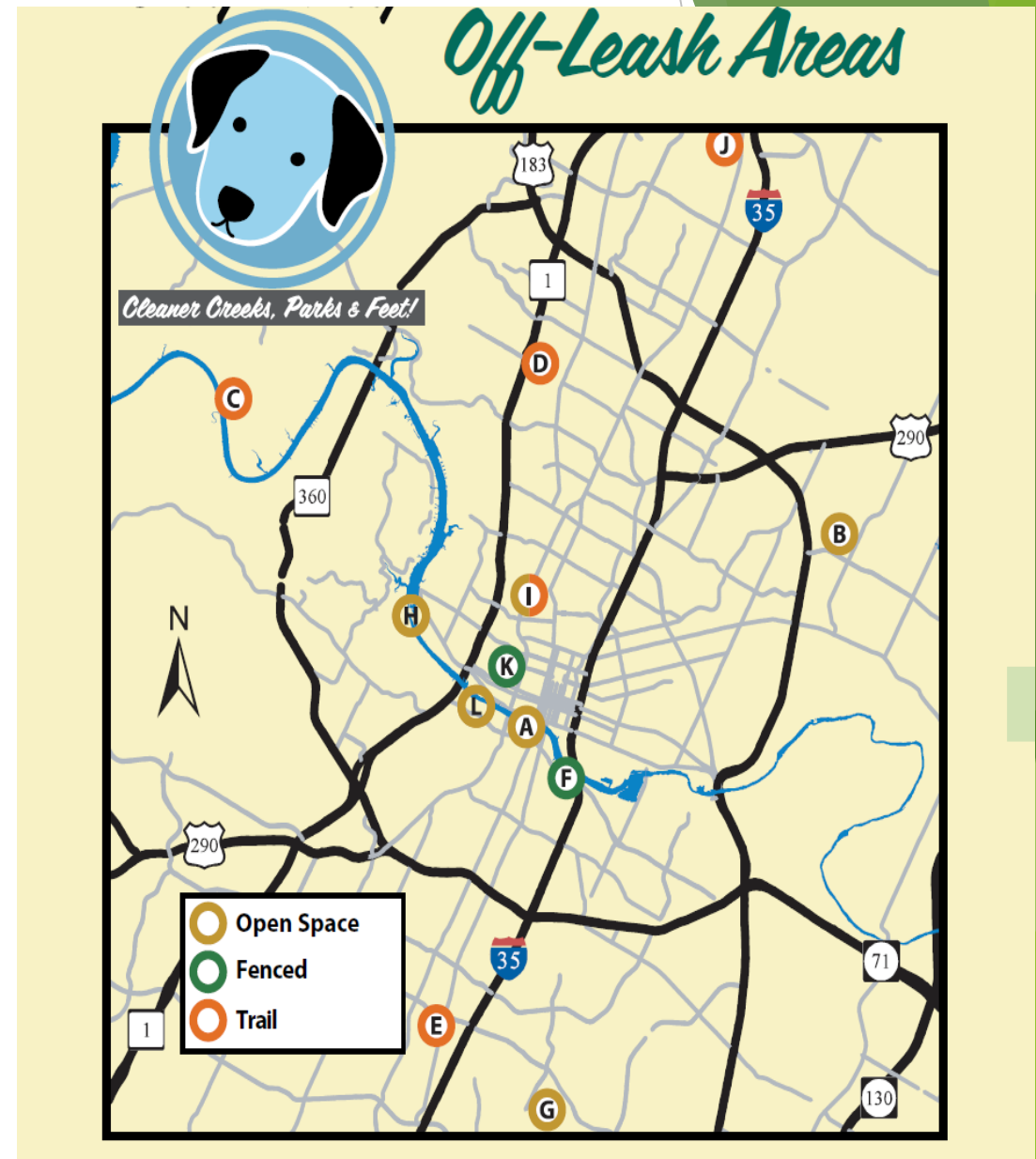


# Approaches to Managing Off Leash Dogs on Parkland

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February 25, 2020



<b>A</b>	West Auditorium Shores	800 W. Riverside Dr. 78704
<b>B</b>	Davis White Northeast District Park	5909 Crystalbrook Dr. 78724
<b>C</b>	Tukey Creek Trail at Emma Long Metropolitan Park	1600 City Park Rd. 78730
<b>D</b>	Far West	6916 Great Northern Blvd. 78757
<b>E</b>	Mary Moore Searight Off-Leash Trail	907 W. Slaughter Ln. 78748
<b>F</b>	Norwood Tract at Town Lake Metropolitan Park	1009 Edgecliff Terrace 78704
<b>G</b>	Onion Creek District Park	7001 Onion Creek Dr. 78744
<b>H</b>	Red Bud Isle	3401 Red Bud Trail 78703
<b>I</b>	Shoal Creek Greenbelt	2600-2799 Lamar Blvd. 78705
<b>J</b>	Walnut Creek District Park (North of the Creek)	12138 N. Lamar Blvd 78753
<b>K</b>	West Austin Park	1317 W. 10th St. 78703
<b>L</b>	Zilker Park The Great Lawn	2100 Barton Springs Rd. 78746



