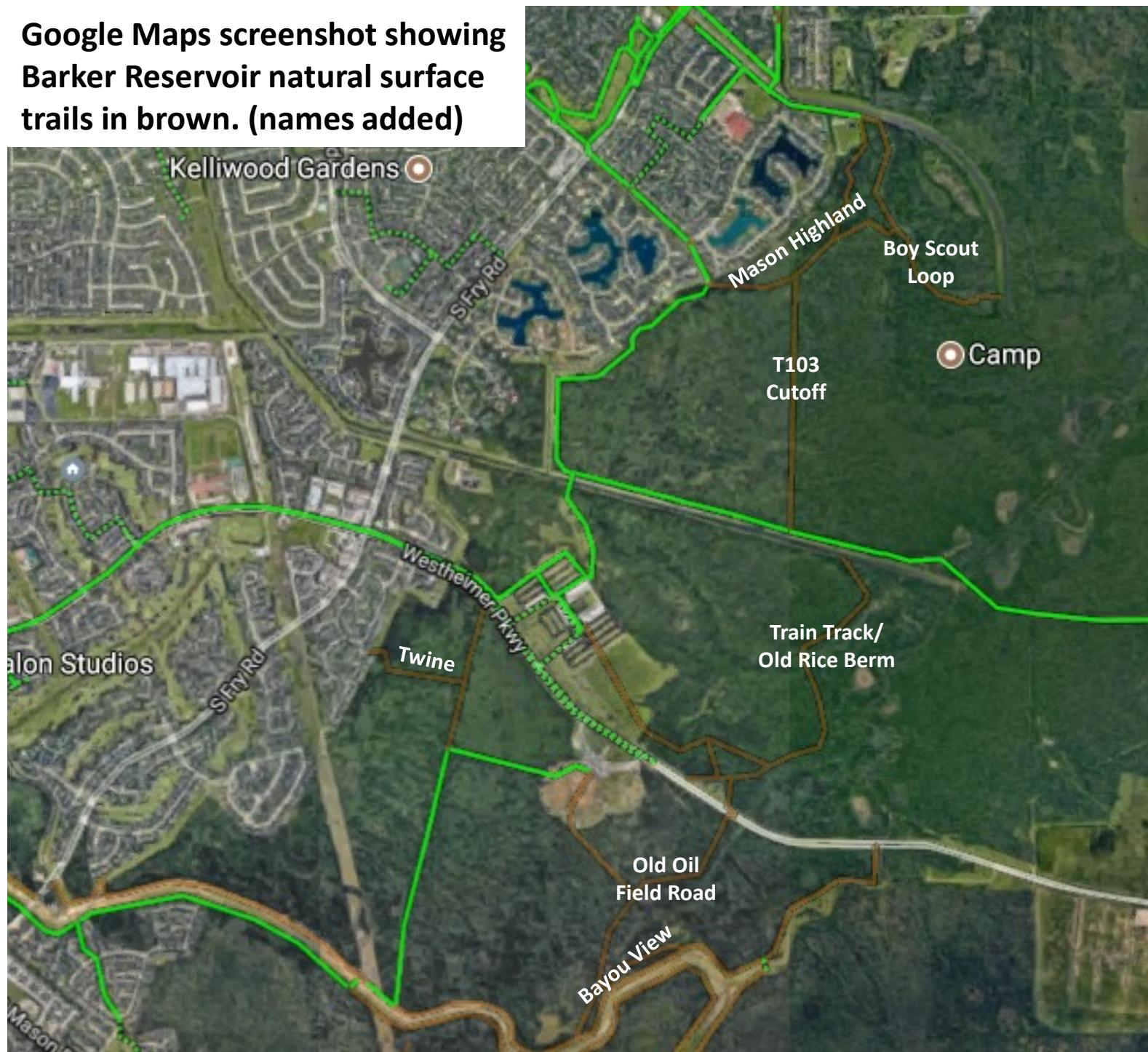


West Houston off-road hiking & mountain biking trails in Addicks and Barker Reservoirs.

