

THE EDWARDS AQUIFER

THE HIDDEN HEART OF TEXAS



Couple enjoying the historic mill at Barton Springs in 1902. Photo courtesy of Center for American History, University of Texas.



Horseshoe Park at San Felipe Springs. Popular swimming hole providing relief from hot Texas summers. Photo courtesy of Greg Eckhardt.



Texas Blind Salamander (*Eurycea rathbuni*). Endangered species that lives only in the Southern Edwards Aquifer. Photo courtesy of Edwards Aquifer Authority.



Fountain Darters (*Etheostoma fonticola*). Endangered species that lives only in San Marcos Springs and Comal Springs. Photo courtesy of Dr. Glenn Longley.



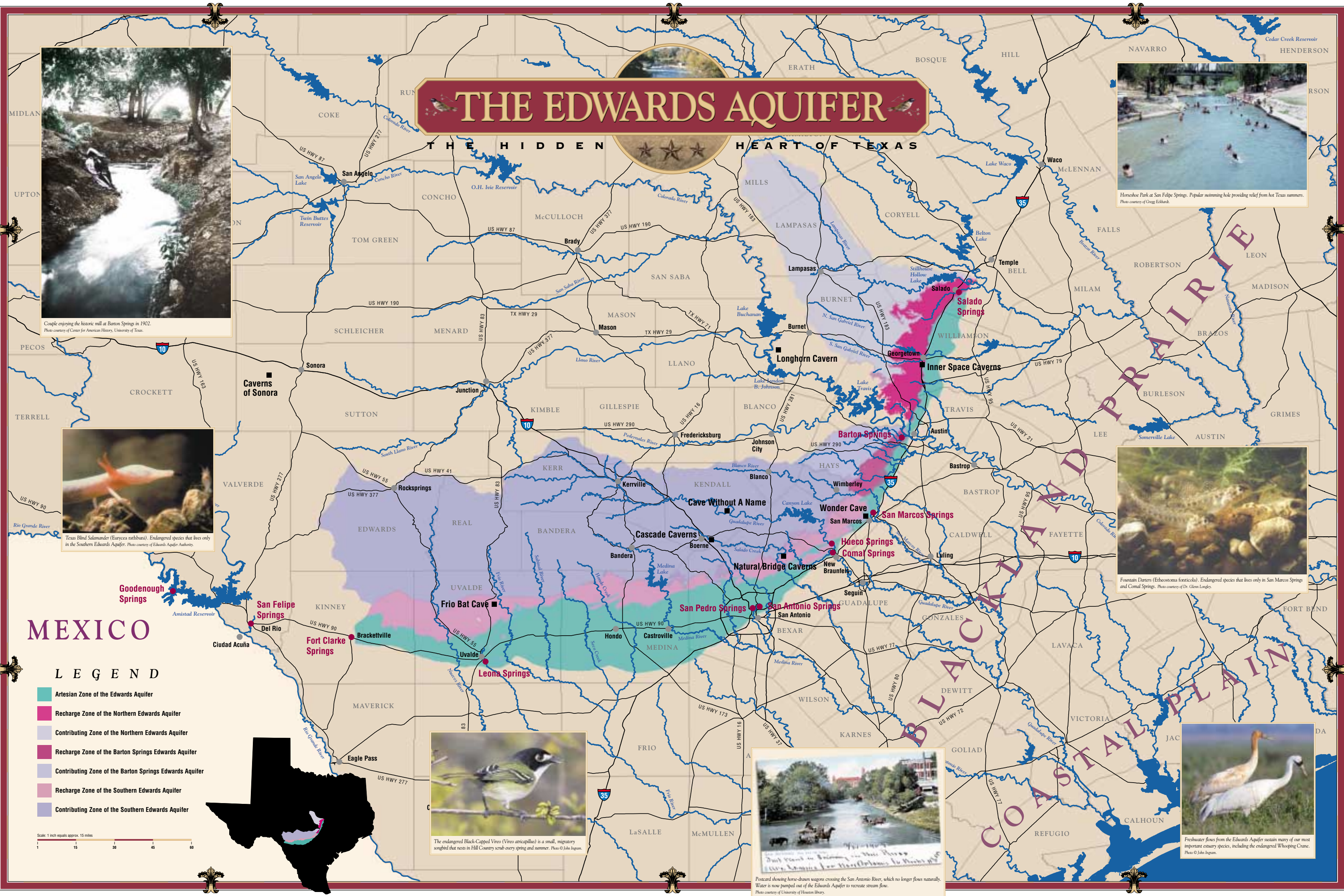
The endangered Black-Capped Vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*) is a small, migratory songbird that nests in Hill Country scrub every spring and summer. Photo © John Ingram.



Postcard showing horse-drawn wagons crossing the San Antonio River, which no longer flows naturally. Water is now pumped out of the Edwards Aquifer to recreate stream flow. Photo courtesy of University of Houston library.



Freshwater flows from the Edwards Aquifer sustain many of our most important estuary species, including the endangered Whooping Crane. Photo © John Ingram.



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LEGEND

- Artesian Zone of the Edwards Aquifer
- Recharge Zone of the Northern Edwards Aquifer
- Contributing Zone of the Northern Edwards Aquifer
- Recharge Zone of the Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer
- Contributing Zone of the Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer
- Recharge Zone of the Southern Edwards Aquifer
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Scale: 1 inch equals approx. 15 miles
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