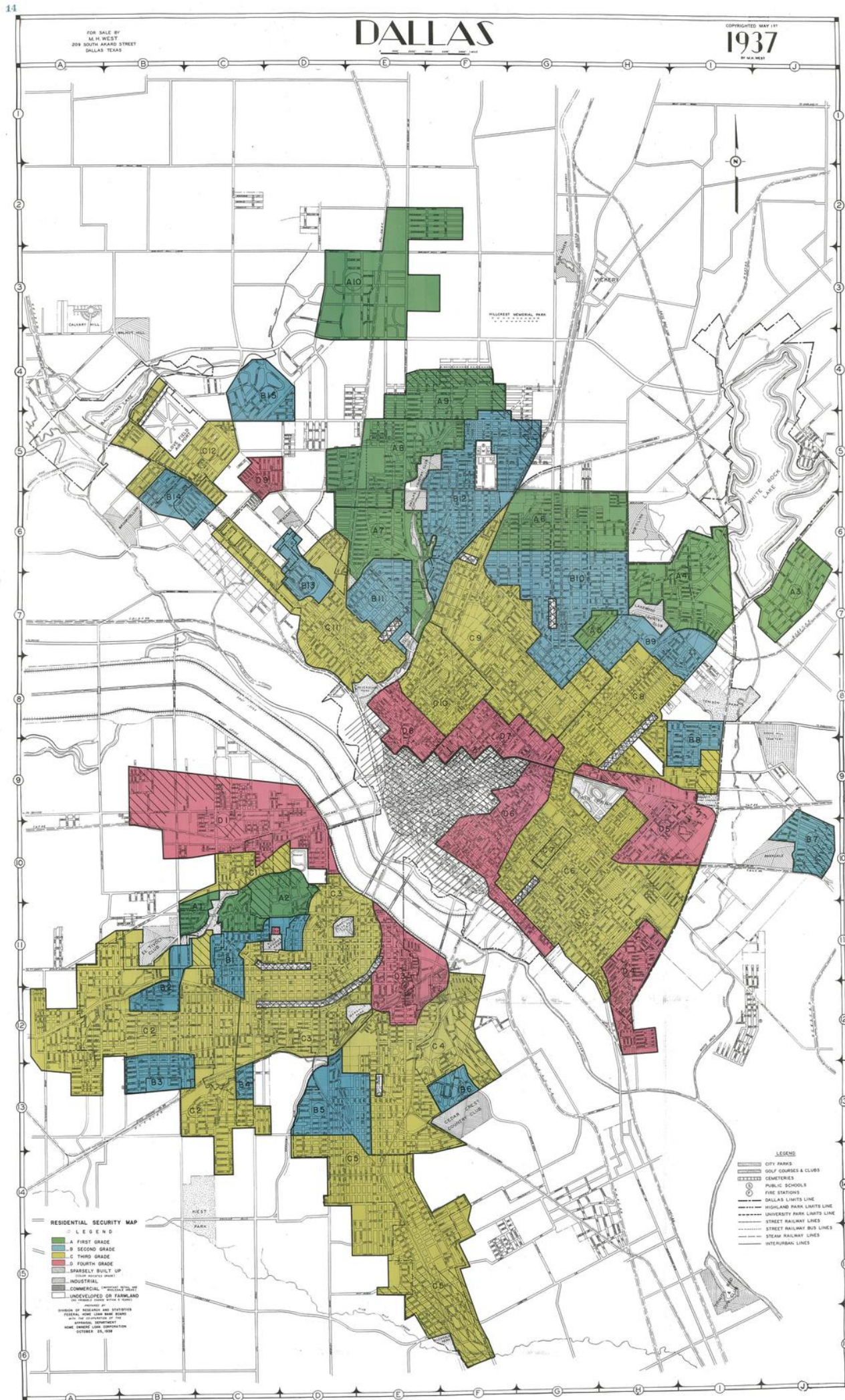




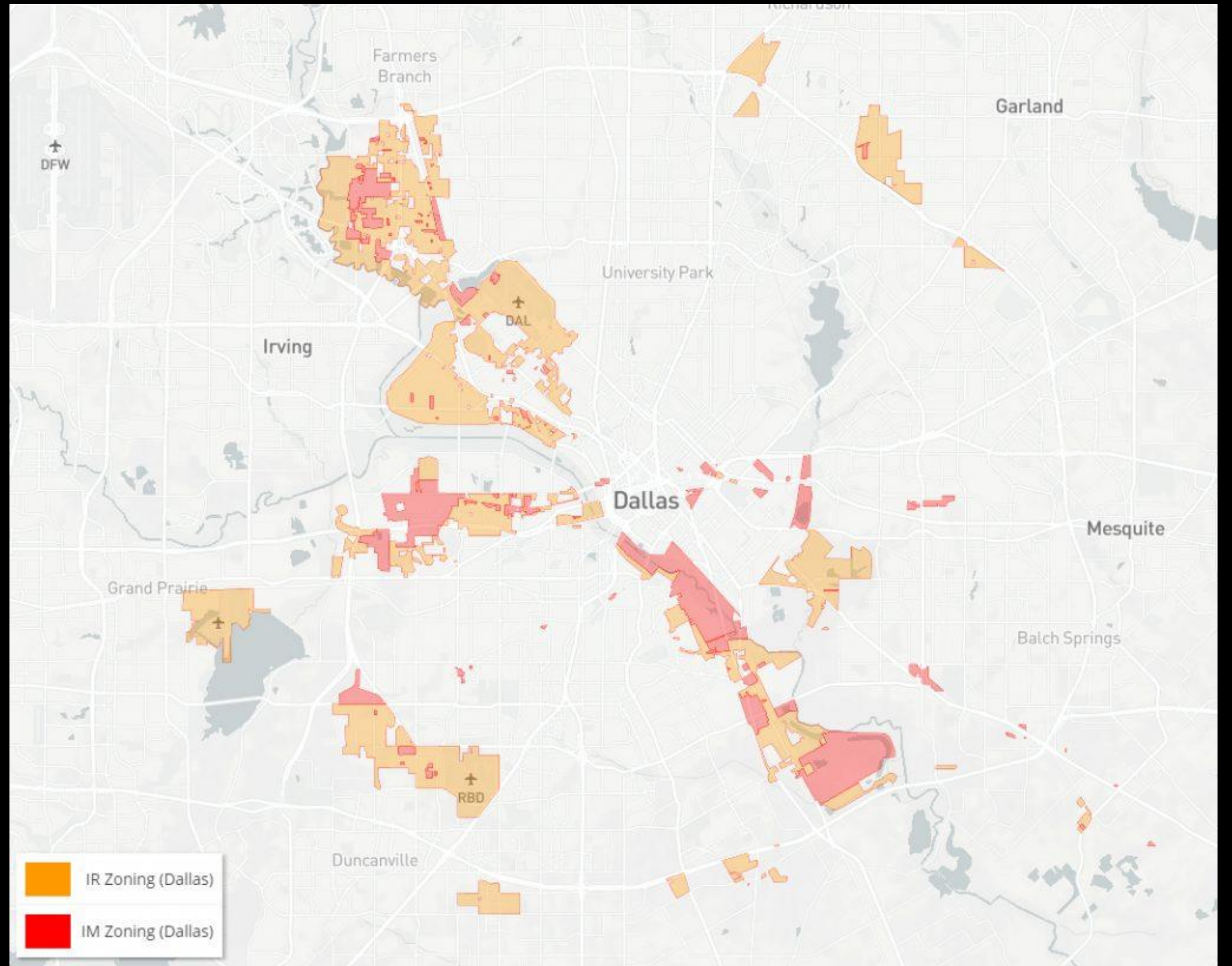
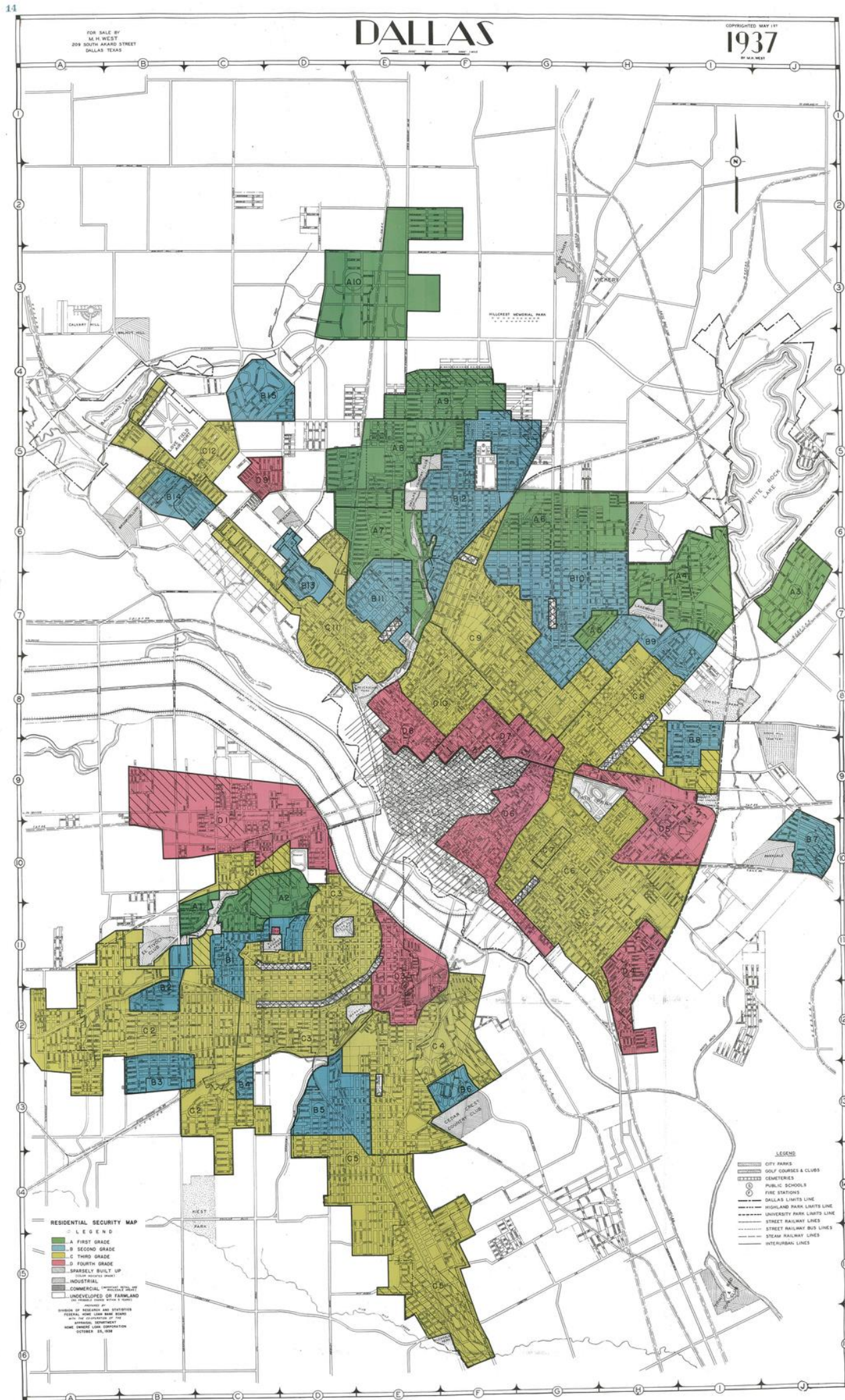
Environmental Racism in Dallas

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The story of Dallas is the story of environmental racism.