- Not maintained by any governmental agency.
 - Desire to have this done sometime in the future
 - **Hope to develop a critical mass of credible users** to make case for minimal maintenance by gov. agency. (Ad Hoc Network, Boy Scouts, HATR, GHORBA?)
 - Request is for Boy Scouts to use the trails to see if these are useful paths, wear the paths & determine if long-term maintenance is desirable. Check back in 1 year to determine forward plan to approach managing agencies to request minimal maintenance.
 - Noble Road Trail & Bear Creek Equestrian Trail are maintained by Harris Co. Pct 3.
 - Both seem to have very boggy sections (relative high ground is critical for trails)
- Water levels are critical.
 - Building a database of water level gauges relative to trail water levels.
 - All trails vary by wetness/water level.
- Animals on/near the trails.
 - Deer, coyotes, feral hogs, snakes, birds, bobcats, ducks, etc.
- Mosquitos
 - Mosquito hatch generally 7-10 days after a heavy rain.
 - Mosquito hatch lasts several weeks (varies by weather).
- October-April is optimum time for hiking in Houston.
- Major hike training route (prep for Philmont?)
- Volunteer Opportunities
 - Debris/deadfall removal (Trail Steward) & Trash collection. Possible Conservation Badge?
 - Reporting unauthorized activity, addicksandbarker@usace.army.mil
 - Trail Bridges (Eagle Scout projects)
 - Marking/Blazing Trails – See National Park Service Standards for trail marking.

Google Maps screenshot showing Barker Reservoir natural surface trails in brown. (names added)

