

## **New Council Ward Boundaries to Affect Upcoming Freeport Elections**

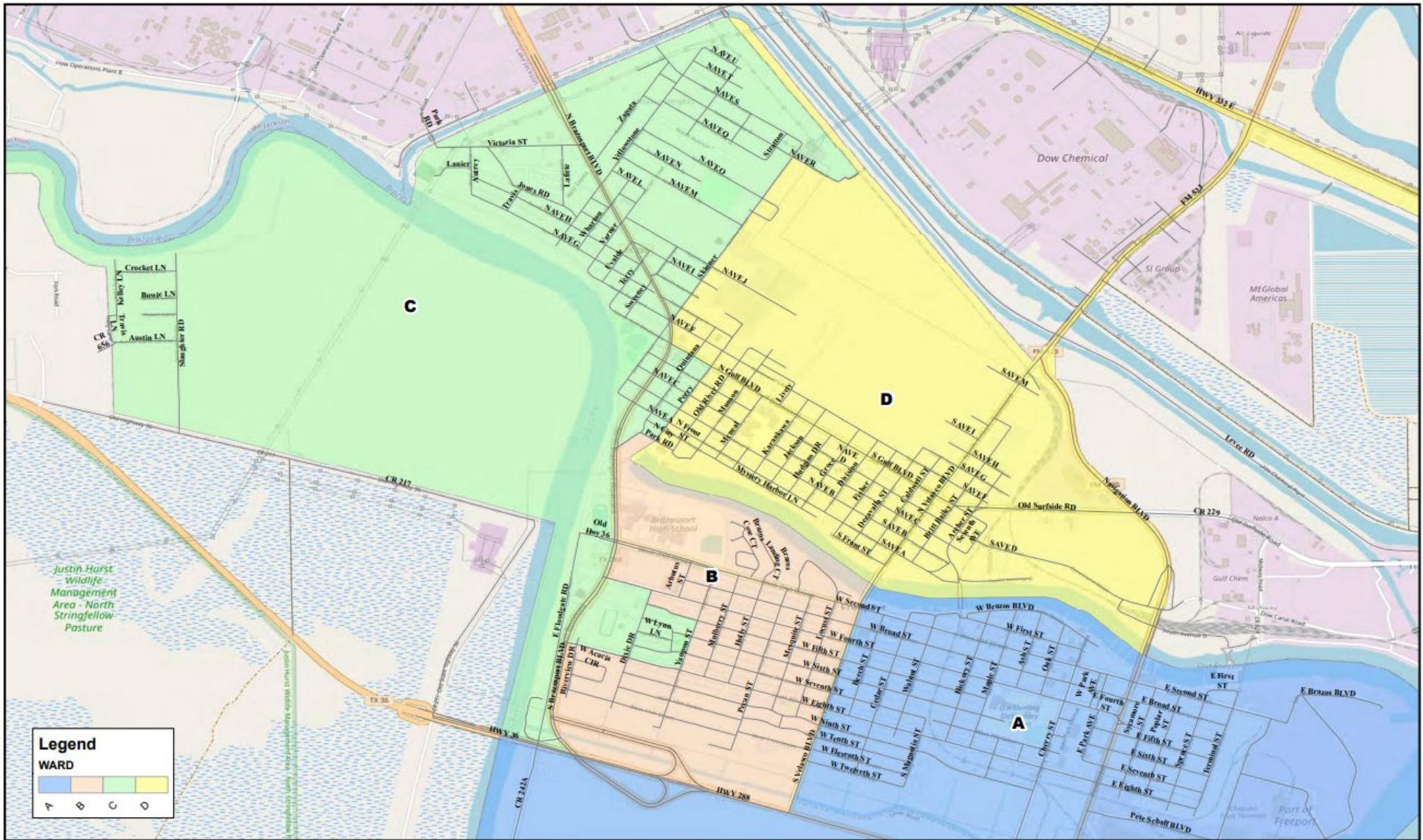
The City of Freeport City Council has approved the redistricting of Wards for the City of Freeport. The new Ward map affects some Freeport residents which reside near the boundaries between Wards A and B, between wards B and C, and also between C and D. Please see the attached maps for those impacted residents.

Those residents east of Velasco Street that were in Ward B are now in Ward A. Residents in Ward C, between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> streets (from Dixie and Yaupon) are now in Ward B. Residents between Avenue A and N. Gulf Blvd (from Perry to McNeal) who were in Ward C, are now in Ward D. Finally, those residents west of Skinner street who were in Ward D are now in Ward C.

