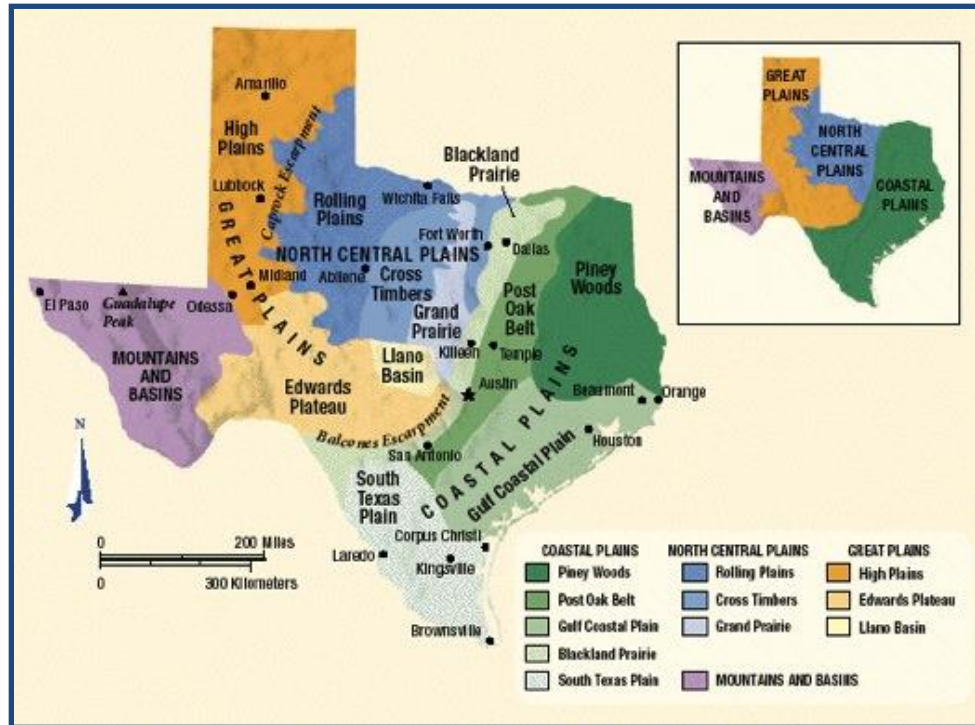


Changes to Texas Land

Picture Vocabulary

Earth and Space

Ecoregion



A relatively large area that is characterized by distinctive plant and animal communities, climate, and ecological features.

Topography



A description of land surface area with reference to variation in elevation.

Weathering



The mechanical of chemical process that break rock into smaller pieces.

Sediment



Earth material that is broken down by processes of weathering; can be eroded and deposited by the agents of water, wind, ice, and gravity.

Erosion



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The process by which water, ice, wind, and gravity remove and transport sediment from one place to another.

Deposition



The process by which gravity, water, wind, and ice deposit weathered and relocated sediment.