



MOKAN! NORTHEAST SUBREGIONAL PLAN

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Foreword

Overview

The MoKan corridor is a multi-modal corridor envisioned to support a variety of regional transportation needs from bicycle and pedestrian uses to private automobile to transit. The Plan is intended to provide a suite of options for TxDOT and the local governments along the corridor to use as a first step in bringing multiple local governments and implementing agencies to a consensus on potential future uses and possible project development for this regional transportation asset. Appendix E provides the series of local agreements and documentation which have guided planning efforts for the corridor and stipulate that “a portion of the entire length of the MKT Right-of-Way shall be devoted to and used for ‘Mass Transit’ purposes.”

The Capital Area region is expected to see at least double the number of residents by 2045. This means that today’s transportation system will not be able to support the myriad of future expected uses. The MoKan-Northeast Subregional Plan aims to address the growing needs of the region by offering concepts, best practices, and implementation strategies to be used by local governments and implementing entities to improve a shared vision for the region’s arterial network as well as the MoKan corridor.

Methodology

The MoKan-Northeast Subregional Plan is a technical analysis of high-level concepts centered on improvements to the arterial roadway network in the Northeast subregion of CAMPO’s area, along with an analysis of multi-modal options for the MoKan corridor. While the Regional Arterials Study looked at a full network of arterial concepts, this study focuses on six test case corridors, including the MoKan right-of-way (ROW). Some of the concepts laid out in this Plan come from locally adopted plans, while others have been identified through the process of developing this Plan. Listed sources of concepts may not specifically endorse or indicate support and descriptions and limits shown may differ from sources and may only be characterizations of CAMPO staff as to what might be appropriate to model. CAMPO staff has added a “no build” option for the MoKan right-of-way through Pflugerville. However, the “no build” option could be inconsistent with the Texas Transportation Commission Minute Order that states that any local government wishing to utilize the corridor must demonstrate a transit usage. Given that transportation needs vary across the region, the results of this Plan will mean something different to each of CAMPO’s regional partners.

Potential Uses

To lay a foundation for local and regional long-range planning, the Plan took an unconstrained look at needs, as is the practice for many local and regional transportation plans. In particular, the MoKan – Northeast Subregional Plan, like the Regional Arterials Study, is intended to:

- Serve as a forum for local-governments and implementing entities to coordinate and collaborate regional arterial planning via a development of a regionally connected network based on local plans and needs
- Provide the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board (TPB) with a data-driven analysis on potential impacts of creating a betterconnected arterial network
- Be used as a resource document for local governments, especially smaller or underresourced communities
- Provide insight into potential regional significance of new and improved corridors.
- Document and test best practices in corridor design to accommodate multiple modes and improve aesthetic quality.

The MoKan-Northeast Subregional Plan can be used as a toolkit of potential future transportation improvement options. However, a local government or implementing entity must decide to sponsor a concept for it to move forward into formal study, project development, and construction. The local government would also have to agree to be the financial sponsor for it to be included in the fiscally constrained 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). Any concepts or ideas resulting from this study will require written sponsorship from the relevant local entities to be included in the fiscally unconstrained illustrative portion of the 2045 RTP. In addition to local project sponsorship, any concept in the study beyond projects in a locally adopted plan, would need to be vetted by the public before moving forward to any step in the implementation process. The TPB would also need to approve any concept/idea for inclusion in the 2045 RTP or the short-range Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Although no long-range planning process expects to be a completely accurate prediction of the future, it can present concepts and ideas that policymakers today, tomorrow, and far into the future can use to ensure that the right investments are made to provide for the greatest benefit.

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Introduction

The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan area (or Plan area) is a subset of the six-county Capital Area, and stretches across approximately 350 square miles in northeastern Travis County, northwestern Bastrop County and southeastern Williamson County (as seen on **Figure 1**). The Plan area is roughly split in the middle by the Williamson/Travis County line. Four highway facilities outline the Plan area, including State Highway (SH) 29 on the north, SH 95 on the east, US Highway (US) 290 on the south, and Interstate Highway 35 on the west. These four highway facilities also service the Plan area as major transportation corridors to and through the CAMPO six-county region.

The Plan area is both a “to” destination for housing, commercial businesses, agriculture, and recreational tourism, while also serving as a “through” area for intra-regional connections in the greater Capital Area. The Plan area continues to experience high growth and development. As a developing subregion, the transportation corridors must serve their purpose of providing safe and reliable travel for a growing area.

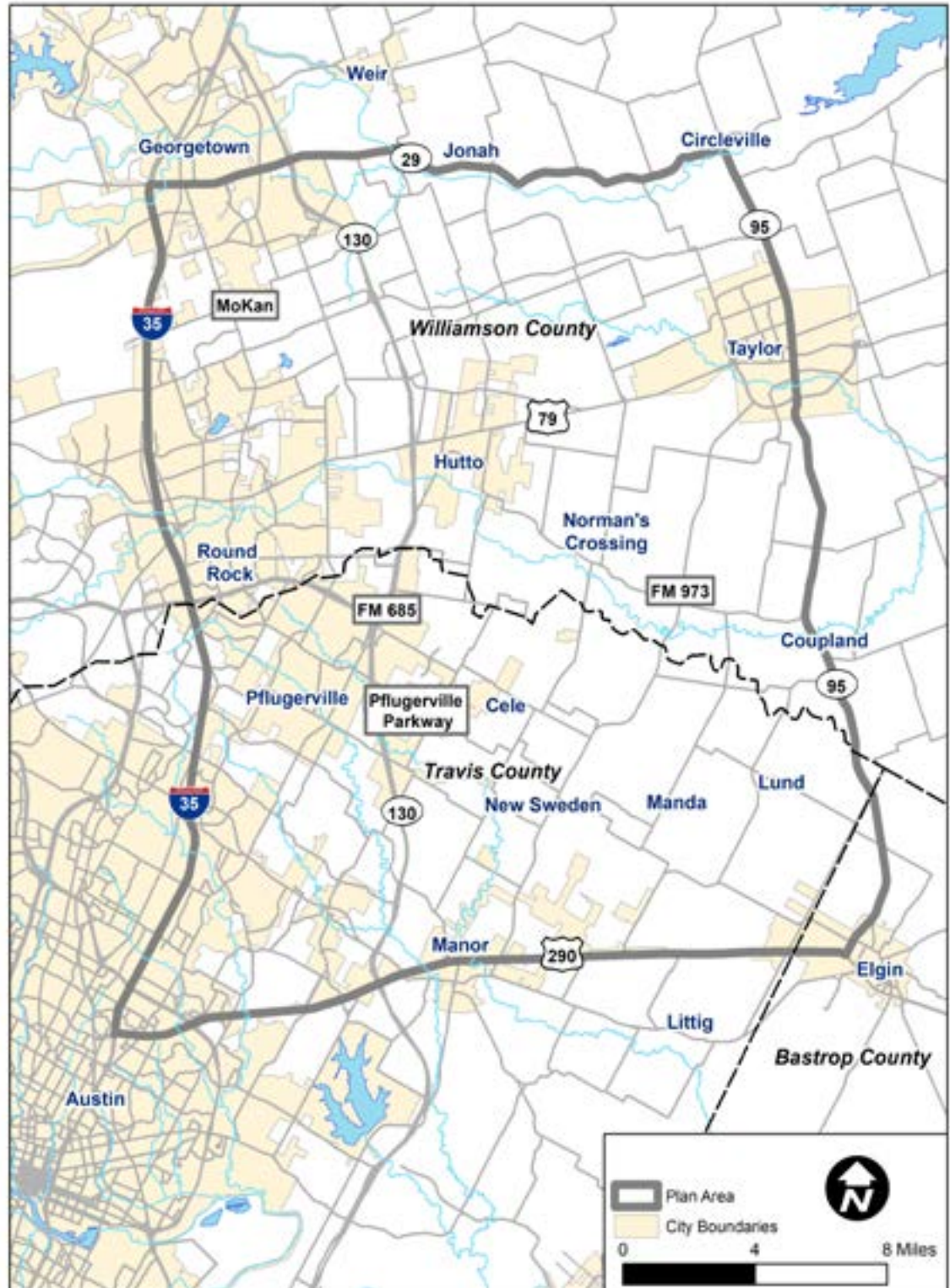
The character of the Plan area is a mix of rural, suburban, and urban uses. As urbanization has taken place throughout the Plan area,

communities and their downtown networks have begun expanding and revitalizing while suburban neighborhood networks continue to grow outward. Rural gaps between communities exist, with most of the eastern portion of the Plan area less developed.

The CAMPO Platinum Planning Program guided the development of the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan, which is a locally-driven approach towards long-range planning process. Recommendations that are a result of efforts completed through the Platinum Planning Program may be eligible for future CAMPO-allocated Federal funding, as well as inclusion in CAMPO’s Regional Transportation Plan.

This Plan incorporates previous CAMPO plans, local community transportation plans, TxDOT projects, and local transit plans from the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS). Past plans and policies are further described in Appendix B. Based on these previous plans, and the analysis contained within this report, the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan recommends policy and planning concepts, as well as an implementation toolbox to address mobility and safety needs while enhancing livability throughout the Plan area.

Figure 1: MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan Area



Background

The Plan area has been identified as a rapid growth area within the CAMPO six-county region. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the population in the plan area has increased significantly over the last 50 years. On average, the population in Travis County increased approximately 36% each decade from 1960 to 2010, while in Williamson County the population increased, on average, approximately 68% each decade from 1960 to 2010.

For most of the 19th and 20th centuries, Williamson County was an agrarian community where cotton was the dominant crop and cattle the main livestock. Travis County has historically been a center for state government, as it is home to the Texas State Capital in Austin. A major historical aspect of the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan is the Chisolm Trail, a cattle trail that ran from Texas to the rail centers in Kansas and Missouri. The Chisolm Trail ran through both Round Rock and Georgetown, generally paralleled by IH-35 to the east.

The Plan area contains three active rail lines, including the International-Great Northern Railroad, now owned by Union Pacific that parallels US 79, a Union Pacific mainline running north/south paralleling SH 95, and the Georgetown Railroad between Georgetown and Granger. The Plan area also contains one out-of-service line known as the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad or MoKan. In the 19th and 20th centuries these railroads were mainly used to transport cotton and cattle throughout the region. When modern businesses and services began to move into the Plan area, agriculture began to decline. However,

in some areas such as Hutto and Taylor, cotton is still a significant contribution to the local economy. Growth in the Plan area can also be attributed to the arrival of industries relating to semiconductors, software engineering, and healthcare. The largest employer in Travis County is the State of Texas, mostly located in Austin. The largest employer in Williamson County is Dell Technologies, Inc. located in Round Rock.

Many of the communities in the Plan area have become much less dependent on commercial businesses in the City of Austin, and have transitioned into more dynamic, self-sustaining entities. Sizable commercial retail centers, such as the Round Rock Premium Outlets and the Stone Hill Town Center have been developed in the Plan area, reducing the need to travel into Austin for necessities. While the City of Austin continues to experience sizeable population growth each decade, it is expected that surrounding communities will experience similar growth rates and development patterns. Emerging transportation facilities have also been a vital factor impacting growth and movement throughout Williamson, Travis, and Bastrop Counties. With the opening of SH 45 and SH 130, traveling to and through the Plan area has become much more accessible. Specifically, IH-35, SH 130, SH 95, SH 29, US 79 and US 290 have been the most used corridors for traveling in and out of the Plan area.

Plan Purpose

CAMPO developed this Plan to evaluate future mobility options for the 2045 planning horizon. While roadway improvements are currently planned for IH 35, SH 130, and portions of US 79, these improvements will not adequately address all the anticipated growth by themselves. As a result, the need to analyze other transportation corridors in the Plan area to address this growth is needed. The development of policies, goals, strategies, and/or multimodal transportation concepts contained in this Plan are intended to preserve, enhance, and facilitate long-term sustainable communities. Corridor enhancements are needed to address mobility and quality of life concerns, as well as tackle growth issues. The Plan enables a balanced approach to analyzing transportation corridors and future development patterns and local and regional development opportunities.

The Plan considered how and where added connectivity and capacity are needed as the area manages rapid growth and increasing development pressure. The purpose of the Plan is to provide a planning tool that will support the local project development processes and can evolve over time as context changes. Plan elements include:

- An Existing Conditions Report that provides an understanding of where the Plan area is now and the need for enhancing mobility.
- A Concept Plan that uses peer-based case studies to assist with the development of a pattern book to define a set of roadway typologies that are responsive to growth.
- A Final Assessment that summarizes the implementation strategies for corridor advancement by local and regional partners.

The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan focuses on a portion of the six-county region, and across jurisdictional boundaries and travel sheds. This Plan has been developed to be consistent with CAMPO's Platinum Planning Program (**Figure 2**) and to support the mission of CAMPO as a building block of regional planning in the six-county region.

Figure 2: CAMPO Platinum Planning Program



Vision

The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan follows the Vision and Goals of the Regional Arterials Study and serves as a case study to identify local arterial needs and develop a plan that incorporates jurisdictional needs, reflects community values, enhances opportunities for economic development, and promotes regional mobility.

The vision statement for the Regional Arterials Study is:

"The Capital Area's Arterial Network facilitates a broad set of mobility choices that are safe, convenient, reliable, resilient, and efficient and that promote equitable prosperity, region-wide connectivity, economic development, and healthy communities."

Goals and Objectives

Goals for the Plan area guided the development of recommendations as the study progressed. The development of these goals involved stakeholder input and CAMPO's Platinum Planning Program. Consistent with the purpose statement, the focus of these goals is to incorporate and promote safety, reliable traffic operations, a network for all modes of travel and efficient land use. The Plan addresses key community needs and the future population and economic growth forecasted for the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan area.

Goal 1: Safety – Improve safety for arterial road users.

Objectives

- Reduce severity and number of crashes for all modes to assist local governments and other transportation agencies in implementing vision zero metrics.
- Reduce emergency response times.
- Enhance evacuation routes.

Goal 2: Mobility – Improve network efficiency and flexibility to reduce travel times and distance.

Objectives

- Expand the network to reduce congestion.
- Decrease network gaps to add connectivity, reduce bottlenecks, and remove barriers.
- Improve network redundancy to reduce reliance on the limited access roadway network for short trips.
- Unlock economic development/redevelopment potential by allowing for opportunities to live, work and play near.
- Utilize improved technology to increase efficiency of travel.

Goal 3: Growth – Plan for growth more effectively.

Objectives

- Plan for and leverage growth through a more comprehensive network to accommodate different development types.
- Prepare for future land use and development opportunities.
- Identify right-of-way (ROW), preservation and for future or redeveloping corridors.
- Use available policy tools creatively to achieve community objectives.
- Promote a network that supports a wide range of housing choice near employment.

Goal 4: Multimodal – Design multimodally to provide more transportation choices to move people and goods.

Objectives

- Design the roadway network for all modes.
- Design arterials for all ages and abilities.
- Design the network with flexibility for all modes.
- Design arterials that are freight and transit supportive.

Goal 5: Environment – Protect and preserve the environment.

Objectives

- Develop roadway design that limits negative impacts to water and air quality.
- Consider design elements and aesthetic treatments that are context appropriate.
- Consider environmental factors and the impacts of materials on the environment and roadway lifecycle costs.
- Consider environmental challenges such as soil plasticity with future on-going roadway maintenance.

Goal 6: Economy, Equity, and Health – Foster a system that promotes prosperity and vitality for our communities.

Objectives

- Align road functionality with evolving road character and design to community and environmental standards.
- Consider freight and delivery needs.
- Provide equitable access to support economic development.
- Improve public health outcomes through air quality, activity mobility, and enhanced quality of life.

Plan Process

The Plan was guided by CAMPO's Platinum Planning Program, which is a locally driven approach to multimodal transportation planning that seeks to generate regionally significant benefits through projects and policies. The Program aligns local and regional planning efforts through a progressive, integrated, and inclusive process that examines transportation, land use, and other planning areas. Plans completed as part of this Program meet shared goals and are inclusive of state of the practice elements consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan. The Platinum Planning Program emphasizes the following elements:



Multimodal and Mixed Use — Create connections to housing, jobs, and services through the establishment of dynamic mixed-use environments, well-connected street grids, high-quality transit options, as well as safe and useful pedestrian/bicycle accommodations.



Housing — Develop a mix of housing types and price points appropriate for the study area context that provides living options that can accommodate a variety of incomes, abilities, and familial types.



Environment — Create a healthy environment that proactively protects and enhances air, water, land, and people.



Economic Development — Promote the economic competitiveness of the study area to yield positive impacts on the local tax base, high-quality jobs, and community services.



Equity — Create positive social, economic, and environmental outcomes for all residents and stakeholders in the study area while minimizing adverse impacts.

Approach

Development of the Plan started with the creation of an outreach program, collecting data, evaluating the existing conditions, and drawing from the 2045 Regional Arterials Study's analysis of peer-based case studies. The process included the development a pattern book that defines a set of roadway typologies with a framework for understanding and improving the integration of land use and transportation. All of these are components of the final report.

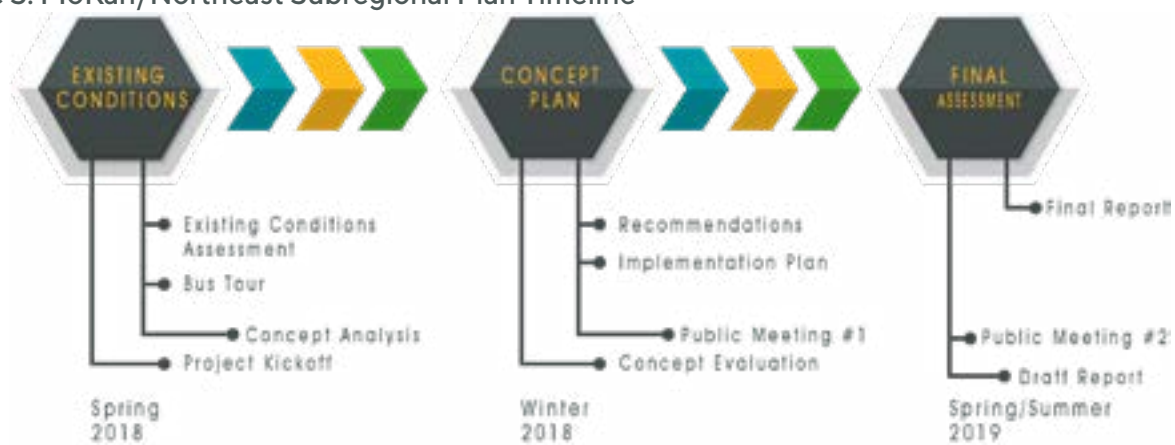
The subregion concept focuses on large areas across jurisdictional boundaries and travel sheds. It emphasizes the development of multimodal transportation network scenarios that yield a shared vision across communities. Additionally, this concept can be inclusive of analysis and recommendations for multiple corridors and centers, as described below.

The corridor concept addresses transportation performance, streetscape and character, and connectivity to provide a vital corridor in a growing region and includes recommended typical sections; critical intersection treatments; enhancements to the secondary and tertiary road network, if needed; and recommended supportive policies, such as parking, transportation demand management strategies, and access management guidelines.

Schedule

The Plan timeline is outlined for reference on **Figure 3**. The Plan began with an existing conditions assessment in Spring 2018, followed by the Concept Plan in Winter/Spring 2019, concluding with a Final Assessment in Summer 2019. CAMPO worked closely with the Steering Committee to guide the planning process through regular meetings and presentations. Extensive outreach was conducted with local government officials and the public through a series of formal and informal discussions. Analysis was conducted and shared with practitioners and the stakeholders to seek input and each phase of the project.

Figure 3: MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan Timeline



Relationship to Regional Arterials Study

The MoKan/Northeast Subregion is just one subregion within the CAMPO six-county region, and its rapid growth requires the need to study new and existing transportation opportunities, as well as identify constraints. See **Figure 4**.

In accordance with the CAMPO Platinum Planning Program and the Regional Arterials Study, this Plan aims to understand, assess, and promote regional connectivity and mobility. The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan serves to:

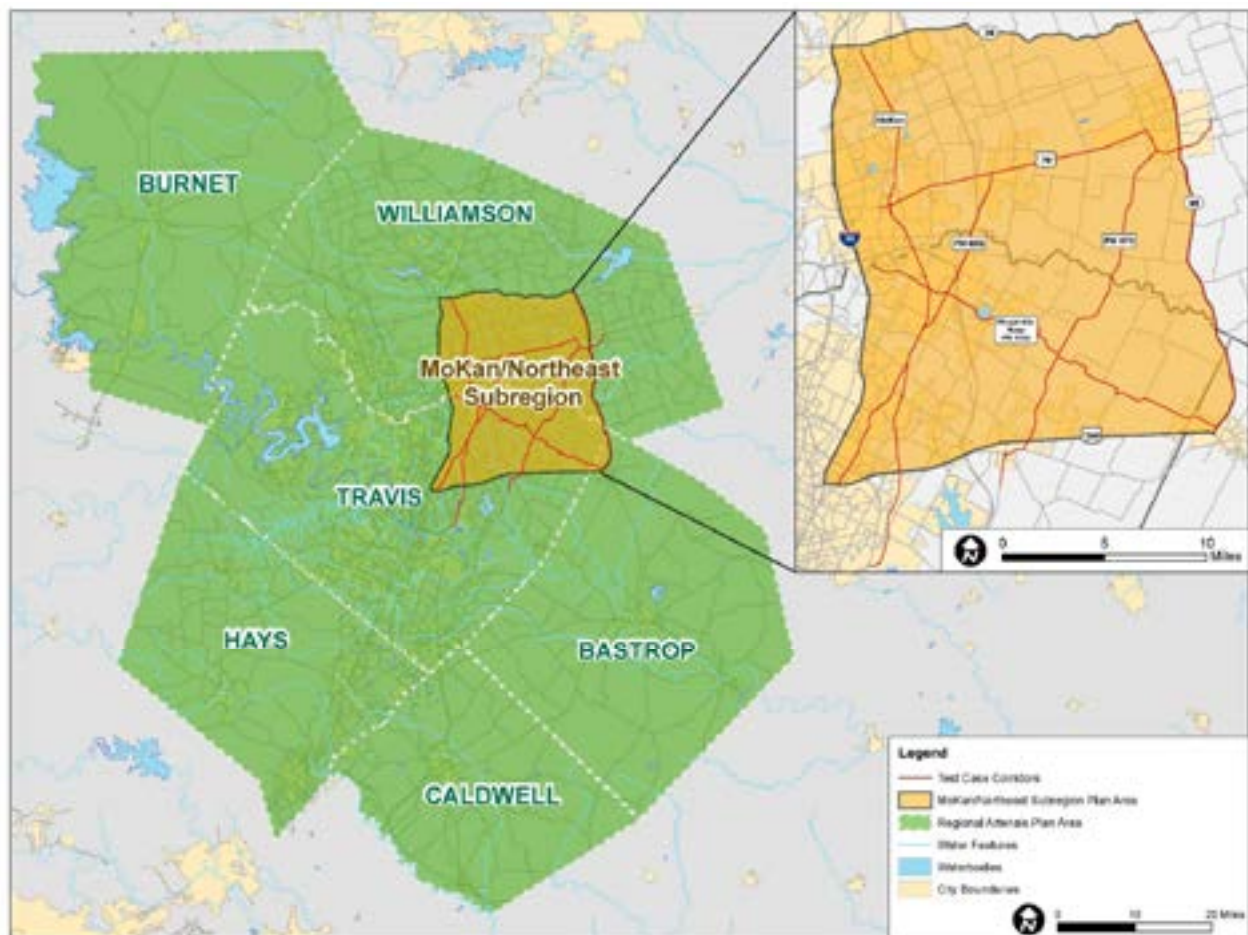
- Understand the existing role and function of the region's major arterial corridors and to define their future role and function by mode;
- Assess current operations and recommend conceptual operational improvement alternatives;
- Understand the balance of modes and traffic distribution throughout the network;
- Provide a tool for local plan overlays and project compatibility between member jurisdictions;
- Provide an objective basis for regional arterial project selection for implementation;
- Provide a basis for prioritization of short- and long-term improvements to attract funding and coordinate policies and strategies between all levels of government.

The Regional Arterials Study includes:

- A. An updated network of roadway facilities located within the Capital Area Region as part of the Travel Demand Model,
- B. A review of current regional policies and plans, and
- C. A plan for implementation while aligning with the in-progress CAMPO 2045 Regional Arterials Study vision.

The Regional Arterials Study will complement CAMPO's 2045 Regional Transportation Plan by addressing connectivity constraints, land use, traffic modeling and connectivity to centers in a region experiencing rapid population and employment growth. The Regional Arterials Study provides a detailed description of its alignment with the CAMPO 2045 vision. The Regional Arterials Study is the first regional arterial study for the six-county Capital Area Region.

