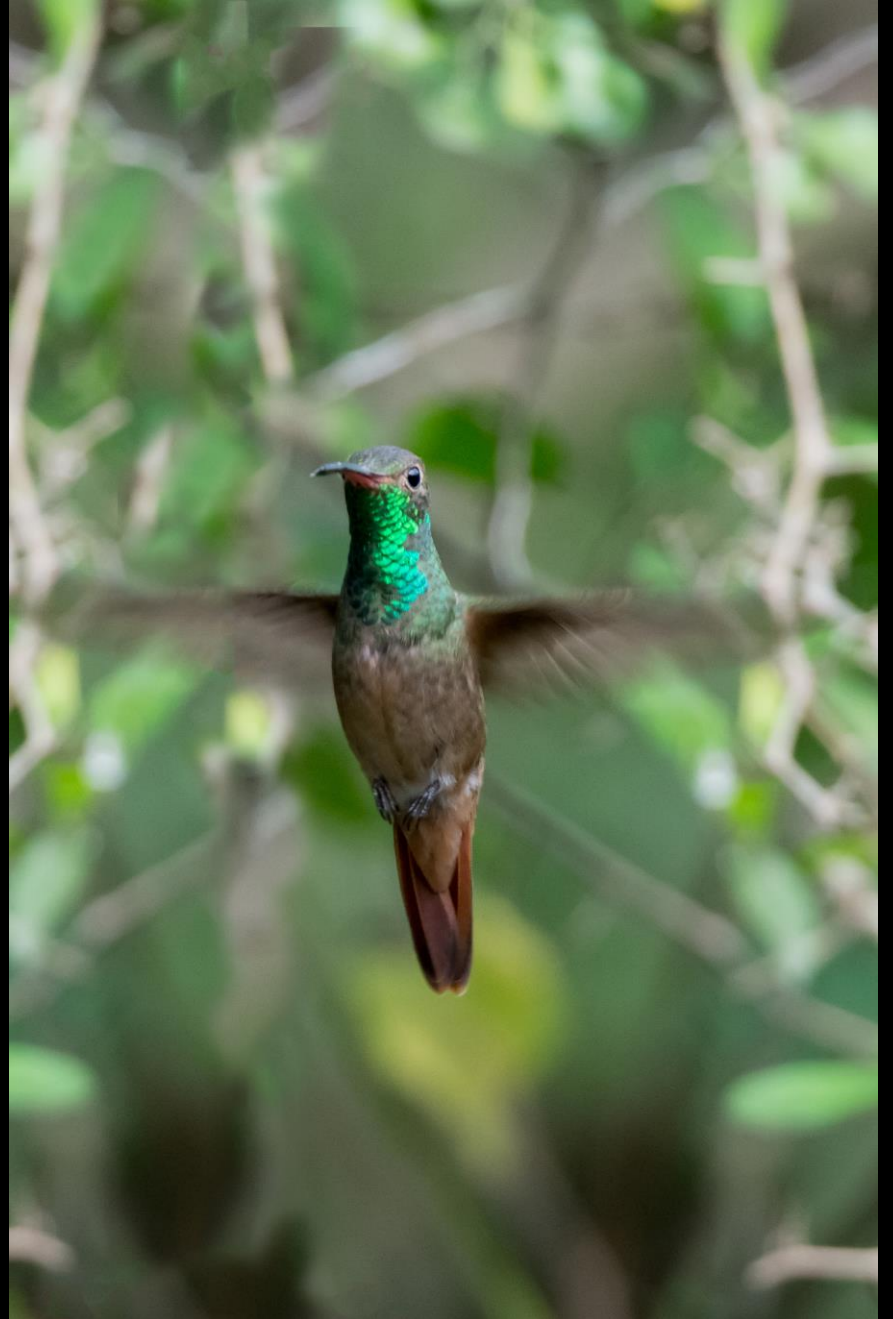














# Big Thicket National Preserve & MAB Reserve

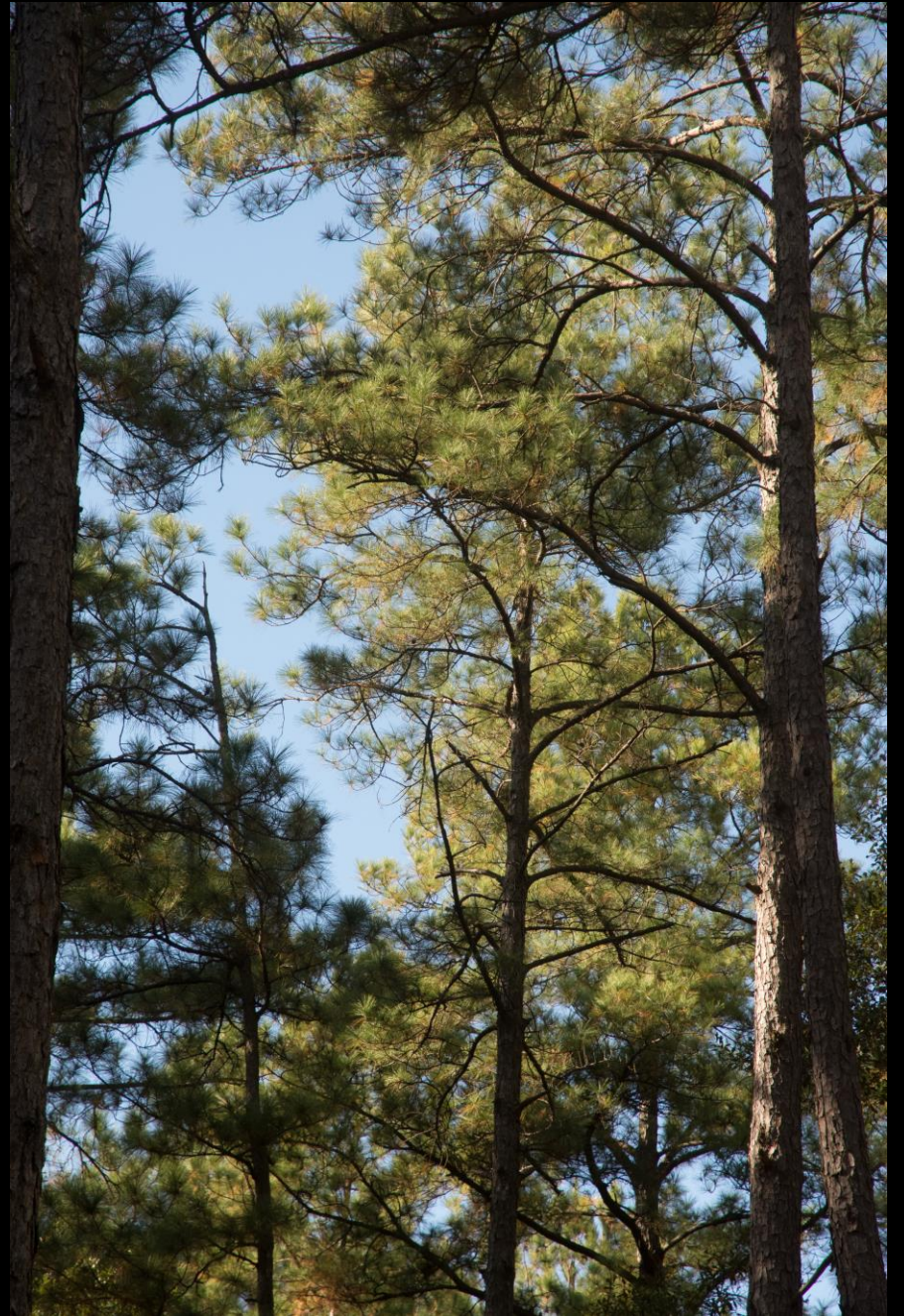


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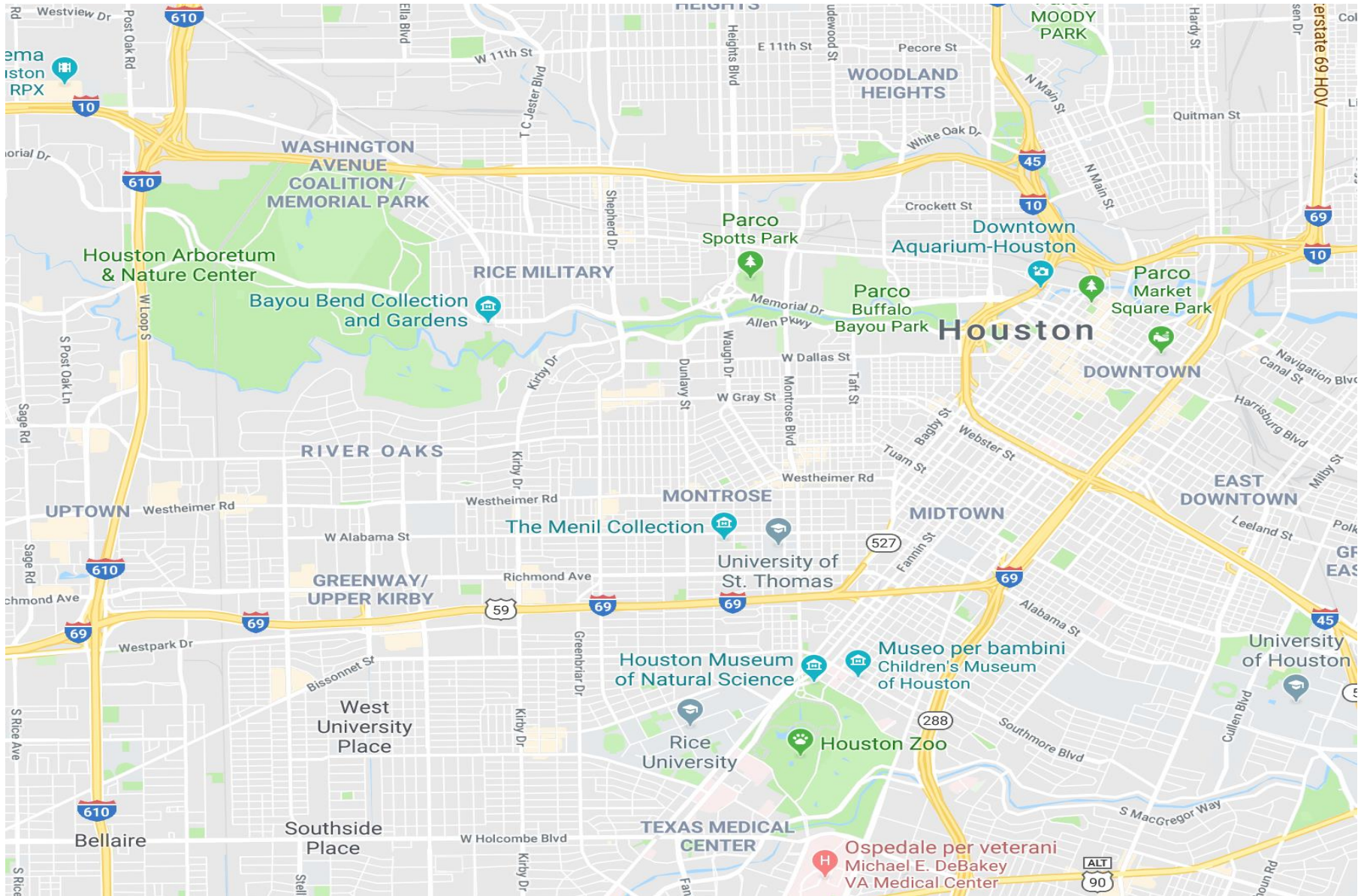








# Houston Green Areas & Urban Parks





















































































## Numeri

**Numero di specie osservate: 178 (su 258)**

**Lifers: 117 (su 178)**

**Fonti:** National Park Service, I siti delle Riserve e State Parks, Audubon Society, Birdalert

**Da non perdere:**

Anahuac NWR

I limicoli della Bolivar Peninsula

Le gru americane ad Aransas

Lower Rio Grande Valley e South Padre Island

**Great missings:** falco aplomado, anatra sposa, una foto del picchio pileato.