



Edwards Aquifer Protection Program Conservation Easement Acquisition

City Council

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Parks and Recreation Department

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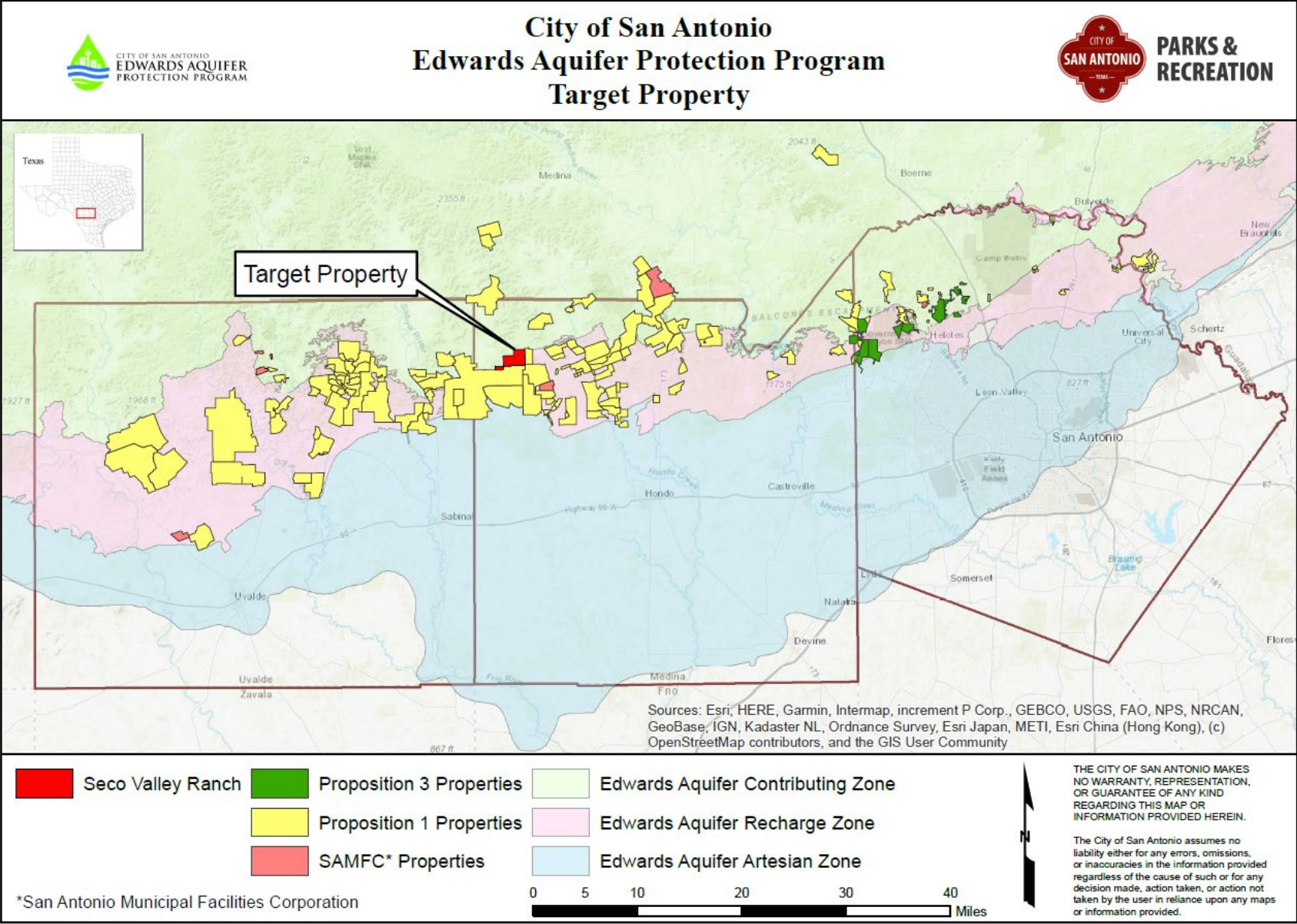
Property	County	Acres	Cost
Seco Valley Ranch	Medina	1,869.88	\$3,113,226.25

Acquisition Benefits

- Property located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge and Contributing Zones in Medina County
- Important recharge features on property
- Very high water quantity and very high water quality benefits
- Results in increase of 1,869.88 acres



Total Land Protected = 182,334 acres



Program Status

- Propositions 1 and 3 sales tax fully expended
- 10-year, \$100M acquisition program approved in 2020 under SAMFC
 - \$30M in debt issued in August 2023 for FY 2023 – 2025 acquisitions
 - \$11.1M expended to date to protect 4,490 acres
- 184,204 acres protected with approval of today's proposed acquisitions
- 131 conservation easements and 24 fee simple purchases approved to date

Recommendation

- Staff recommends approval