Figure 4: Relationship to Regional Arterials Study



Public Engagement

An integral component of developing the Plan was a robust stakeholder engagement program to gather input from a diverse range of residents. Stakeholders helped to understand the needs and challenges of the Plan area, and provided input on the feasibility of potential recommendations. An overarching goal of the public engagement plan was to be inclusive and equitable; reaching citizens, residents, commuters, freight drivers, transit riders, key community stakeholders, local governments, transportation agencies, member entities, regional organizations, and the public, including those in Environmental Justice (EJ) areas.

The discussion below outlines the approach to stakeholder involvement and provides an overview of each event, followed by a summary of key findings from the outreach process.

Approach

A variety of outreach methods were used to communicate with and receive input from stakeholders, including a Plan area bus tour, public open houses, and small community/group meetings. Outreach tools were used to notify the public of engagement opportunities and solicit their feedback including:

- Advertisements in a variety of media (digital, social media, etc.)
- Announcement on the project's webpage
- Email and social media notifications
- Outreach to community groups to distribute information in English and Spanish
- Outreach to local governments to distribute information

Equity in outreach was an important objective for the Plan. To achieve this objective, CAMPO promoted awareness to ensure a diverse set of opinions were included in each outreach opportunity. This was accomplished by seeking out input at a wide variety of stakeholder events across the region using a range of strategies.

Stakeholders

Stakeholders for the Plan included those that reside, commute through, or frequently visit the Plan area. Outreach to existing stakeholders included local government members, school districts, chambers of commerce and community organizations. Multi-cultural organizations, vulnerable populations, and community leaders and influencers are also amongst the list of key stakeholders. Vulnerable populations include persons of color, low-income, those with disabilities, school-aged children (under the age of 19), seniors (age 65 and above), limited English proficiency (LEP) persons, and zero-car households.

Steering Committee and Elected Officials Working Group

The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan Steering Committee consisted of technical staff from local jurisdictions that are impacted by the existing conditions in the Plan area. This committee provided technical planning direction for each of the impacted municipalities. An elected officials working group, which consisted of elected officials from local, state, and regional entities in the Plan area and helped provide direction on the Plan

development. Meetings with each group were conducted as part of the public engagement effort.

MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan Steering Committee Meeting #1

To gain a better understanding of the existing conditions in the Plan area, CAMPO organized a bus tour with members of the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan Steering Committee, as well as, TxDOT, Capital Metro, and CARTS. This engagement allowed for context to be provided by those who know the Plan area the best on June 29, 2018. Twenty (20) attendees were given the opportunity to speak specifically on certain areas where improvements are desired and necessary in each of their given communities. The bus tour took place on June 29, 2018 and included stops in Manor, Elgin, Taylor, Georgetown, and Round Rock. A map of the bus tour is found on **Figure 5**. The group traveled from stop to stop and exited the bus for brief walking tours in the downtown areas of Elgin, Taylor, Georgetown, and Round Rock. Prior to the tour, attendees were provided with a fact sheet that included a map of the Plan area in relation to the Regional Arterials Study, as well as main themes identified in the Regional Arterials Study survey comment data.

Attendees not only shared where future development and improvements are desired or planned, they also spoke to the existing conditions of their communities. Speakers shared insights about transportation, land use, and economic development. Representatives from Capital Metro and CARTS contributed information on future

expansion in transit service through the Plan area, including the feasibility and expansion of the Capital Metro Green Line. TxDOT representatives addressed roadway design aspirations, planned transportation improvement projects, as well as feasibility studies conducted on many of the major arterials in the Plan area. Information gathered from attendees was used to inform the existing conditions of the Plan area, as well as, future improvement considerations for concept analysis.

Steering Committee Meeting #1



Steering Committee Bus Tour, June 29, 2018



Figure 5: Bus Tour Route



MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan Steering Committee Meeting #2

A second steering committee meeting was held August 30, 2018 in Elgin to discuss project details and gather input from planning partners. The meeting included a presentation with an overview of the planning process and information gathered to date. This included data collected on existing conditions, findings from regional and national case studies, a summary of public input gathered in the area, and draft concepts for cross-sections and recommendations. Topics of discussion included background information on the plan and other studies conducted in the area, corridors selected for case studies, metrics for data collection, and potential recommendations to be included in the final plan.

MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan Steering Committee Meeting #3

The third steering committee meeting was held June 19, 2019 in Round Rock. This meeting reviewed the draft plan, showed how local government and public input had been incorporated, and discussed the results of the travel demand model as well as order of magnitude cost estimates for corridor concepts.

MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan Steering Committee Meeting #4

The fourth steering committee meeting was held September 16, 2019 in Taylor. This meeting was used as a final discussion and review of the steering committee's comments prior to the final draft being presented to CAMPO's Technical Advisory

Committee and Transportation Policy Board.

Surveys

CAMPO used the Regional Arterials Study survey to gather information from residents in the MoKan/Northeast Subregion. Data from the Regional Arterials Study survey was narrowed down to analyze the impacted zip-codes from the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan area. It asked about where residents work, live, and how they get around. Residents were also asked to rate the importance of certain safety, mobility and environmental issues. The intent of the survey was to gain a better understanding of the existing conditions and opportunities for improvement.

The survey was open from April 2, 2018 to May 21, 2018 (50 days) and received over 300 responses from the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan area. The greatest number of responses came from residents living in Round Rock. Most residents responded that they work in Austin or San Marcos. The highest number of residents stated that they normally travel in personal vehicles, followed by public transit, walking, biking and shared vehicles.

Residents responded that access to driveways and connecting streets, and adding alternatives to highways for local trips, were the issues of highest importance. Common themes from the first survey focused on:

- safety and congestion issues
- improving ped/bike safety and convenience
- improving driver education and safety
- planning for growth
- multimodal connectivity

Public Open Houses

Two rounds of public open houses were held throughout the development of the Plan to share information about the planning process and gather input from the public. Meeting materials such as information sheets, exhibit boards, and comment cards were available in-person and through an online open house. Community members were able to share feedback for at least 30 days during each round of outreach. Meeting details are included in the table below.

The first round of open houses and public comment took place in December 2018 and was used to introduce the Plan and gather feedback on the assessment of existing conditions, community needs and preferences, and potential concepts for improvements.

The second round of open houses and public comment took place in June–July 2019 and was used to show how input from the first round had been used, share the draft plan, and collect feedback on potential recommendations for the subregion. Appendix A contains the comments reviewed from the public open houses.

Table 1: Open House Details

DATE	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
12/3/18	Pflugerville Library Pflugerville	18
12/4/18	Georgetown Library Georgetown	16
12/7/18	CAMPO Office Austin	8
6/13/19	City of Elgin: Sip Shop & Stroll Elgin	28
6/14/19	Project Connect Community Office Austin	21
6/17/19	Allen R. Baca Center Round Rock	21
6/20/19	Courtyard Marriott Pflugerville Pflugerville	34

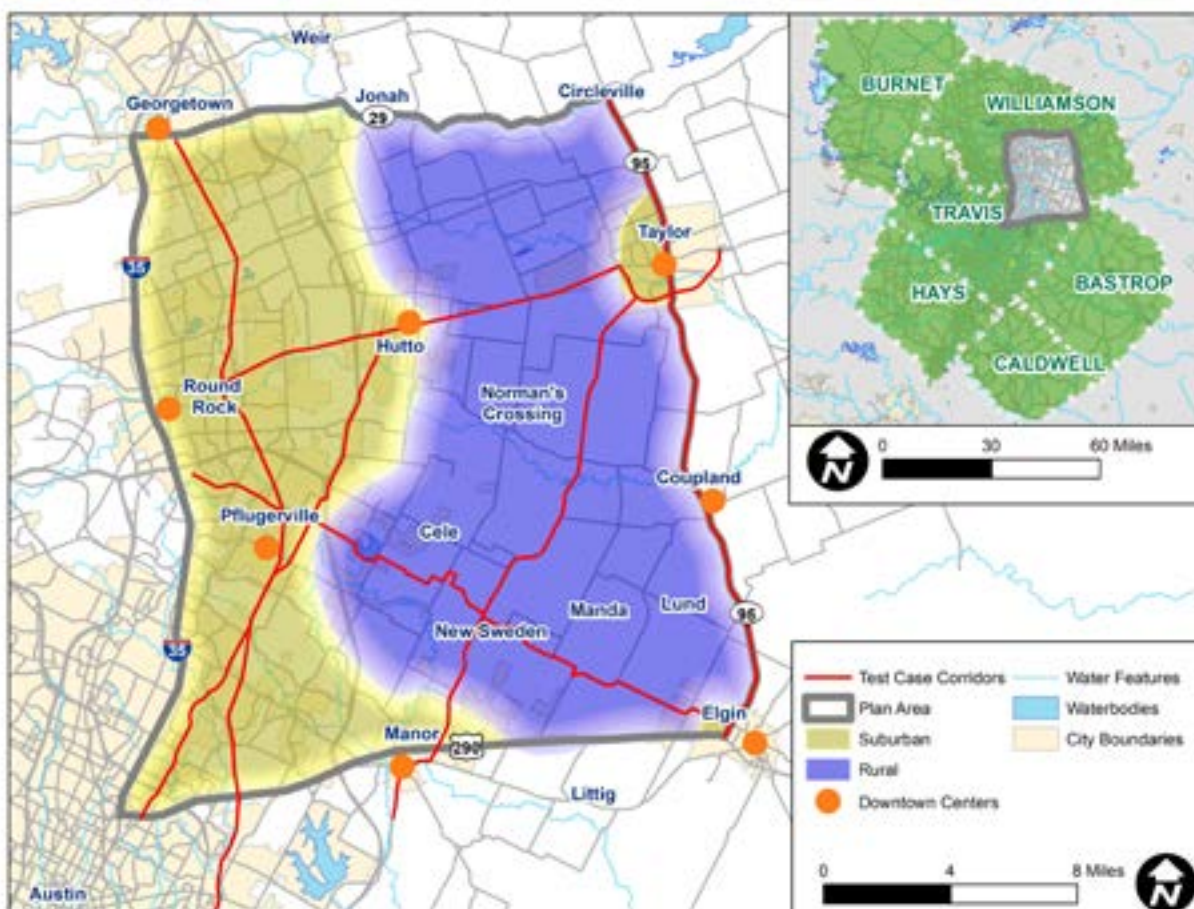
Existing Conditions

Overview and Character

The character of the Plan area has evolved with the growth experienced throughout Central Texas over the last 50 years. The Plan area traces its roots to an agriculture/ranching heritage but is being developed to accommodate growth associated

with the technology, healthcare, and service industries. Moving east to west, the character generally transitions from rural to suburban, with a number of “urban” centers throughout the Plan area, as seen on **Figure 6**.

Figure 6: Urban/Suburban Character



Rural Areas

Rural areas generally consist of sparsely spaced homes and commercial buildings. The roadway network is far less developed and more widely spaced than urban or suburban areas. Rural areas have the lowest ratio of people per square mile.

The rural portions of the Plan area are generally located east of SH 130, and consist of farming and livestock pasture operations.

Suburban Areas

Like rural areas, suburban areas also contain homes and commercial buildings but are generally spaced closer together and are one or two stories in height. The roadway network in suburban areas generally consists of a tiered system (e.g., local, connector, arterial) to facilitate access. The ratio of people per square mile is lower than urban areas, but higher than rural areas.

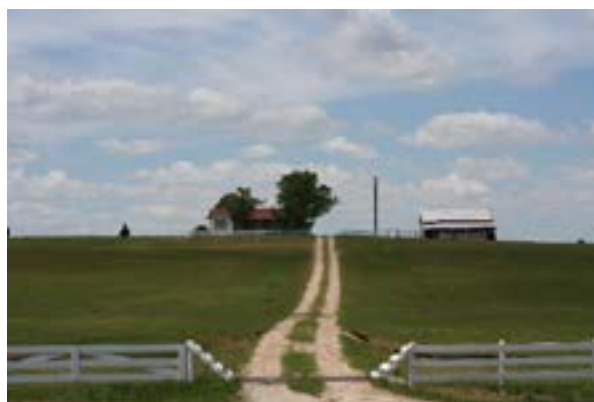
The suburban portions of the Plan area are generally located between SH 130 and IH-35, and consist of residential subdivisions, multi-family apartment complexes, strip center commercial development, big-box retail stores, light industrial warehousing, and office buildings. Many of the residents living here commute to employers within the Plan area, and vice versa, commuting into downtown Austin.

Urban Areas

Urban areas generally consist of tightly spaced homes and commercial buildings, with many being multi-story. A highly interconnected roadway network is common in urban areas, along with a higher ratio of people per square mile.

The urban portions of the Plan area are found in the

downtown communities and consist of residential homes and commercial buildings. The urban locations within or partially within the Plan are Austin, Elgin, Hutto, Georgetown, Manor, Pflugerville, Round Rock, and Taylor, shown in the photo to the right.



Example: Rural Area



Example: Suburban Area



Example: Urban Area

Communities

Three counties and nine incorporated municipalities are located within the Plan area, and each is discussed below.

Bastrop County



Bastrop County is located in the southwest part of the Capital Area Region. The northeast corner of Bastrop County, which includes the City of Elgin, is located within the Plan area. Bastrop

County has a population of 82,827 (2016 Census estimate) and a land area of approximately 896 square miles. Bastrop County has experienced steady growth and has become a popular destination for visitors, as well as, residents of the region who commute in and out of Travis and Williamson Counties for work. The main corridors serving Bastrop County include, US 290 (east/west), SH 95 (north/south) and FM 1110 (northwest/southeast). Capital Metro currently runs service into the Elgin community using US 290. As the County continues to experience steady growth and urbanization, enhanced roadway connections and transit services will become a greater local and regional mobility need.

Travis County



Travis County is the central county of the Capital Area Region, with a population of 1,199,323 (2016 Census estimate) and a land area of nearly 1,023 square miles. Travis county has undergone

significant growth in recent years, and the Austin region continues to develop and urbanize. The following communities in the Plan area are in Travis County:

- Austin
- Cele (unincorporated)
- Elgin
- Lund (unincorporated)
- Manda (unincorporated)
- Manor
- New Sweden (unincorporated)
- Pflugerville
- Round Rock

The main corridors in the Plan area serving Travis County include IH-35 (north/south), SH 130 (north/south), FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road (north/south), FM 973 (north/south), Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 (northwest/southeast), and US 290 (east/west). The MoKan corridor also runs north/south through the county via Austin, Pflugerville, and Round Rock. As eastern Travis County experiences significant growth, enhancing transit services will be an opportunity to reach residents who have been pushed out of

Austin and the Capital Metro service area due to a high cost of living. Recent commercial and residential growth occurring along FM 973 and Pflugerville Parkway has become a challenge as these roadways were not built to accommodate such a high volume of drivers.

Williamson County



North of Travis County, Williamson County has experienced significant development and population growth since the late 1990's that is transforming the southern

portions of the county from rural to suburban. Williamson County has a population of 528,718 (2016 Census estimate) and a land area of nearly 1,134 square miles. The following communities in the Plan area are in Williamson County:

- Austin
- Circleville (unincorporated)
- Coupland
- Georgetown
- Hutto
- Norman's Crossing (unincorporated)
- Pflugerville
- Round Rock
- Taylor

The main corridors in the Plan area serving Williamson County include IH-35 (north/south), SH 130 (north/south), FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road (north/south), FM 973 (north/

south), SH 95 (north/south), US 79 (east/west), and SH 29 (east/west). The MoKan corridor also travels north/south through Williamson County via Round Rock and Georgetown. Development in the southeastern areas of Williamson County has created challenging connections between the various municipalities in the Plan area. As growth and development continues to occur in Round Rock, Hutto and Taylor, opportunities for connecting roadways such as US 79 are identified to facilitate such growth. Several redevelopment opportunities exist within the rural areas of Williamson County, specifically north of Hutto on the east and west sides of FM 1660.

Austin



Austin is the state's capital, county seat of Travis County, has a diverse population, and is considered to be a regional economic center. The City of Austin is home to the University

of Texas flagship campus, numerous technology companies, several medical facilities, the state government, and has a population of 974,890 (2016 US Census estimate). Austin has a land area of nearly 305 square miles and is primarily situated in Travis County, with portions spanning into Williamson County to the north and Hays County to the south.

As Austin continues to grow in population and employment, suburban and rural communities in the region are also rapidly developing and becoming conjoined to Austin via the regional transportation system. In the northeast part of the region, critical access to and from Austin is provided by IH-35 and SH 130 for north/south travel and US 290 for east/west movement. Development east of Austin has increased the need for enhanced transit service and roadway improvements to many of those facilities listed above. In the eastern areas of Austin in Travis County, the City of Austin is using special districts to guide development. Austin also has a special interest in the MoKan corridor as it shares right-of-way with the Walnut Creek Hike and Bike trail.

Elgin



Elgin is a community of 9,323 residents (2016 Census estimate) and located approximately 19-miles northeast of downtown Austin at the intersection of US 290 and SH 95. With

a land area of nearly 6-square miles, Elgin sits in northeastern Travis County and Bastrop County.

Established as a railroad stop by the Houston and Texas Central Railway in 1872, Elgin's local economy has been centered on agriculture and brick manufacturing. Famously known as the Sausage Capital of Texas, Elgin regularly draws visitors to its historic downtown and restaurants.

US 290 is an important east/west corridor that directly links Elgin with the regional transportation network east toward Houston and west toward El Paso. Running north/south, SH 95 connects Elgin with Taylor, US 79 (Hutto and Round Rock), Circleville, and SH 29 (Georgetown). Many roadway facilities leading into Elgin, such as FM 1100, SH 95 and US 290 experience morning and evening congestions challenges due to commuters traveling in and out of the city. Expansions to FM 1100 and FM 973 were identified by City of Manor staff on the bus tour as potential improvement opportunities to alleviate traffic, as well as invite to commercial development.

Several development projects are completed or

underway in the City of Elgin such as a recreation center off SH 95, the redevelopment of historic downtown Elgin and a new Seton hospital planned for US 290 and Roy Rivers Boulevard. Additionally, increased development in Elgin will create further opportunities for transit growth and transportation improvements.

Georgetown

The county seat of Williamson County, Georgetown sits in the northeastern edge of the Texas Hill Country and is approximately 30-miles north of downtown Austin via IH-35. With a population of 67,140 (2016 estimate) and a vibrant Victorian downtown, Georgetown is a growing community with a local economy geared towards recreational tourism, retirement living and senior services, and higher education. Georgetown is home to Southwestern University and Sun City Texas—a 4,100-acre master-planned retirement community. The city currently has a land area of nearly 54-square miles.

Georgetown is served by IH-35 on its western side and SH 130 on its eastern side, providing direct north/south travel between Georgetown and Austin. SH 29 runs east/west through Georgetown as University Boulevard between IH-35 and SH 130 and eastward into Williamson County and to SH 95 in Circleville. As the City of Georgetown has experienced a high demand for residential housing, two new home developments have been planned, one off FM 1460 and the other south of downtown Georgetown along the MoKan corridor. Due to soil plasticity issues,



transportation improvements are accompanied by high construction costs. The City of Georgetown has enacted several improvements throughout the downtown area such as brick pavers/stamped concrete, angled parking, bulb outs and new street paving to accommodate a higher volume of bike and pedestrian movement. .

Hutto

Established as a railroad town in 1876, Hutto is in south central Williamson County and approximately 9-miles east of Round Rock along US 79. Hutto is a rapidly growing community, with a population of 23,832 (2016 estimate) and an incorporated land area of nearly 8-square miles.

The community is home to East Williamson County Higher Education



Center and is experiencing significant subdivision and retail development, both north and south of US 79. Union Pacific continues to operate an active freight railroad along the southside of US 79. US 79 provides Hutto with direct east/west travel between Round Rock and Taylor, as well as a connection to SH 130 just 2-miles west of town. Hutto's close access to SH 130 via US 79 and FM 685 allows for convenient highway travel to and from Georgetown to the north and Austin to the south.

Manor

Located in northeast Travis County, just east of SH 130 along US 290, Manor is a growing community of 8,423 (2016 Census estimate). The community is approximately 12-miles northeast of Austin and has

a current land area of nearly 7-square miles that spans both north and south of US 290.



Established in 1872 as a stop along the Houston and Texas Central Railway, Manor was primarily a farming center until the opening of SH 130 in 2006 which has brought significant new residential and commercial development. With its convenient proximity to SH 130 and Austin, Manor is poised for additional development as the region continues its exponential growth.

Manor is well-positioned in the regional transportation network, with US 290 providing east/west travel between Manor and IH-35 and SH 130 to the west and Elgin and Houston to the east. Manor also has convenient and close access to SH 130 north and south via US 290, East Parmer Lane/Red Bluff Lane, and FM 973. Additionally, FM 973 runs north/south through Manor and links Manor with Hutto and US 79 18 miles to the north and Manor with SH 130 4 miles to the south. TxDOT has planned to re-route FM 973 south of the city towards the east to alleviate downtown congestion and align with FM 973 north of US 290.

New housing south of the city off FM 973 and north of US 290 will bring 1,400 to 1,700 new homes to Manor. A development located on north of US 290 at Kimbro Road will add approximately 1,500 new homes as well as commercial development.

To diversify its commercial and residential tax

base, the City of Manor collects development fees to put towards transportation improvements. Improvements to the existing roadway facilities in Manor will be necessary to accommodate new residents in the city. The Capital Metro Green Line is also planned to extend a stop in Manor, south of SH 290. The City of Manor is currently looking at redevelopment opportunities around a potential Green Line station.

Pflugerville

Located just north of Austin east of IH-35 and along SH 130 corridors, Pflugerville is a growing suburban community with a population of 59,245 (2016 Census estimate). Most of the community is situated in northern Travis County with a small portion in Williamson County, and the city has nearly 22-square miles of land within its city limits.



Pflugerville has experienced significant development in recent years including new residential, corporate office parks, medical facilities, manufacturing and distribution industries, hotels and conference center, and the Stone Hill Town Center commercial center.

Regional transportation access to and from Pflugerville primarily occurs in a north/south direction via IH-35 and SH 130. Travel between Pflugerville and the northeastern part of the region requires taking SH 130 north to US 79 at

Hutto and south to US 290 at Manor, or routes such as FM 685 that cannot support the traffic volume. Major north-south arterials in Pflugerville include Heatherwilde Boulevard, Grand Avenue Parkway, FM 973 and FM 685/Dessau Road. The MoKan corridor is adjacent to Railroad Avenue north of downtown Pflugerville and Dessau Road south of downtown Pflugerville. New commercial and residential development on each side of the MoKan corridor and east of SH 130, are currently underway in Pflugerville. Growth in the city has also created a need for improved medical services.

Round Rock

Situated about 20-miles north of downtown Austin via IH-35, Round Rock is the second largest community in the CAMPO six-county region and the



international headquarters of Dell Technologies, Inc. Round Rock has experienced significant economic development and population growth in recent years, transforming from a community of about 30,000 in 1990 into a regional suburban center of over 120,892 (2016 Census estimate). The city has a land area of nearly 36 square miles and is primarily located in Williamson County with a small portion in Travis County.

Round Rock greatly benefits from its convenient access and proximity to the regional transportation network, with major highways providing both north/south and east/west travel across the city. On its western side, IH-35 provides north/south highway access and connections north to Georgetown and south to Austin. SH 130 runs north/south on the eastern side of Round Rock,

providing access to the community and facilitating travel between Georgetown and Austin. East/west traffic flow across the northern portion of Round Rock and eastward into Williamson County is facilitated by US 79 and connects to both IH-35 and SH 130. East/west traffic movement is also provided by SH 45, which runs across the southern section of Round Rock and intersects with US 183 in Austin, MoPac Expressway, IH-35, and SH 130.

New commercial and residential development, as well as the construction of a new tourist attraction, Kalahari Resort, will require upgrades to many of the existing roadways in Round Rock. Many roadway improvements are desired by the city, including the extension of Kenny Fort Boulevard, adding a third lane to US 79, widening County Road 112 and expanding FM 1431 ROW. These improvements will aim to accommodate new development throughout the city.

Taylor



Located in the eastern portion of Williamson County at the intersection of US 79 and SH 95, Taylor is approximately 8 miles east of Hutto and

30 miles northeast of downtown Austin. Taylor's population is 16,587 (2016 Census estimate) and the city has a land area of nearly 14-square miles. The community was established as an important railroad station in the 1870s, and today has active Union Pacific freight lines that intersect and run both east/west along US 79 and north/south just east of SH 95.