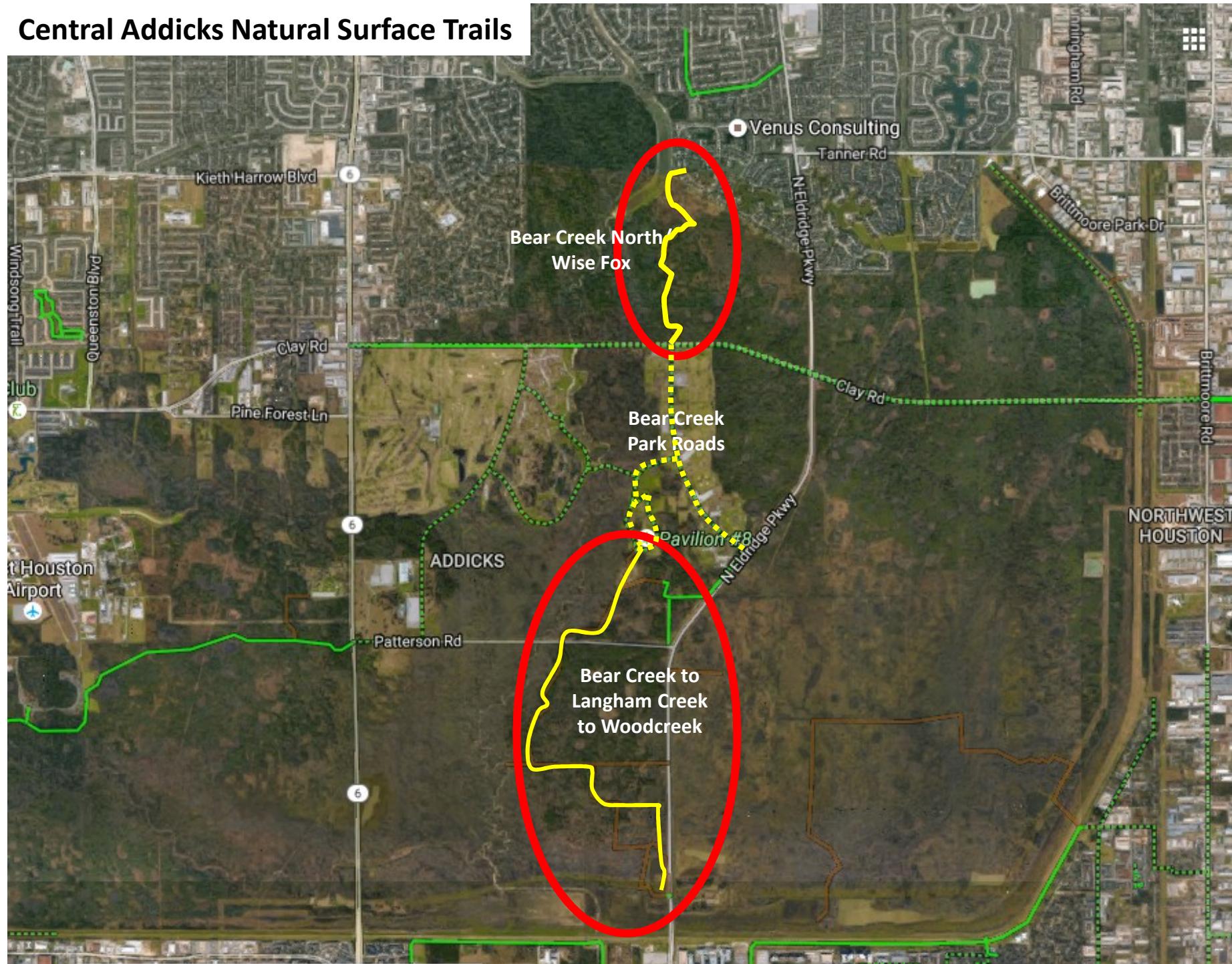


Barker Reservoir Natural Surface Trail Loop (includes some paved trails for connectivity)