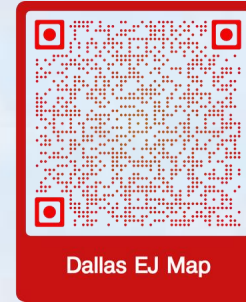




Dallas Environmental Injustice Archive

Dallas County's landscape of unmarked or untold environmental justice fights past and present.

A Downwinders at Risk, Clinton Global Initiative U, SMU MASD & Paul Quinn College URI Initiative
January 31, 2023

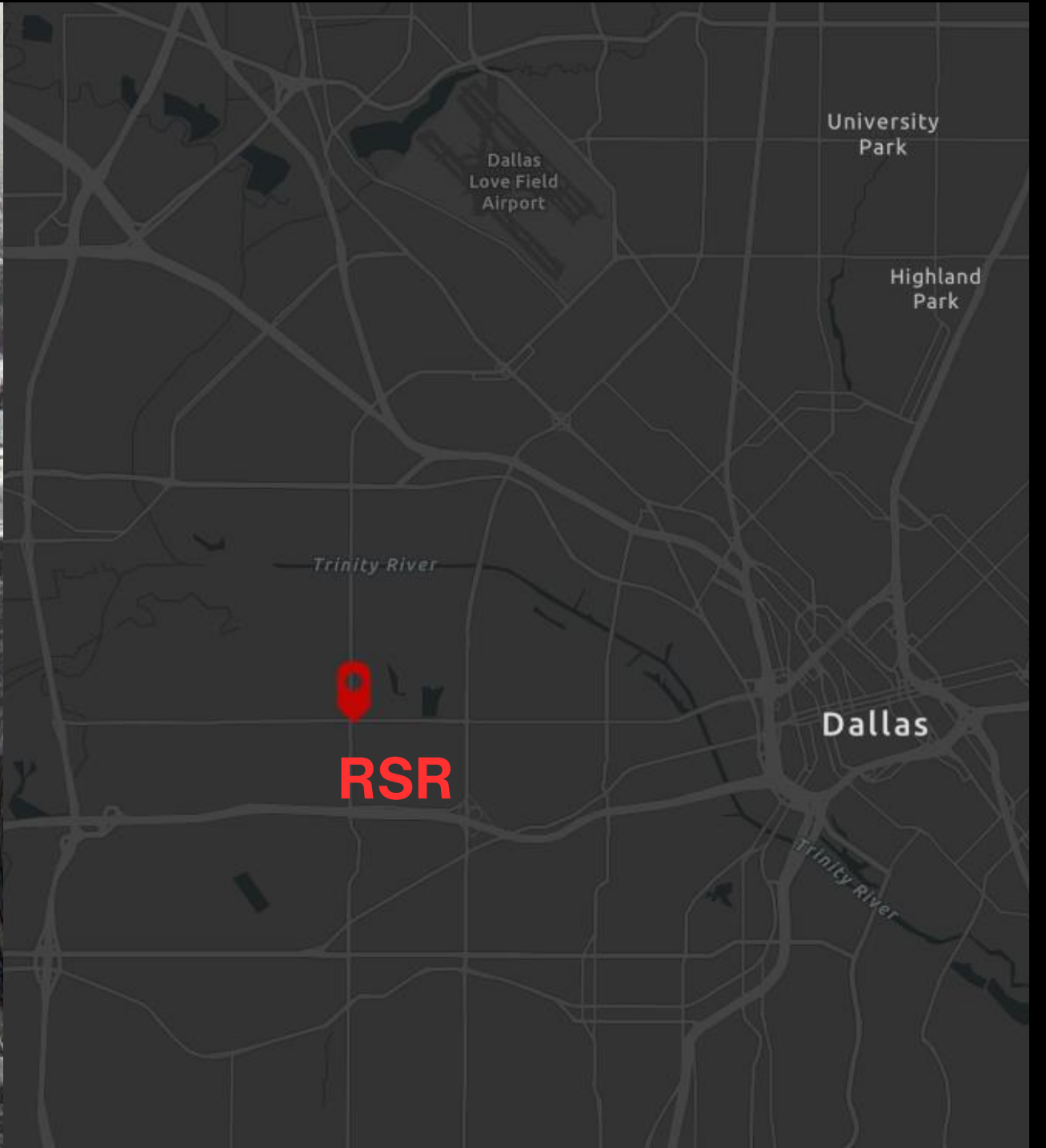




Cement City

(1925)