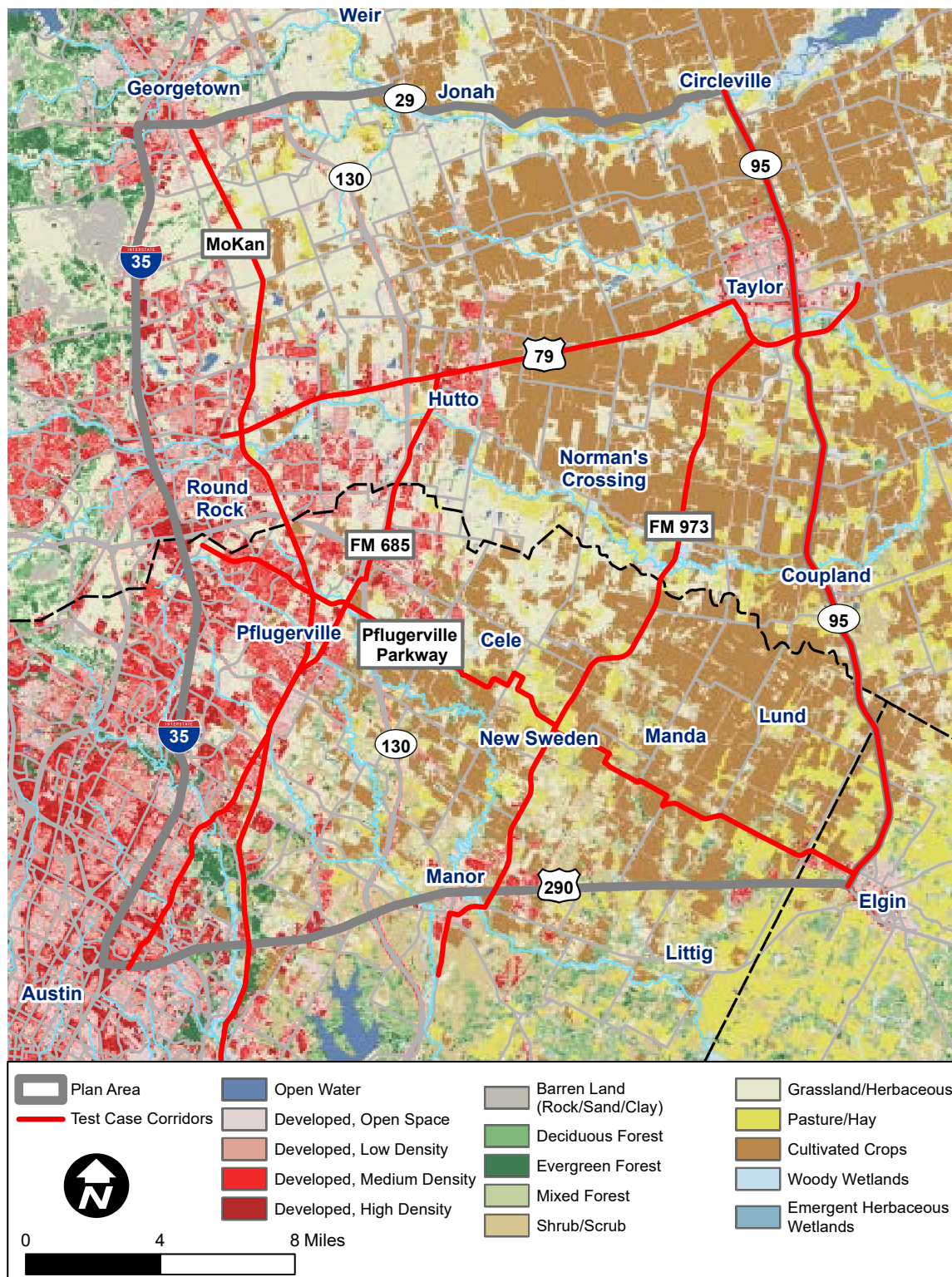
From a regional transportation standpoint, US 79 provides an important and direct link between Taylor, Hutto, SH 130, and Round Rock. SH 95 also provides critical north/south travel to and from SH 29 in Circleville and US 290 in Elgin. Taylor has an Amtrak passenger rail station, where the Texas Eagle provides daily bi-directional train trips between Chicago, Dallas-Fort Worth, Austin, San Antonio, and Los Angeles. Taylor has experienced an increase in percentage of growth over the last 10 years. New development and redevelopment has followed in response to population growth. In addition, Taylor has explored new transit opportunities with Amtrak and CARTS, to diversify transportation options.

Land Use

Throughout much of the 19th and 20th centuries land in the Plan area was used for agricultural/ranching activities, with little commercial and residential development. The Plan area was a hub for cotton and cattle. Consequently, the use of roads and rail was prominent in moving the area's cotton crop and cattle. The movement of cattle was also prevalent in the Plan area via the historic Chisolm Trail. While most of the Plan area communities were initially developed before World War I, most of the significant population gains occurred post-World War II, throughout the 1950's and 1960's. However, consistent population growth in the 1990's and beyond in the Plan area has led to residential development in the form of neighborhoods and subdivisions as well as the emergence of downtown centers, such as the square in Georgetown and historic main streets in downtown Elgin, Hutto, and Taylor. Commercial growth also grew in the Plan area as the population swelled.

The 2011 U.S. Geological Survey National Land Cover Database was used to illustrate general land uses within the Plan area as seen on **Figure 7**. Developed land uses, such as residential and commercial locations, are generally located between IH-35 and SH 130, with isolated locations visible in Hutto, Taylor, Manor, and Elgin. Undeveloped land uses, such as forest, grasslands, and pasture are generally located east of SH 130, as well as land used for crop production. The land cover/land use distribution aligns with the character areas described above.

Figure 7: Land Cover/Land Use



Development

While the City of Austin continues to attract new people and jobs and residents, similar growth has also occurred in the surrounding communities like Georgetown, Round Rock, and Pflugerville in the Plan area. This unprecedented growth has resulted in lower-density development expanding throughout the Plan area where housing is typically more affordable. This dispersed land use pattern and automobile-centric development creates stress on the transportation system and can result in mobility issues.

While growth in the suburban fringe and the unincorporated areas of Travis and Williamson counties have clearly increased, the population within cities has also increased creating greater density. The difference is striking when comparing aerial photographs from 1995 to 2018. The growth patterns in the Plan area are of intensification and increased infill development in city centers, but also continued development of greenfields, as seen on the following photographs on the pages below.

On the ground level, communities within the Plan area share similar land uses such as residential, commercial, parks/open space, and civic land uses. Civic uses are typically located in the downtown area surrounded by residential and commercial development. In recent years, development along high-volume roadway corridors have occurred with growth seen in shopping centers, multi-family housing, and even light-industrial land uses. The collective growth has driven new opportunities for people to live near their places of employment.

Guidance

Counties in Texas have limited land use planning authority, with most having control only over subdivision platting, housing standards, basic water and sewer requirements, environmental conservation or the county level transportation system. For example, Travis County has its Land, Water and Transportation Plan, while Williamson County has its Long-Range Transportation Plan. These plans generally track along with CAMPO's Multimodal and Mixed-Use element of the Platinum Planning Program.

Cities on the other hand, typically develop a comprehensive plan and enact zoning ordinances to provide detailed guidance for how a city develops. Seven of eight cities have an approved comprehensive plan, while all eight cities have adopted zoning ordinances. These plans generally track along with all elements of CAMPO's Platinum Planning Program. An explanation of the range of planning tools available to the counties and cities in the Plan area is found in the Regulations, Policies and Strategic Plans section below.

Roadway Hierarchy

The Plan area consists of local roads, collector roads, arterial roads, and freeways/interstates. Typically, the local and collector roads are owned and maintained by the cities and counties in the Plan area. Arterial roadways in the Plan area include a mix of those owned and maintained by the cities, counties, and TxDOT. Freeways and interstates are owned and maintained by TxDOT. The TxDOT facilities are also known as on-system roadways.

CAMPO developed a Functional Classification system that “grouped-up” various city, county, and TxDOT road classifications and naming conventions into five functional classifications (**Limited-Access, Principal Arterial, Minor Arterial, Collector, and Local**) primarily defined by trip purpose and network spacing guidelines (See **Table 2**).

Per the Regional Arterials Study, these CAMPO functional classifications are generally defined as the following:

Limited-Access facilities are designed to serve trips over 5 miles and connect a significant number of employment nodes and activity centers within a region. They are generally the primary facilities providing for interregional trips.

Principal Arterials are the primary connections between employment nodes and activity centers. They typically serve trips from 3 to 5 miles and provide for intraregional trips, but many Principal Arterials serve longer distance interregional travel. Additionally, CAMPO’s designated Regional Connector category, is considered a

Table 2: CAMPO Functional Classification (Group-Up Process)

CAMPO Counties / Cities		TxDOT	CAMPO Functional Classification
Toll		Toll	Limited Access (Non-tolled/tolled)
Freeway Interstate Highway	Limited Access State Controlled Access	Interstate Freeway / Expressway	
Principal Arterial Major Arterial Parkway		Principal Arterial	Principal Arterial Major Arterial Regional Connector
Minor Arterial		Minor Arterial	Minor Arterial
Major Collector Minor Collector		Major collector Minor Collector	Collector
Local		Local	Local

Principal Arterial and provides for longer distance movement, but generally, does not restrict access in the same manner as Limited-Access facilities. Regional Connectors are a subgroup of Principal Arterials that could serve regional trips in the Capital Area Region.

Minor Arterials primarily support trips within a subregion, generally trips about 1 to 3 miles. They support the Principal Arterial network and connect Collector and Local roadways to higher functional classes and occasionally meet at-grade with other arterials in the regional network. Where appropriate, these minor arterials also connect with

collectors that serve residential neighborhoods.

Collector serves local traffic with low-to-moderate-capacity.

Local primarily serves local residential areas.

An illustrative example of how these roadway types work together, including the missing functional class for Regional Connectors, is depicted in Figure 8. Figure 9 shows the Capital Area Regional network with its current roadway classifications (Limited Access, Principal Arterial, and Minor Arterial).

Figure 8: Example Roadway Hierarchy

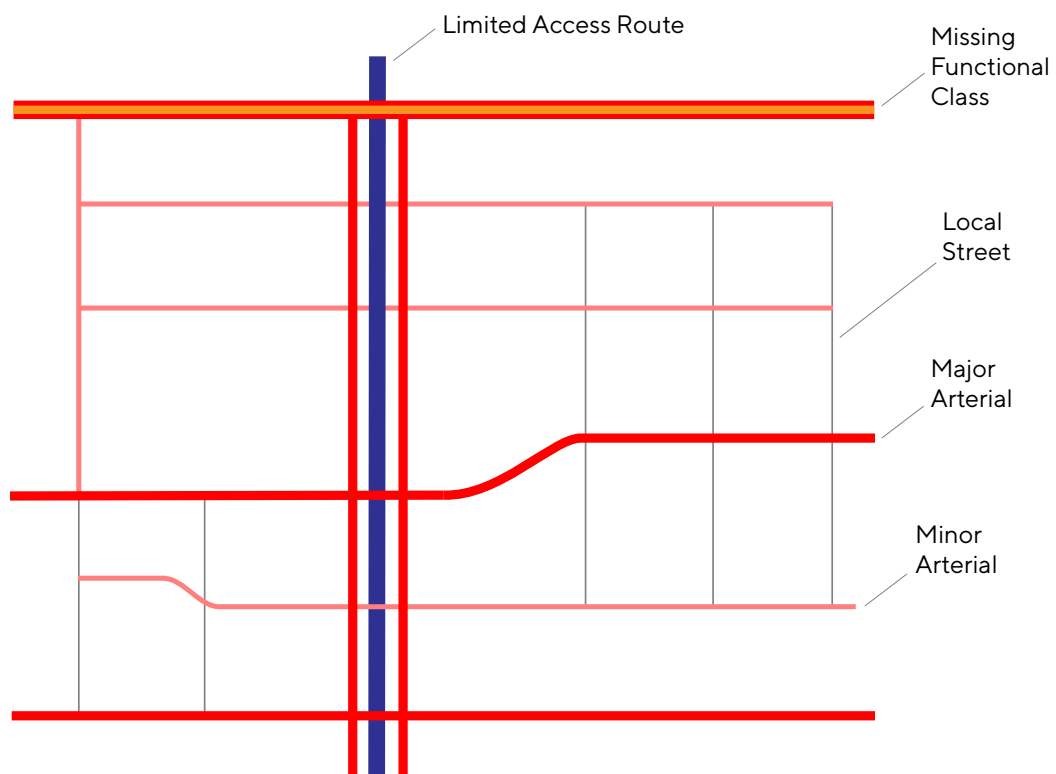
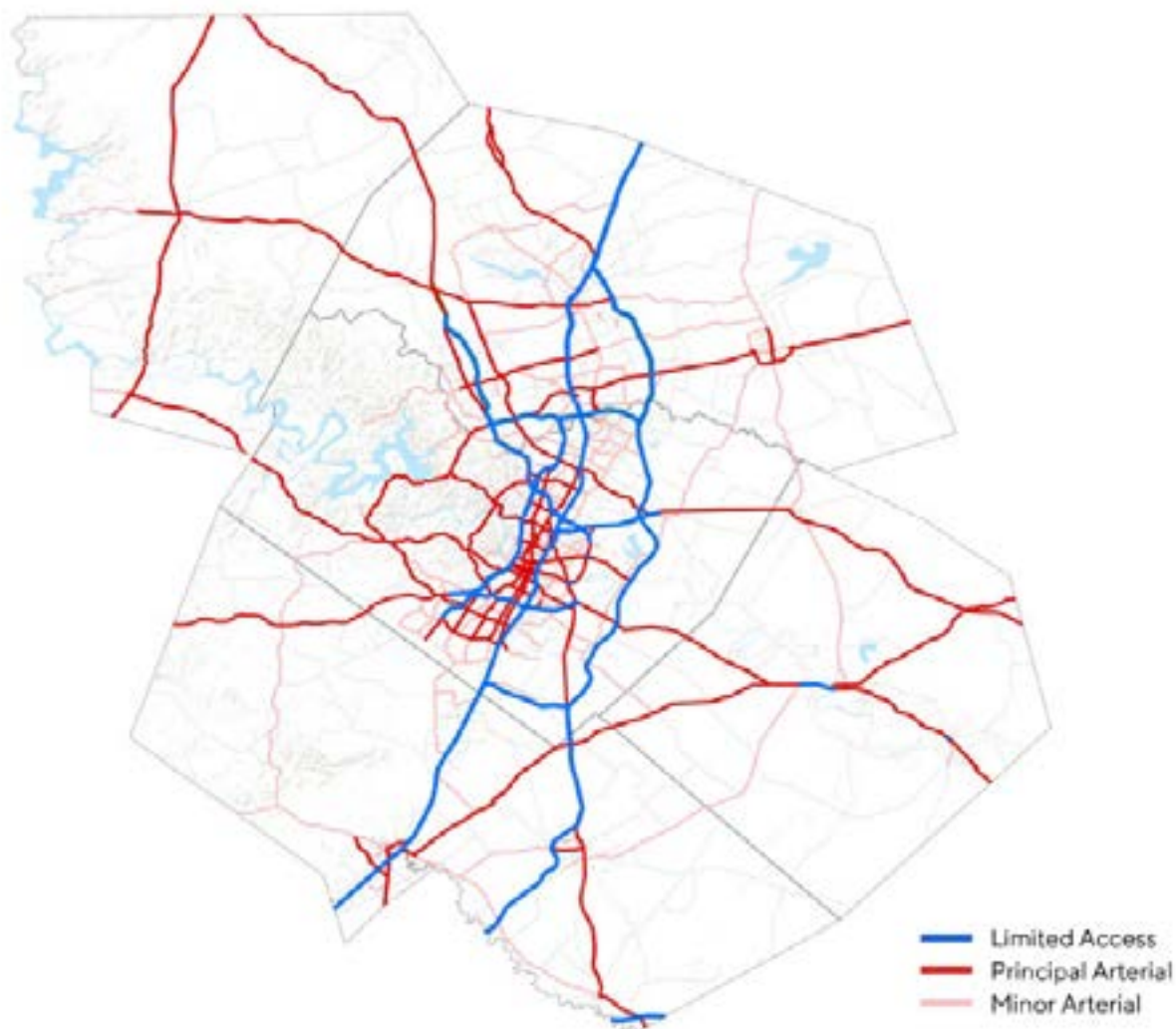


Figure 9: Current Roadway Network Classifications



The seven main transportation corridors that potentially could facilitate movement within and through the Plan area are detailed below. These corridors are being studied due to the impact they have on connectivity and development within the Subregion as well as a continuation of past TxDOT studies. Vehicles are the primary mode of transportation on these corridors. Limited transit

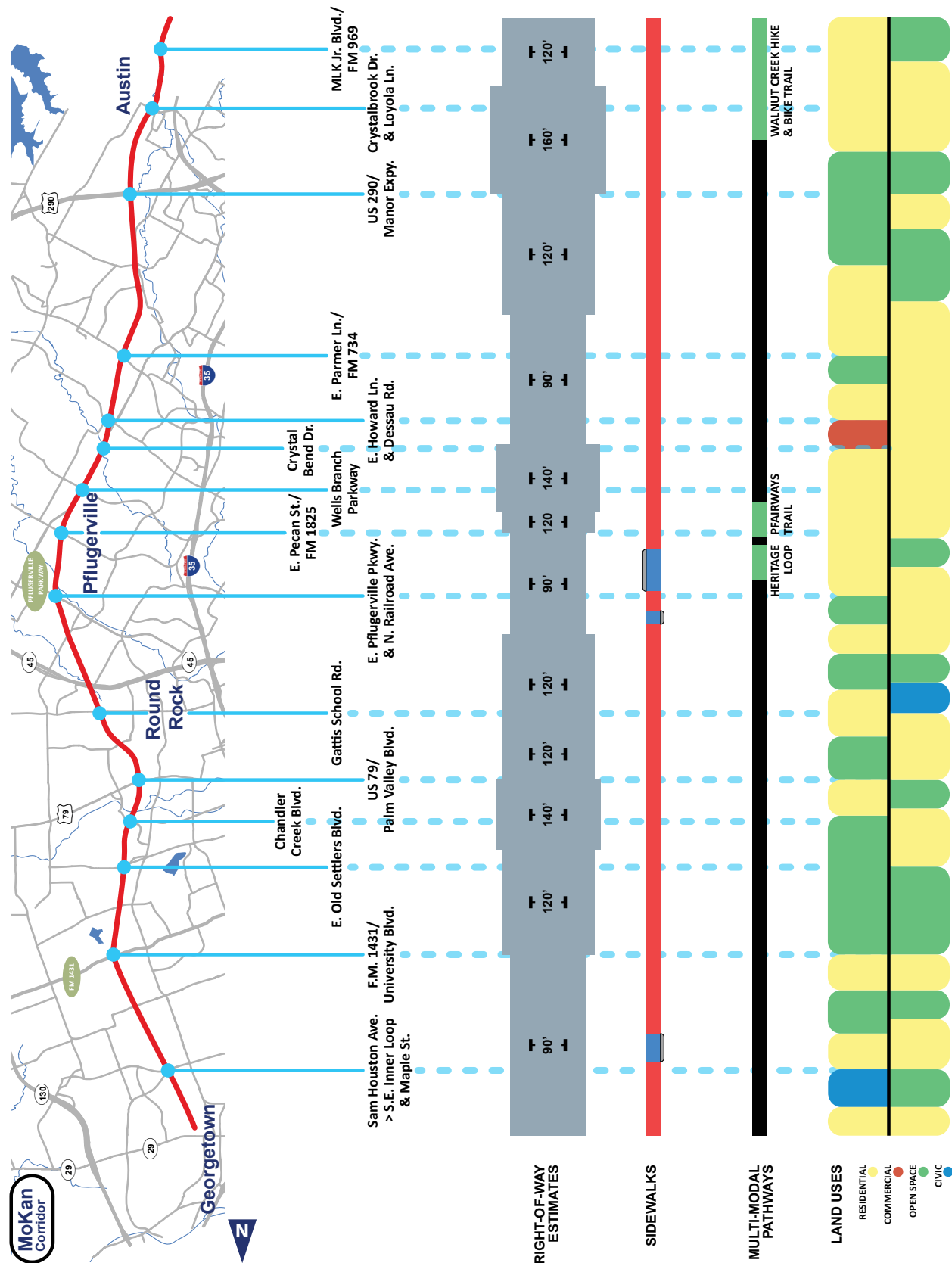
service is provided by Capital Metro and CARTS. Capital Metro provides service in Austin, Manor, and Round Rock. CARTS provides service to Austin, Elgin, Georgetown, Manor, Pflugerville, Round Rock, and Taylor. An analysis of key roadways is shown on the following pages.



Missouri-Kansas-Texas trains operated freight railroad service along this corridor from 1904 to 1976. Since that time, TxDOT purchased the corridor for future transportation purposes. The MoKan corridor has been the subject of multiple transportation-related studies over the last 30 years. These have examined various roadway, transit, bicycle/pedestrian, and multimodal concepts to enhance mobility and transportation access to this growing area of the CAMPO six-county region. Though the MoKan Corridor currently does not have a programmed transportation improvement concept or financing plan, it remains a critical regional transportation asset for consideration in improving mobility in the Plan area. The MoKan corridor has been studied in the past including several feasibility studies and planning studies.

The MoKan corridor extends approximately 27 miles from east Austin (Travis County) on the south to Georgetown (Williamson County) in the north. This north-south corridor is located between and runs parallel to IH-35 and SH 130, and connects the cities of Austin, Pflugerville, Round Rock, and Georgetown. It also intersects major east-west highways, including SH 290, SH 45, US 79, and SH 29. Currently, the abandoned rail corridor has a ROW that varies from 60 feet to 160 feet; MoKan also shares ROW with Dessau Road between E. Custers Creek Bend in Pflugerville and Crystal Bend Drive in Travis County; the estimated ROW in this segment is 140 feet. Sidewalks and trails are only found in a few locations along the corridor. Residential land use is most prominent along the corridor, followed by open space land use. **Figure 10** represents a summary of the existing conditions along the MoKan corridor, and illustrates changes in the physical cross-section as well as the character along the corridor.

Figure 10: MoKan Corridor





The US 79 corridor extends approximately 18.1 miles northeast from IH-35 in Round Rock to the east Taylor Bypass interchange and intersects both SH 130 and SH 95. US 79 is currently classified as a principal arterial, excluding the frontage road intersection of US 79 and SH 130.

In the Plan area, the corridor connects the established and growing communities of Round Rock, Hutto, and Taylor and has become an important east/west corridor in Williamson County. The corridor in the Plan area is but one segment of a major national highway running 855 miles between Round Rock, TX, Shreveport, LA, Memphis, TN, and Russellville, KY. The Union Pacific Railroad operates freight service along the south side of US 79 running between San Antonio, Austin, and northeast Texas.

Currently, the corridor lacks a consistent roadway typology. The corridor is a four-lane divided roadway for the 6.3 miles between IH-35 in Round Rock and Exchange Boulevard in Hutto. It then

transitions to a five-lane roadway with two-way center turn lane for approximately 2.5-miles between Exchange Boulevard in Hutto and the Covert Auto Dealership in Hutto and then back to a four-lane divided highway towards and around Taylor. Roadway grade separations exist at Kenney Fort Boulevard, SH 130, Taylor West Bypass (Carlos G. Parker Boulevard), Welch Road, US 95/Main Street, and the Taylor East Bypass (East 4th Street). Sidewalks are only found in a few locations along the corridor. Agriculture land use is most prominent along the corridor, followed by commercial land use.

