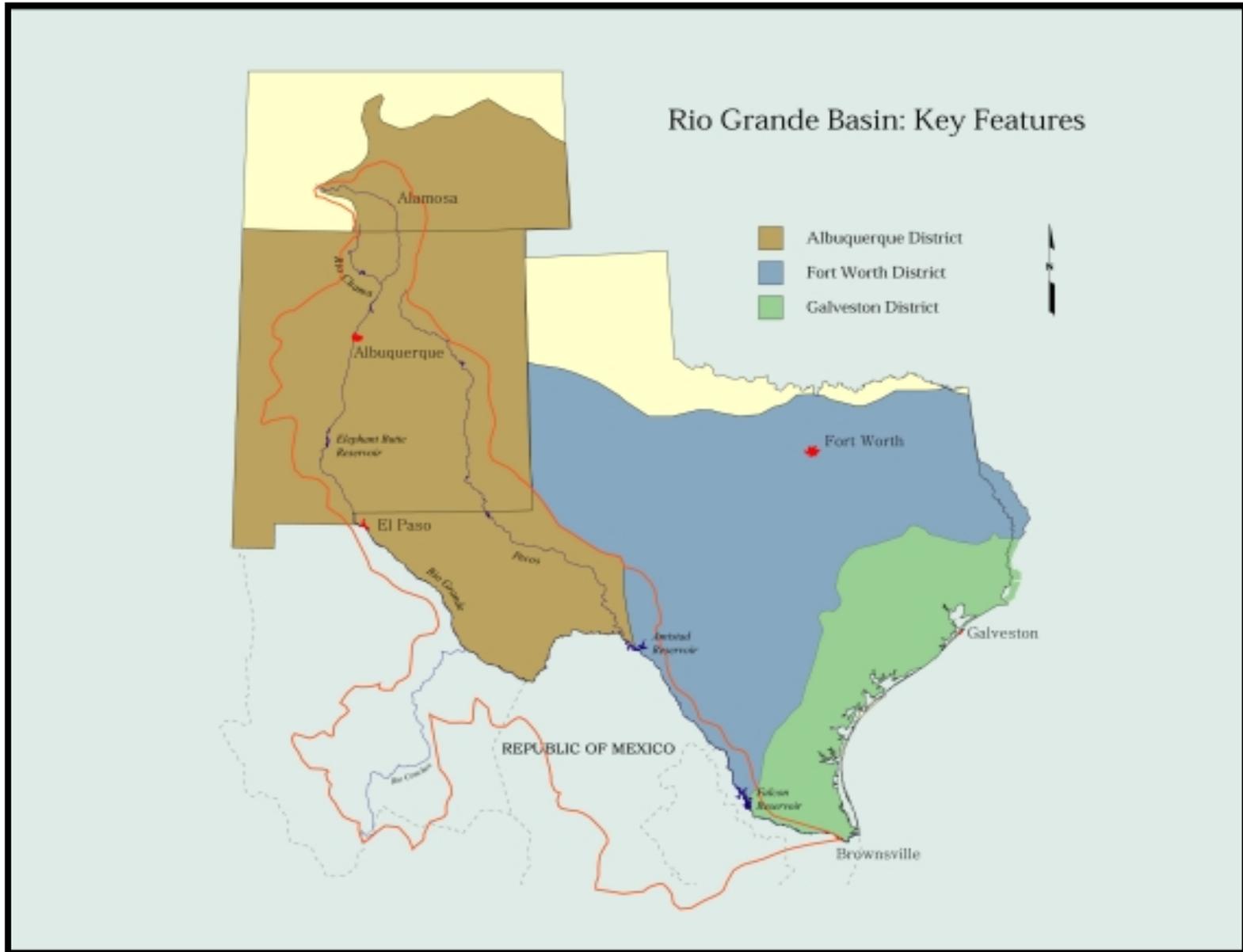




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# Overview

The Corps of Engineers  
and the  
Rio Grande Basin







# Flood Damage Reduction



Abiquiu Dam



# Ecosystem Restoration



Laredo 206 Study



# Acequias Irrigation



**Acequia de Garambullo**  
**(Diversion Dam)**



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# Overview

The Corps of Engineers'  
Listening Sessions



# Listening Sessions

- 14 Regional Listening Sessions
- Purpose of Listening Sessions:
  - To Discuss Pressing Water Resources Needs, Problems, and Opportunities
  - To Discuss the Federal Role in Addressing Those Concerns



## *Locations of the Listening Sessions*



- *Regional Listening Sessions*
- ▲ *National Level Meetings*



# Listening Sessions

## •Participants Included 1300 Stakeholders From:

- Federal
- State Agencies
- Local Agencies
- Tribes
- Environmental Organizations
- Port Authorities
- Private Companies
- Journalists
- Homeowners
- Navigators
- Legal Professions



# Listening Sessions

## Identified 10 Challenge Areas

1. Marine Transportation System
2. Restoring & Protecting the Environment
3. Managing Watersheds Holistically
4. Floodplain & Coastal Zone Management
5. Responding to Natural Disasters
6. Community Water Infrastructure
7. Regulating Dredge and Fill Activities
8. Recreation
9. Project Processes
10. Institutional Changes



# Potential Federal Programs

- Study Authorities:
  - Section 729 – Comprehensive Watershed Studies
- Project Authorities:
  - Flood Damage Prevention
  - Environmental Restoration
  - Water Supply
- Continuing Authorities Projects:
  - Section 14 : Emergency Streambank Protection
  - Section 205 : Flood Control
  - Section 206 : Environmental Restoration & Protection
  - Section 208 : In-Stream Clearing and Snagging
  - Section 1135 : Environmental Restoration (Existing Corps Projects)



# Listening Session

- Previous Conferences on the Rio Grande
  - May 2001: “Water Summit – 2001”
  - June 2001: “State of the Knowledge”  
Conference
- Purpose of the Rio Grande Roundtable
  - Review Needs & Opportunities
  - Define the Constraints
  - Discuss the Potential Federal Role