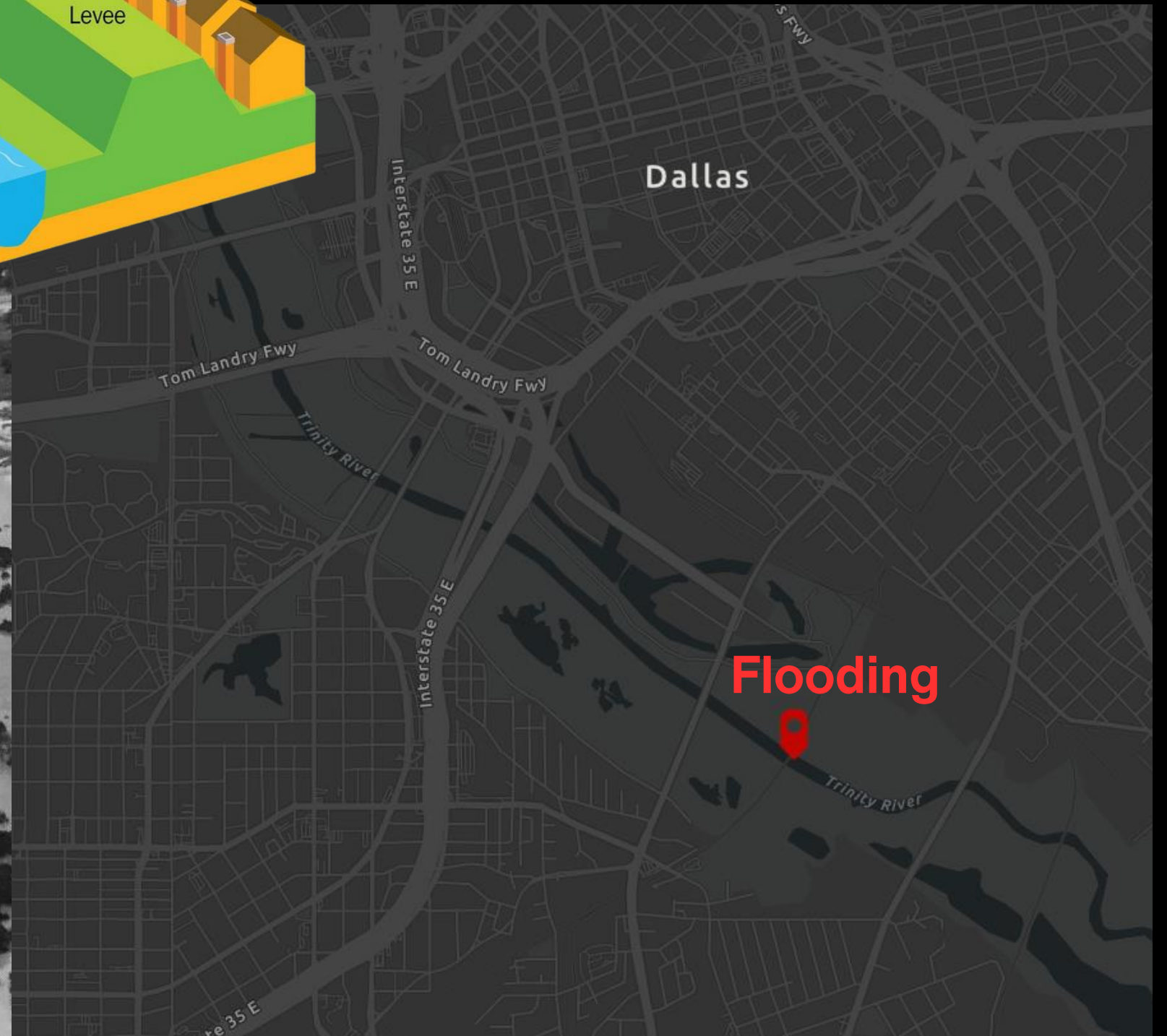
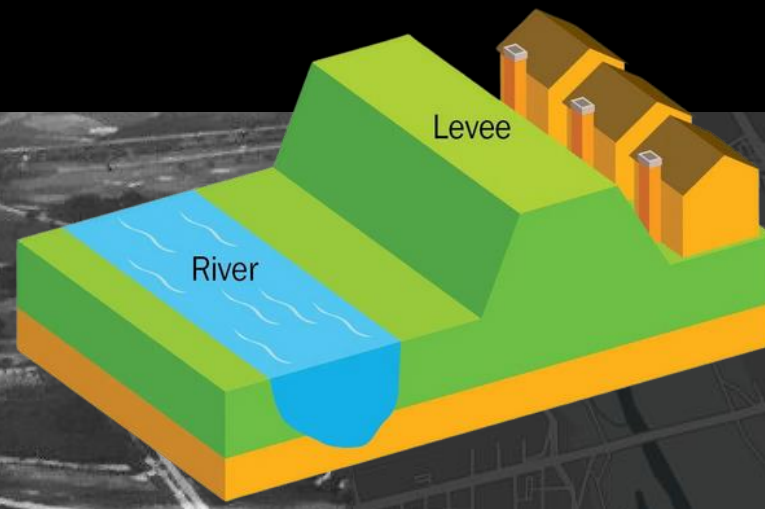
- Small town in West Dallas created to support workers in the cement plants in the area
- Largely Mexican-American workforce
- Company towns: **Cemento Chico** and **Cemento Grande**



RSR Lead Smelter

(1934)

- Operated in West Dallas for over 50 years, processing spent car batteries and scrap lead
- Waste and byproducts sent to nearby landfills
- With organizing from West Dallas Coalition for EJ, designated EPA superfund site in 1995