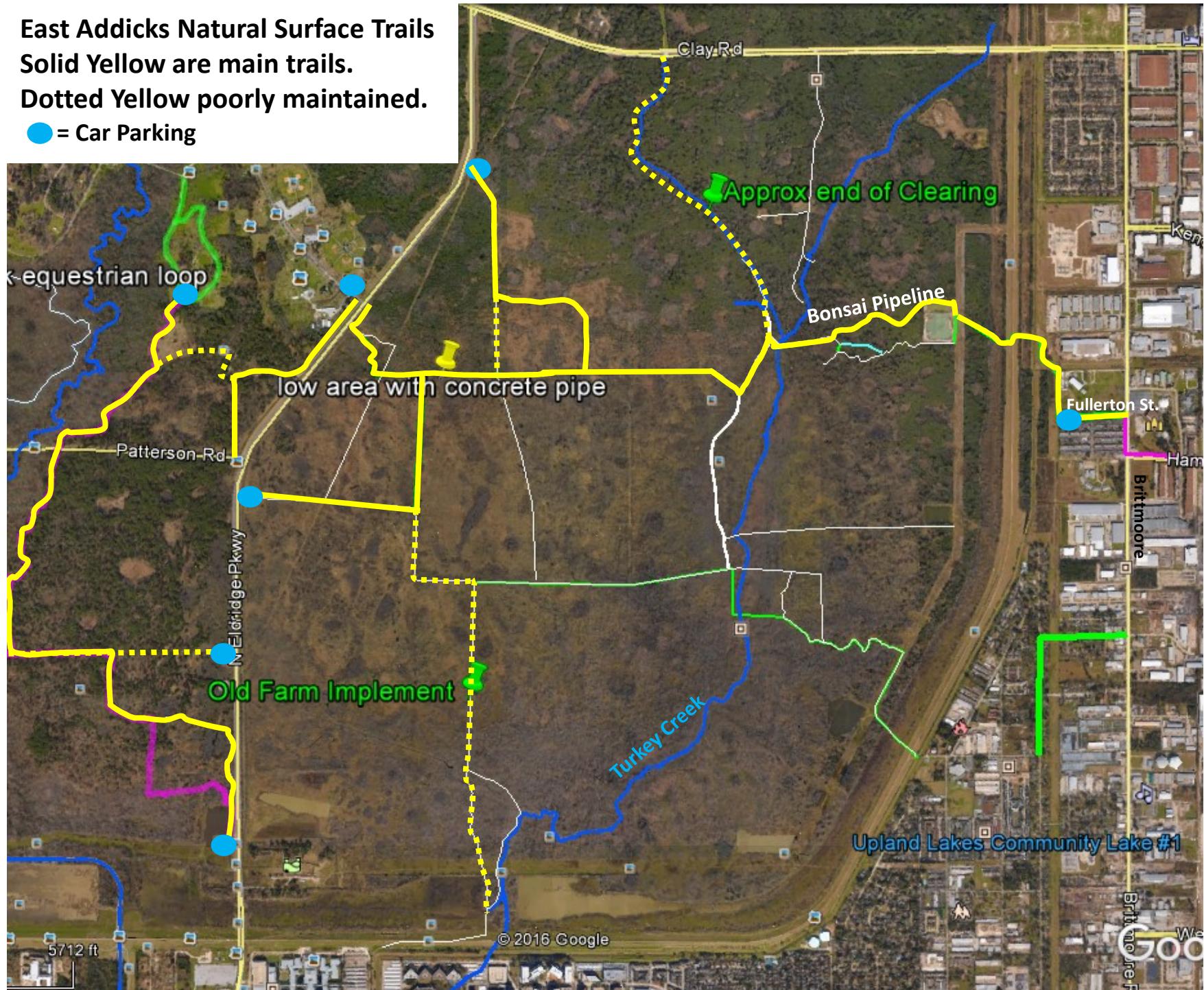
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Central Addicks Natural Surface Trails