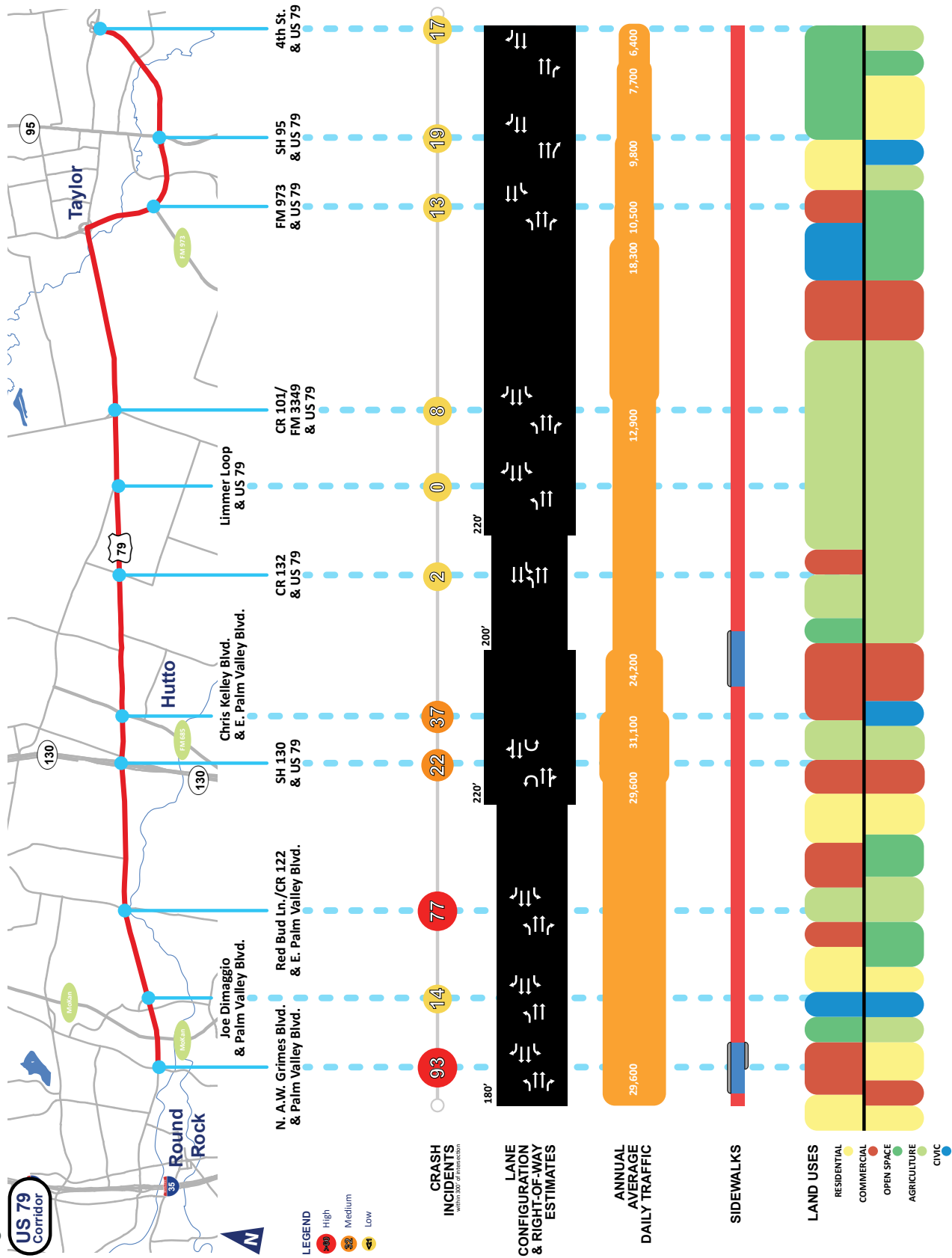
Figure 11 represents a summary of the existing conditions along the US 79 corridor and illustrates changes in the physical cross-section as well as the character along the corridor.

Traffic volumes along the corridor range from approximately 6,400 to 31,100 average annual daily traffic (AADT), with volumes over 20,000 concentrated between Round Rock and Hutto. The Following chart displays the TxDOT 2016 AADT figures for segments along the corridor:

Table 3: Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) of US 79 Segments

Segment	AADT
IH-35 (Round Rock) to SH 130	29,637
SH 130 to FM 685 (Hutto)	31,076
FM 685 to North FM 1660 (Hutto)	24,208
North FM 1660 to South FM 1660 (Hutto)	21,464
South FM 1660 to FM 3349	12,926
FM 339 to Carlos G. Parker Boulevard (Taylor)	18,304
Welch to FM 973 (Taylor)	10,516
FM 973 to SH 95 (Taylor)	9,768
SH 95 to FM 112 (Taylor)	7,741
FM 112 to East 4th Street (Taylor)	6,434

Figure 11: US 79 Corridor





The FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road corridor runs between US 79 in Hutto and US 290 in Austin for approximately 17.6 miles, and connects the communities of Hutto, Pflugerville, and northeast Austin. It generally has a north/south alignment, and intersects with US 79, SH 130, US 183, and US 290. The FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road is generally classified as a principal arterial. This corridor is marked by new residential growth (The Vistas, Park at Brushy Creek, and Enclave at Brushy Creek), new retail commercial growth (Walmart Supercenter, Typhoon Texas Waterpark, Stone Hill Town Center, Costco, HEB Plus, Star Ranch, and Falcon Pointe), and Hutto High School. The FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road corridor has become an important north/south corridor between Williamson County and Travis County.

The corridor operates as a major arterial yet lacks a consistent roadway typology. For approximately 2 miles between US 79 and SH 130, FM 685 (Chris Kelley Boulevard) operates as a four-lane undivided roadway through Hutto. It then transitions to a one-way two-lane outer frontage road for approximately 3.6 miles along SH 130 between SH 130 and Copper Mine Drive in Pflugerville. Between Copper Mine Drive and FM 1825/Pecan Street in Pflugerville, the corridor

then becomes a four-lane divided roadway with protected turns for approximately 2 miles, with a 0.25 segment of five-lane roadway with a two-way center turn lane (between Cedar Ridge Drive and Pecan Street). At Pecan Street, FM 685 becomes Dessau Road and transitions to a four-lane divided roadway with protected turn lanes for 4 miles until it reaches East Parmer Lane. South of East Parmer Lane, Dessau Road expands to a six-lane divided roadway with protected turns, becomes Cameron Road at East Rundberg Lane, and travels for approximately 5.8 miles to reach US 290, then terminates at IH-35. Sidewalks are found along a majority of the corridor. Residential land use is most prominent along the corridor, followed by commercial land use.

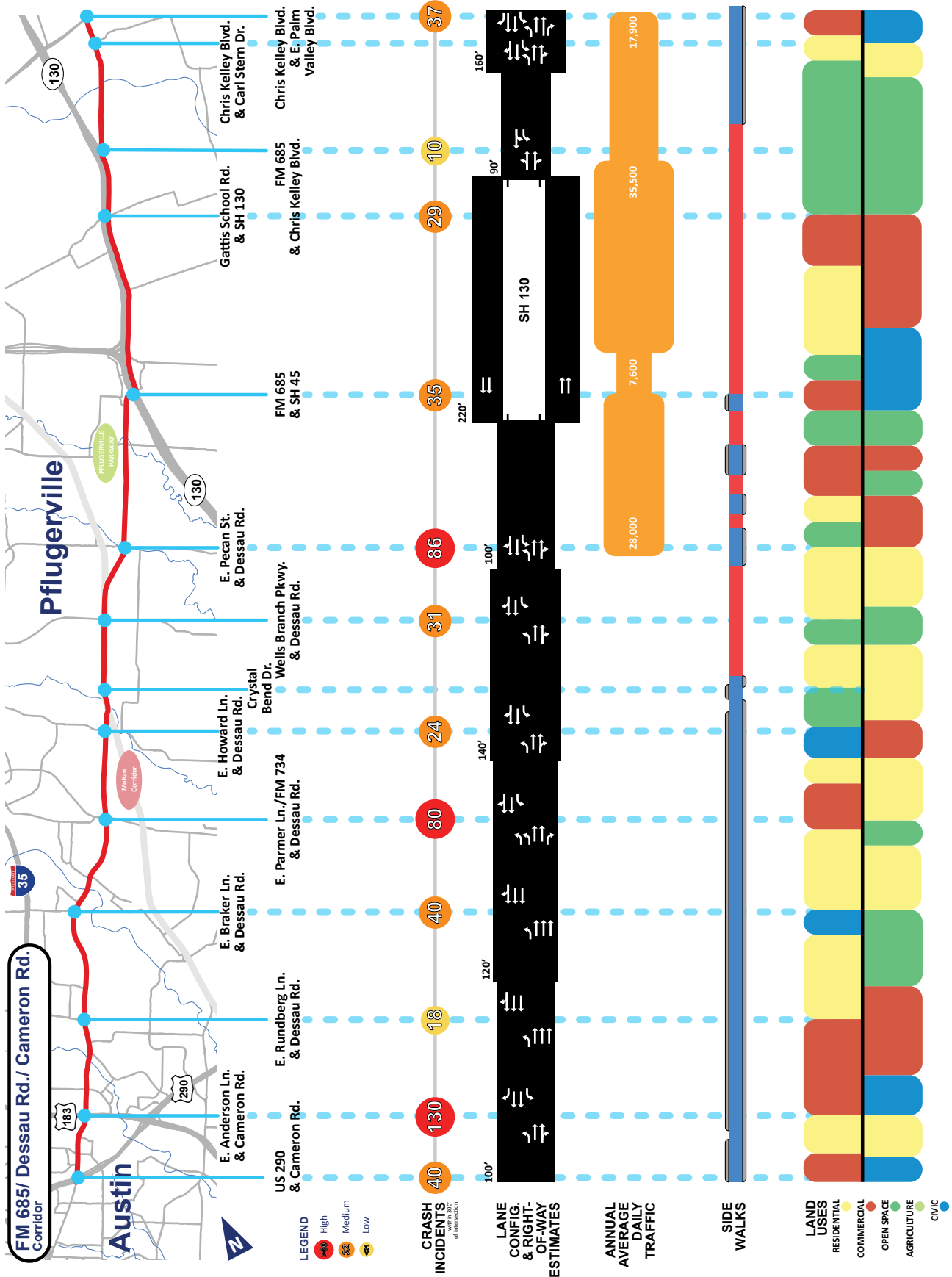
Figure 12 represents a summary of the existing conditions along the FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road corridor and illustrates changes in the physical cross-section as well as the character along the corridor.

Traffic volumes along the corridor range from approximately 7,600 to 35,500 AADT, with a noticeable concentration around SH 130. Note traffic counts are not available for the Dessau Road and Cameron Road portions of the corridor. Following are the TxDOT 2016 AADT figures for segments along the corridor:

Table 4: Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) of FM 685/Dessau/Cameron Road Segments

Segment	AADT
US 79 to SH 130 (Hutto)	17,854
SH 130 – SH 45 (outer road)	35,479
SH 130 – Copper Mine Drive (outer road)	7,593
Copper Mine Drive to Pecan Street (Pflugerville)	28,012

Figure 12: FM 685/Dessau Rd./Cameron Road Corridor





FM 973 is a two-lane corridor that travels north/south between US 79 in Taylor and the Colorado River Basin in south Manor, and travels through large areas of agricultural and undeveloped land. The approximately 23.8-mile corridor provides an important alternate north/south route between SH 130 and SH 95 with connections to US 79, US 290, and SH 130. FM 973 is classified as a principal arterial. The FM 973 corridor links the growing areas of Taylor and southeastern Williamson County with northeast Travis County and Manor. Sidewalks are only found in a few locations along the corridor.

Agriculture is the most prominent land use along the corridor, followed by open space.

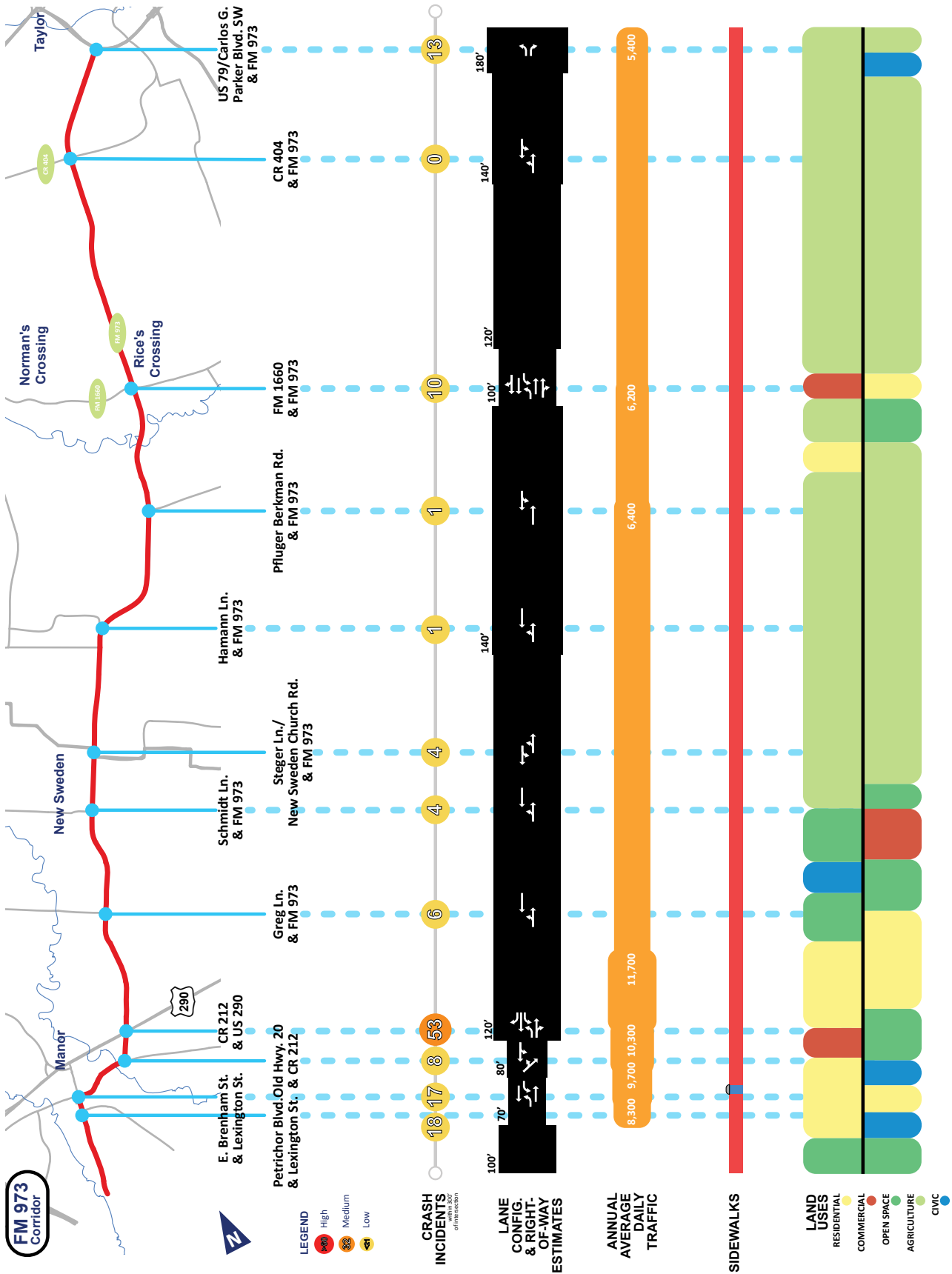
Figure 13 represents a summary of the existing conditions along the FM 973 corridor and illustrates changes in the physical cross-section as well as the character along the corridor.

Traffic volumes along the corridor range from approximately 5,400 to 13,700 AADT, with volumes over 9,700 concentrated around US 290 in Manor. Following are the TxDOT 2016 AADT figures for segments along the corridor:

Table 5: Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) of FM 973 Segments

Segment	AADT
US 79 to FM 1660 (Rices Crossing)	5,370
FM 1660 to Pfluger Berkman Road	6,173
Pfluger Berkman Road to Shadowglen Trace (Manor)	6,439
Shadowglen Trace to US 290 (Manor)	11,726
US 290 to Old Highway 20 (Manor)	10,305
FM 973/SH 212 Northbound to Llano Street (Manor)	9,654
Llano Street to Lexington Street (Manor)	8,272
Old Highway 20 to Carrie Manor Street (Manor)	13,686
Carrie Manor Street to Lapoyner Street (Manor)	9,447
Lapoyner Street (Manor) to Petrichor Boulevard	8,809

Figure 13: FM 973 Corridor





The Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 corridor is approximately 22.5-miles long, and travels northwest/ southeast across Travis County, connecting Round Rock, Pflugerville, and Elgin. The corridor is generally located south of US 79 and north of US 290 and provides east/west travel. The corridor intersects SH 130 in Pflugerville, FM 973 near New Sweden, and SH 95 in Elgin. Pflugerville Parkway/ FM 1100 through Pflugerville is classified as a principal arterial. Between the communities of Cele and Manda the corridor is a rural roadway, then transitioning into an off-system city street into Elgin.

From its western terminus, the corridor begins in Round Rock as Pflugerville Parkway at Greenlawn Boulevard—providing direct access to both IH-35 and SH 45—and extends approximately 4.5-miles southeast through Round Rock and Pflugerville to SH 130 as a divided four-lane road with medians and protected turns. East of SH 130, Pflugerville Parkway transitions to a two-lane road and travels approximately 2-miles at which point it terminates at Weiss Lane, just south of Lake Pflugerville. The corridor then travels various two-lane roadways through rural areas to reach FM 1100 outside of Elgin. From Pflugerville Parkway and Weiss Lane to

FM 1100, the corridor runs north on Weiss Lane for 0.25-mile, east on Jesse Bohls Drive for 2.5-miles, north on Cameron Road for 0.5-mile, southeast on Steger Lane for approximately 2.0-miles, south on FM 973 for 0.25-mile, southeast on New Sweden Church Road for 1-mile, southeast on Jacobson Road for 2-miles, and southeast on Manda Road for 1-mile. From Manda Road, the route travels southeast on FM 1100 for approximately 5.5-miles into Elgin where it connects with SH 95. Sidewalks are found in several locations along the corridor, primarily in Pflugerville and Elgin. Agriculture is the most prominent land use found along the corridor, followed by residential land uses.

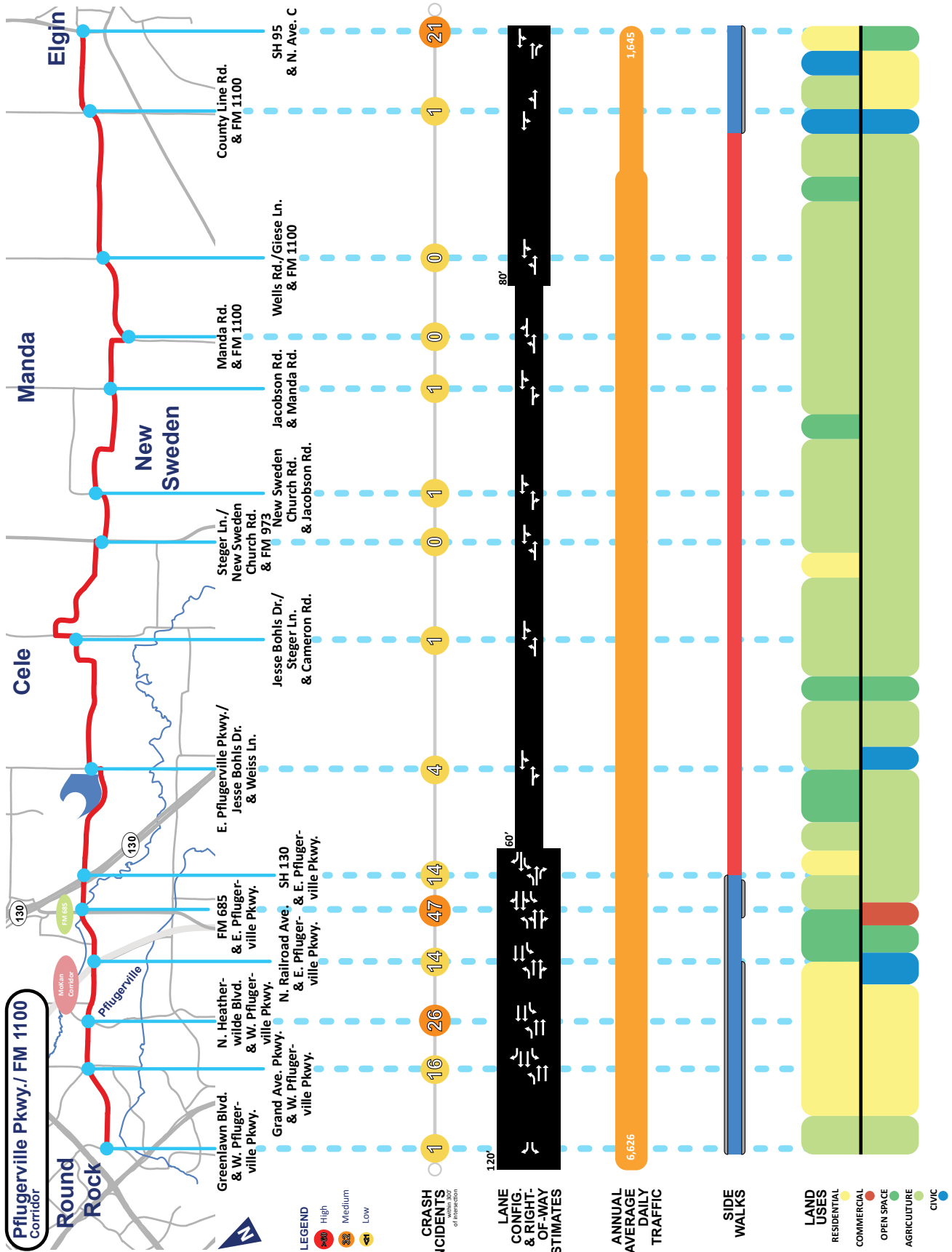
Figure 14 represents a summary of the existing conditions along the Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 corridor and illustrates changes in the physical cross-section as well as the character along the corridor.

Traffic volumes along the corridor range from approximately 1,600 to 6,600 AADT. Note traffic counts are not available for the Pflugerville Parkway, Weiss Lane, Jesse Bohls Drive, Cameron Road, Steger Lane, FM 293, New Sweden Church Road, Jacobson Road, or Manda Road portions of the corridor. Following are the TxDOT 2016 AADT figures for segments along the corridor:

Table 6: Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) of Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 Segments

Segment	AADT
Manda Road to Klaus Lane (Elgin)	1,645
Klaus Lane to SH 95 (Elgin)	6,626

Figure 14: Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 Corridor





Located in the eastern portion of the Plan area, SH 95 is approximately 21.7-miles and runs north/south between SH 29 and US 290, connecting the communities of Circleville, Taylor, Coupland, and Elgin and rural areas of eastern Williamson and Travis counties. The corridor intersects and provides important regional connections to SH 29 in Circleville, US 79 in Taylor, and US 290 in Elgin. SH 95 functions as a principal arterial throughout the Plan area.

Just east of the corridor, Union Pacific operates a freight railroad that runs between Houston and Fort Worth. This corridor is a portion of SH 95's 122-mile total alignment between US 190 in Temple and US 77 in Yoakum.

SH 95 operates primarily as a rural road typology from end to end; the roadway transitioning between three, four, and five lanes depending on location. For about 1.5-miles from SH 29 through Circleville, the road has five lanes with a center turn-lane. Heading into Taylor, SH 95 transitions to a four-lane highway for about 1-mile to Chandler Road, expands to a five-lane roadway with a center turn-lane for 0.25 mile near the FM 365 intersection, then transitions back to a four-

lane roadway for about 1-mile to Taylor Bypass (Carlos G. Parker Boulevard), operates for 1.5-miles as a five-lane roadway with a center turn-lane to Old Granger Road, and then becomes a four-lane road (Main Street) through Taylor's central business district and just south of US 79. Along the 15-miles between US 79 and Elgin, SH 95 operates as a three-lane highway and transitions between configurations that include two southbound/one northbound lanes, two northbound/one southbound lanes, and two lanes with a center-turn. The corridor also narrows down to two lanes for bridge approaches and crossings.

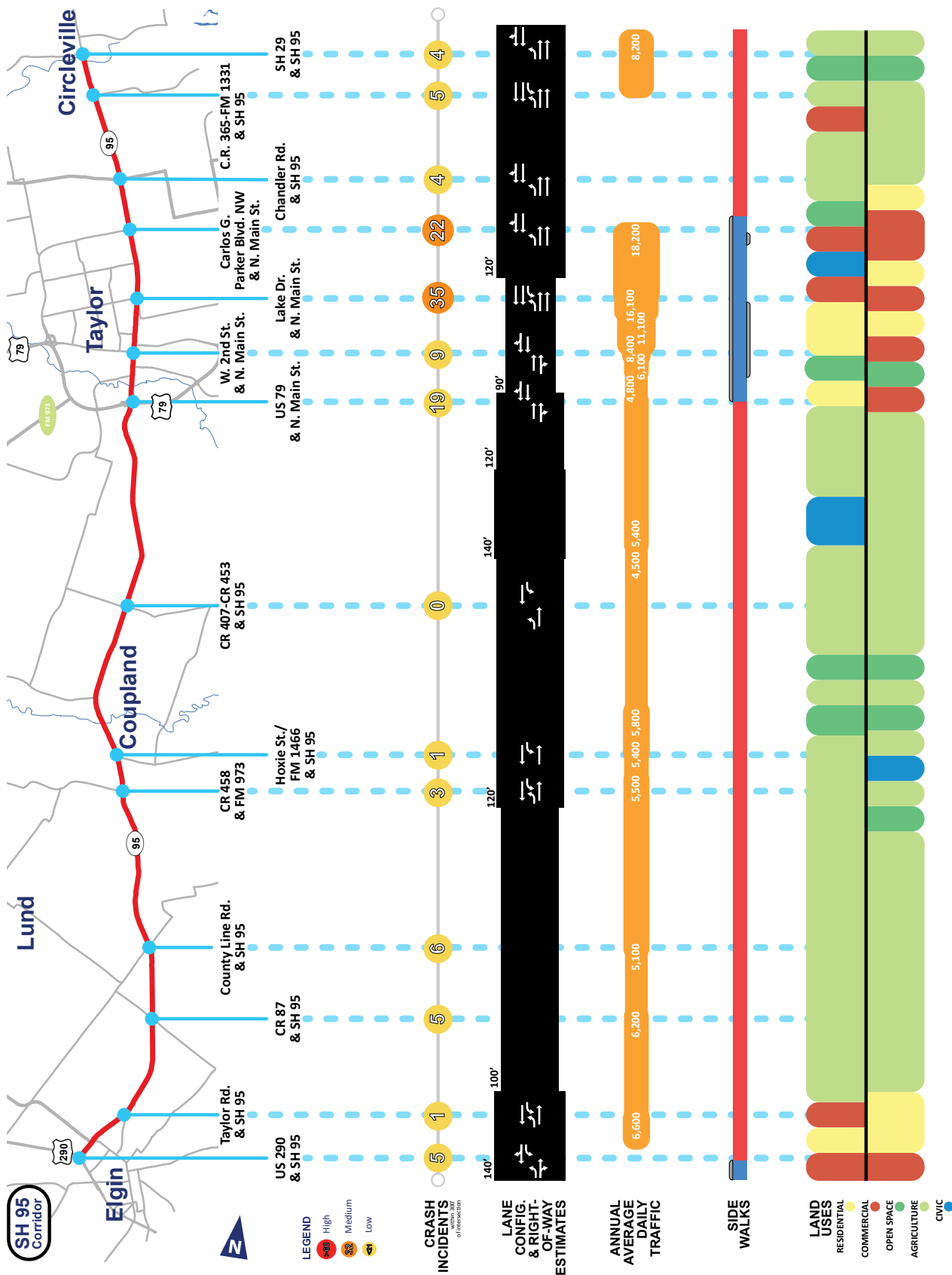
Sidewalks are found in several locations along the corridor, primarily in Taylor. Agriculture land use is most prominent along the corridor, followed by commercial land use.

