

DFR Wildland Team

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Dallas Fire-Rescue Wildland Team



Photo taken Piedmont Ridge Trail Overlook

The Wildland Team is responsible for the protection of the wildland urban interface surrounding the 6000 acre Great Trinity Forest, and the natural areas and preserves flanking the White Rock Escarpment that cuts through the City of Dallas



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History

- **2008** - Program established with \$200,000 Federal grant
- **2010** - Lt. Sam Friar named Coordinator
- **2010** - TFS taught first 130/90 course to 120 DFR firefighters.
- **2011** - 5 deployments around the state
- **2012** - Handcrew selected and trained
- **2014** - First Handcrew deployment



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Partnerships



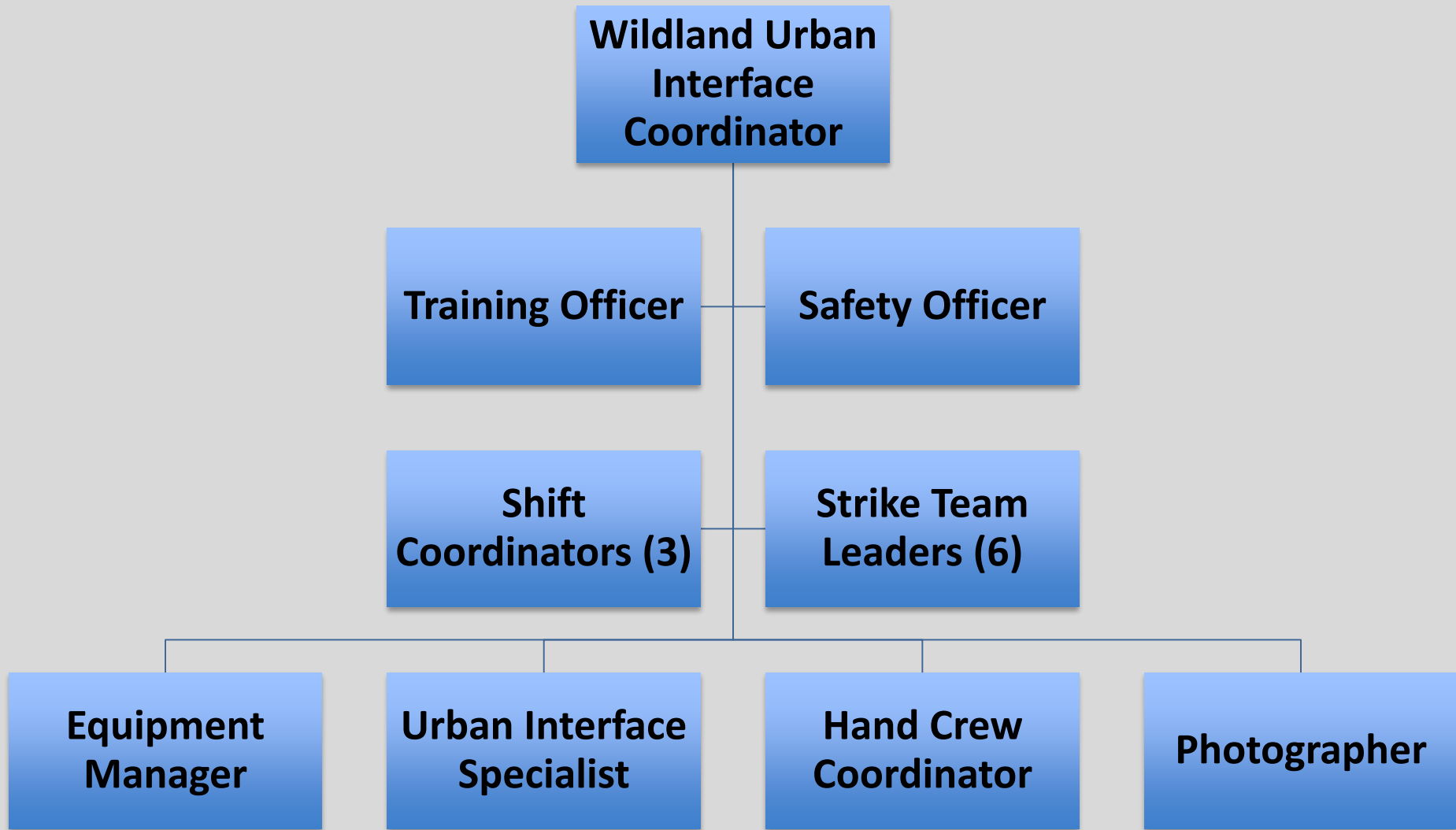
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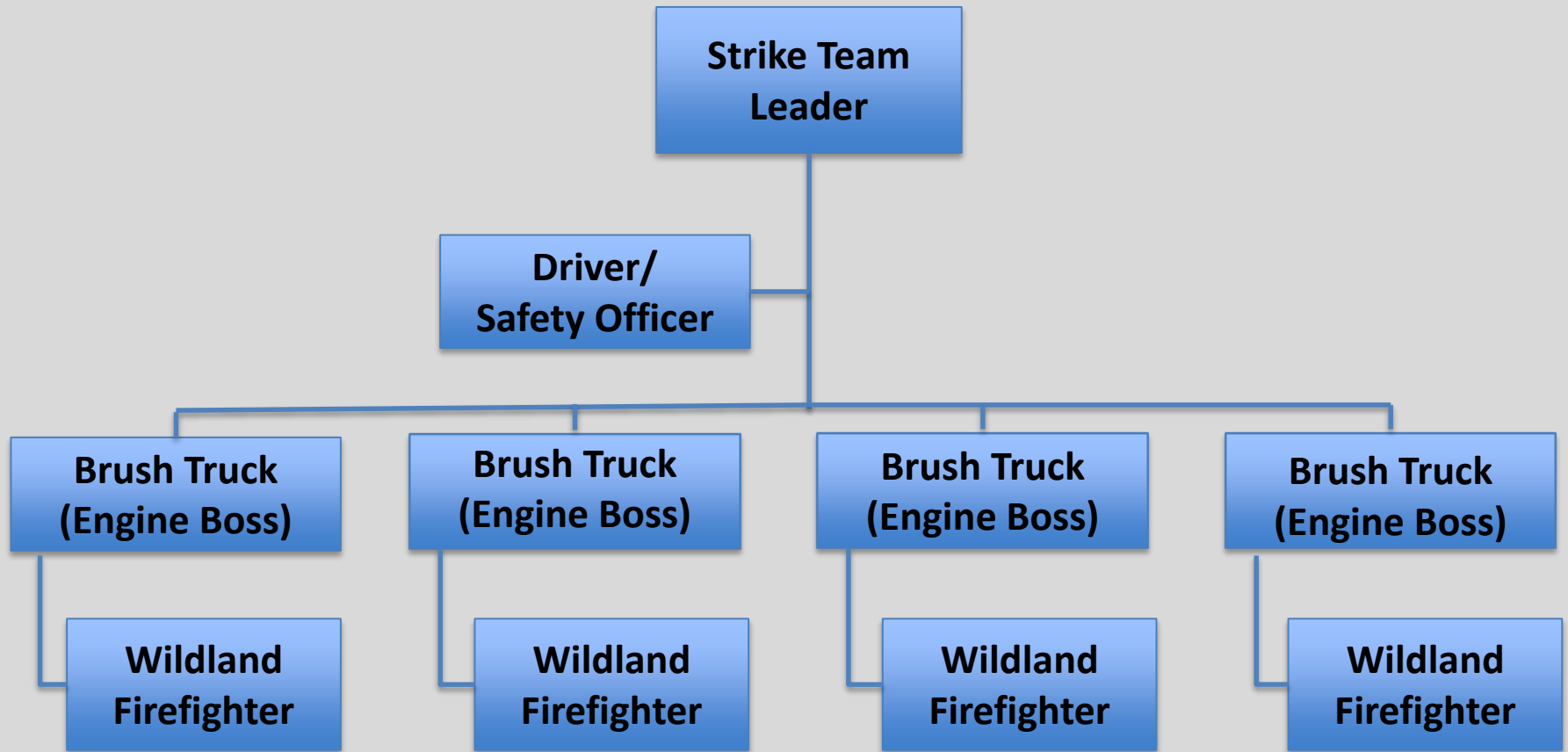
Chain of Command