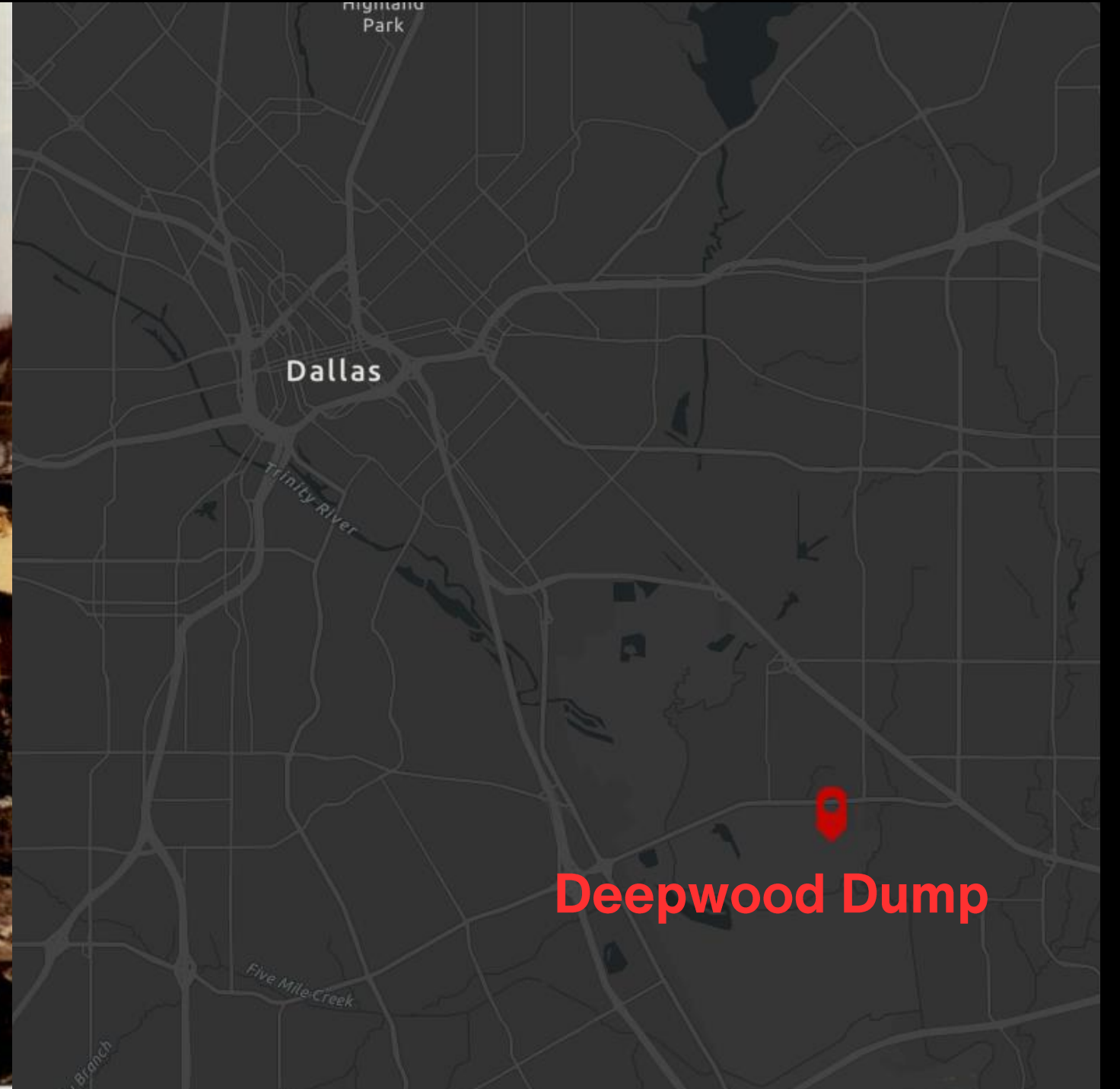
Flooding in S. Dallas (1935)

- Levee protection ended exactly at the railroad trestle — the Forest Avenue bridge is mostly underwater
- The river above the trestle: a beautiful feat of engineering; below: water, water everywhere



Dixie Metals Lead Smelter (1954)

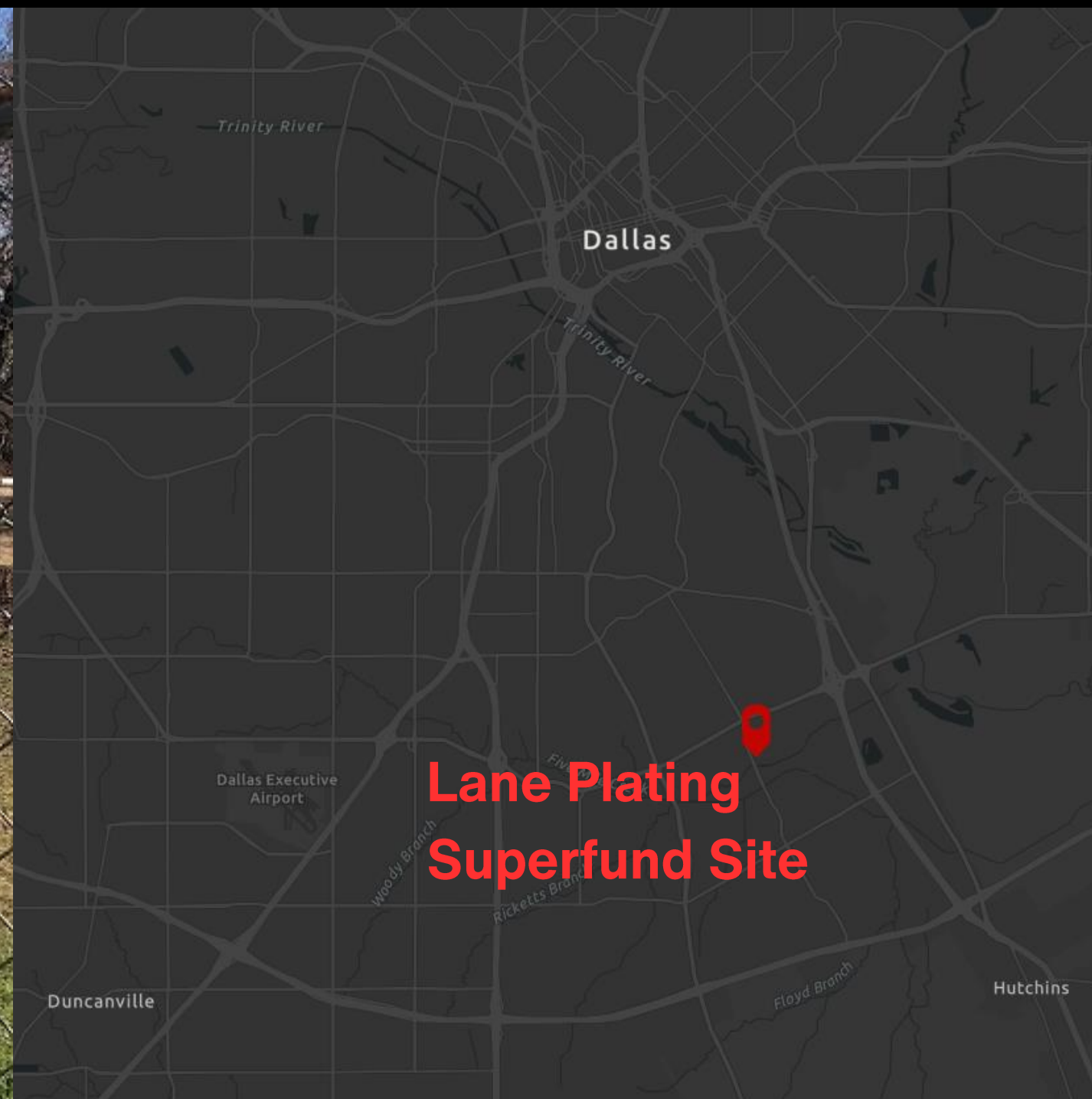
- Operated in Cadillac Heights until the 1990s
- Slag and casing debris from the batteries dumped in landfills nearby, mixed with soil for ground cover use, and used as pavement for driveways.