Figure 15 represents a summary of the existing conditions along the SH 95 corridor, and illustrates changes in the physical cross-section as well as the character along the corridor. Traffic volumes along the corridor range from approximately 4,500 to 18,200 AADT, with volumes over 11,100 concentrated in Taylor. Following are the TxDOT 2016 AADT figures for segments along the corridor:

Table 7: Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) of SH 95 Road Segments

Segment	AADT	Segment	AADT
SH 29 to FM 1331 (Circleville)	8,182	Old Coupland Road to FM 400	4,815
FM 397 to West Lake Drive (Taylor)	18,235	FM 407 to FM 454	4,525
Lake Drive to 12th Street (Taylor)	16,133	Brushy Creek to FM 1466 (Coupland)	5,875
12th Street to 4th Street/FM 427 (Taylor)	14,037	FM 1466 to Hoxie Street (Coupland)	5,438
4th Street/FM 427 to 2nd Street (Taylor)	11,139	FM 458/SH 277 Coupland) to County Line Road	5,457
2nd Street to MLK Jr. Boulevard/FM 112 (Taylor)	8,440	County Line Road to FM 87	5,183
MLK Jr. Boulevard/FM 112 to Rio Grande Street (Taylor)	6,103	FM 87 to Taylor Road (Elgin)	6,224
Rio Grande Street to US 79 (Taylor)	4,833	Taylor Road to FM 1100 (Elgin)	6,612
US 79 to Old Coupland Road (Taylor)	5,431		

Figure 15: SH 95 Corridor

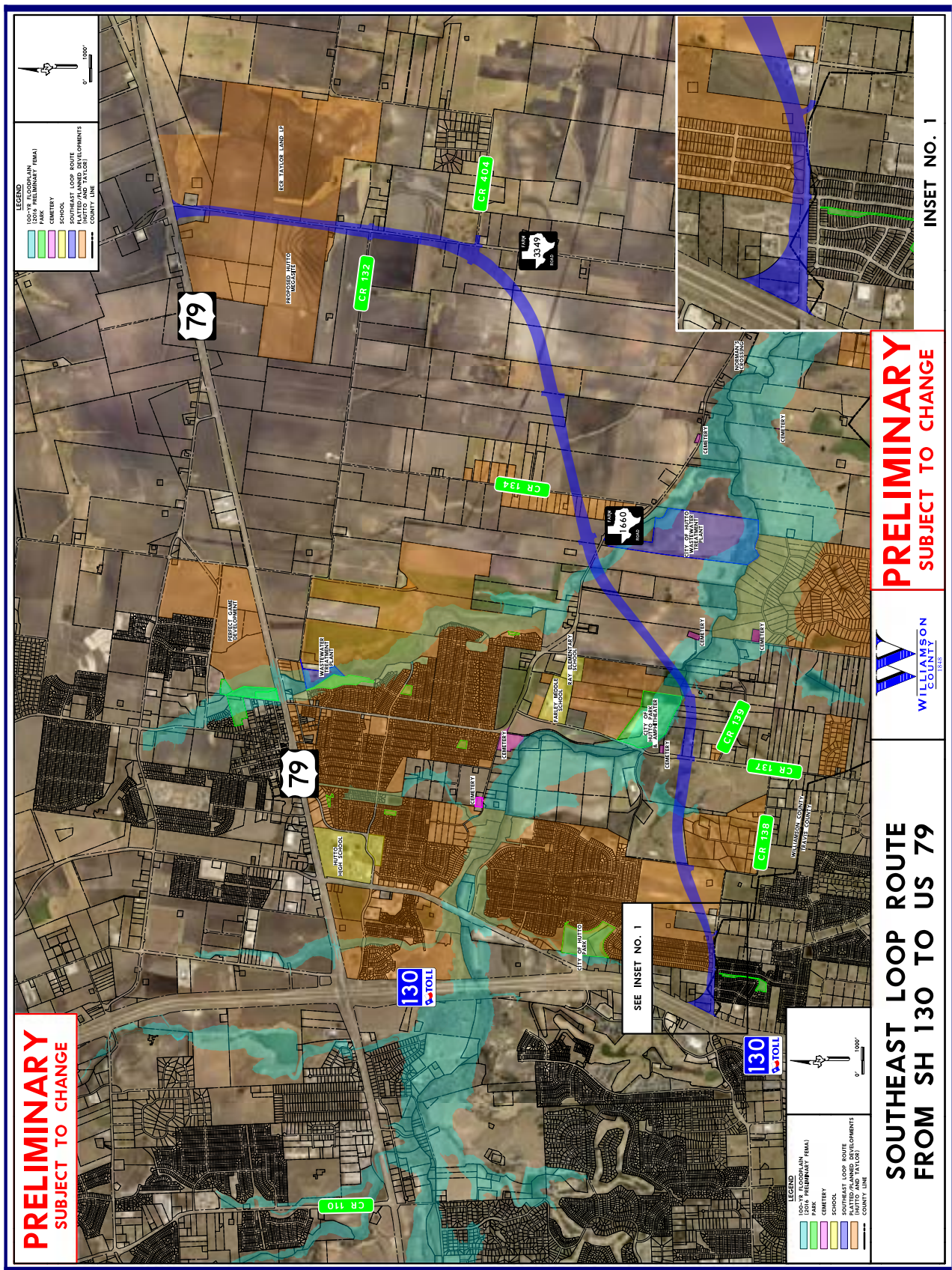


Southeast Loop (E1) (Williamson County)

New transportation options in the southeastern region of Williamson County can help accommodate current and future growth and traffic levels. This study also incorporates a new corridor currently being considered by Williamson County to enhance mobility for east/west travel between SH 130 and SH 95, as well as north/south travel to US 79. This planning effort is a part of the Williamson County Long-Range Transportation Plan, and is intended to create new connections within the county. The new potential connection is referred as the Southeast Loop. The limits of the corridor are SH 130 and US 79, running south and east of Hutto and west of Taylor.

The objective of the Southeast Loop is to improve efficiency for traffic traveling east from SH 130. This corridor will provide an alternate east-west route to US 79, SH 130 and SH 95 which currently experience high traffic volumes. The approximate length of the corridor is 10 miles. Williamson County has developed a draft concept and routes for these corridors areas seen in the images below. Williamson County has conducted several rounds of public involvement regarding the Southeast Loop. This process is still underway and these corridors are still being studied as a part of the Southeast Corridor Study.

Figure 16: Southeast Loop Route



Transit

Community interest and market demand for transit services is growing in the six-county region, as transit provides additional travel options in a region experiencing significant growth and growing traffic congestion. In the Plan area, Capital Metro and CARTS provide transit service in separate service areas. Capital Metro operates a multimodal, urban transit system with a service area primarily located in the City of Austin. CARTS provides transit services in the rural areas outside of the urban core. Transit centers and park-and-rides in the Plan area are key mobility hubs where Capital Metro and CARTS services meet and allow passenger transfers between routes and systems.

Capital Metro

The Capital Metro system consists of an 88-route bus system comprised of local, crosstown, circulator, shuttle, rapid bus, and a commuter rail line. In general, the Capital Metro system has multiple routes that start and converge



in downtown Austin and radiate throughout the region along major arterials. In the Plan area, Capital Metro bus routes operate primarily in northeast Austin and Round Rock. Additionally, Capital Metro operates commuter express service between Elgin, Manor, and Austin, as well as a circulator service in Manor.

Three transit hubs—Round Rock, Tech Ridge, and Rutherford Lane—serve as key locations in the Capital Metro system where multiple routes converge to allow transfer connections to routes serving other parts of the region. Capital Metro also has park-and-ride facilities in Manor and

Elgin to support commuter express service and connections with CARTS service.

CARTS

CARTS operates a system of transit services designed to meet critical rural transportation, including interurban coach, demand response, municipal fixed-route, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible transportation.



CARTS also has a network of nine stations located throughout its service area to facilitate local boarding and alighting activities, and coordination between multiple transportation services and service providers. Many of the CARTS stations also serve as a stop for national intercity bus routes operated by Greyhound and Trailways.

Specific to the Plan area, CARTS operates three interurban regional coach routes, the Georgetown municipal bus system funded in part by Capital Metro, and Country Bus service providing demand-response travel throughout its service area and scheduled local service in Elgin, Manor, and Taylor. CARTS stations in Georgetown, Taylor, and Round Rock are key regional mobility hubs that facilitate intermodal connections between other regional services. CARTS also serves and makes connections with Capital Metro routes at park-and-ride facilities in Manor and Elgin. Worth noting, there are large portions of the Plan area not located within the Capital Metro and CARTS transit service areas. Therefore, communities must enter and fund contract agreements with Capital Metro or CARTS to launch and provide transit services in these gap areas.

Mobility Hubs

Within the Plan area, eight (8) mobility hubs are strategically located to provide transit riders with access to the national, regional, and local transit services and, in some cases, opportunities to transfer between systems and services. The mobility hubs include transit stations and park-and-ride facilities owned and operated by either Capital Metro or CARTS and serve as current and potential regional connection points. Below are detailed descriptions of each mobility hub and/or park-and-ride facility. See **Figure 17** for the locations of each mobility hub.

Round Rock Transit Center and Park-and-ride, 300 West Bagdad Avenue, Round Rock:

Four Capital Metro bus routes and 2 CARTS interurban routes currently serve the transit center, providing service options that circulate throughout Round Rock and commuter express connections to Austin and Georgetown on weekdays. Greyhound and Trailways intercity bus service also connect at this location. Following are descriptions of the four Capital Metro routes and two CARTS interurban routes:

- **#50-Round Rock Howard Station** – Capital Metro local route that serves both the northern and southern portions of Round Rock and connects Austin Community College Round Rock Campus, the Round Rock Transit Center, and Howard Station just west of MoPac on weekdays.
- **#51-Round Rock Circulator** – Capital Metro local route that runs northwest/southeast, linking St. David's Round Rock Hospital, the

Round Rock Transit Center, and the Walmart at Louis Henna Boulevard on weekdays.

- **#52-Round Rock Tech Ridge** – Capital Metro local route that provides peak-hour service between Tech Ridge and the Round Rock Transit Center via IH-35 on weekdays.
- **#980-North MoPac Express** – Capital Metro express bus service provides rush hour service between the Round Rock Transit Center, Howard Station, downtown Austin, Texas State Capitol, and the University of Texas via SH 45. MoPac, and 5th/Cesar Chavez on weekdays.
- **#1511-Red Route – North IH-35** – CARTS interurban coach service runs between Georgetown, Round Rock Transit Center, and Tech Ridge, and the Austin Greyhound Station on weekdays.
- **#1514-Silver Route – US 79** – CARTS interurban coach service operates between Taylor, Hutto, and the Round Rock Transit Center via US 79 on weekdays.

Figure 17: Transit Service and Mobility Hubs



Tech Ridge Transit Hub and Parkandride, 900 Center Ridge Road, Austin:

Located just east of IH-35 and north of Parmer Lane, Tech Ridge is a major transit center and park-and-ride facility for eight Capital Metro routes and the CARTS Round Rock/Georgetown interurban route. Tech Ridge also serves as the northern terminus for Metro Rapid #801-North Lamar/South Congress bus rapid transit service. Routes operating out of Tech Ridge include the following:

- **#1-North Lamar/South Congress** – Capital Metro local route connecting Tech Ridge, University of Texas, downtown Austin, and South Congress Transit Center via Metric, Lamar, Guadalupe, and South Congress with service operating Monday through Sunday.
- **#52-Round Rock Tech Ridge** – Capital Metro local route that provides weekday peak-hour service between Tech Ridge and the Round Rock Transit Center via IH-35.
- **#135-Dell Limited** – Capital Metro limited-stop weekday commuter service that links Tech Ridge, the Dell Technologies, Inc. Campus, and northeast Austin.
- **#243-Wells Branch** – Capital Metro local route that runs Monday through Saturday between Tech Ridge and Howard Station via Wells Branch Road.
- **#325-Metric/Rundberg** – Capital Metro local route that operates Monday through Sunday between the Tech Ridge and the Rutherford Transit Hub.
- **#392-Braker** – Capital Metro local route that connects Tech Ridge with the Kramer/Braker Station near the Domain with service provided Monday through Sunday.
- **#801-MetroRapid North Lamar/South Congress** – Capital MetroRapid provides high-frequency, limited stop service connecting Tech Ridge, the University of Texas, downtown Austin, South Congress Transit Center, and Southpark Meadows and operates seven days a week.
- **#935-Tech Ridge Express** – Capital MetroExpress limited-stop weekday commuter bus service between Tech Ridge, University of Texas, and downtown Austin via IH-35.
- **#1511-Red Route – North IH-35/Round Rock/Georgetown** – CARTS interurban coach service between Georgetown, Round Rock Transit Center, Tech Ridge, and the Austin Greyhound Station on weekdays.

Rutherford Lane Transit Hub, 1030 Norwood Park Boulevard, Austin:

In the southwest portion of the Plan area, the Rutherford Lane Transit Hub is located at Rutherford Lane between IH-35 and Cameron Road and serves as a critical layover and transfer point for six Capital Metro routes serving central, east, northeast, and south Austin:

- **#10-South 1st/Red River** – Capital Metro local route that runs northeast/southwest across Austin, connecting the Rutherford Lane Transit Hub, University of Texas, Texas State Capitol, downtown Austin, and Southpark Meadows via South 1st Street. Service is provided seven days a week.
- **#323-Anderson** – Capital Metro local route that travels east/west between Northcross Mall, the North Lamar Transit Center, and the Rutherford Lane Transit Hub with service provided Monday through Sunday.
- **#325-Metric/Rundberg** – Capital Metro local route that operates seven days a week between the Tech Ridge Park-and-ride and the Rutherford Transit Hub.
- **#339-Tuscany** – Capital Metro local route that connects the Rutherford Transit Hub and east Austin.
- **#485-Night Owl Cameron** – Capital Metro local route that provides Monday through Saturday night service between the Rutherford Land Transit Hub, Dell Children’s Medical Center, and downtown Austin.

- **#492-Delwood** – Capital Metro local route that provides weekday north/south travel between the Rutherford Transit Hub, Capital Plaza, and the Hancock Center at Red River and 41st Street.

Manor Park-and-ride, 199 W Carrie Manor Street, Manor:

Located south of downtown Manor and at the northeast corner of Lexington Street and West Carrie Manor Street, the Manor Park-and-ride is served by a Capital Metro commuter express route and a local circulator route. It also serves as a designated location to coordinate CARTS service. Following are descriptions of the Capital Metro and CARTS routes serving the Manor Park-and-ride:

- **#990-Manor/Elgin Express** – Capital Metro limited-stop commuter service runs between Elgin, Manor, and downtown Austin via US 290 and IH-35 on weekdays.
- **Country Bus** – CARTS operates curb-to-curb service between Manor and the Travis County Community Center in Manor three days a week and trips to and from downtown Austin once a week.

The Elgin Park-and-ride is on the east side of SH 95, just north of Main Street. The facility serves as the eastern terminus for Capital Metro express service between Elgin, Manor, and Austin, and as a stop for CARTS interurban services between La Grange and Austin. Capital Metro and CARTS bus routes serving the Elgin Park-and-ride include the following:

- **#990-Manor/Elgin Express** – Capital Metro limited-stop commuter service that runs between Elgin, Manor, and downtown Austin via US 290 and IH-35.
- **#1520-Pink Route** – US 290 – CARTS interurban coach service operating on US 290 and connecting La Grange, Giddings, Elgin, and Austin.
- **Country Bus** – CARTS provides curb-to-curb local service in Elgin, trips to and from McDade three times a week, and trips to and from Taylor twice a month.

Georgetown Transit Hub, 9th and Main Street, Georgetown:

In August 2018, CARTS will begin operating a fixed-bus route system in Georgetown. The new system, called GoGEO, will consist of four local routes that will connect at a downtown transit hub near 9th and Main Street radiating throughout Georgetown and providing service Monday through Saturday. CARTS interurban coach service to and from Georgetown also operates out of this location as seen below:

- **GoGEO Orange Route** – CARTS local service that travels between downtown Georgetown and the southeast portion of Georgetown, Southwestern University, and Quail Valley via 8th Street, Maple Street, and Quail Valley Drive, and operate Monday through Saturday.
- **GoGEO Green Route** – CARTS local route that runs between downtown Georgetown and the northwest area of Georgetown. The route will connect downtown Georgetown, the Senior Center, and Sheraton Conference Center via University Avenue and Wolf Ranch Parkway, and run Monday through Saturday.
- **GoGEO Purple Route** – CARTS local route that travels between downtown Georgetown and the southwest area of Georgetown, providing connections to St. David's Hospital and Thousand Oaks, with service provided Monday through Saturday.
- **GoGEO Blue Route** – CARTS local route that connects downtown Georgetown and the northern portion of Georgetown, with service to the Recreation Center and Lone Star Center of Care, and will operate Monday through Saturday.
- **#1511-Red Route** – North IH-35- Round Rock/Georgetown – CARTS interurban coach service between Georgetown, Round Rock Transit Center, and Tech Ridge, and the Austin Greyhound Station on weekdays.

Georgetown Station and Park-and-ride, 3620 South Austin Street, Georgetown:

Located in southwest Georgetown just east of IH-35 at the northwest corner of Southeast Inner Loop and South Austin Avenue, the Georgetown Station and Park-and-ride facilitates CARTS interurban bus service as well as Greyhound and Trailways intercity bus service. CARTS service from Georgetown Station includes the following:

- **#1511-Red Route** – North IH-35–Round Rock/Georgetown – CARTS interurban coach service between Georgetown, Round Rock Transit Center, and Tech Ridge, and the Austin Greyhound Station on weekdays.

Taylor Station and Park-and-ride, 1103 West 2nd Street, Taylor:

Located just west of downtown Taylor on 2nd Street, the Taylor Station and Park-and-ride is served by CARTS interurban coach service to and from Round Rock, and CARTS Country Bus demand-response local service. Greyhound intercity bus service also serves the CARTS Taylor Station. CARTS routes serving the Taylor station include:

- **#1514-Silver Route – US 79** – CARTS interurban coach service operates between Taylor, Hutto, and the Round Rock Transit Center via US 79 on weekdays.
- **Country Bus** – CARTS curb-to-curb service provides weekday local trips within Taylor on a demand-responsive basis, as well as bi-monthly trips to and from Temple.

Opportunities

Transit services are specifically designed to match various markets and require local funding commitments. As the Plan area continues to grow, new transit markets will emerge and require funding commitments to introduce effective and attractive transit options. Currently in the Plan area, most of the fixed-route transit services are located along IH-35, US 79, and US 290. Yet, the continuous and rapid development trend toward the Plan area is creating an emerging employment and population market in Round Rock and Pflugerville that will require new transit options in the near-term for both internal circulation and connections to the CAMPO six-county region. This development trend is anticipated to eventually continue east of SH 130 and into the rural areas of Travis and Williamson counties, bringing future opportunities to expand current transit services and introduce fixed-route bus transit services to growing population centers along key regional corridors such as FM 1100, FM 973, SH 29, and SH 95.

Freight

The Texas freight network is a major component of the Texas economy, and the state's multimodal transportation network is critical to efficiently moving and distributing goods to and from growing population centers within the state, national, and international markets. A reliable and efficient freight network will be important to supply Texas' growing regions with necessary goods. Preparing for this increased demand for goods, TxDOT recently adopted the Texas Freight Mobility Plan (2017) and designated the 21,816-mile Texas Highway Freight Network of priority freight corridors to efficiently move freight. As a component of developing the network per Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act of 2015 requirements, TxDOT and CAMPO are required to identify and prioritize Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCs) that are important for freight movement within the region. TxDOT also identified Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFCs) that are important for freight movement along primary arterials and outside of urbanized areas. Much of the freight network in Central Texas, including the Plan area, centers on access to and from IH-35—the nation's primary North American Free Trade Agreement corridor running between Mexico and Canada. A coordinated system of US and state highways connect with IH-35, and provide freight movement options within and beyond the Central Texas region. Furthermore, a network of active railroads also transport freight through the Central Texas region, and to national and international markets and ports.

Roadway Freight

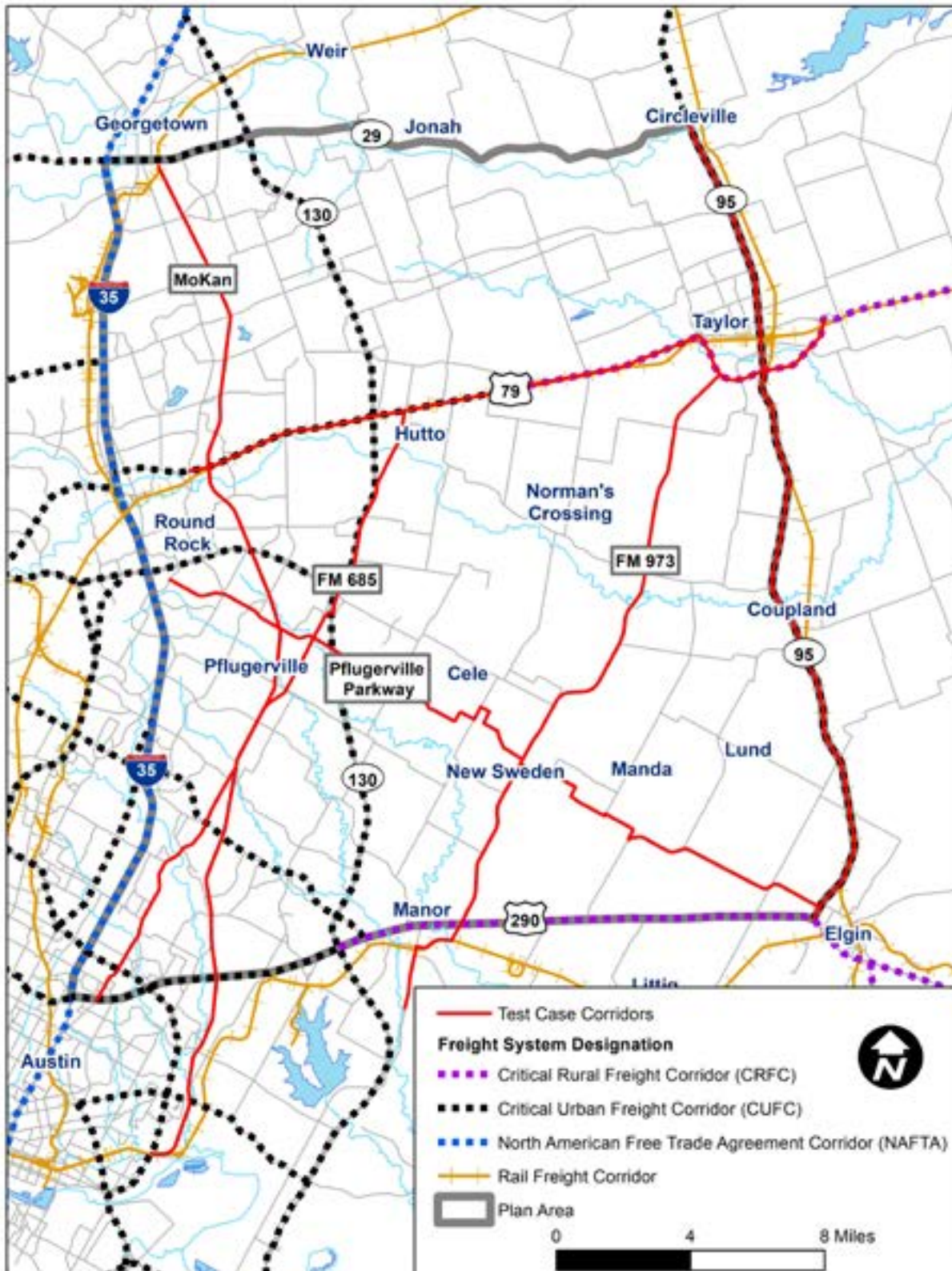
Specific to the Plan area, the Texas Highway Freight Network includes IH-35 on the western edge and a network of nine CUFCs and CRFCs that provide both east/west and north/south freight travel within and beyond the Plan area as seen on **Figure 18**. Following are descriptions of Plan area roadways designated as part of the Texas Highway Freight Network:

- **IH-35 (designated North American Free Trade Agreement):** Running north/south through the Plan area, IH-35 connects Austin, Pflugerville, Round Rock, and Georgetown and beyond to Dallas/Fort Worth to the north and San Antonio to the south. In the Plan area, IH-35 has direct connections with SH 29 in Georgetown, US 79 in Round Rock, SH 45 in Pflugerville, and US 290 in Austin.
- **SH 130 (designated CUFC):** Also running north/south and located east of IH-35, SH 130 connects Austin, Pflugerville, Round Rock, and Georgetown and has interchanges with SH 29 in Georgetown, US 79 in Hutto, SH 45 in Pflugerville, and US 290 in Manor. Beyond the plan area, SH 130 serves as an eastern outer loop for the Austin region, and has critical interstate connections to the north with IH-35 in Georgetown and to the south with IH-10 in Sequin.
- **SH 95 (designated CUFC):** In the eastern portion of the Plan area, SH 95 provides a north/south route between Taylor and Elgin with connections with SH 29 in Circleville, US 79 in Taylor, and US 290 in Elgin. SH 95 also connects with IH-35 in Temple and IH-10 in Flatonia.

