

SH 45 Chronology

- 1984 Travis County Bond (Brodie Lane extension to FM 1626)- Voters approved bond funds to extend Brodie Lane from Frate Barker to FM 1626 as a 2-lane arterial in 1984.
- 5/22/85 Minute Order 83158, passed May 22, 1985—SH 45 Outer Parkway designated by Texas Transportation Commission.
- 7/3/85 Commissioners Court Resolution passed July 3, 1985—SH 45 Outer Parkway TTC minute order provisions accepted by Travis County Commissioners.
- 12/86 ATS Austin Metropolitan Area Transportation Plan, adopted—SH 45 Outer Parkway included in Austin Transportation Study's Regional Plan. The 1986 Plan called for an outer Parkway (SH 45) that included a section from US 183 South in south east Travis County to RM 620. Planned section from IH 35 to Loop1 was for a 6-lane parkway. Section from Loop1 to US 290 West was planned as 4-lane parkway.
- 6/30/87 Minute Order 85977, —SH 45 Outer Parkway amended TTC minute order to include county responsibility for ROW, utility relocation, and clearing of obstructions.
- 10/14/87 Travis County Commissioners Court Proclamation, passed —request for Texas Turnpike Authority to undertake SH 45 Outer Parkway project.
- 12/87 TxDOT Minute Order 86646 - Authorization for Texas Turnpike Authority to study feasibility of proposed tollway facility on a portion of SH 45.
- 11/86 Segments approved by FHWA
- 11/30/88 Meeting with USGS concerning Segment 3A
- 12/5/88 Meeting with Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District concerning Segment 3A
- 1/17/89 Meeting with Travis County Commissioners Court
- 2/22/89 Meeting with FHWA to discuss revising segment limits
- 2/28/89 Letter from FHWA recommending segment limit revisions
- 4/13/89 Meeting with Austin City Council
- 8/18/89 EIS approved
- 11/22/89 Contract let, SH 45, From Loop 1 to RM 1826

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- 12/12/89 Construction began between Loop 1 and RM 1826
- 1/23/90 Consent Decree and Partial Final Judgment issued
- 3/9/90 Decision by County Court —Allows for 2-lane road from Loop 1 to FM 1626. Set access points along SH 45SW at Green Emerald Terrace, Frate Barker Road and Bliss Spillar Road.
- 4/22/94 Construction of project between Loop 1 and RM 1826 complete
- 9/94 **Shady Hollow Area Traffic Study**
1998-2001 Travis County purchased the right-of-way for TXDOT's construction of SH 45 SW between FM 1626 and Loop 1 (MoPac).
- 1995 Travis County extends Brodie Lane from Frate Barker Road to FM 1626 as a 2-lane arterial.
- 10/95 Survey of ROW with BSEACD
- 11/97 \$3.3 million County Road Bonds, approved by voters to purchase SH 45 Right of Way for Loop1 to FM 1626, Segment 3
- Spring, 98 TxDOT ROW Maps, provided to Travis County.
- 11/24/98 Travis and Hays County's resolution support construction of SH 45 between Loop1 and FM 1626
- 11/99 \$12,250,000 SH 45 South construction funds approved by Texas Transportation Commission, —Project scoped for 2-lane roadway, accommodating bicycles on shoulders (funding to be available FY 2002; projected completion of construction 24-30 months).
- 2001 Deletion of Frate Barker Road extension from CAMPO Long Range Transportation Plan.
- 1/29/01 City of Austin (COA) removed Green Emerald Terrace intersection with SH 45
- 11/26/01 Meeting with City of Austin – SH 45 update
- 5/10/02 Karst Surveys by ACi commence
- 4/03 Travis County completes SH 45 ROW purchase. Travis County has transferred purchased right-of-way parcels to the State of Texas.

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- 5/23/03 Presentation of Karst Surveys to City of Austin and BSEACD
- 3/8/04 Presentation to USFWS on preliminary findings of the karst investigations
- 7/04 CAMPO amendment, approved July 2004—SH 45 scope changed to be a multi-lane toll road with two free lanes.
- 1/27/05 Internal review Draft Bear Creek and Lineament Study received from ACi
- 3/30/05 City of Austin grants permission for ACi to access Flint Ridge Cave on City of Austin Property, and Water Quality Protection Lands for investigations
- 4/7/05 Water Quality Protection Lands Research Committee approved proposal for research on City of Austin's WQPL for Overland Flow and Sediment Transport Study
- 6/1/05 Meeting with the COA to discuss possible realignment near Flint Ridge Cave.
- 9/14/05 Meeting with COA to discuss the proposed realignment options.
- 10/7/05 Meeting with USFWS to update them of the studies taking place on SH 45
- 10/10/05 Meeting with City of Austin to discuss Alternative Designs, utility easements, Wet Ponds vs. Retention/Irrigation, Defining the Non-Degradation Standard. City of Austin declined realignment. The City provided recommendations for water quality designs at this meeting and it was decided that a Technical Work Group would be formed.
- 11/23/05 Travis County removed Frate Barker intersection with SH 45
- 4/06 Discussion to temporarily close Brodie Lane to through traffic- In response to neighborhood concerns in the Brodie Lane area, Commissioner Daugherty suggested that if 75% of the residents would agree to the closure of Brodie Lane from FM 1626 to Frate Barker Road that he would put it before the Commissioners Court. The proposal was for a temporary closure of Brodie Lane from FM 1626 to Frate Barker Road , including Hewitt Lane. This action would force northbound traffic from FM 1626 to use FM 2304 (Manchaca Road), until SH 45 SW is open to traffic. Court recommended no closure of Brodie Lane and requested that Travis County work to expedite improvements to SH 45 SW, FM 2304, Frate Barker Road, and FM 1626.
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- 4/28/06 TxDOT South Travis Area Office meeting with BSEACD and to discuss water quality design.

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- 5/18/06 Meeting with COA, BSEACD and LCRA to discuss placement of LCRA transmission line
- 6/7/06 The first technical group meeting. The technical group consisted of COA, TxDOT, and TxDOT consultant design staff.
- 6/26/06 The second technical group meeting.
- 7/28/06 Meeting with COA to discuss mitigation measures and findings of the Technical COA/TxDOT design and water quality Work Group. TxDOT, COA, BSEACD, and Travis County staffs were present.
- 2/12/07-5/31/07-Additional Soil/Infiltration Monitoring by ACi
- 3/5/07 Letter to Technical Work Group from Don Nyland indicating the costs of water quality enhancements recommended by the Technical Work Group are not reasonable based on the additional cost with very little net benefit above what is currently planned.
- 6/20/07 BSEACD staff met with TxDOT to discuss the report that was presented at the July 28, 2006 meeting.
- 7/1/07-1/10/08-Continued efforts to collect information from other studies, particularly COA dye tracing to insure TxDOT has the best scientific and commercial data in the Biological Evaluation.
- 12/13/07 Meeting with BSEACD to discuss the letter written on November 6, 2007. TxDOT provided BSEACD with a copy of the design plans to review.
- 1/30/08 TxDOT receives internal review Draft Biological Evaluation from ACi
- 5/1/08 BSEACD mailed TxDOT a letter with their comments on the proposed TxDOT water quality design
- 5/13/08 TxDOT mailed BSEACD a letter addressing their comments
- 9/11/08 Letter to THC concerning site 41TB1051 – eligible under criterion D and that data recovery is necessary. THC concurred on same date.
- 2/12/09 Meeting with BSEACD to discuss their comments and the TxDOT responses to them.