

Location and Extent

The Lipan-Kickapoo WCD has an areal extent of approximately 2,262,464 acres or 3,535 square miles and is located in the center of the State of Texas. The USGS geographic center of Texas monument is located within the District and is approximately 13 miles southeast of Vancourt, Texas.

The District’s economy is based primarily on agriculture with some oil and gas production. The agricultural income is derived primarily from cotton, grain sorghum, wheat, corn, alfalfa as well as sheep, goats, and beef cattle production. Income is also obtained from cattle and sheep feedlots and dairies. Recreational hunting leases also contribute to the income of the area.

Prior to the May 5, 2001 election, the water district was located in Tom Green and Concho Counties generally southeast of San Angelo, south of the Concho river to approximately 5 miles west of Eden. It covered approximately 579,200 acres or 905 square miles (Fig. 1).

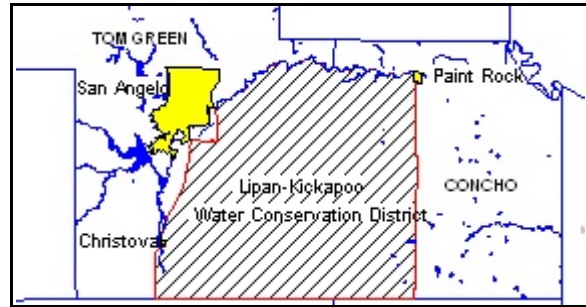


Figure 1. Location of the Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District 1987 to May 5, 2001 Special Election.

After the May 5, 2001 election, the boundaries of the water district generally include: All of Tom Green, Runnels, and Concho counties not currently within the boundaries of the Hickory Underground Water Conservation District. The cities/towns of Winters, Ballinger, Rowena, Miles, Paint Rock, San Angelo, Christoval, Grape Creek, the Red Creek Municipal Utility District, and the area northwest of San Angelo north of the Middle Concho River and south and west of US Highway 87 north to the Coke County line (Fig. 2) are excluded from the district. Most of these towns and cities within these counties were excluded because they get their water supply from surface water that belongs to the state and is regulated by the state. Therefore, there are no major municipalities within the District boundaries.

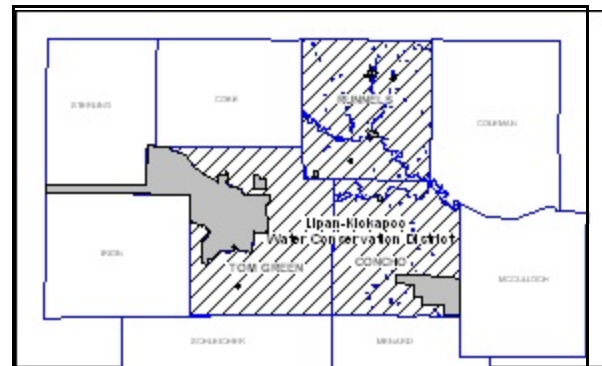


Figure 2. Location of the Lipan-Kickapoo WCD after May 5, 2001 showing excluded areas.