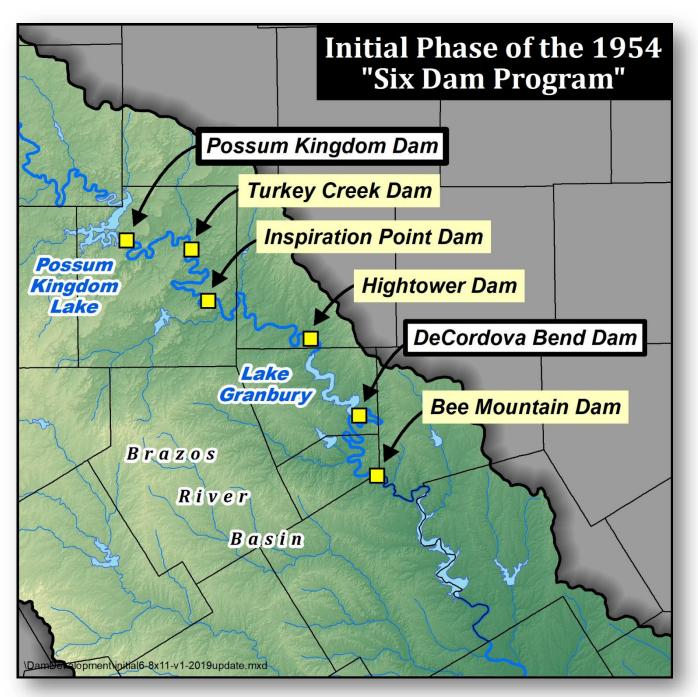


# Bee Mountain Properties

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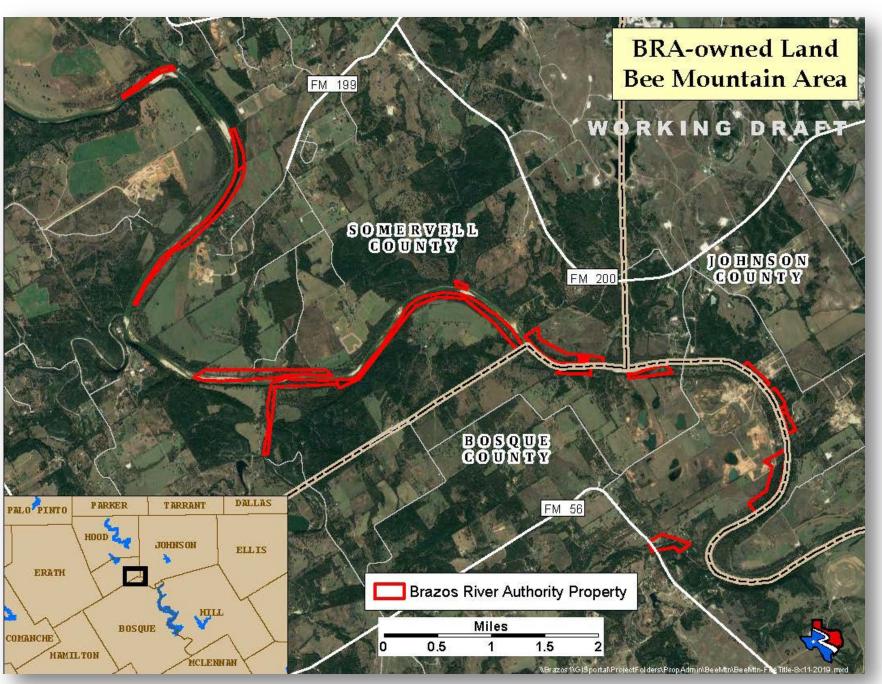
### History of Bee Mountain Project Area



- Bee Mountain A proposed reservoir site
- BRA & USACE entered into a land acquisition contract agreement in December 1952.
- The land acquisition contract deadlines were amended multiple times, which extended the date of commencement to July 1962.



#### Bee Mountain Area



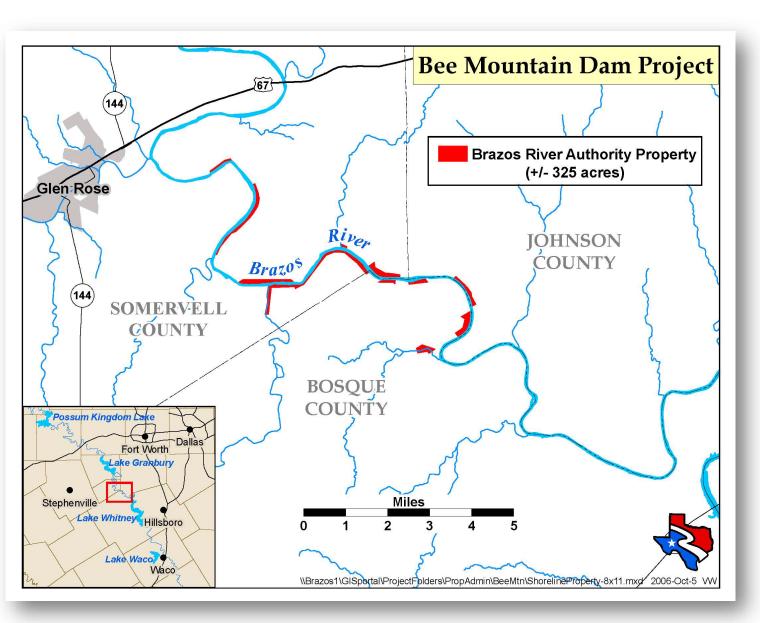
- Purchased 57 tracts, totaling 1,228.75 acres.
- 49 tracts were owned in Fee Title totaling 1,074.35 acres.
- 8 tracts were acquired flowage easements totaling 154.40 acres.

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## Bee Mountain – 19 Remaining Tracts



- 19 Tracts, totaling 324.771 acres in the Bee Mountain project area and holds flowage easements by grant or by reservation to 903.979 acres.
- Tract sizes range from 0.680 acres up to 99.50 acres.



### Current Status of Bee Mountain Properties

- Brazos River Authority performed an environmental assessment on tracts to determine if there are any environmental significances.
- Brazos River Authority determined and recommends the highest and best use for the remaining Bee Mountain Properties is to retain ownership for:
  - Water quality protections
  - Conservation efforts.





"BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Property Management Committee recommends to the Board of Directors of the Brazos River Authority, adoption of the following proposed resolution:

WHEREAS, the Brazos River Authority owns properties along the Brazos River in Bosque, Johnson, and Somervell Counties, upstream of Lake Whitney, otherwise known as the Bee Mountain Properties, which were originally retained in the 1950s for the purpose of constructing a reservoir;



WHEREAS, the reservoir was not constructed and for a period of approximately forty years the Brazos River Authority provided adjacent landowners the opportunity to repurchase these tracts;

WHEREAS, in 2002, after approximately two-thirds of the properties had been repurchased, the Brazos River Authority discontinued reselling the properties;



WHEREAS, after a reevaluation of the properties, it has been determined that retaining ownership and control of the Bee Mountain Properties will serve to further the efforts of the Brazos River Authority to preserve and protect the natural resources of the Brazos River Basin, as the Bee Mountain Properties provide a beneficial natural barrier for water quality protection benefits, streambank stabilization, erosion control, and wildlife habitat; further, these properties may also be utilized for potential future conservation opportunities to support the Brazos River Authority's mission and strategic goals;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Brazos River Authority hereby resolves to retain the Bee Mountain Properties to support these efforts."