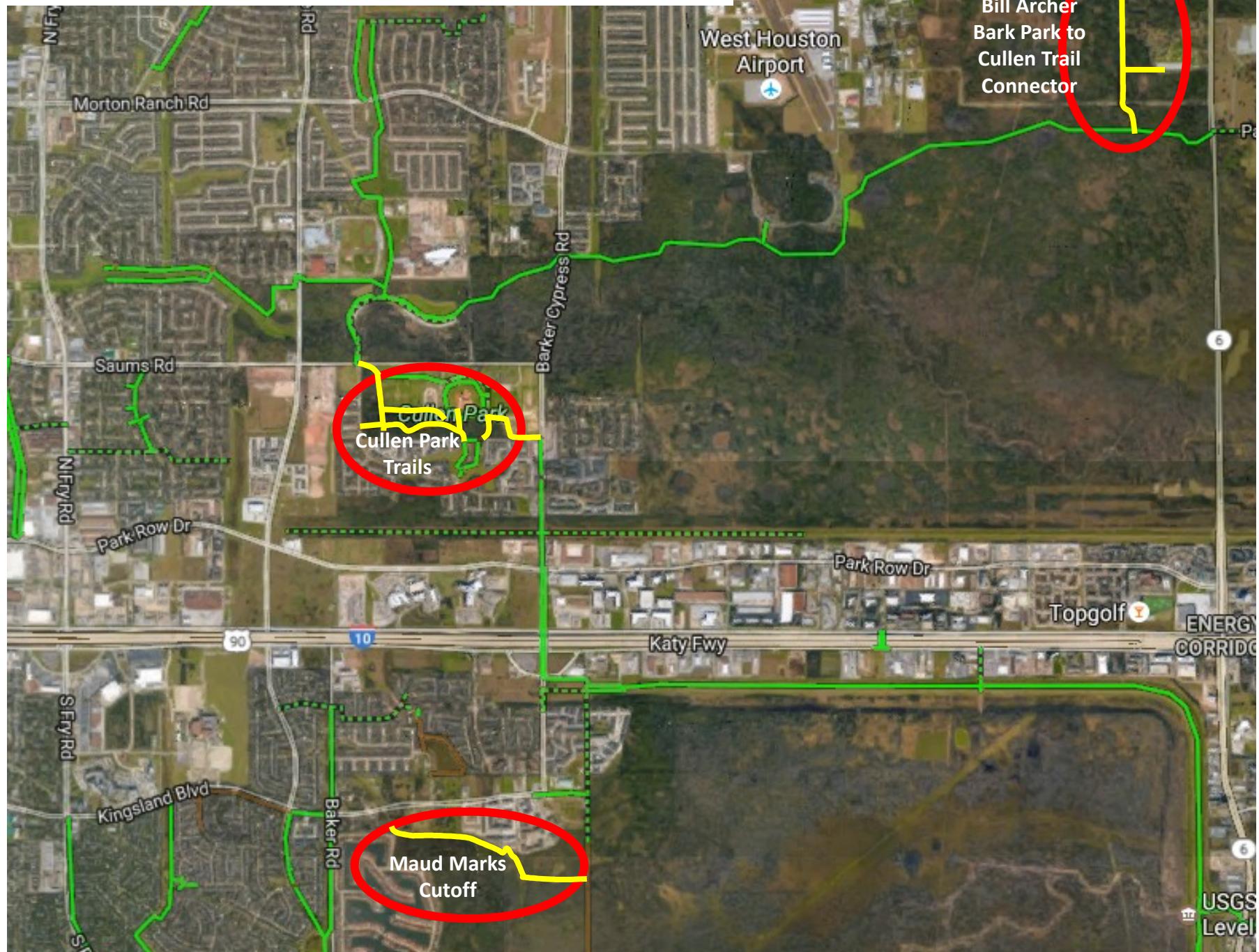


East Addicks Natural Surface Trails
Solid Yellow are main trails.
Dotted Yellow poorly maintained.