# Levels of Notification & Enforcement



Informational-Signage & Notification



Voluntary Compliance Through Contact with Park Rangers or Austin Police Department

Seek compliance through soft enforcement and provide information to park user  
First approach of APD and Park Rangers



Focused Programming In Concern Areas-Bark Rangers, Pop-up Events



Ticketing & Fines/Warnings



Park Ranger Joint Efforts with Animal Services Department and Austin Police Department

# Movable Large Signage Display In Problem Areas

## Year 1 (2018) 3 Signs Rotated

Barton Creek at 360 access  
Barton Creek at Spyglass  
Barton Creek at Gus Fruh  
Bull Creek Greenbelt North  
Bull Creek District Park Longview Park  
Mabel Davis

## Year 2 (2019) 3 Signs Stationary

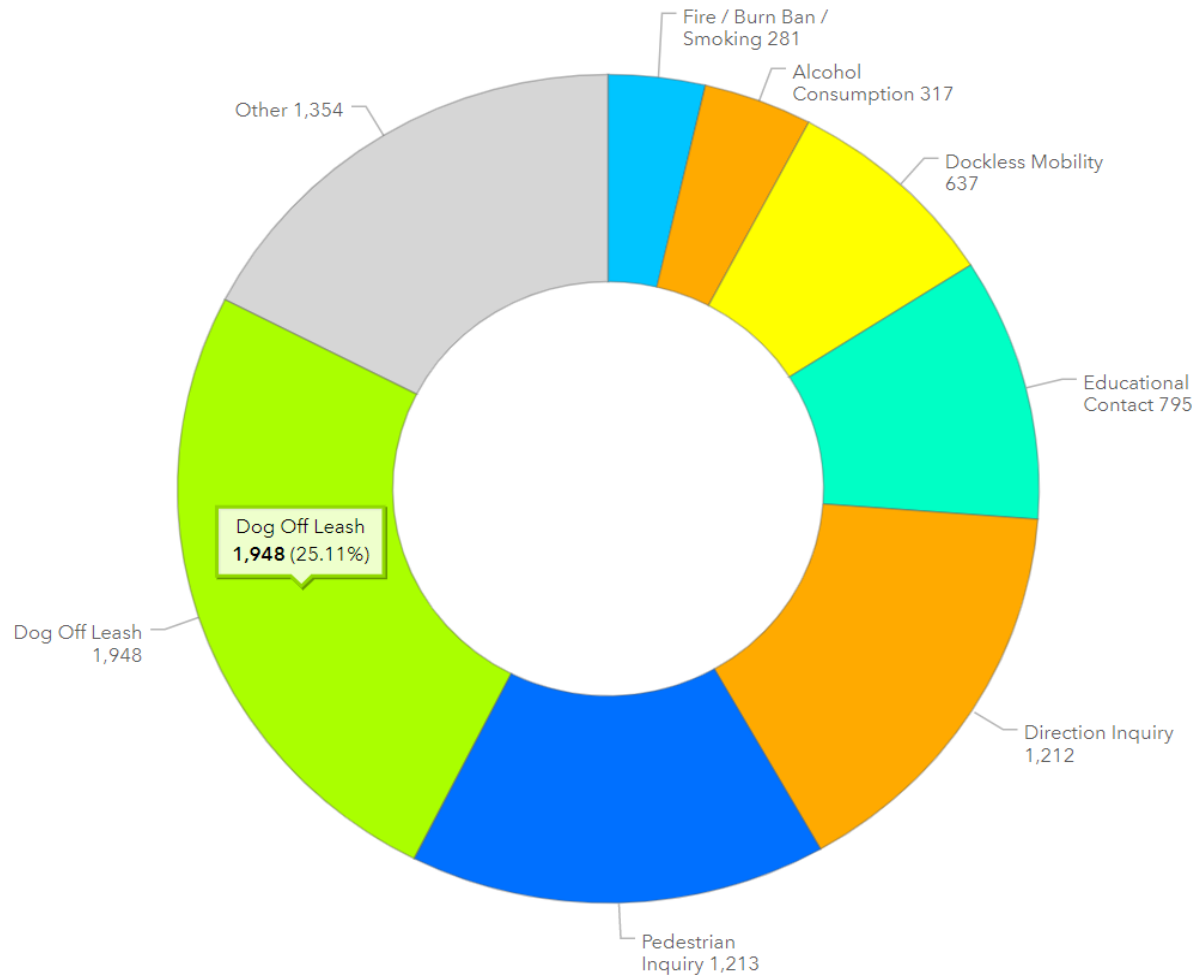
Barton Creek Greenbelt at 360 access  
Longview Park  
Bull Creek

## Year 3 (2020) Signs Rotating

Barton Creek Greenbelt  
Twin Falls  
Hill of life  
360 access  
Bull Creek  
Longview Park  
Mexican American Cultural Center  
Onion Creek  
West Austin Park



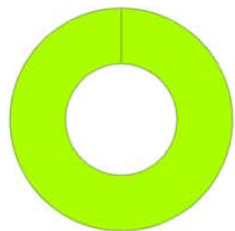
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# GIS Tracking To Identify Areas of Concern