- **SH 29 (designated CUFC):** Running east/west, SH 29 is a designated CUFC between IH-35 and SH 130 in Georgetown. The 144-mile highway begins at US 83 in Menard to the west and terminates on the eastern side of Georgetown.
- **US 79 (designated CUFC and CRFC):** US 79 provides east/west travel between Round Rock and Taylor with north/south highway connections with IH-35 in Round Rock, SH 130 in Hutto, and SH 95 in Taylor. Beyond the Plan area, US 79 travels to the northeast and intersects with IH-45 at Buffalo, IH-20 at Shreveport, and IH-40 at Memphis. US 79 is designated as a CUFC between IH-35 and County Road 132 in Hutto and as a CRFC for the 116-miles between County Road 132 in Hutto and IH-45 in Buffalo.
- **SH 45 (designated CUFC):** Running east/west across the central part of the Plan area, SH 45 provides a critical link between US 183 in Cedar Park and SH 130 in Pflugerville. Interchanges are found at US 183, MoPac, IH-35, and SH 130.
- **US 290 (designated CUFC and CRFC):** Running east/west across the southern part of the Plan area, US 290 travels between Austin, Manor, and Elgin with interchanges for north/south travel with IH-35 in Austin, SH 130 near Manor, and SH 95 in Elgin. US 290 provides important connections with IH-10 at Junction towards the west and with IH-610 in Houston towards the east. US 290 is a designated CUFC between IH-35 in Austin and SH 130 in Manor and a CRFC between SH 130 in Manor and Becker Road in Hockley, 36-miles northwest of downtown Houston.
- **US 183 (designated CUFC):** Running northwest/southeast across the southern part of the Plan area, US 183 travels between IH-20 near Cisco on the west and US 77 near Refugio. US 183 provides important access to rural portions of northern Texas and the Texas Gulf Coast. In the Plan area, interchanges are found at IH-35 and US 290.
- **Parmer Lane (designated CUFC):** Parmer Lane is a major arterial roadway in the CAMPO six-county region. It begins as Ronald Reagan Boulevard near Jarrell and IH-35, then runs west and then south, paralleling US 183. In Cedar Park, Parmer Lane begins and then heads southeasterly through Austin and terminates at SH 130. In the Plan area, interchanges are found at IH-35, SH 130, and US 290.

The City of Austin has also identified routes as part of the Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials (NRHM) Route Designation Study. The primary objective of the study is to designate a route or set of routes that direct the travel of trucks carrying NRHM through and within the City of Austin without burdening commerce. Within the Plan area, SH 130 is proposed as a designated route from the northern extraterritorial jurisdiction boundary to SH 45 South and will affect freight travel in the subregion once adopted and implemented.

Figure 18: Freight Service



Rail Freight

There are four active railroads located in the Plan area, providing service through the region and critical regional connections to the national and international markets as seen on **Figure 18**. Following are descriptions of the four active railroads in the Plan area:

- **Union Pacific Mainline (east/west paralleling US 79):** Union Pacific owns and operates an active freight rail line along the southside of US 79 between Round Rock, Hutto, and Taylor. This Union Pacific mainline intersects another Union Pacific mainline running north/south through Taylor. Beyond the Plan area, the route provides an important southwest/northeast freight connection between Laredo, San Antonio, Austin, Northeast Texas, Memphis, and points in between and beyond via the Union Pacific 32,000-mile national network. Amtrak's Texas Eagle passenger service, running daily between Chicago and Los Angeles, also operates along this mainline between Taylor, Hutto, Round Rock, and Austin.
- **Union Pacific Mainline (north/south paralleling SH 95):** Union Pacific also owns and operates a mainline running north/south along the eastside of SH 95 through Taylor and Elgin in the eastern portion of the Plan area and intersects with the Union Pacific mainline running east/west through Taylor. This route provides critical freight service between Fort Worth and Houston as well as multiple routing options via the national network. The Amtrak Texas Eagle also operates on this route between Taylor and Fort Worth.
- **Georgetown Railroad:** The Georgetown Railroad operates a 24.3-mile short line railroad between the two Union Pacific mainlines in the Plan area and travels between Round Rock, Georgetown, and Granger. The railroad connects with the Union Pacific east/west line in Round Rock and with the north/south mainline in Granger. Freight primarily consists of crushed stone, lumber, and grain.

Travel Demand

Travel demand includes an assessment of how many people and jobs reside within a given location to calculate the expected need for the transportation system. Travel demand examines an individual's decision-making process of: "Why", "When", "Where", and "How" to make the trip, and "What" route to follow to complete the trip. The results of the individual choices are combined so that an aggregate impact of roadway vehicle volumes and/or transit route ridership on the average travel times can be determined. Once the travel demand is determined, you can see which roadway or transit route is over or under burdened with use, and then determine if roadway/transit improvements are needed or land use guidance needs to be adjusted to better balance the transportation system.

Figure 19 shows travel inflow and outflow during year 2015 for the Plan area, as well as the volume of citizens traveling to access their jobs. More than double the number of workers commute into the Plan area and nearly four times the workers commute outside of the Plan area than live and work in the Plan area. This pattern is most likely attributed to the high number of employment opportunities available along the IH-35 corridor. It is important to note that as opportunities expand outside of Travis County, commuting patterns will be impacted in Williamson County.

Figure 19: Plan Area Inflow and Outflow



Variation in transportation mode is another aspect of travel demand. **Table 8** provides a summary of year 2016 commuting patterns in the Plan area by mode of transportation, along with a mean travel time estimate. Data for the table within the Plan area, most commuters drive alone, with

walking being the least utilized mean of travel by commuters who travel to work. The mean travel time to work was highest in the communities on the eastern side of the Plan area versus those on the western side of the Plan area, with all commute times exceeding 25 minutes.

Table 8: Commuting to Work

Area	Workers 16 years and over	Driving Alone	Carpool	Public Transportation	Walk	Other Means	Work at Home	Mean Travel Time to Work (minutes)
Texas	12,237,558	9,830,530	1,297,571	188,919	192,854	206,703	520,981	25.9
Travis County	612,192	455,685	59,924	20,421	12,189	15,227	48,746	25.0
Williamson County	240,741	193,824	22,501	1,945	2,252	3,160	17,059	27.4
Austin	500,688	368,994	48,796	20,146	11,637	13,999	37,116	23.8
Elgin	3,481	2,940	348	0	18	59	116	30.9
Georgetown	22,549	18,254	1,850	77	336	389	1,643	27.1
Hutto	10,194	8,346	1,204	13	0	173	458	32.8
Manor	3,050	2,311	427	50	53	49	160	33.2
Pflugerville	29,215	23,913	2,942	163	176	392	1,629	26.2
Round Rock	57,025	46,657	5,009	484	484	709	3,682	25.1
Taylor	7,599	6,015	1,059	18	102	153	252	27.6
Source: US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP03 Selected Economic Characteristics								

Google drive time estimates were also reviewed for the US 79, FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road, FM 973, Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100, SH 95 corridors. Note that the MoKan corridor is not currently being used by vehicles, thus no commute time is available. Uncongested Google drive time estimates indicated the following:

- A trip on the US 79 corridor between FM 1460/A.W. Grimes Boulevard in Round Rock and the west US 79 bypass in Taylor is approximately 23 minutes.
- A trip on the FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road corridor between US 79 in Hutto and US 290 in Austin is approximately 33 minutes.
- A trip on the FM 973 corridor between US 79 in Taylor and south Manor is approximately 26 minutes.
- A trip on the Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 corridor between Greenlawn Boulevard in Pflugerville and SH 95 in Elgin is approximately 39 minutes.
- A trip on the SH 95 corridor between SH 29 in Circleville and US 290 in Elgin is approximately 26 minutes.

Commuting between Williamson and Travis county, as well as intra-county commuting, impacts the transportation system. **Figure 20** identifies the arterial roadways that are considered congested, which speak to the high volume of commuters that affect travel demand. Congestion was determined using the CAMPO Travel Demand Model, based on the 2020 Base Network. Congestion is quantified by total flow, referring to the forecasted 24-hour daily traffic volume for the year 2020.

A well-connected transportation system has many connections and minimal dead-ends. When the primary connections become over-burdened, parallel north/south and east/west connections provide redundancy to help manage mobility by providing alternative routing to a destination. For example, SH 130 and SH 95 are considered parallel facilities to IH-35, while US 79 and SH 29

are considered parallel facilities to US 290. There are very few communities in the CAMPO six-county region that specifically reference network redundancy or include alternative routing, except when requiring a minimum of two access points to new subdivisions.

Intersection density is a measure of compactness. It is simply the total number of intersections per land area (square mile). **Figure 21** displays the density of intersections throughout the Plan area. Based on this data, there are more intersections located within the centers of each community and less intersections as you move out of the community. The density of intersections is impactful to travel demand; as commuters move in and out of communities to access their homes and jobs, intersections begin to back up and create bottlenecks.

Figure 20: Congested Arterials

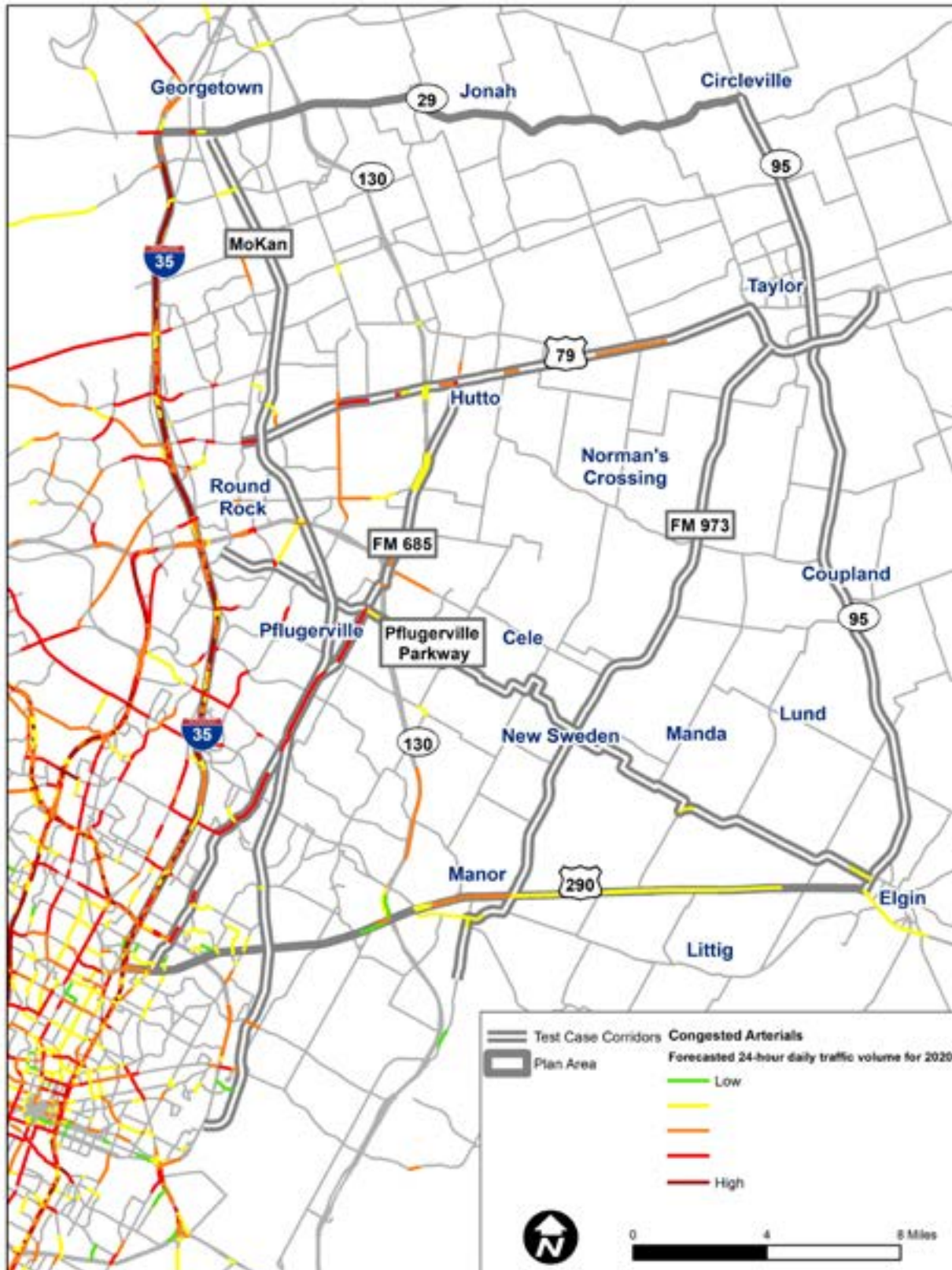
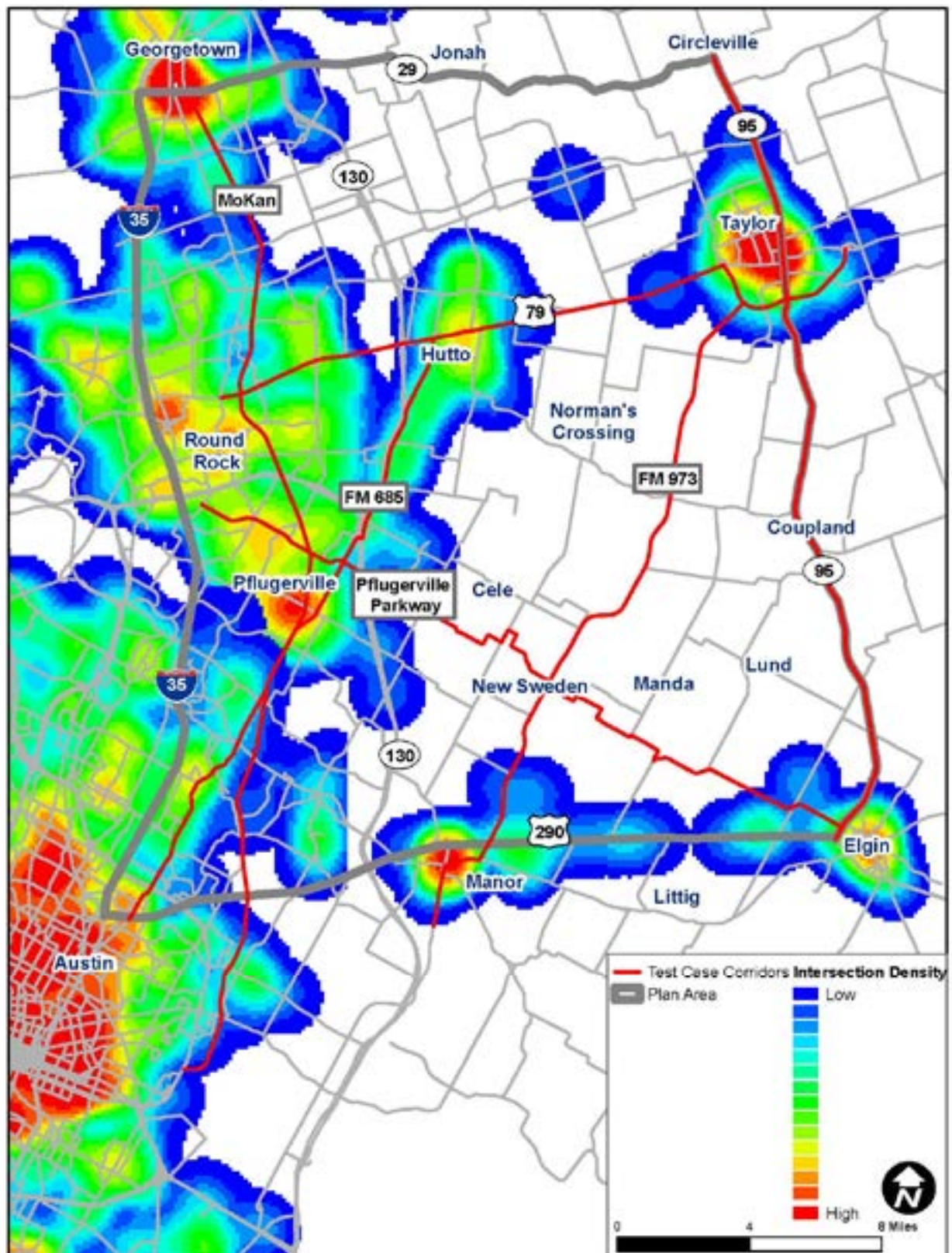


Figure 21: Intersection Density



Safety

Population increases and new patterns of development have shown impacts on the level of safety throughout the Plan area. Improving the safety, referring primarily to vehicle crashes, of the traveling public is a guiding principle of CAMPO. CAMPO works in collaboration with regional and implementing agencies, such as local governments, to ensure safety-conscious planning efforts are made. Determining the causes of vehicle crashes throughout the CAMPO six-county region is also a priority to safety improvements. CAMPO works to determine vehicle crash causes through the advancement of the “Four E’s” of transportation safety: engineering, enforcement, education, and emergency response. Improvements across the Four E’s created a decline in the traffic fatality rate of the CAMPO six-county region between year 2003 and year 2010. However, since year 2010, the Capital Area Region experienced a 17 percent increase in traffic fatalities, closely tracking the high growth rates.

Certain intersections are more susceptible to crashes than others in the Plan area. Many factors can be attributed to high crash location, such as orientation of the road to nearby buildings, driveway spacing, travel lanes beginning or ending, lighting, signage, etc. The safety of the transportation system within the Plan area was evaluated based on vehicle crash data from TxDOT.

Vehicle crash data for year 2014 to year 2016 for the Plan area revealed intersections where the number of crashes was highest. As shown on **Figure 22**, crashes were organized into three numeric ranges, 0-20 (low), 21-60 (medium), and 60 crashes or above (high). The identified crashes occurred within a 300-foot buffer around each intersection. **Table 9** contains the top five intersections where the number of vehicle crashes was highest.

The FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road shows the highest number intersections where crashes exceed 60. US 79 and SH 95 also showed a high number of crashes at specific intersections. Though the number of crashes taking place at these intersections are within the low and medium ranges, in areas such as downtown Taylor, and intersection of FM 685 and Pflugerville Parkway, there are groups of intersections where crashes occur back-to-back. Areas with high concentrations of crashes include the south-end of FM 685 leading into Austin, FM 685 and Pflugerville Parkway, downtown Taylor, Manor at US 290, and US 79 from Round Rock to Hutto. Areas where crash intersections are sparse include FM 973 to Manor, Taylor to Elgin, US 79 from Hutto to Taylor, and Pflugerville Parkway from Cele to Elgin. The identification of intersections where a high number of crashes have occurred allow CAMPO and other agencies to develop safety improvements and prioritize where such improvements should be implemented.

Figure 22: Crash Locations (2014-2016)

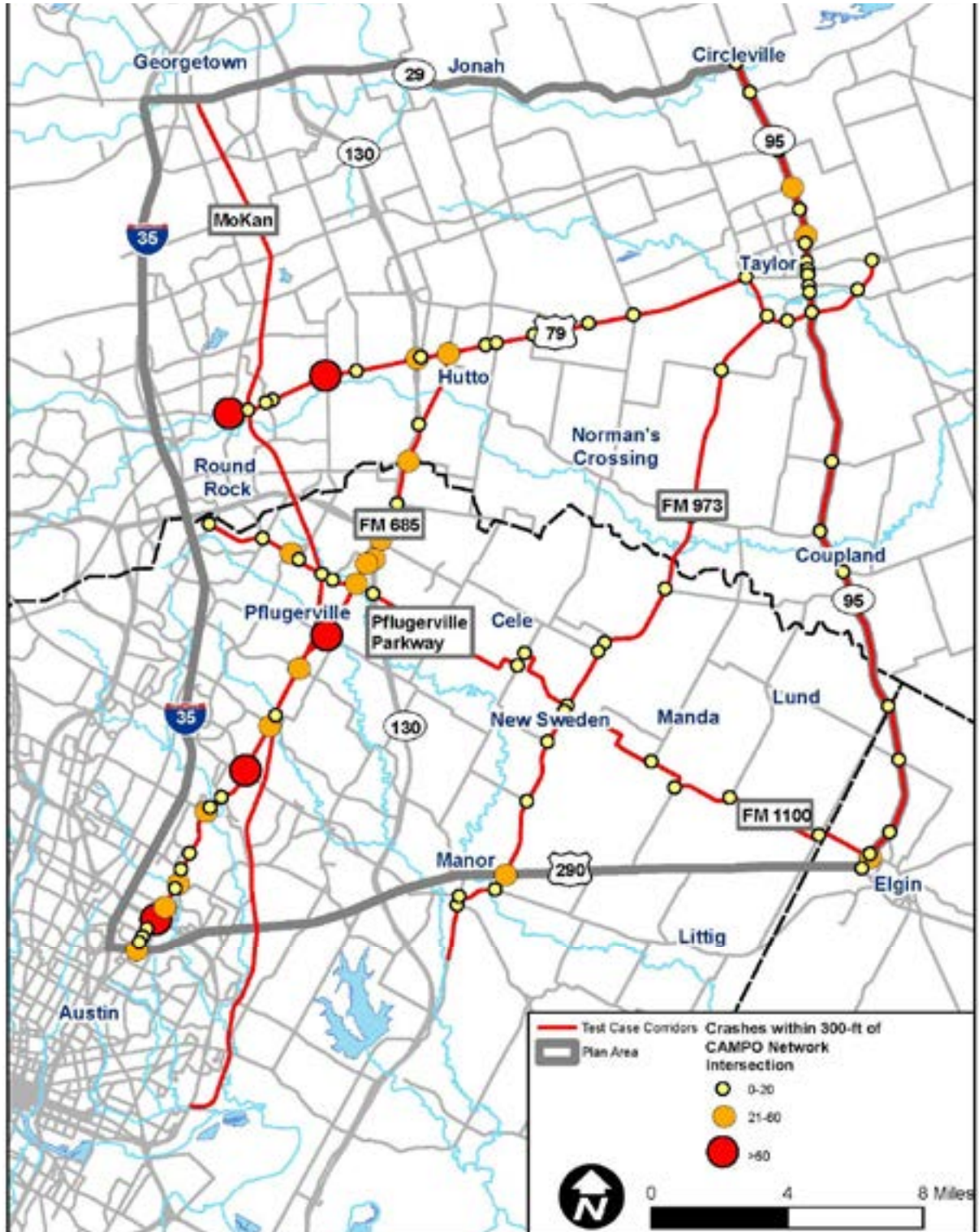


Table 9: Highest Crash Locations

Intersection	Number of Crashes
US 79	
North A.W. Grimes Boulevard and Palm Valley Boulevard	93
Red Bud Lane/County Road 122 and East Palm Valley Boulevard	77
Chris Kelley Boulevard and East Palm Valley Boulevard	37
SH 130 and US 79	22
4th Street and US 79	17
FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road	
East Anderson Lane and Cameron Road	130
East Pecan Street and Dessau Road	86
East Parmer Lane/FM 734 and Dessau Road	80
US 290 and Cameron Road	40
East Braker Lane and Dessau Road	40
FM 973	
County Road 212 and US 290	53
Petrichor Boulevard and Lexington Street	18
East Brenham Street and Lexington Street	18
US 79/Carlos G. Parker Boulevard Southwest and FM 973	13
FM 1660 and FM 973	10
Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100	
FM 685 and East Pflugerville Parkway	47
East Heatherwilde Boulevard and West Pflugerville Parkway	26
SH 95 and North Avenue C	21
Grand Avenue Parkway and West Pflugerville Parkway	16
North Railroad Avenue and East Pflugerville Parkway; SH 130 and East Pflugerville Parkway	14
SH 95	
Lake Drive and North Main Street	35
Carlos G. Parker Boulevard Northwest and North Main Street	22
US 79 and North Main Street	19
West 2nd Street and North Main Street	9
County Line Road and SH 95	6
Source: TxDOT Crash Records Information System 2017 Note: The MoKan corridor is not currently being used by vehicles, thus no crash data is available.	