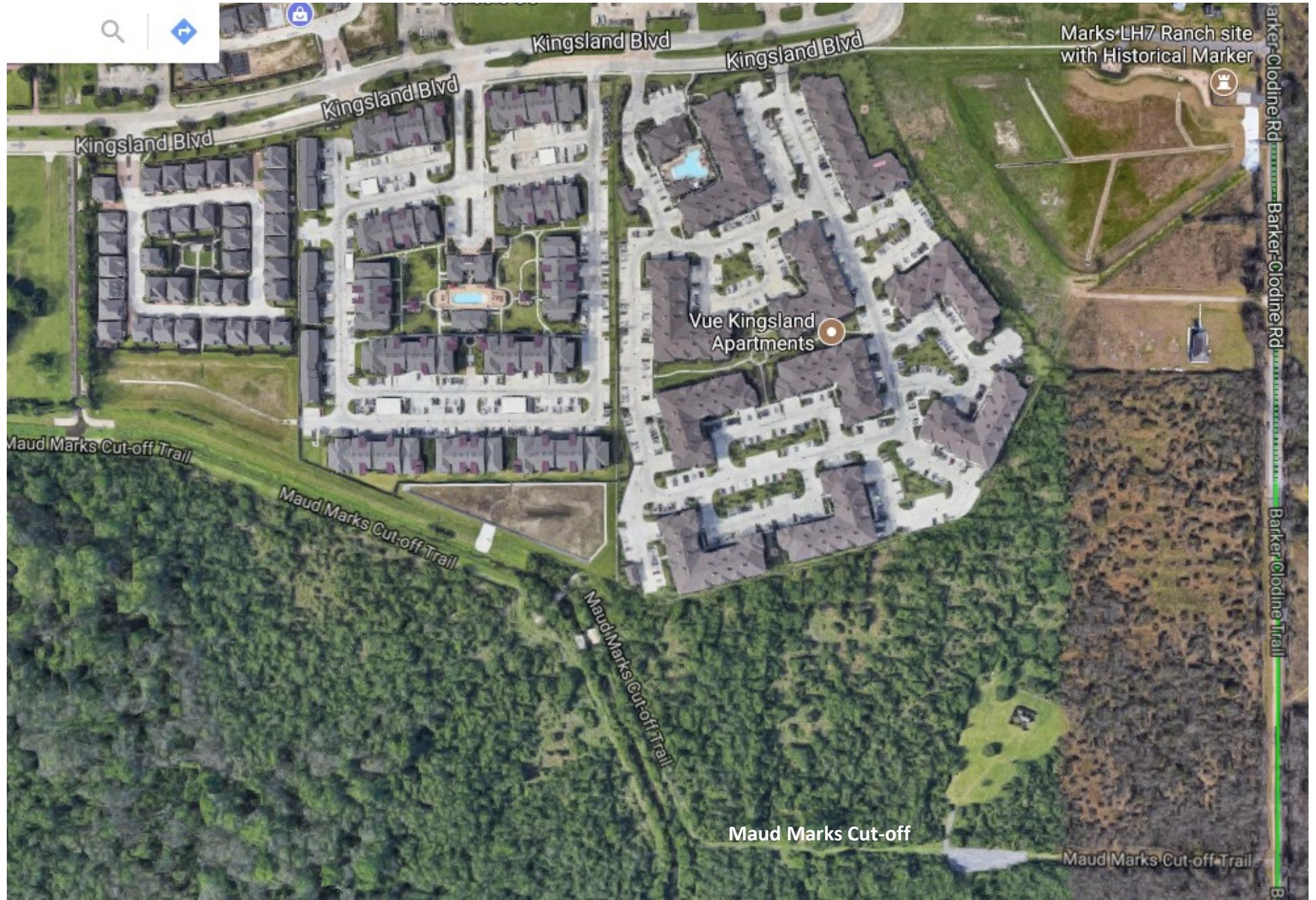
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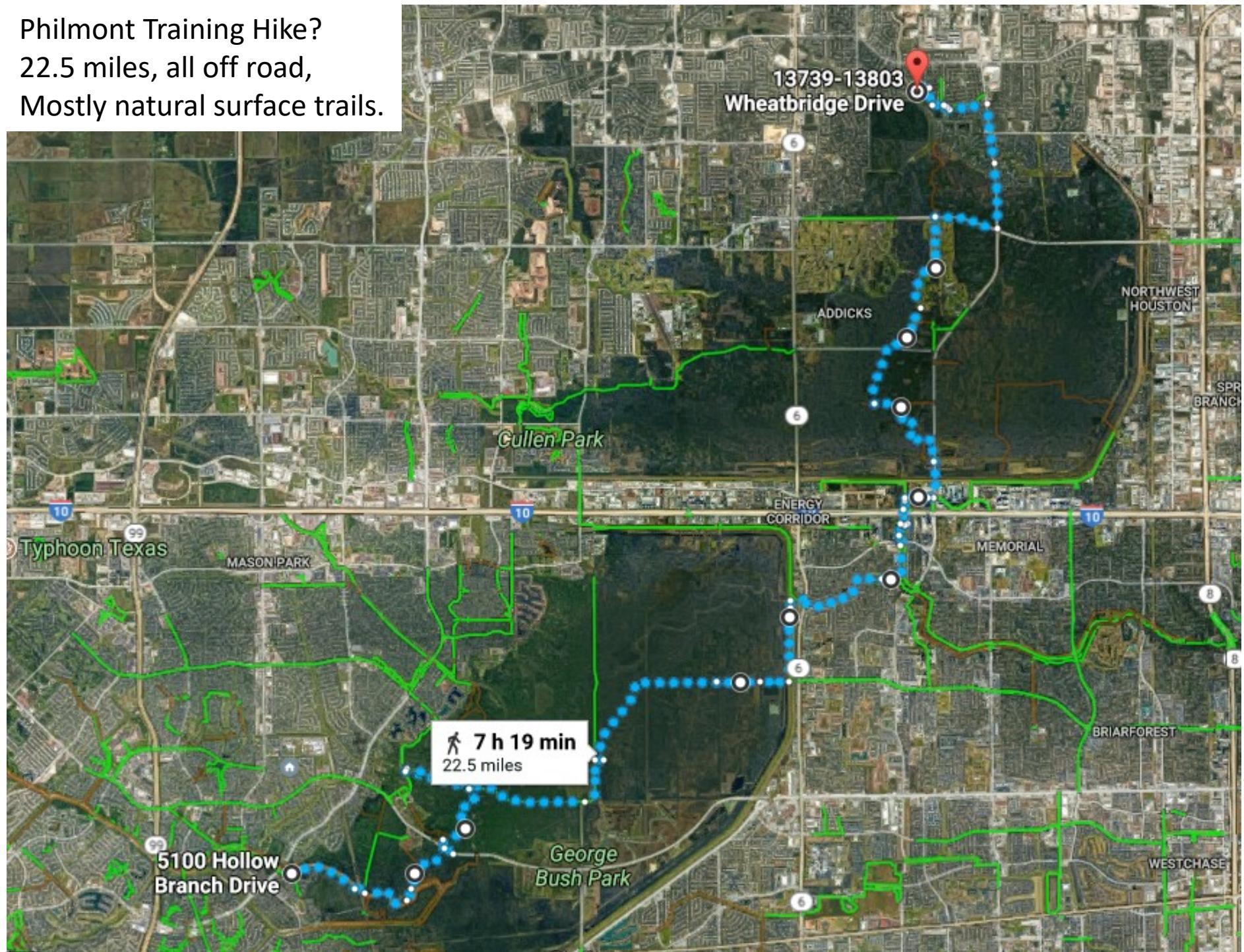
Northwest Addicks Natural Surface Trail Segments







