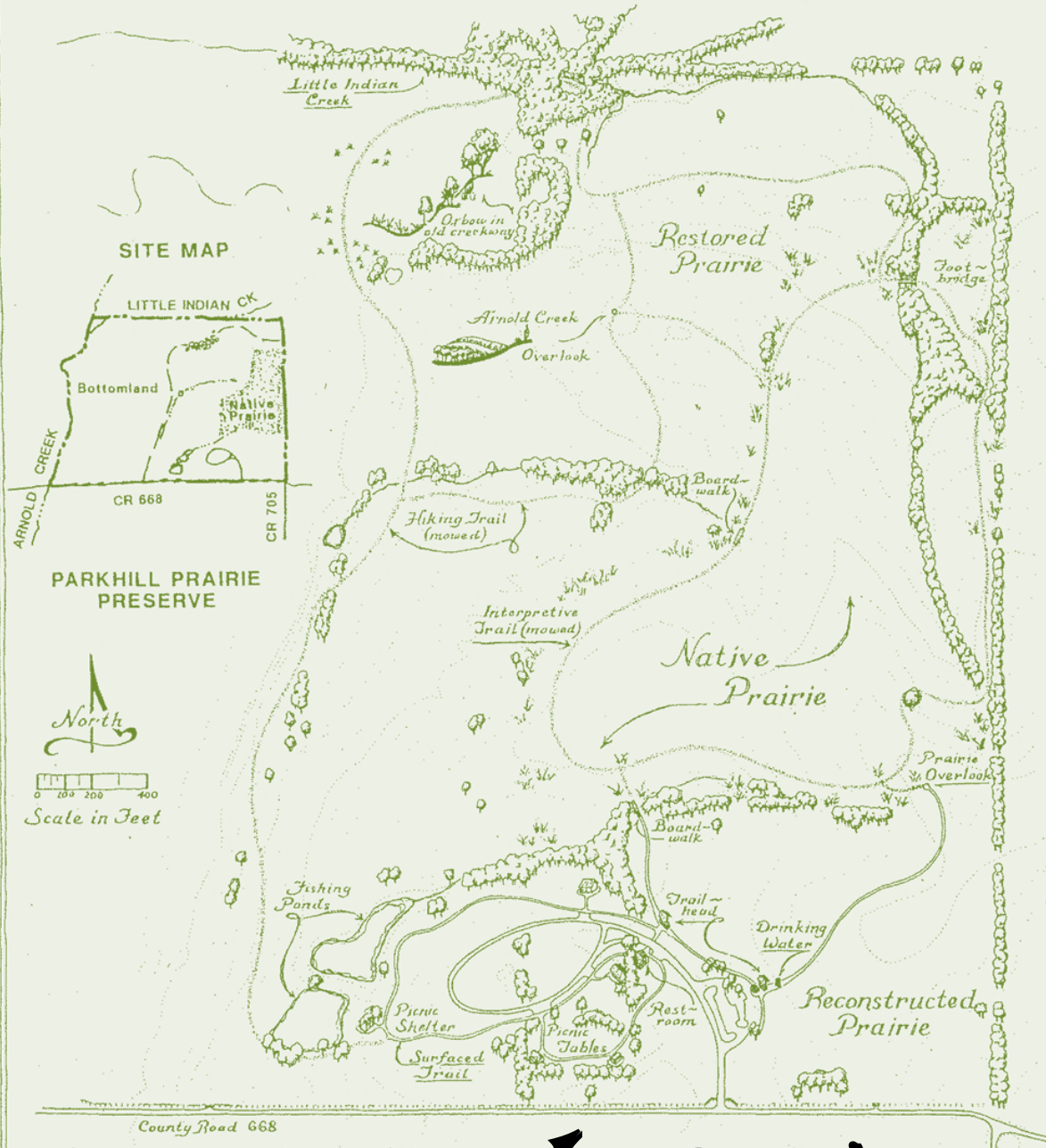


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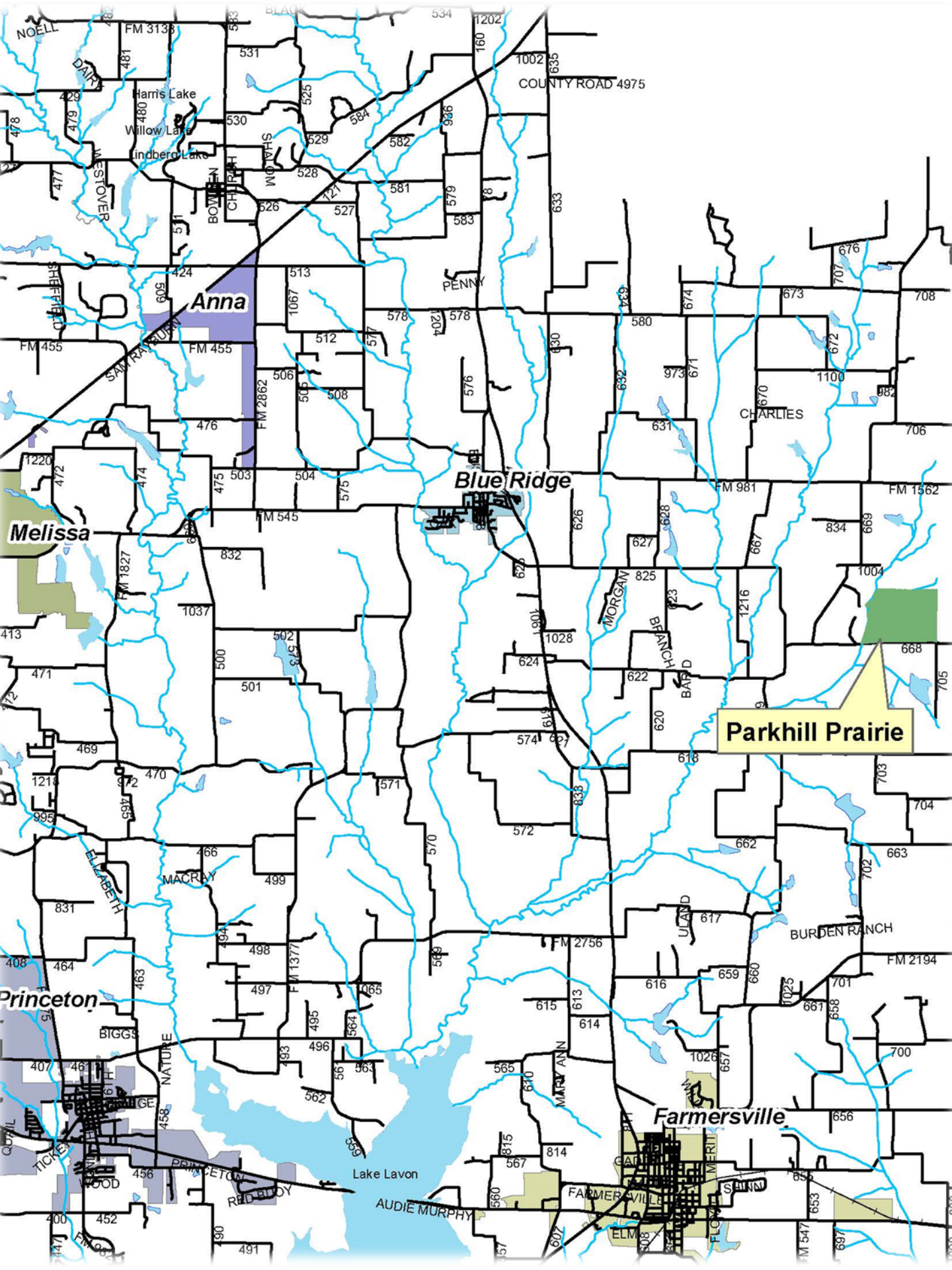


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Parkhill Prairie

Melissa

Princeton

Farmersville

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Lake Lavon

AUDIE MURPHY

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- **1983 Bond Funds**
- **436 Acres of Land**  
**Purchased September 1988**
- **Purchase price \$506,000**



TEXAS

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PARKS &

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WILDLIFE

**\$385,000 Grant for Improvements**

# TPWD funded Improvements

- Site preparation – include utilities
- Restroom
- 3 Picnic Shelters
- Roads & Parking Area
- Walking Trails
- Landscape / Fencing



# PARKHILL PRAIRIE

A TEXAS LOCAL PARKS, RECREATION,  
AND OPEN SPACE FUND PROJECT

SPONSORED BY

COLLIN COUNTY

TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT



DEDICATED APRIL 28, 1990



LOCAL FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE CITIZENS OF COLLIN COUNTY THROUGH  
THE 1983 OPEN SPACE BOND FUNDS. PROJECT DEVELOPED BY THE OPEN  
SPACE BOARD AND ADMINISTERED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

## 1986 COMMISSIONER COURT

WILLIAM ROBERTS - CO JUDGE  
