Contracted Boundaries and Timeline of Mexican Empresario Colonies in Texas 1821-1833



B.....Sterling Robertson's Colony.....Apr. 15, 1825
C.....Green DeWitt's Colony....Apr. 15, 1825
D.....Stephen F. Austin's 2nd Colony*...Apr. 27, 1825
E.....Martín De León's Colony[†]....Oct. 6, 1825
F.....Benjamin Milam's Colony.....Jan. 12, 1826
G.....Arthur G. Wavell's Colony.....Mar. 9, 1826
H.....Wilson and Exter's Colony.....May 27, 1826

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J.....Joseph Vehlein's 1st Colony.....Dec. 21, 1826 K.....David G. Burnet's Colony.....Dec. 27, 1826 L.....John Cameron's 1st Colony.....May 21, 1827 M.....Stephen F. Austin's Little Colony....Nov. 20, 1827 N.....Power and Hewetson's Colony....June 11, 1828 O.....Stephen F. Austin's Coast Colony....July 29,1828 P.....McMullen and McGloin's Colony....Aug. 17, 1828

*Austin's second contract allowed for the settlement of 500 additional families within the same area of his first contract, excluding a ten-league coastal reserve.

[†]De León's Colony's boundaries conflicted with those of Green DeWitt's Colony.

⁺ Austin and Williams' Colony boundaries partially overlapped those of Robertson's Colony, Burnet's Colony, and Cameron's First Colony.

[§]Grant and Beales' Colony boundaries partially overlapped those of John Lucius Woodbury's Colony.

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R.....Joseph Vehlein's 2nd Colony.....Nov. 17, 1828
S.....Lorenzo de Zavala's Colony.....Mar. 12, 1829
T.....Padilla and Chambers' Colony.....Feb. 12, 1830
U....Austin and Williams' Colony[‡]......Feb. 25, 1831
V.....Vicente Filísola's Colony....Oct. 15, 1831
W....Beales and Royuela's Colony....Mar. 14, 1832
X.....Grant and Beales' Colony[§].....Nov. 19, 1832

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Unsettled Colonies

Overlapping or Conflicting Colonies

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