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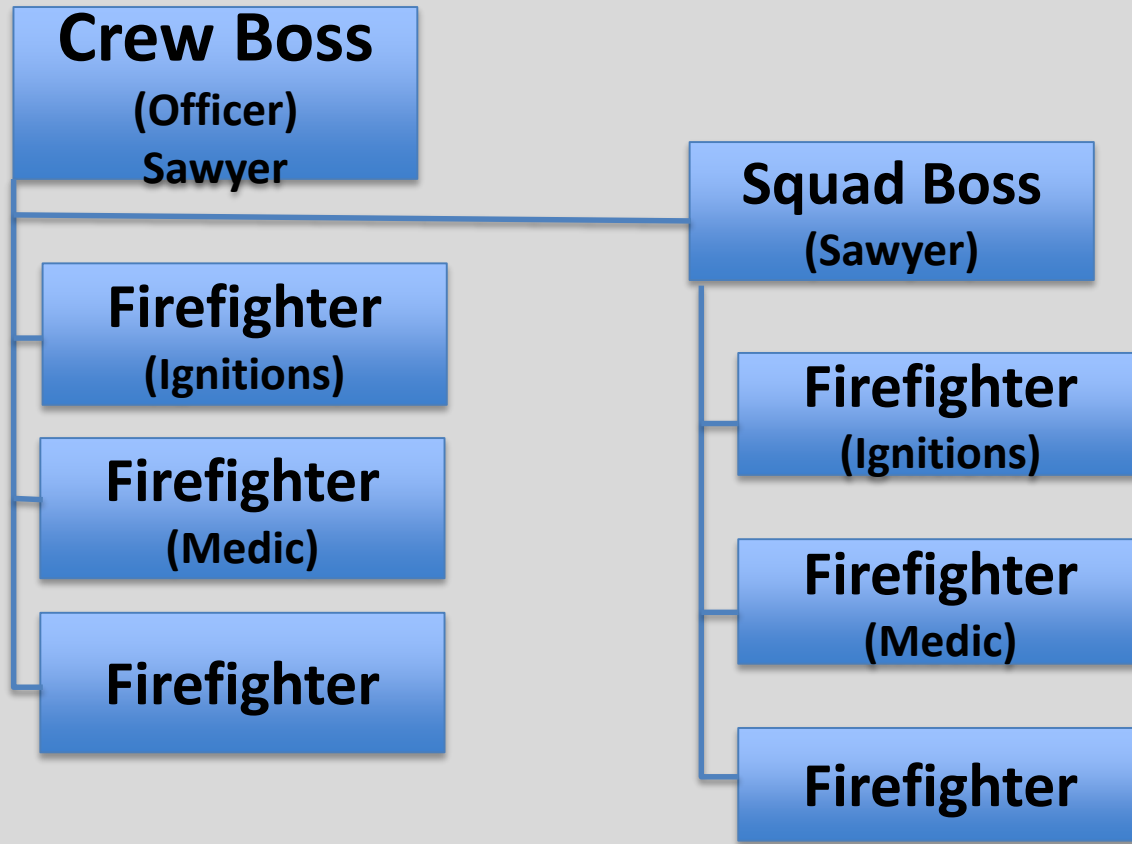
Strike Team Organization



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Handcrew (Module) Organization



Deployments

- Deaton Cole Fire (Comstock, TX) - 2011
- 101 Ranch Fire (Palo Pinto County, TX) - 2011
- Tractabel Fire (Ennis, TX) - 2011
- Bastrop Complex Fire (Bastrop, TX) - 2011
- Gethsemane Fire (East TX) - 2011
- Trophy Club Fire (DFW Area, TX) - 2014



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Deaton Cole Fire

April 29, 2011



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101 Ranch Fire August 30, 2011



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Tractabel Fire September 2011



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Bastrop Complex Fire

September 4, 2011



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Bastrop Complex Fire



Gethsemane Fire September 2011



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Trophy Club Fire March 11, 2014



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TRAINING

2014

- 4 officers are CRWB-T
- All Handcrew members initiated FFT1-ICT5 or higher taskbook.
- Handcrew participated in several multi-day overnight field training exercises with TFS and Elm Fork Module.
- 14 additional sawyers certified



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Winter/Spring 2014

- 9 members of the Handcrew traveled to Camp Bowie in Brownwood to train alongside TFS crewbosses during a ~1000 acre Rx burn.
- Members from the handcrew and strike team partnered with Elm Fork Fire Module for extensive live fire, spike out, and line construction training.