*It is important that affected residents understand these changes because they may affect which elections residents will vote in, as well as, which Council Wards they may be able to file to run in as a candidate.*

In October, in a report presented to City Council by Sydney Falk of Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP, the City's council wards were out of alignment, with a deviation of more than 16% between the largest and smallest wards. Courts have found that, following the decennial Census, Wards have to have no more than 10% deviation in order to be in compliance.

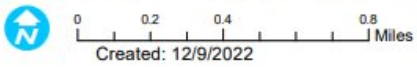
The approval of the new ward map followed a series of public hearings and meeting during which multiple options were brought forward and discussed. In the end, council elected to go with option D, which provided for the cleanest division between wards and bring the city into compliance. The dividing line between A and B now follows Velasco Street on the south side of the Old River, and the dividing line between C and D follows Skinner and Perry Streets.



**Legend**

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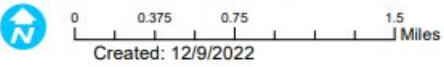
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**City of Freeport - City Wards**  
**Plan D - Adopted December 12, 2022**  
 Central City Inset

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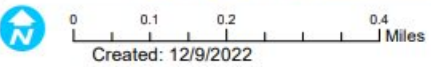
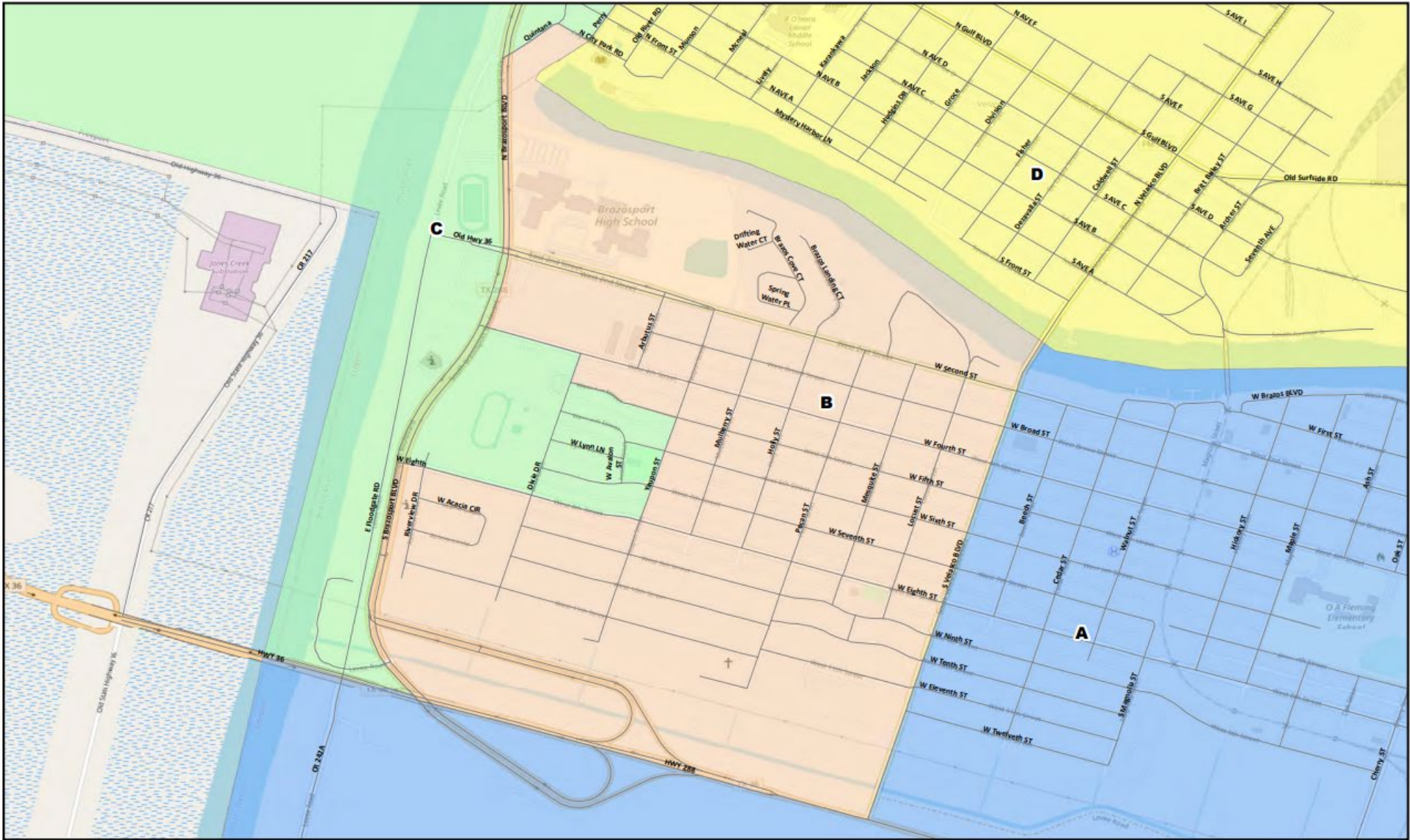