Demographics and Socioeconomic Character

Analyzing the demographic and social make up of an area assists with determining where vulnerable populations might exist. Once known, transportation and land use solutions can be developed to assist with reducing their burden in conformance with the vision, goals, and objectives outline in this Plan.

Population

Since the year 2000, the Plan area has experienced tremendous population growth similar to other portions of the CAMPO six-county region. Both Travis and Williamson counties, as well as several cities in the Plan area, have consistently ranked among the highest growth areas in Texas and the United States over the last 10 years. **Table 10** and **Figure 23** shows the growth

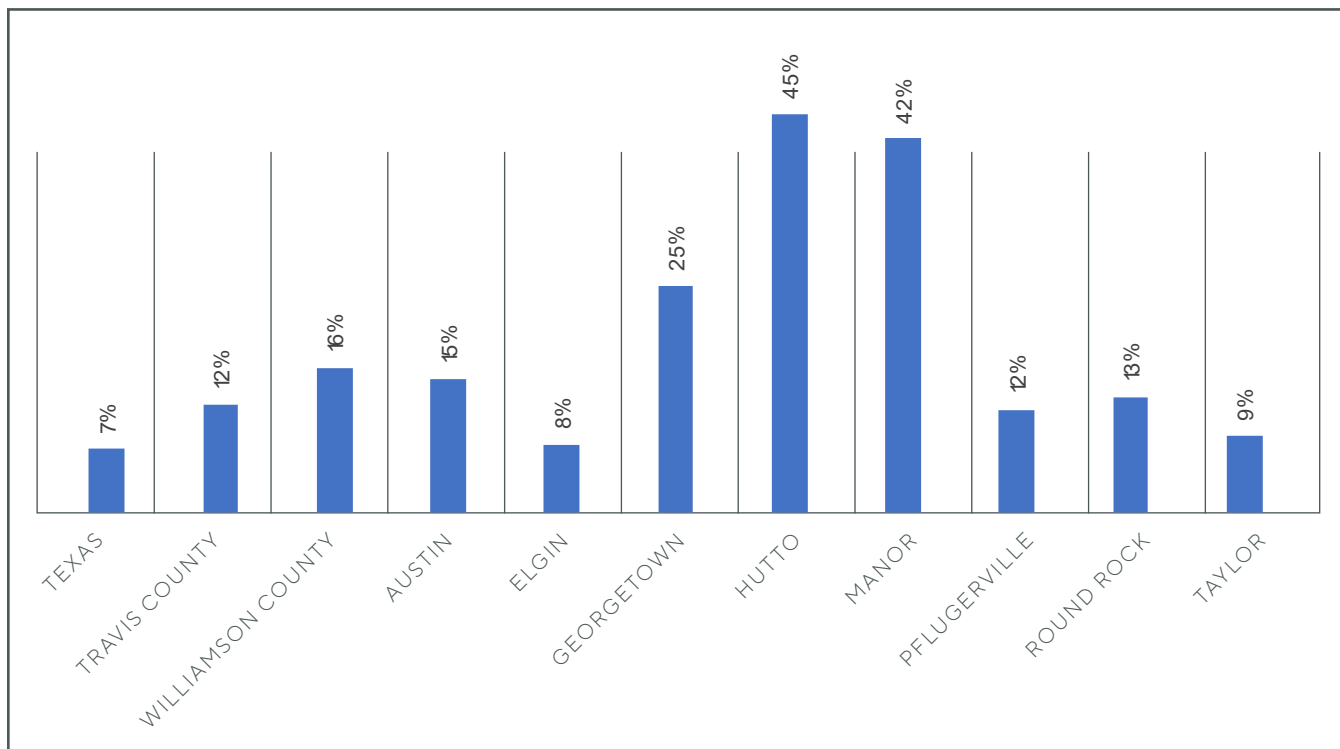
rates for the counties and cities in the Plan area based on data from the U.S. Census Bureau 2016 American Community Survey. Nearly every county and city in the Plan area has exceeded Texas' growth rate between the year 2000 and the year 2016.

Furthermore, the population in the Capital Area Region is expected to increase from 2 million to approximately 4.5 million by 2045, and this will result in continued population growth in the subregion. Rapid growth like this reflects the Plan area's reputation as a desirable place to live and work. However, rapid growth coupled with transportation system changes that do not keep pace with the growth can negatively affect mobility in the Plan area.

Table 10: Population Change

Area	2000	2010	2016	%Change (2000-2010)	%Change (2010-2016)	%Change (2000-2016)
Texas	20,851,820	25,145,561	26,956,435	21%	7%	29%
Travis County	812,280	1,024,266	1,148,176	26%	12%	41%
Williamson County	249,967	422,679	490,619	69%	16%	96%
Austin	656,562	790,390	907,779	20%	15%	38%
Elgin	5,700	8,135	8,756	43%	8%	54%
Georgetown	28,339	47,400	59,436	67%	25%	110%
Hutto	1,250	14,698	21,241	1,076%	45%	1,599%
Manor	1,204	5,037	7,145	318%	42%	493%
Pflugerville	16,335	49,936	55,712	206%	12%	241%
Round Rock	61,136	99,887	112,767	63%	13%	84%
Taylor	13,575	15,191	16,492	12%	9%	21%
Sources: US Census Bureau 2000, Table DP-1 Profile of General Demographic Characteristics; US Census Bureau 2010, Table DP-1 Profile of General Population and Housing Characteristics; US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP05 ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates						

Figure 23: Population Change (2010-2016)



As previously stated, the Plan area generally transitions from rural, to suburban, to urban as you move from east to west. This transition is seen on **Figure 24**, with the area between IH-35 and SH 130 having a higher population density compared to the area east of SH 130. A closer examination of the Plan area's six main transportation corridors reinforces the higher population density along

the MoKan corridor, the western portion of the US 79 and Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 corridors, and the FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road Corridor. Isolated population density hotspots are also found in the Hutto and Taylor communities in the Plan area as seen on **Figure 25**. Data for the following figures are based on U.S. Census Bureau geographies.

Figure 24: Plan Area Population Density

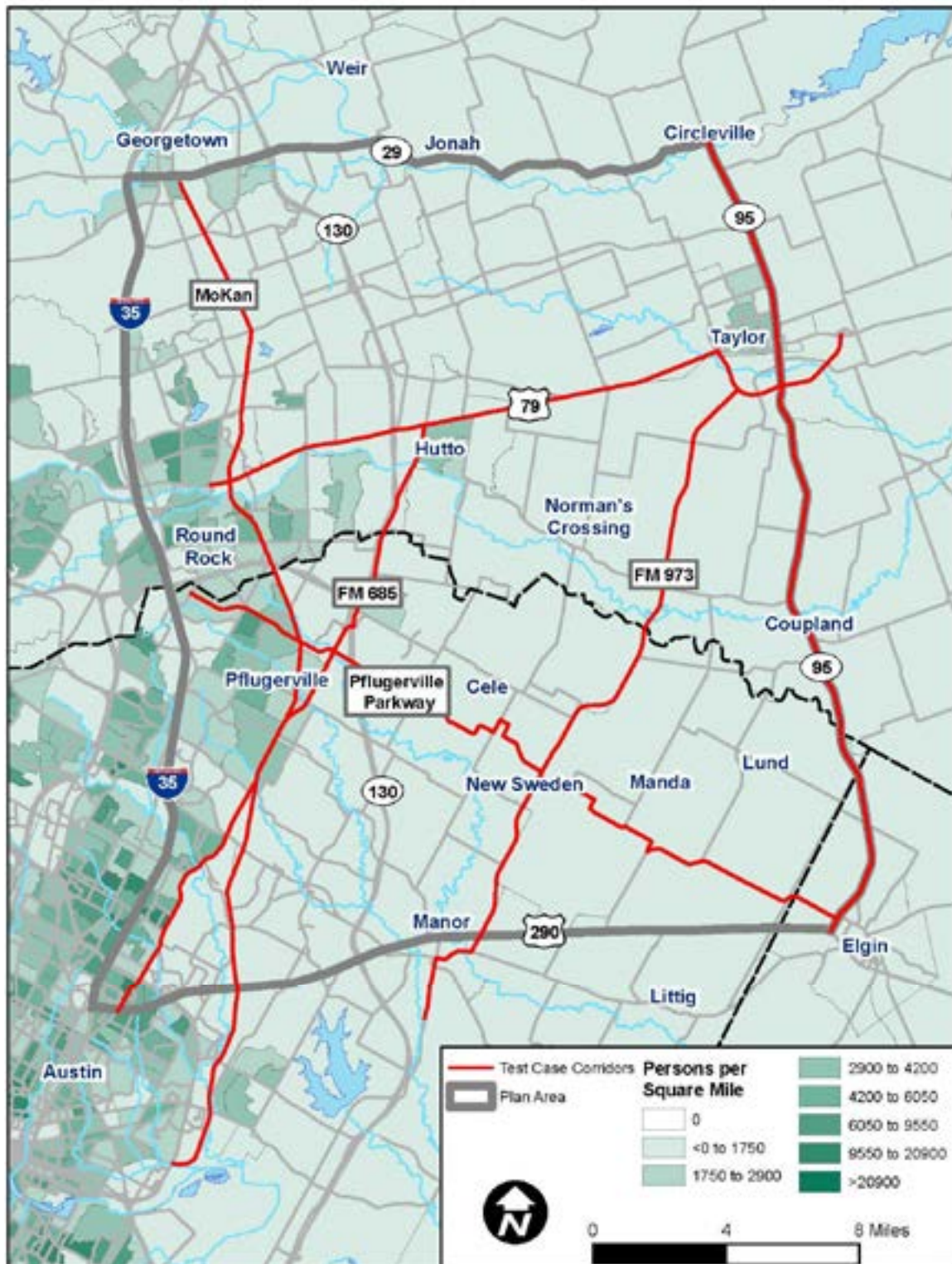
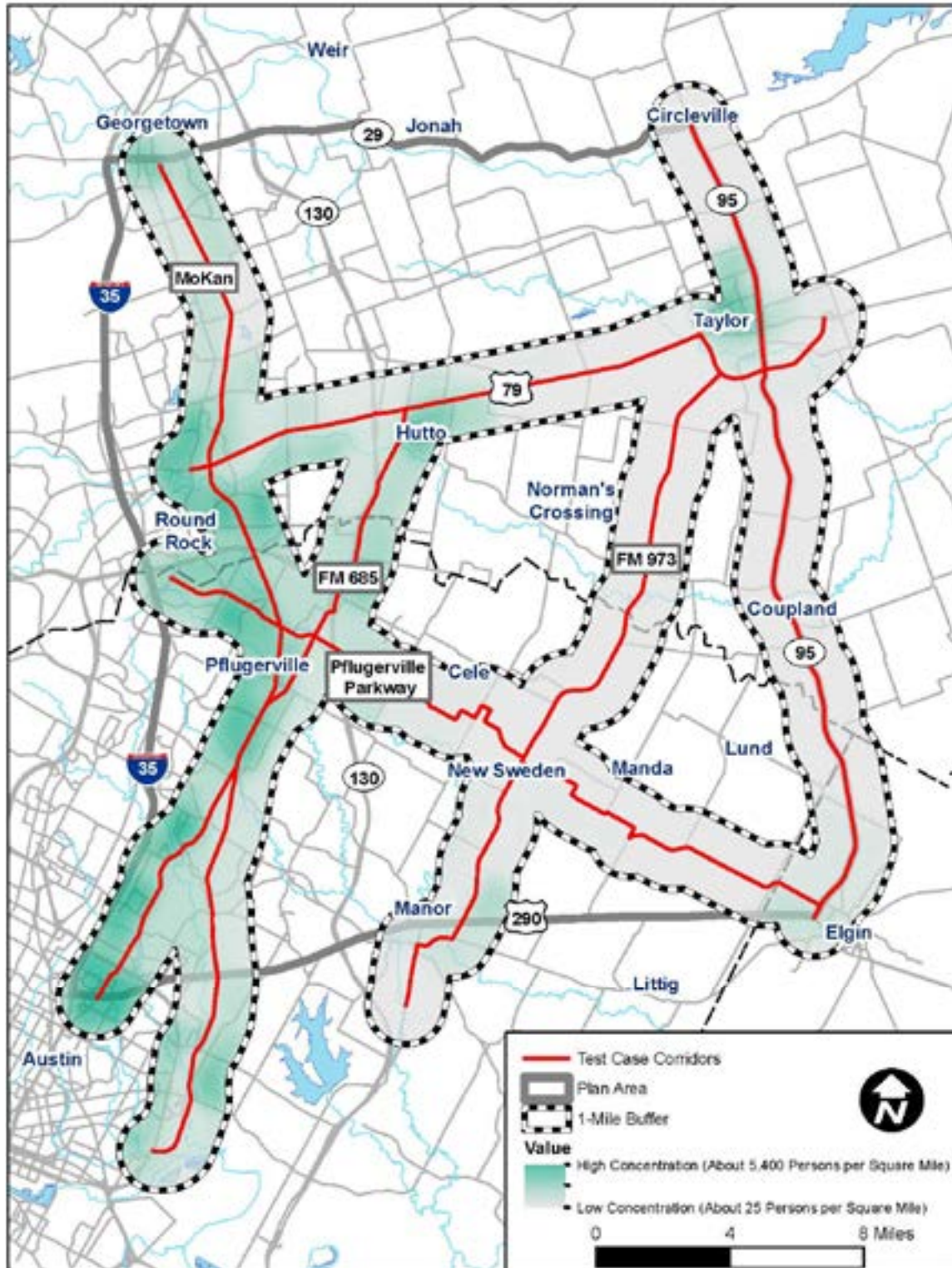


Figure 25: Plan Area Population Density



Employment

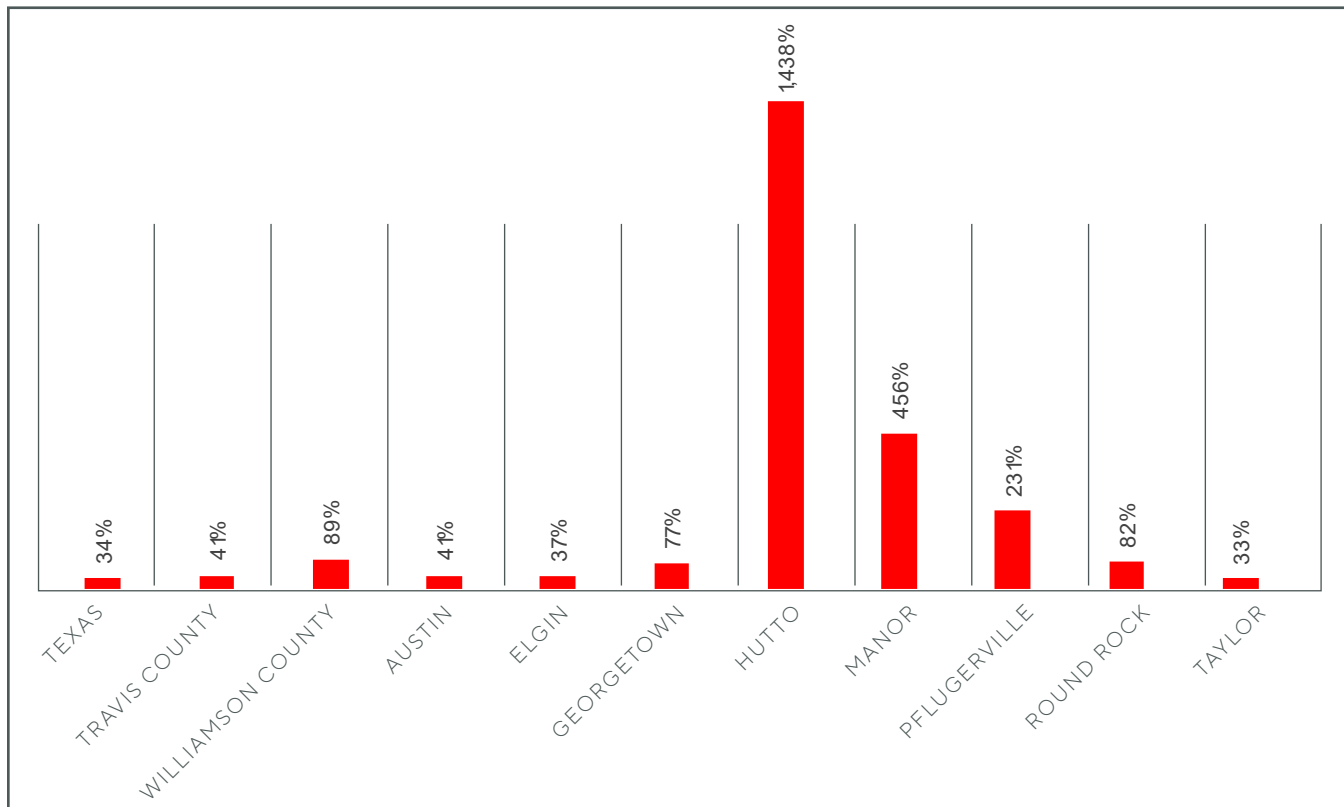
Similar to the population discussion above, tremendous employment growth is also found in the Plan area. **Table 11** and **Figure 26** shows the growth rates for the counties and cities in the Plan area based on data from the U.S. Census Bureau 2016 American Community Survey. Nearly every

county and city in the Plan area has exceeded Texas' growth rate between the year 2000 and the year 2016. Of note, there was a minor reduction in employment in Elgin between year 2010 and year 2016. Continued employment growth will also translate to increased potential demand on the Plan area transportation system.

Table 11: Employment Change

Area	2000	2010	2016	%Change (2000-2010)	%Change (2010-2016)	%Change (2000-2016)
Texas	9,234,372	11,125,616	12,371,392	20%	11%	34%
Travis County	441,161	522,183	621,914	18%	19%	41%
Williamson County	129,192	197,039	244,299	53%	24%	89%
Austin	359,804	417,764	508,510	16%	22%	41%
Elgin	2,637	3,747	3,607	42%	-4%	37%
Georgetown	12,802	17,743	22,646	39%	28%	77%
Hutto	669	6,411	10,289	858%	60%	1,438%
Manor	557	2,124	3,099	281%	46%	456%
Pflugerville	9,035	21,583	29,869	139%	38%	231%
Round Rock	32,046	48,131	58,368	50%	21%	82%
Taylor	5,829	6,653	7,760	14%	17%	33%
Sources: US Census Bureau 2000, Table DP-3 Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics; US Census Bureau 2010, Table DP03 Selected Economic Characteristics; US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP03 Selected Economic Characteristics						

Figure 26: Employment Change (2000-2016)



Like the population discussion above, the employment density is greatest between IH-35 and SH 130 compared to the area east of SH 130, which has a lower employment density as seen on **Figure 27**. A closer examination of the Plan area's six main transportation corridors reinforces the higher employment density along the MoKan corridor, the western portion of the US 79 and

Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 corridors, and the FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road Corridor. Isolated employment density hotspots are also found in the Hutto and Taylor communities in the Plan area as seen on **Figure 28**.

Figure 27: Plan Area Employment Density

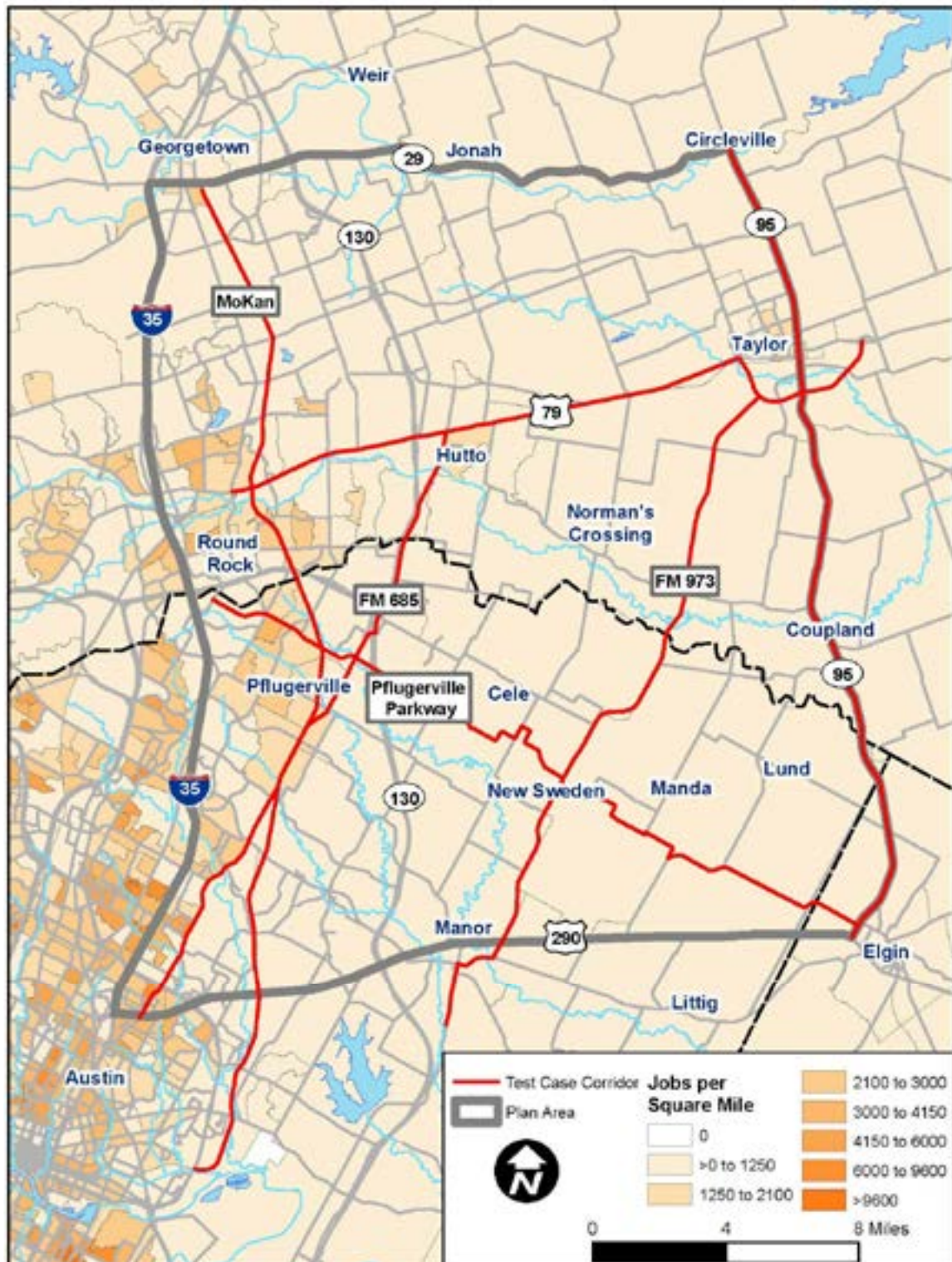
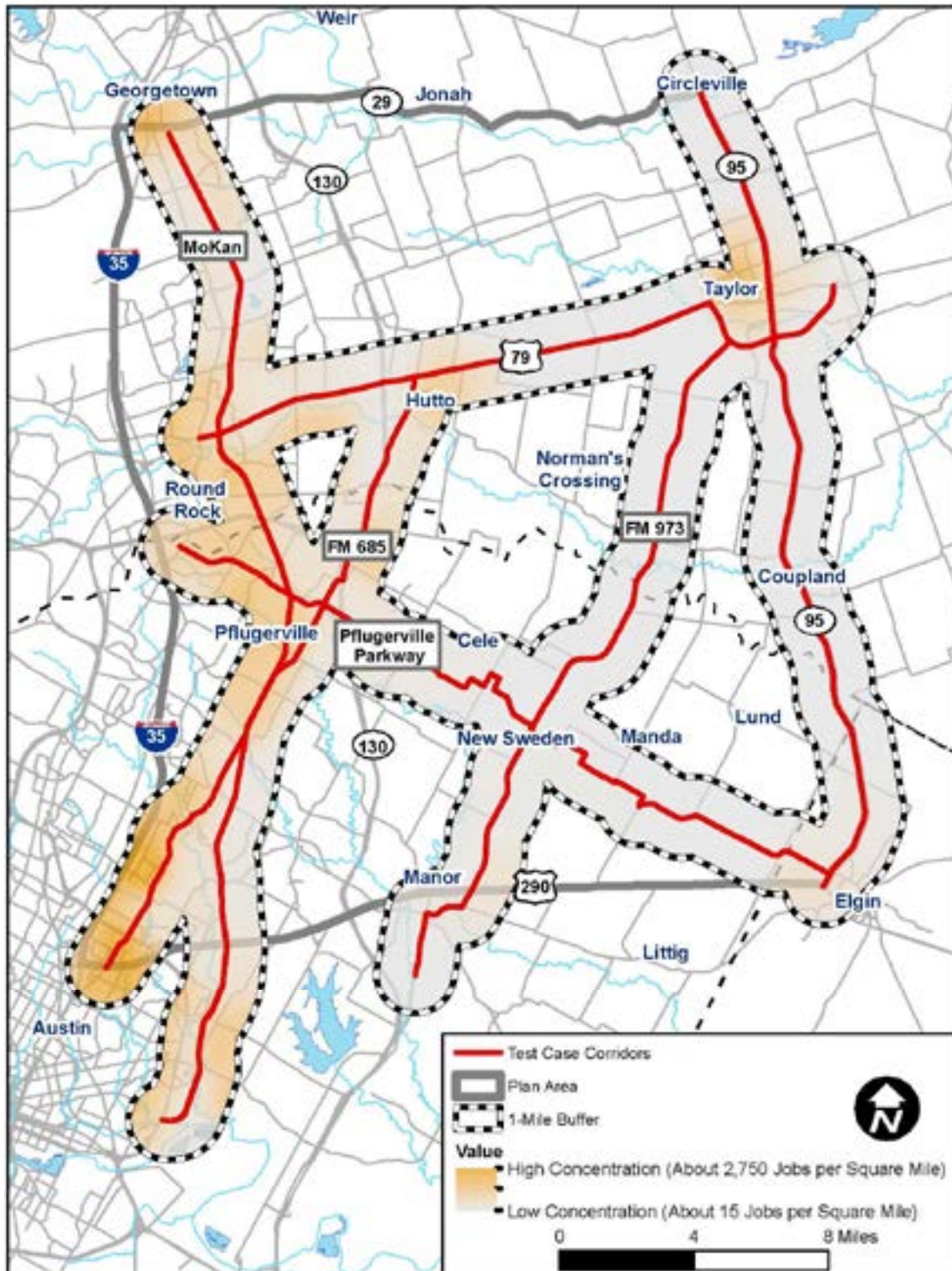