Deepwood Dump

(1980s-90s)

- Illegal dump in Shady Grove that resulted from V.V. Construction Co. mining sand/gravel and filling the pits with solid waste; 82 acre lot with over 2 million cy trash
- Now is the Trinity River Audubon Center



Lane Plating Works

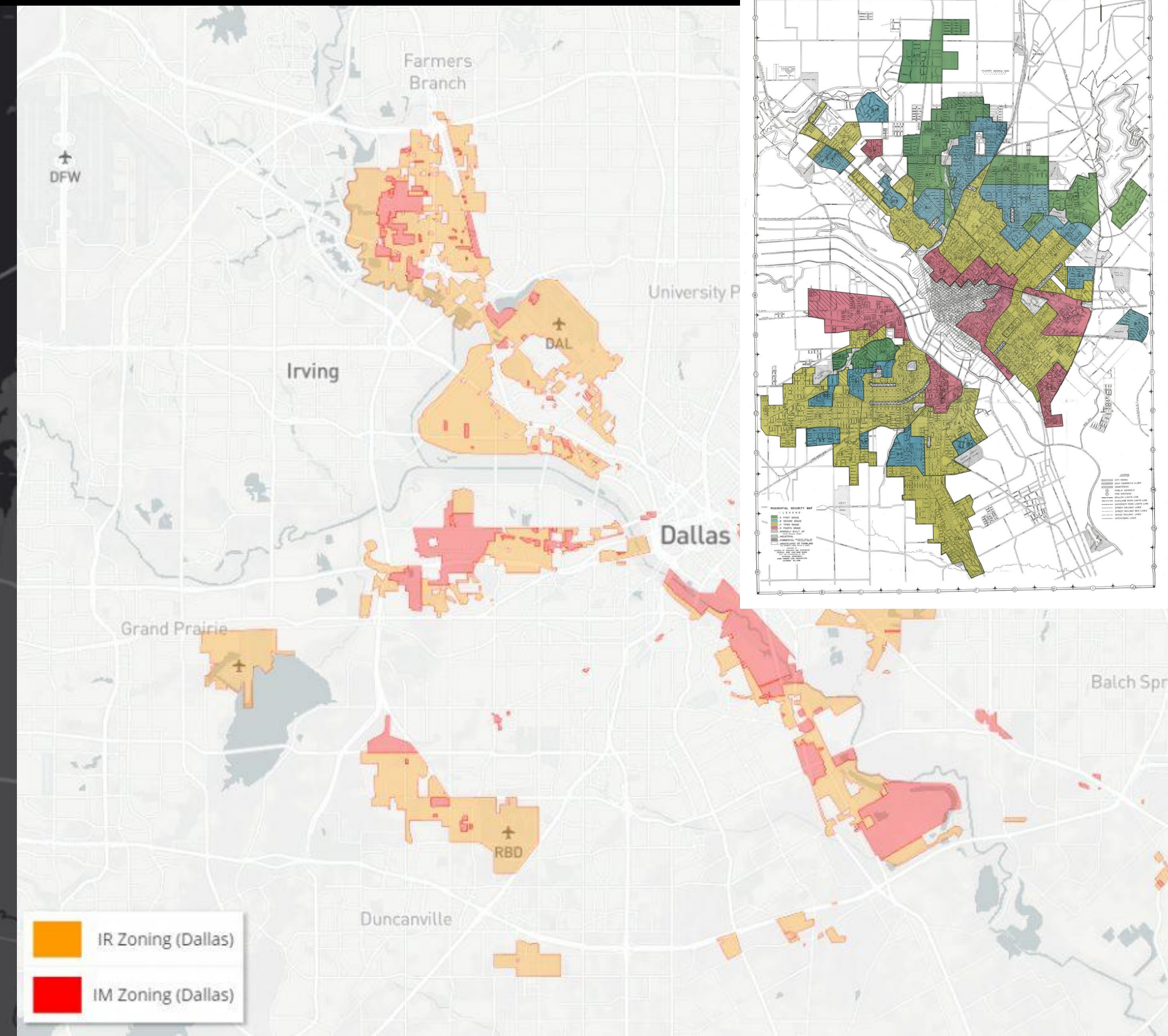
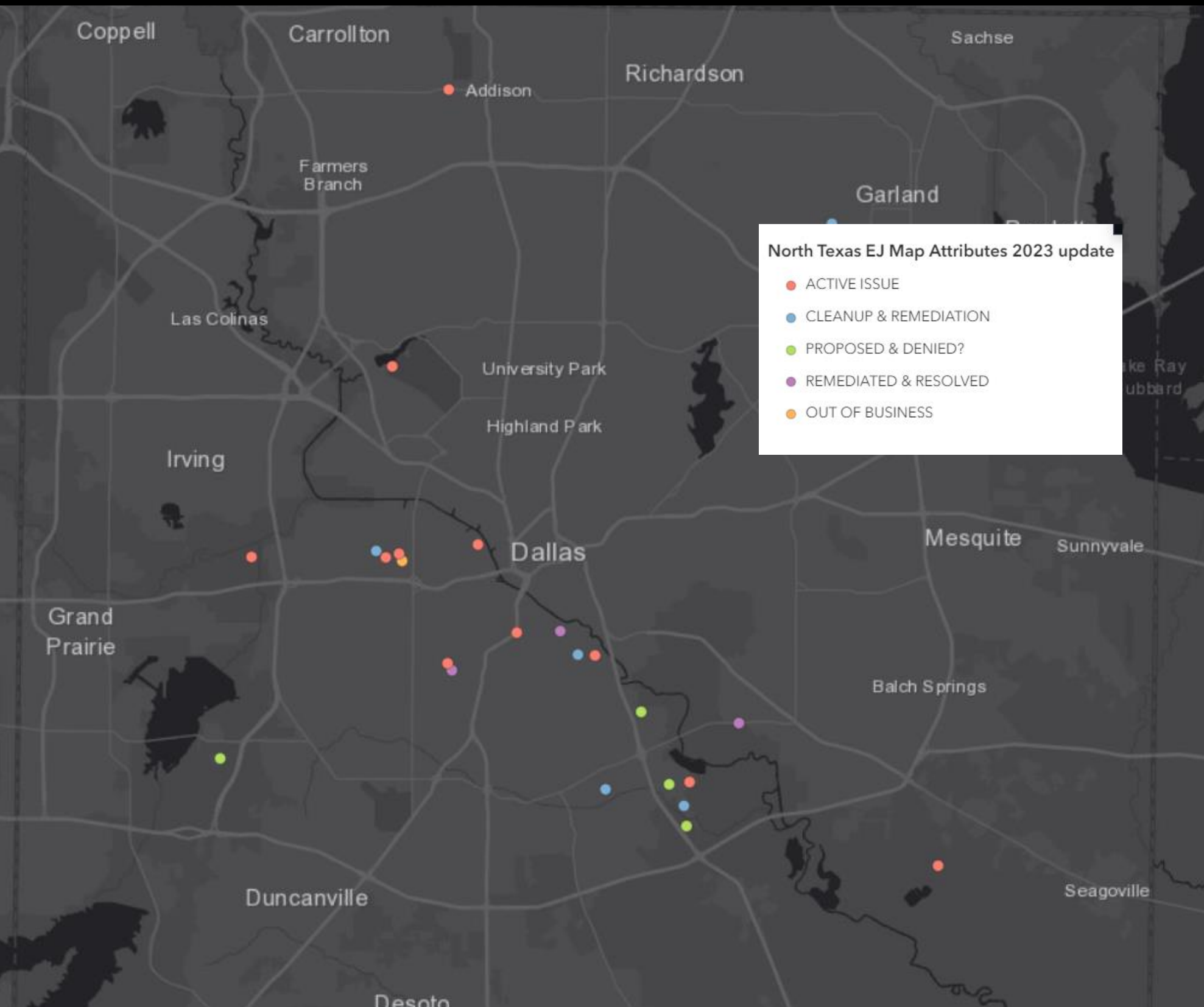
(1920s - 2018)