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Capabilities

- 76 personnel on the active wildland roster
- 32 cross-trained as Dallas Handcrew (Module)
- 6 Chief Officers, 24 Officers, 46 Non-Officers
- 42 team members certified as EMT-P
- Able to Mobilize within 2 hours of TIFMAS assignment
- All members listed as All-Hazards



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Apparatus

- 5 Wildland Strike Team outfitted Type 6 Engines.
- 2 Type 3 Engines (Delivery July 2014)
- 1 Crew buggy to be retrofitted soon
- 1 Strike Team Leader Suburban
- 1 Team Tahoe



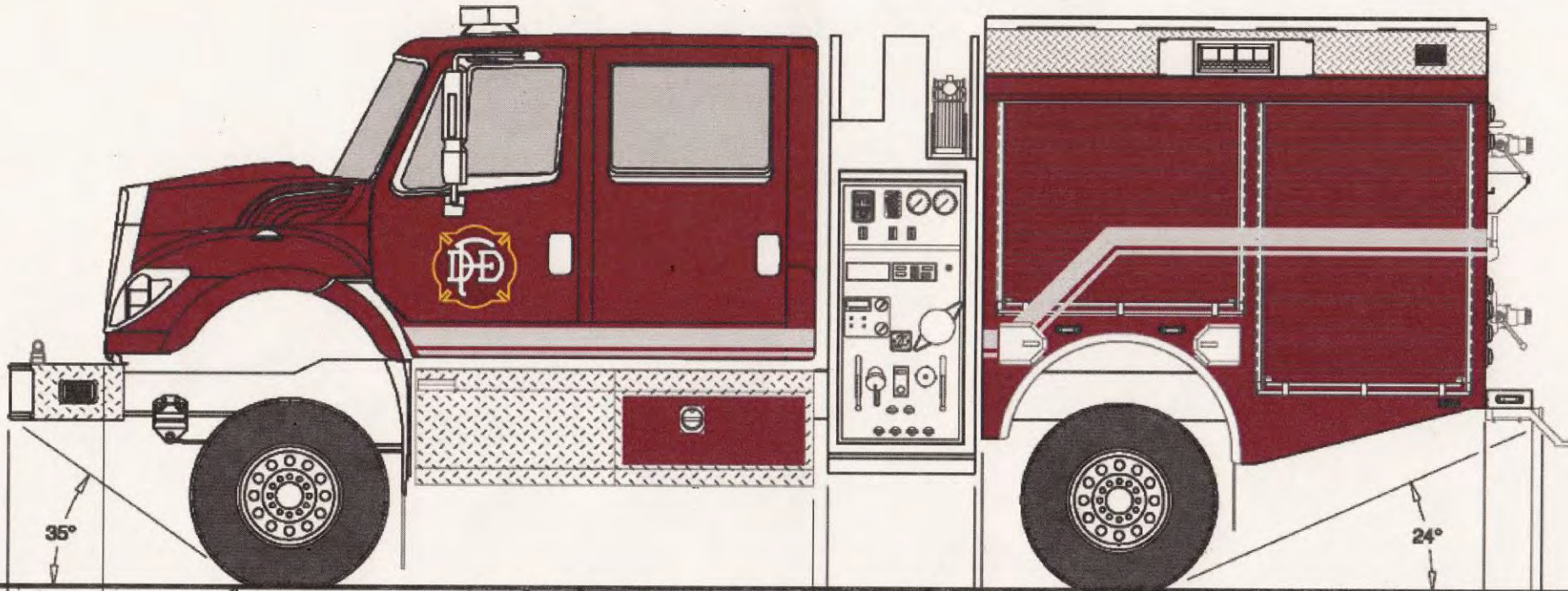
Strike Team Outfitted Type 6 Engine



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Strike Team Leader Vehicle



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Future Crew Buggy



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Community Wildfire Protection Plan

- CWPP Coordinator – Lt Armando Garza
- Plan encompasses the City of Dallas.
- Great Trinity Forest
 - Stretches 11 miles from Corinth St to South of IH20
 - 6,000 Acres of bottomland hardwoods



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CWPP Participants

- **Public Organizations**
 - **City Govt.**
 - Code Enforcement
 - Fire Dept.
 - EMS
 - Police
 - Parks and Rec Dept.
 - Planning
 - Economic Development Office
 - OEM
 - **Texas Forest Service**
- **Private Organizations**
 - Trinity River Audubon Org
 - Land Developers
 - Private Business
- **Non-Government Organizations (NGOs)**
- **Citizens**



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Lock and Dam #1 along the Trinity River and the establishing of Trinity City in 1916.



