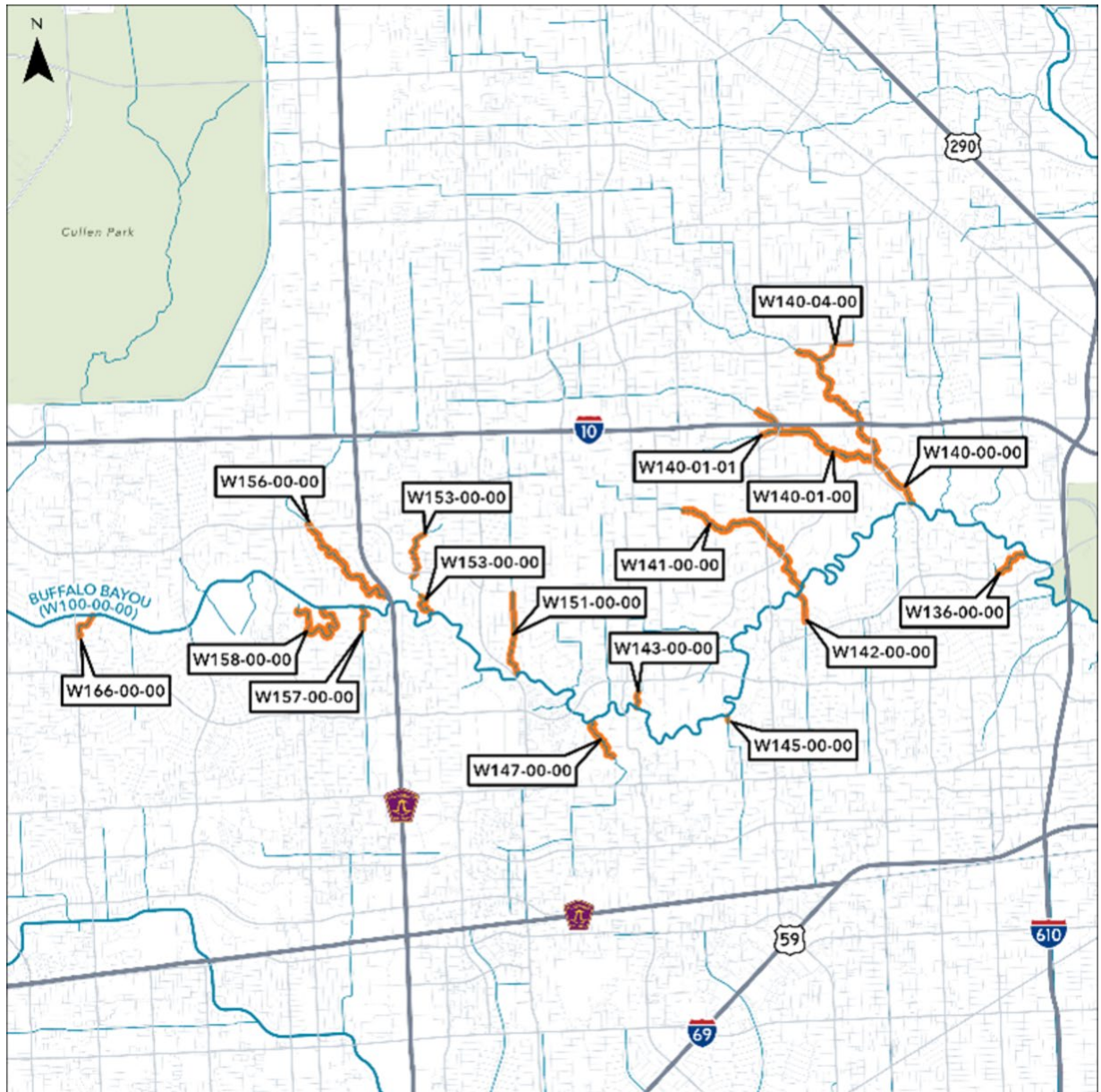




# MAINTENANCE MATTERS



## Selective Clearing to Begin Along Tributaries in the Upper Buffalo Bayou Watershed



We wanted to make you aware of Flood Control District maintenance activity in your jurisdiction in case you receive questions from residents.

Flood Control District maintenance crews will begin selective clearing in some of the tributaries of upper Buffalo Bayou this week, moving upstream to downstream along each

tributary across several planned sites that include your area.

This seasonal effort focuses on the bayou's natural, forested corridors and includes removing invasive species, clearing snags, and opening crowded canopies so native vegetation has room to grow. It's a careful, habitat-minded process that uses hand tools and targeted treatments.

This work helps:

- Keep stormwater moving
- Reduce erosion along channel banks
- Restore balance with new plantings and passive regrowth
- Support long-term environmental health

This project is part of a countywide program, bolstered by the Flood Control District's increased investment in maintenance to preserve and strengthen our flood control infrastructure. We can now return to sites every 3-5 years instead of every 5-10 years. That means more consistent vegetation management, better tracking of changing conditions, and expanded opportunities for tree planting.

The full effort is expected to wrap up by the end of January.

**Noticing:**

As our teams move through each site in the Buffalo Bayou watershed, neighbors may see signs, crews, and equipment in the area. We plan to distribute an email notice and publish a social post to notify residents.

**Questions:**

If you or your residents have any questions about this project, please submit a comment at [hcfcd.org/maintenance](https://hcfcd.org/maintenance).

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