- Operated over 90 years in Highland Hills, electroplating chromium and cadmium
- Contaminated on-site soils and shallow groundwater
- Designated as a Federal Superfund Site in 2018
- Lane Plating Citizens Advisory Group

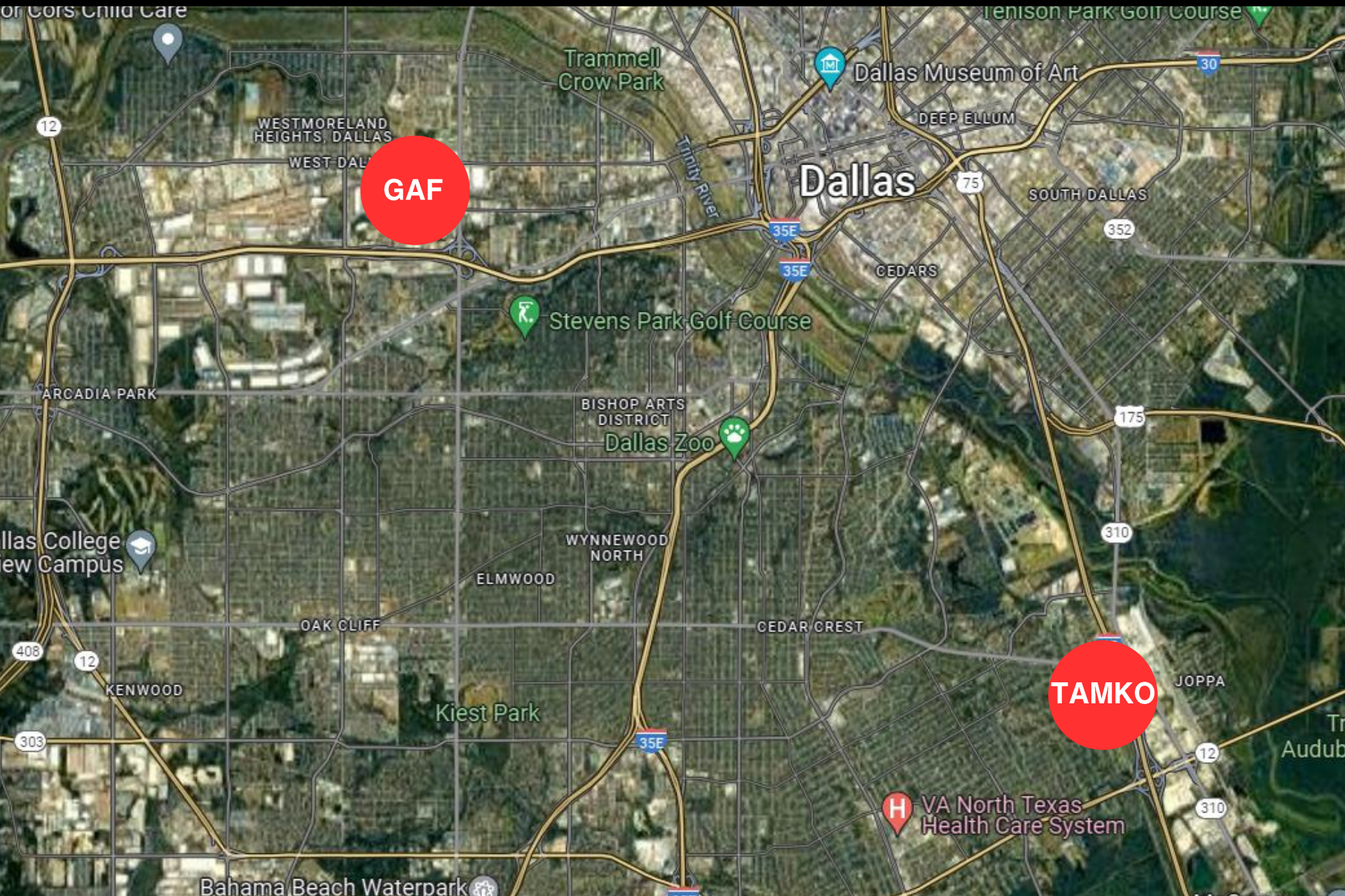


Shingle Mountain (2018)