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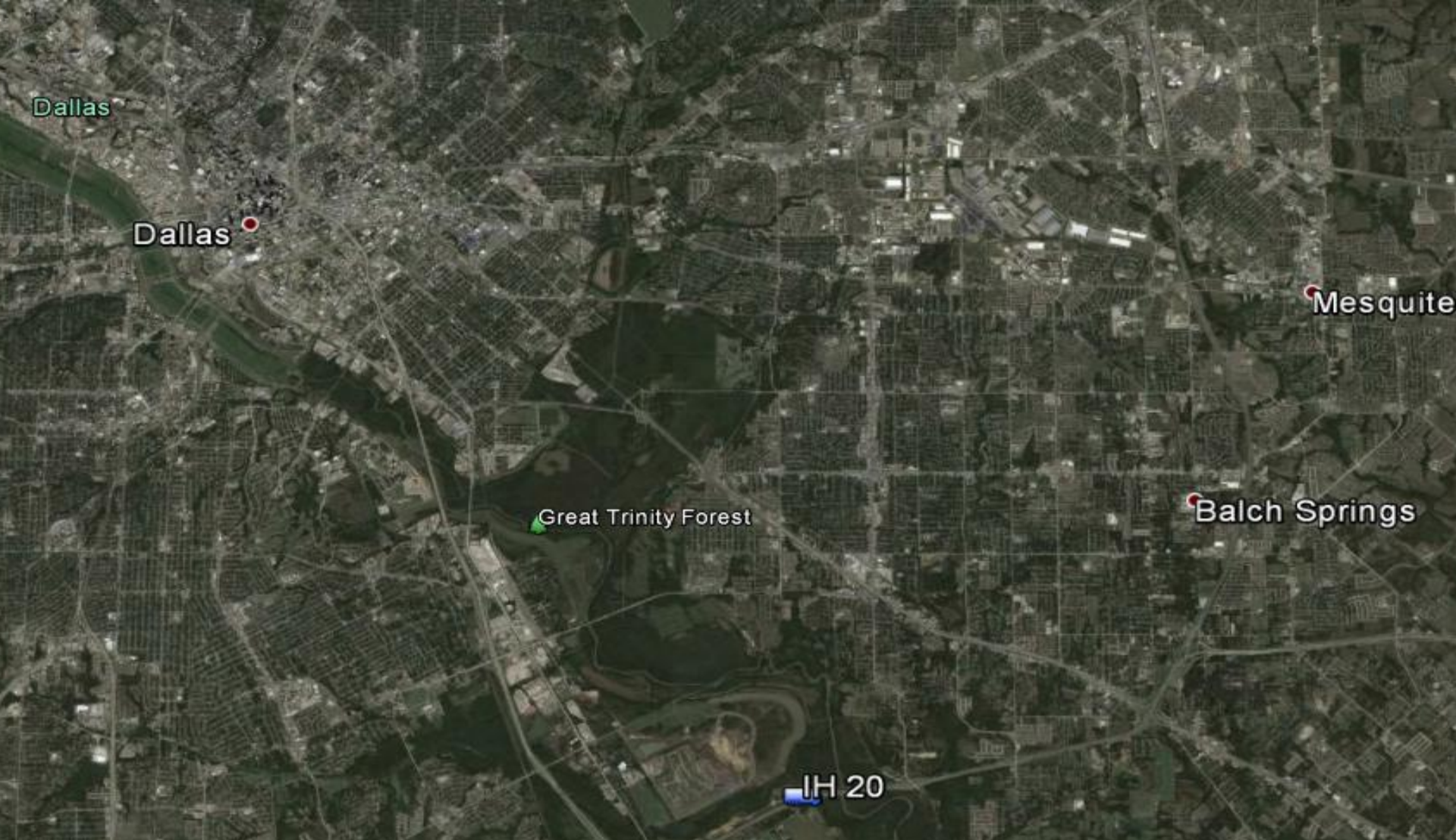


The Lock Keeper's house today still occupied along with many other dwellings in or bordering the Trinity Forest.



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The Great Trinity Forest and River cuts through a dense urban core of 1.2 million residents as it flows towards the Gulf of Mexico.



Cedar Ridge Preserve in Southwest Dallas surrounded on 3 sides by single family homes



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