HOWARD THORTON - PCT. 1  
JERRY HOAGLAND - PCT. 2  
WALLACE WEBB - PCT. 3  
RICHARD MAY - PCT. 4

## 1986 OPEN SPACE BOARD

CHARLES BELEW - CHAIR  
ELTA CHANDLER  
GEORGIA GREEN  
BRIAN HILL  
GLENN JUSTICE  
SIDNA LEAVENWORTH

PATRICIA MILLER  
JOHN POWELL  
ROBERT POWERS  
DON PROESCHEL  
FRANCES WILLIAMS

DESIGNED BY

COLLIN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS AND CARTER & BURGESS, INC

GENERAL CONTRACTOR  
CLIFFORDE.FOCUS COMPANY

# Annual Operating Budget

Approximately \$12,000



- **Caretaker** **\$5,100**
- **Tractor Mowing** **\$5,300**
- **Electrical** **\$850**
- **Water / Trash** **\$750**

# Personal Services Agreement

- Approximately 225 acres in flood plain
- Farmer keeps bottom land planted in hay (75%)



- Keeps gravel on drive areas
- Grades as necessary
- Makes repairs to perimeter fences and gates
- Provides other services as requested



**The Nature Conservancy**  
**2007 Parks & Open Space Bond Funds**  
**Five-year Restoration**  
**(2013-2017)**  
**\$26,314**

## **Prairie Restoration**

- **Herbicide Application**
- **Conduct growing season survey on tall fescue cover**
- **Prescribed burns**
- **Removal of vegetation, cedar trees/saplings**
- **Treatment of johnson grass, purple scabies, and encroaching woody vegetation on an as-needed basis**



**Questions ?**