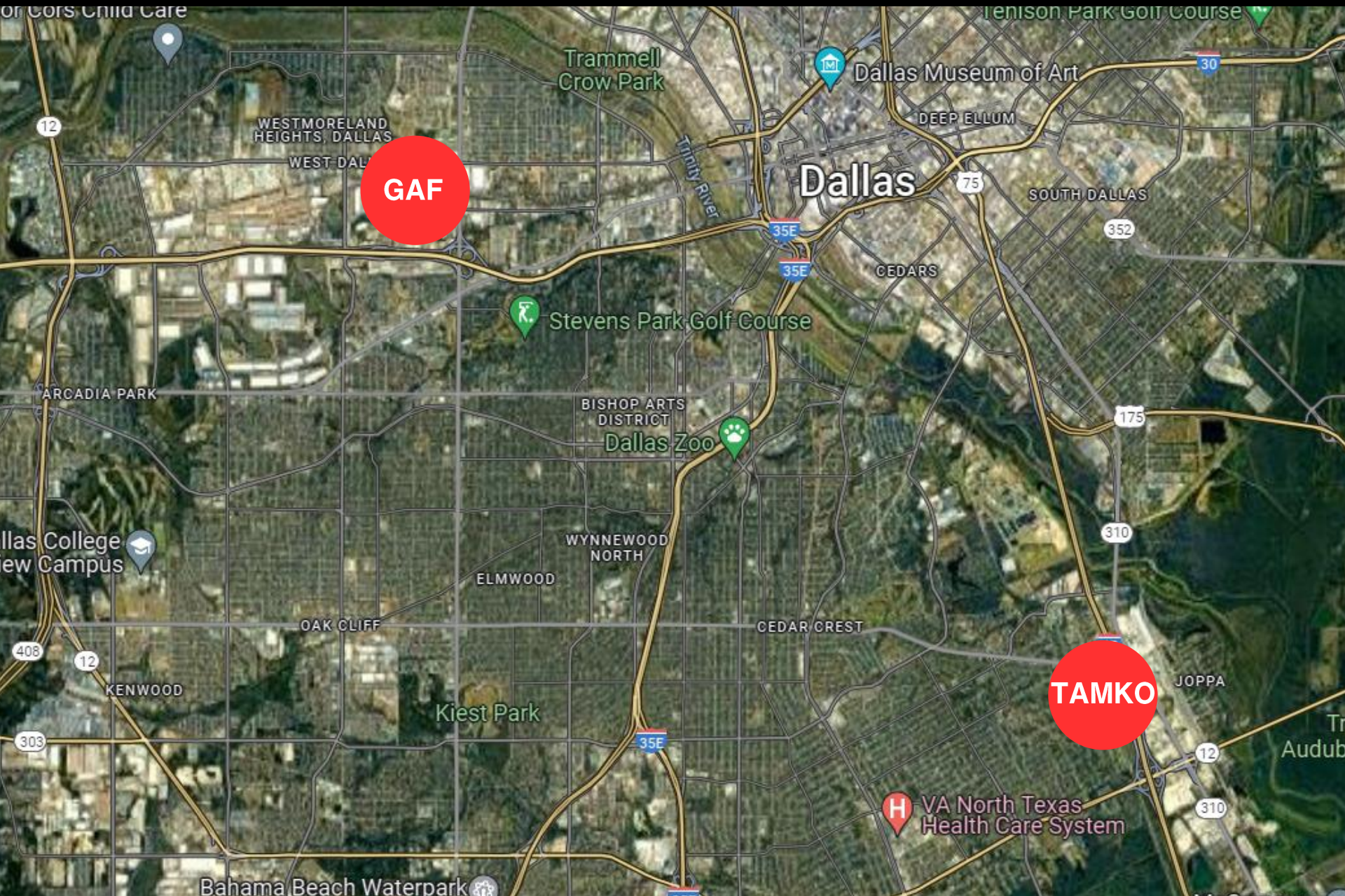
- Illegal landfill in Floral Farms resulting from Blue Star Recycling dumping 70,000 tons of roofing shingles
- Shingles removed in late 2020; 40,000 cy of contaminated soil removed in 2023
- Southern Sector Rising



Dallas EJ Archive Map



Asphalt Shingle Factories (1940s-now)



Asphalt Shingle Factories (1940s-now)

GAF + TAMKO emit:

- **63% of Dallas' industrial sulfur dioxide**
- **21% of Dallas' industrial PM2.5**
- **10% of Dallas' industrial hydrocarbons**

Joppa and the Singleton
Corridor represent only
0.15% of Dallas residents,
almost all of whom are **Black
and Brown.**

YET

Over **10%** of Dallas'
industrial pollution is
dumped in these two
neighborhoods.

'Doors keep getting shut': Proposed Dallas ordinance could hinder GAF shingle factory shutdown plans

KERA | By Nathan Collins
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Dallas may eliminate residents' right to petition to shut down harmful businesses

Some say the city attorney's plan to strip residents' ability to file amortization petitions goes too far.



**Cisneros vs Dallas: Resident sues
city for blocking possible last path
to GAF shingle plant closure**

**And today we find ourselves
in community, organizing.**

Thank you Questions?

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