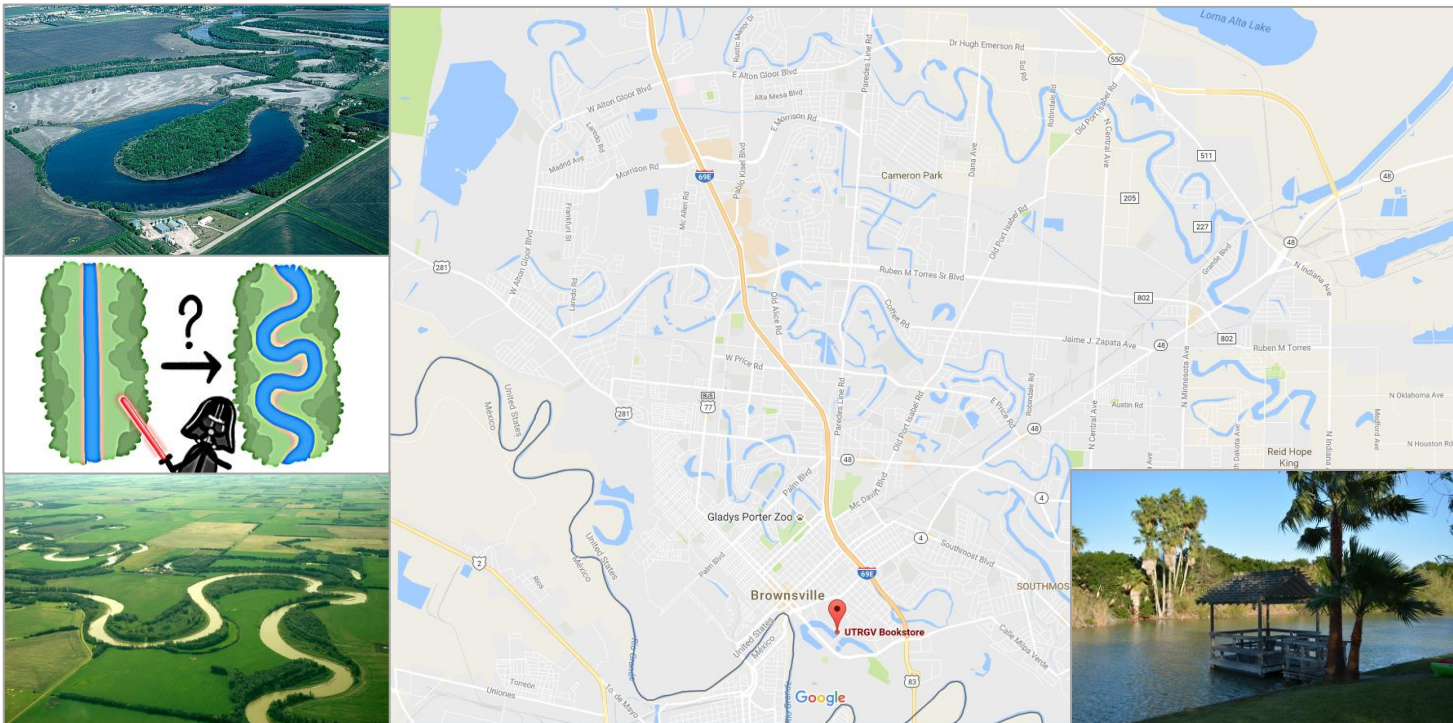


SHIP-GEO FIELD TRIP #3



NOVEMBER 12, 2016 TOUR RESACAS & WATER RESOURCES IN SOUTH TX

What are “Resacas”?

Often called “ox-bows”, the term “Resaca” is a local term used to describe a distributary or historic secondary flood channel of the Rio Grande River primarily found in Cameron County. These old, naturally occurring river channels once carried flood waters away from the river during times of higher flow or river flooding – and formed the branches of the historic Rio Grande River Delta in the process. Today, resacas are no longer directly connected to the river, but they still perform a variety of important functions including: flood protection and drainage, irrigation water storage and supply, wildlife habitat, and recreations for deep South Texas.

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- How do Resacas form?
- What critical roles do Resacas play for our environment and our community?
- Come learn about the five major Resacas and a tour in “Town Resaca”.

Transportation and lunch are provided. Seats are limited!

RSVP before 11/10 to geosciences@listserv.utrgv.edu

For more information about this event, contact SHIP-GEO team or visit:

www.utrgv.edu/geopaths

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