Philmont Training Hike?
22.5 miles, all off road,
Mostly natural surface trails.



Barker Reservoir Real Time Water Level Gauge: Paved Trail Under Water at 84'-85'.

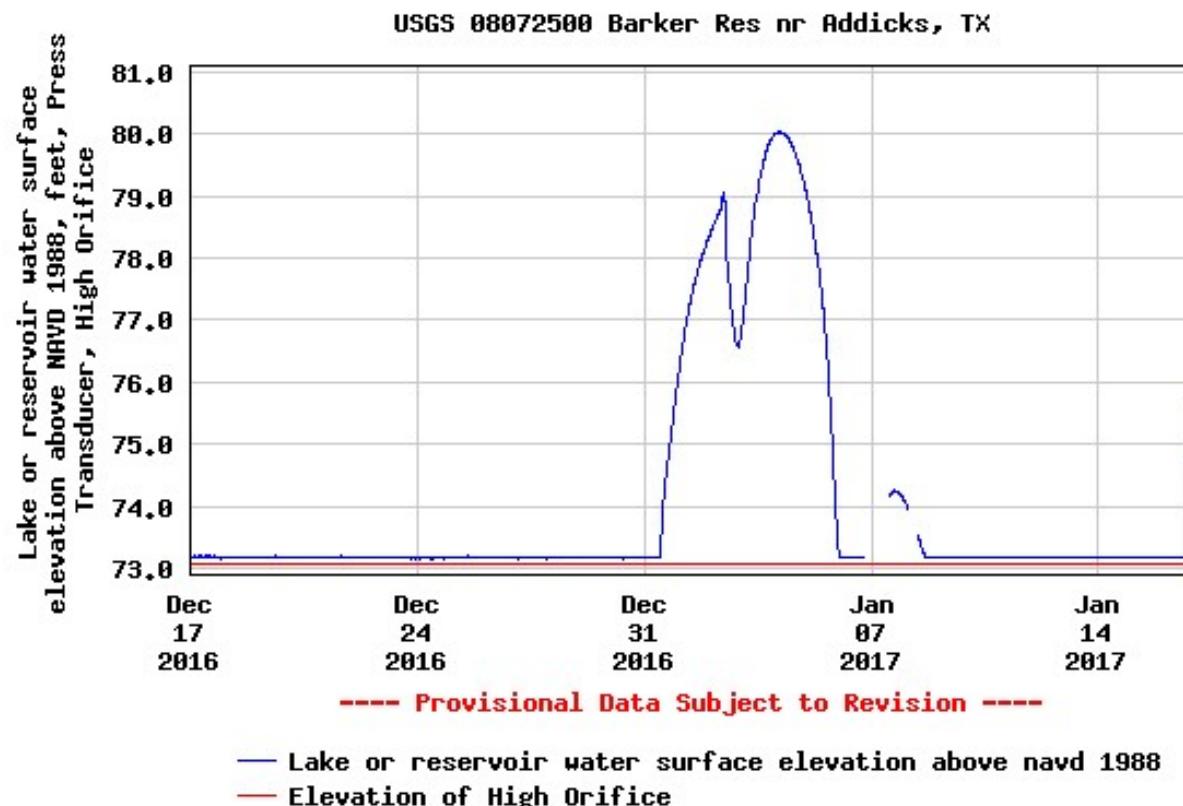
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Trail Inundation Data

- Note: trails may take several days/weeks to completely dry out after water recedes.
- Addicks Reservoir Trails (dry elevation = 69')
 - Cullen Park south of Velodrome – Clear at 100'
 - Bill Archer Bark Park to Cullen Paved trail or Bear Creek – Clear at 98'
 - Bear Creek North – Clear at 96', except drainages
 - Eldridge to Fullerton (Bonsai Pipeline) – Clear at 89', except east Addicks borrow ditch which may be 82'
 - Bear Creek to Langham Creek to Woodcreek – Clear at 88'
- Barker Reservoir Trails (dry elevation = 72'-73')
 - Twine – Clear at 95'
 - Mason Highland & Boy Scout Loop – Clear at 89'
 - Old Oil Field Road & Bayou View - Clear at 89'
 - Maud Marks Cut-off – Clear at 88'
 - T103 Cut-off – Clear at 87', except drainages
 - Train Track – Clear at 85'

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Barker Reservoir.

T103 Cutoff Trail, looking north from T103 paved trail.



T103 Cutoff Trail.



Mason Highland Pine Forest.



Mason Highland Boy Scout Loop: East trail.



Mason Highland Boy Scout Loop: Boy Scout Bridge over old Mason Creek.



**Bear Creek Park to Woodcreek Trail.
Eldridge to Langham Creek Segment.**



Addicks East; North-South Berm Trail.



Possible Eagle Scout Bridge

Project Examples.



Fort Bend Freedom – Old Oil Field Road trail ditch crossing – 30' bridge needed.

Bear Creek Park to Woodcreek Trail, Ditch in foreground.