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**Ward A**

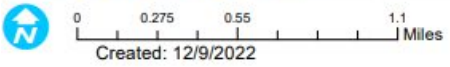
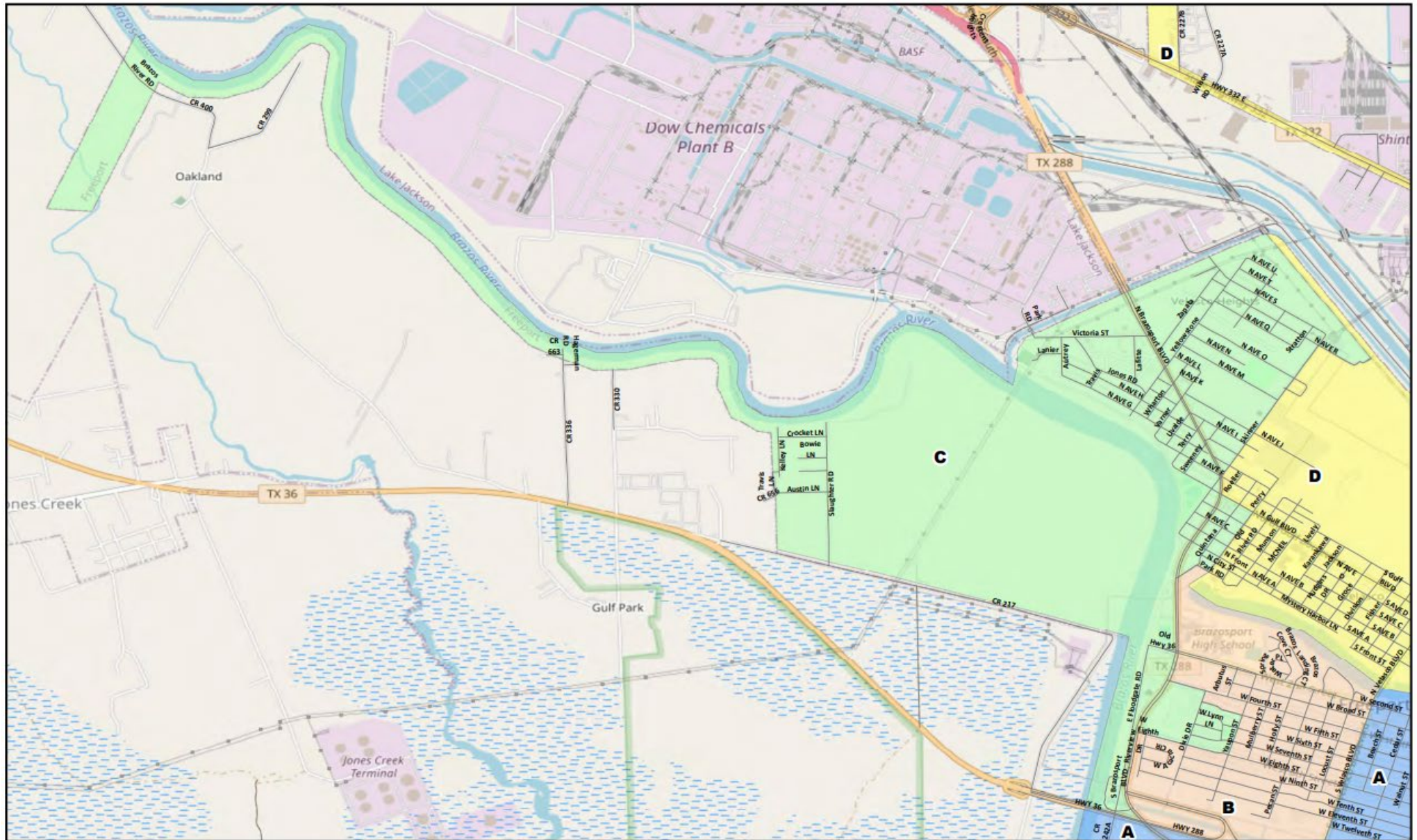
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**Ward B**

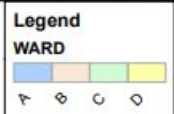
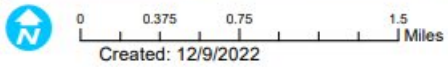
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**Ward C**

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**Ward D**

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