

Do You Know Your Watershed?

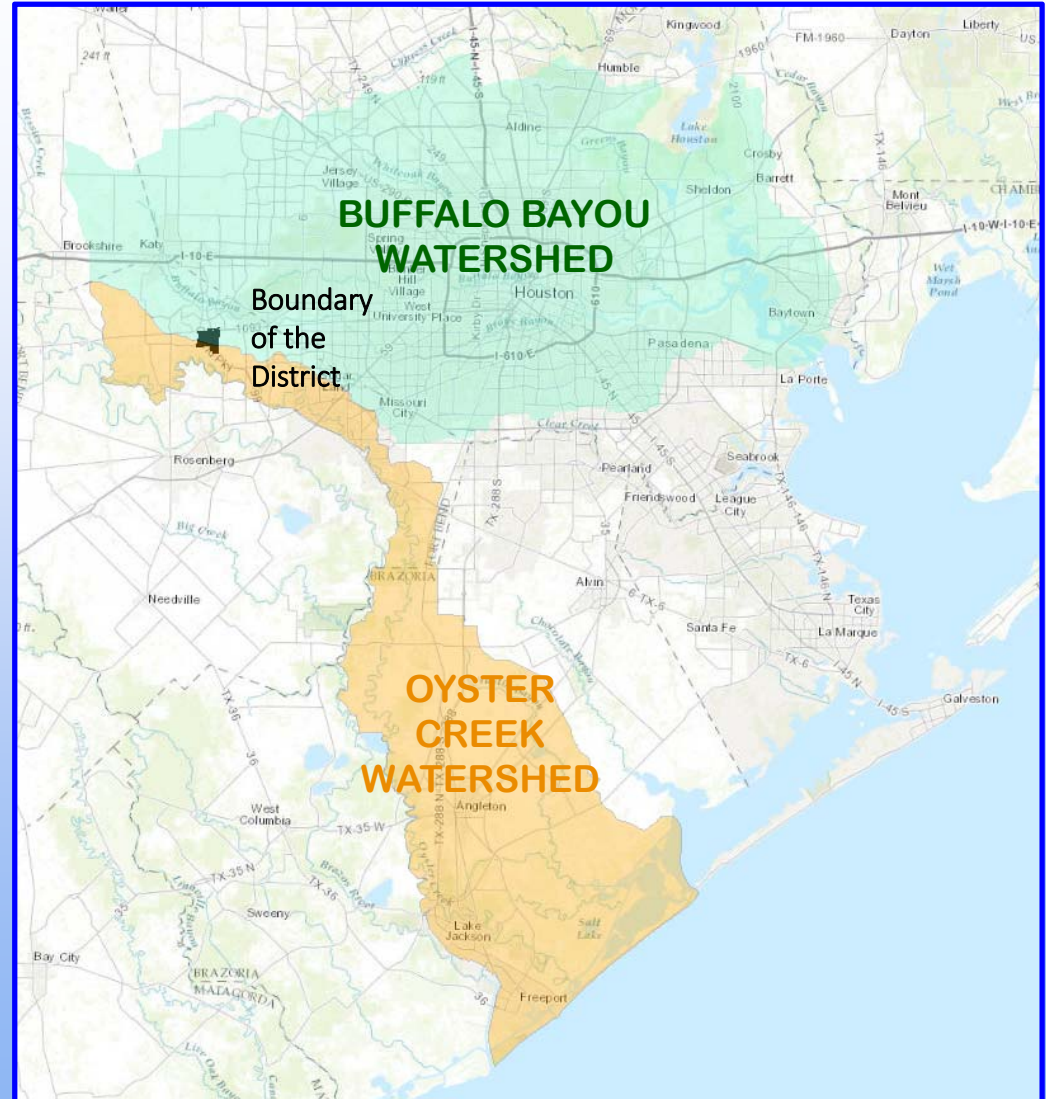


A “Watershed” is an area of land on which all rain falling, flows to a common point such as a stream, ditch, or creek. A watershed can be large, like all of the land draining to the outlet of the Mississippi River in New Orleans. A watershed can be smaller, like all of the land that flows only to Buffalo Bayou.

Anyone standing in the District is also standing inside one of two watersheds. The north part of the District sits in the Buffalo Bayou watershed (shown in green in the map to the right) and the south part of the District sits in the Oyster Creek watershed (shown in yellow in the map to the right). Do you know which watershed you live in?

You can protect your watershed by:

- Cleaning up your pet’s waste;
- Reporting illegal trash dumping;
- Reporting sanitary sewer overflows;
- Keeping your home, automobiles, and yard clean and maintained; and,
- Keeping stormwater inlets free of grass, leaves, soapy water, oil and grease, and chemicals.



Visit <https://fortbendmud50.com/stormwater-issues-and-actions/> for more information on the Districts’ stormwater management program and how to keep our watersheds clean!