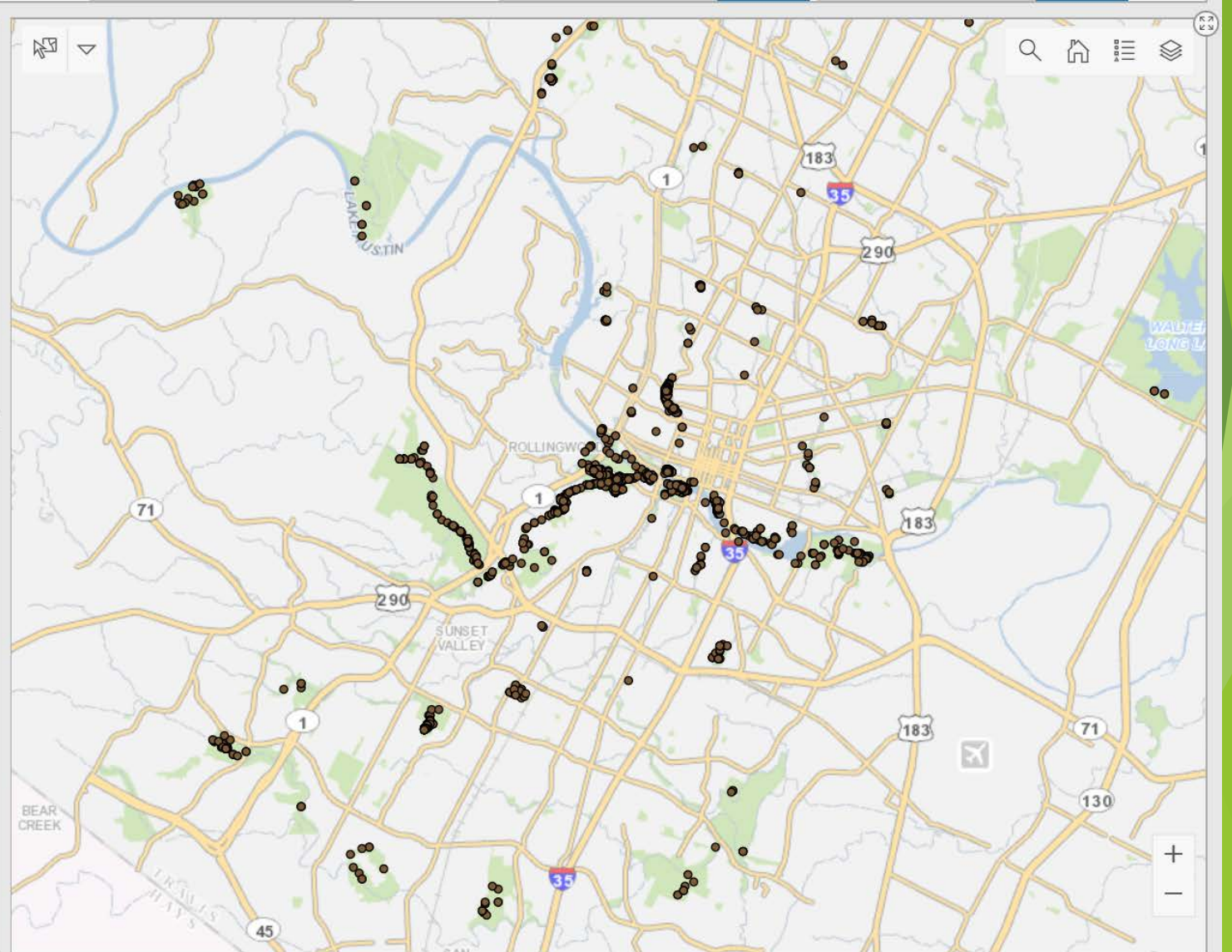
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Total Contacts

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Dog Off Leash  
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# Park Ranger Notices

- ▶ SOP Being Developed
- ▶ Implement in Concern Areas-Spring 2020
- ▶ Would only be done in a safe environment

## NOTICE

**VIOLATION NOTICE** NO. 00001

This notification is a courtesy to notify you that you are in violation of the provisions of City Code listed below.

- § 3-4-1 -UNRESTRAINED DOG PROHIBITED  
Penalty up to a \$500 Fine
- § 3-4-6 - DEFECATION BY A DOG OR CAT  
Penalty up to a \$500 Fine
- § 10-5-42 -LITTERING PROHIBITED  
Penalty up to a \$500 Fine
- \_\_\_\_\_  
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**ISSUED BY:**

RANGER NAME	RANGER #
DATE	TIME

AT OR NEAR \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street address or park)

INFO PROVIDED (Optional)



Learn more ways to **#LeaveNoTrace** and protect Austin's natural spaces at [austintexas.gov/leavenotrace](http://austintexas.gov/leavenotrace).



Remember to **Pack It In and Pack It Out!** When visiting a park, trail, or other outdoor area, bring bags and reusable containers so you can pack out all trash, pet waste, and leftover food. **#PackItOut**



Questions