Figure 28: Corridor Employment Density

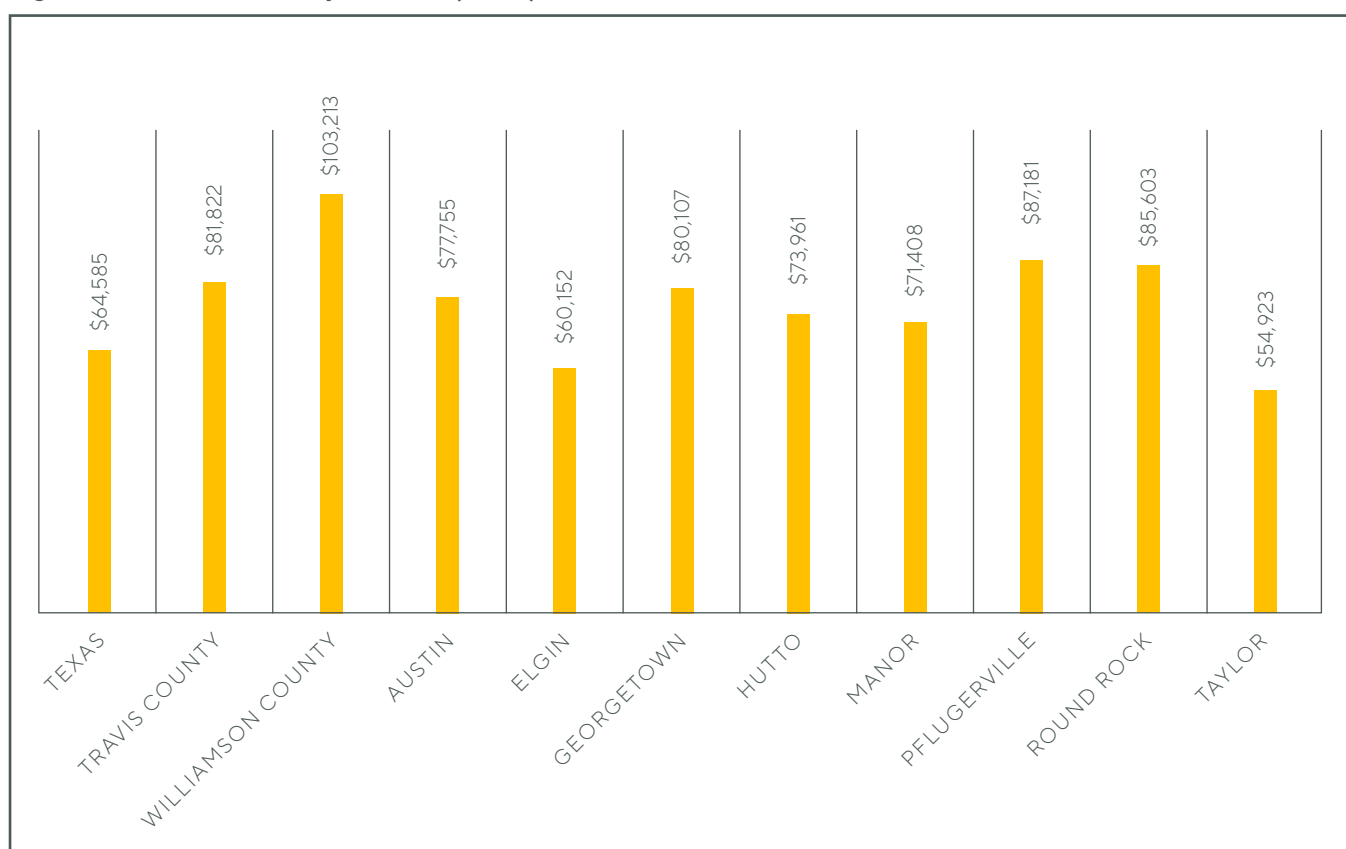


Income and Poverty

Both Travis and Williamson county, as well as most cities in the Plan area, have a median family income above Texas' rate for year 2016. Both the Elgin and Taylor communities were below the Texas rate. **Figure 29** shows the median family income

rates for the counties and cities in the Plan area based on data from the U.S. Census Bureau 2016 American Community Survey. Residents in the Plan area are generally considered wealthier than other regions in Texas due to the high-income rates.

Figure 29: Median Family Income (2016)

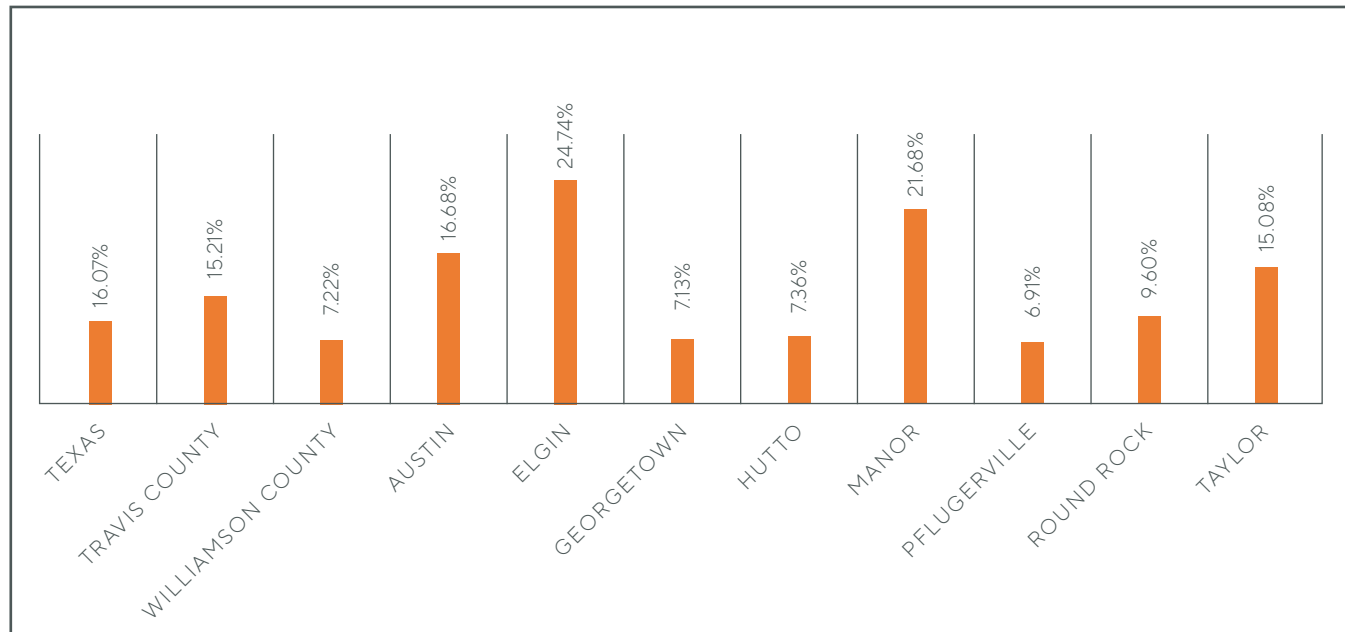


Sources: US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP03 Selected Economic Characteristics

While the Plan area enjoys a high median family income, the Plan area is not without locations of poverty. Elgin and Manor were the only two communities where the poverty level was above the Texas rate. Other locations within the Plan area also show a moderately high poverty level, such

as Austin and Taylor. The poverty level is based on data from U.S. Census Bureau 2016 American Community Survey for all families. **Figure 30** shows the percentage of those below the poverty level for the counties and cities in the Plan area in year 2016.

Figure 30: Percent Below Poverty Level (2016)



Sources: US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP03 Selected Economic Characteristics

Race and Ethnicity

According to the U.S. Census Bureau year 2016 data, the Plan area is mostly White and Latino as seen on **Table 12** and **Figure 31**. The next largest racial or ethnic category was Black or African

American followed by Asian. Modest amounts of American Indian and Alaska Native Alone, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Alone, and Some Other Race were found in the Plan area.

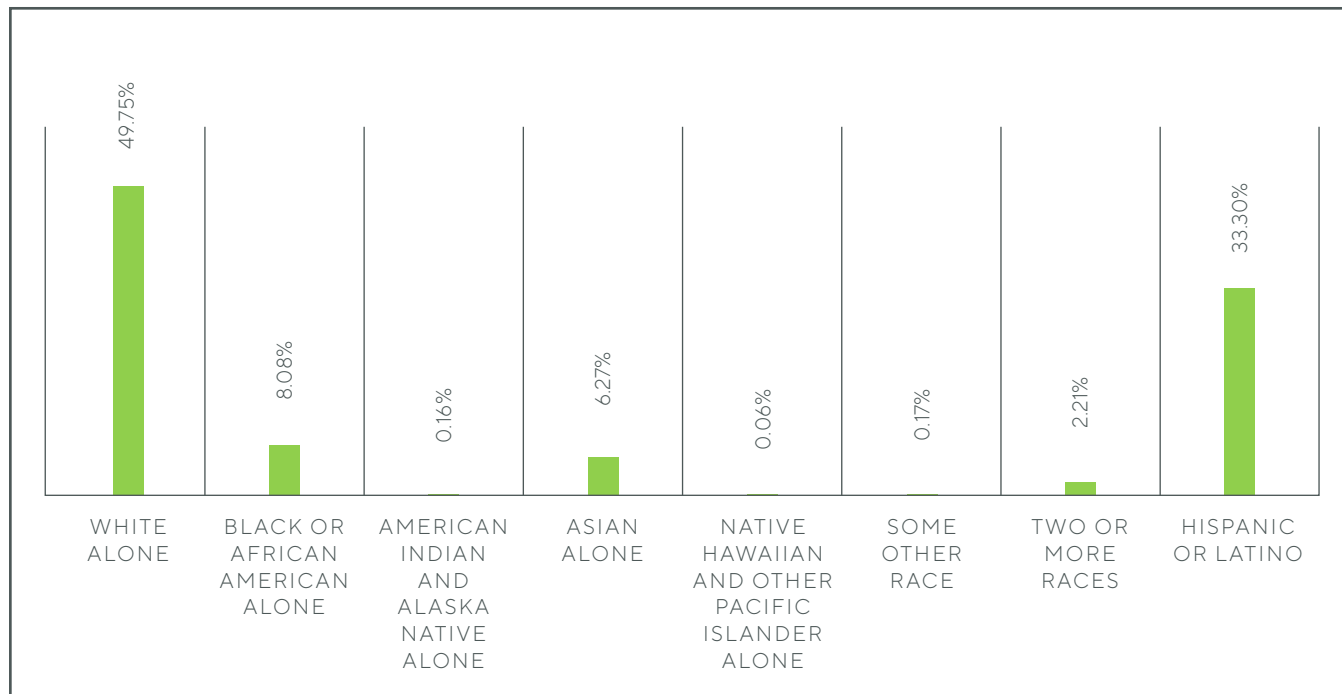
Table 12: Race and Ethnicity

Area	Total Population	White Alone	Black or African American Alone	American Indian and Alaska Native Alone	Asian Alone	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Alone	Some Other Race	Two or More Races	Latino
Texas	26,956,435	11,705,684	3,134,962	63,336	1,161,742	18,990	35,509	423,062	10,413,150
Travis County	1,148,176	570,282	90,819	1,765	70,373	678	1,780	25,122	387,357
Williamson County	490,619	302,516	29,923	924	28,128	110	904	11,171	116,943
Austin	907,779	443,808	65,631	1,515	61,234	541	1,451	20,777	312,822
Elgin	8,756	3,175	1,852	5	-	-	80	29	3,615
Georgetown	59,436	43,787	1,813	57	578	-	76	494	12,631
Hutto	21,241	10,721	2,703	47	589	-	-	373	6,808
Manor	7,145	1,191	1,836	-	167	-	21	130	3,800
Pflugerville	55,712	24,894	8,946	194	4,723	112	107	1,185	15,551
Round Rock	112,767	56,744	11,377	105	7,108	11	242	2,745	34,435
Taylor	16,492	7,404	1,986	20	143	-	-	601	6,338
Plan Area	1,189,328	591,724	96,144	1,943	74,542	664	1,977	26,334	396,000

Source: US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP05 ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates

Note: According to the U.S. Census Bureau, minority data is collected by two main population categories, race and Latino origin, following guidance of the U.S. Office of Management and Budget's 1997 Revisions to the Standards for the Classification of Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity (Federal Register Vol. 62, No. 210). This guidance mandates that race and Latino origin (ethnicity) are separate and distinct concepts. Racial Groups include the following breakdown: White; Black or African American; American Indian and Alaska Native; Asian; or Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander. People that did not self-report as belonging to any one of the groups listed previously were categorized as Some Other Race or Two or More Races by the U.S. Census Bureau. These two main population categories were used to determine the percentage of the total population that self-reported as a minority for the Plan area analyzed.

Figure 31: Race and Ethnicity - Plan Area (2016)



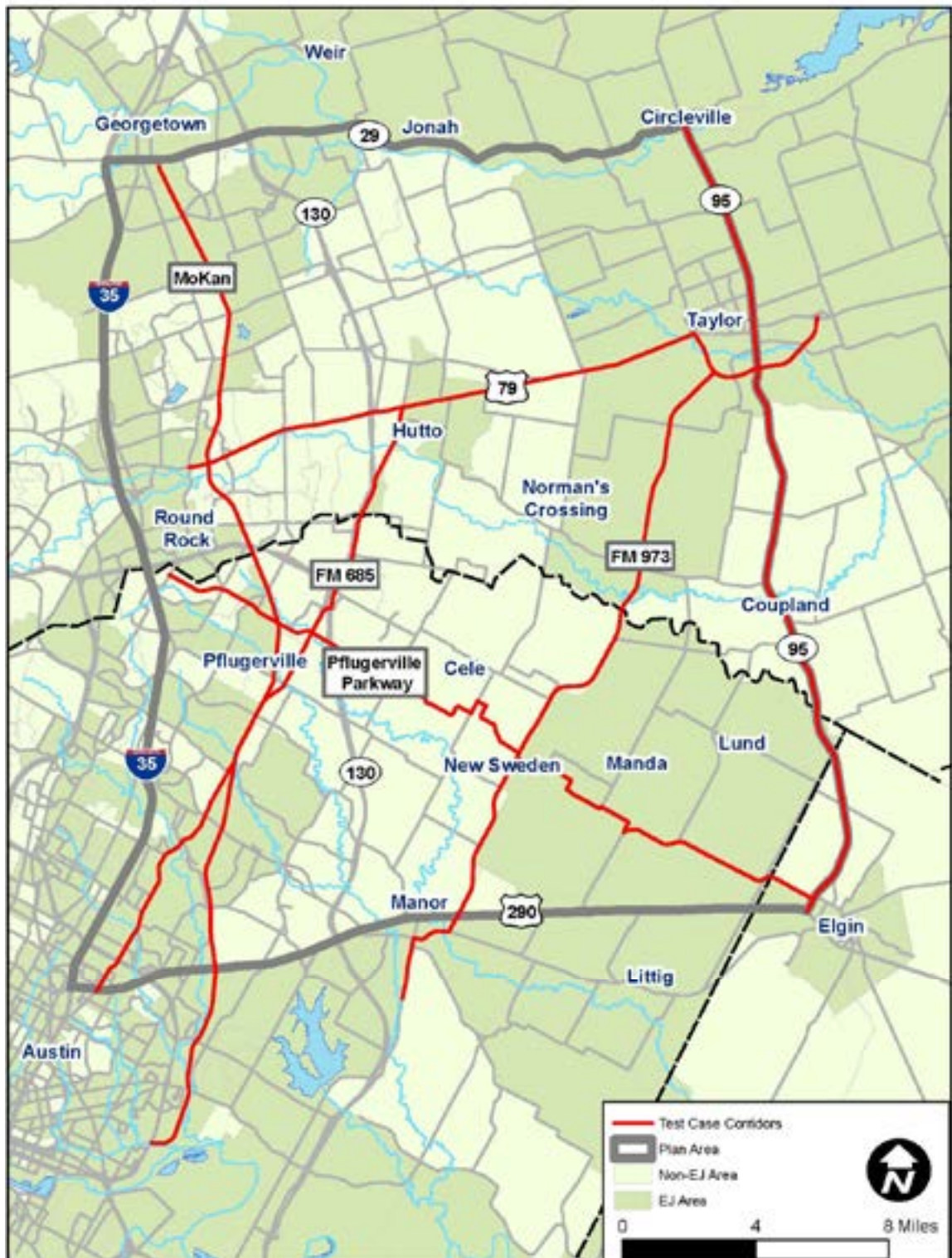
Environmental Justice and Title VI

The 1994 Presidential Executive Order 12898 Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations directs each federal agency to “make achieving EJ part of its mission by identifying and addressing, as appropriate, disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of its programs, policies, and activities on minority populations and low-income populations.” As a recipient of federal funds, CAMPO is required to comply with this order and with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Title VI prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin by requiring that no person in the U.S. shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination

under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

As defined by CAMPO, low-income areas have at least 50 percent of the population earning less than 80 percent of the county median family income and/or have at least 25 percent of the population earning an income below the national poverty thresholds for a family of three (\$20,160 in 2016, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services). As defined by CAMPO, minority areas have less than 50 percent of the population identifying themselves as White, non-Latino. Thus, CAMPO used the following data to identify EJ areas: 2016 median family income levels; 2016 poverty data; and 2016 racial and ethnic data. As seen on **Figure 32**, EJ areas are found throughout the Plan area. Large portions of Travis and Williamson county are EJ areas.

Figure 32: Environmental Justice Areas



Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

Table 13 shows the percentage of the population age 5 years and older that speaks English less than “very well.” LEP populations within the Plan area range from 5.3 to 14.1 percent, with all areas exhibiting LEP populations greater than 5 percent. Access to information and participation have been

conducted to help inform LEP populations in compliance with Executive Order 13166 Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency dated August 11, 2000. Since the Plan area has sizeable numbers of people with LEP, those persons are considered to be vulnerable populations.

Table 13: Limited English Proficiency

Area	Population 5 years and Older	English Only (percent)	Spanish (percent)	Other Indo European (percent)	Asian and Pacific Islander (percent)	Other (percent)	Speak English Less Than Very Well (percent)
Texas	24,985,749	16,192,095 (64.8%)	7,373,797 (29.5%)	528,617 (2.1%)	695,204 (2.8%)	196,036 (0.8%)	3,518,972 (14.1%)
Travis County	1,069,502	732,789 (68.5%)	256,951 (24.0%)	31,636 (3.0%)	40,101 (3.7%)	8,025 (0.8%)	130,130 (12.2%)
Williamson County	456,450	360,838 (79.1%)	66,034 (14.5%)	12,824 (2.8%)	14,182 (3.1%)	2,572 (0.6%)	30,554 (6.7%)
Austin	845,747	571,816 (67.6%)	205,886 (24.3%)	27,813 (3.3%)	34,081 (4.0%)	6,151 (0.7%)	105,617 (12.5%)
Elgin	7,852	5,342 (68.0%)	2,500 (31.8%)	10 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	852 (10.9%)
Georgetown	56,592	47,191 (83.4%)	8,095 (14.3%)	765 (1.4%)	200 (0.4%)	341 (0.6%)	3,878 (6.9%)
Hutto	18,914	15,370 (81.3%)	2,855 (15.1%)	294 (1.6%)	348 (1.8%)	47 (0.2%)	1,004 (5.3%)
Manor	6,712	4,339 (64.6%)	2,189 (32.6%)	71 (1.1%)	91 (1.4%)	22 (0.3%)	945 (14.1%)
Pflugerville	51,617	37,323 (72.3%)	8,850 (17.1%)	1,561 (3.0%)	3,038 (5.9%)	845 (1.6%)	5,657 (11.0%)
Round Rock	104,559	75,440 (72.2%)	21,346 (20.4%)	2,951 (2.8%)	3,664 (3.5%)	1,158 (1.1%)	9,262 (8.9%)
Taylor	15,561	11,396 (73.2%)	3,901 (25.1%)	126 (0.8%)	113 (0.7%)	25 (0.2%)	1,600 (10.3%)
Source: US Census Bureau 2016, Table B16004 Age by Language Spoken at Home by Ability to Speak English for the Population 5 Years and Over							

Age

Table 14 provides an age-related breakdown for the population within the Plan area. The percentage of persons age 19 and under is comparable. However, it is slightly higher in Elgin, Hutto, and Manor. The persons age 19 and under are considered school-age children and are dependent on family members and/or bus transportation. The percentage of persons age 65 and over is comparable, except for Georgetown. The influence of the Sun City retirement village,

which is west of the Plan area, is a major influence and accounts for the difference for those persons over age 65. The persons age 65 and over are considered to be seniors and can be dependent on family members or van pools for transportation to shopping, recreation, and medical services. Since the Plan area has sizeable numbers of people that are age 19 and under as well as age 65 and over, those persons are considered to be vulnerable populations.

Table 14: Age

Area	Total Population	Below 19 Years of Age (percent)	20 to 64 Years of Age (percent)	Above 65 Years of Age (percent)
Texas	26,956,435	7,893,617 (29.3%)	15,966,249 (59.2%)	3,096,567 (11.5%)
Travis County	1,148,176	295,051 (25.7%)	756,042 (65.8%)	97,083 (8.5%)
Williamson County	490,619	114,439 (29.4%)	292,716 (59.7%)	53,464 (10.9%)
Austin	907,779	220,073 (24.2%)	615,787 (67.8%)	71,919 (7.9%)
Elgin	8,756	3,098 (35.4%)	4,646 (53.1%)	1,012 (11.6%)
Georgetown	59,436	12,872 (21.7%)	29,247 (49.2%)	17,317 (29.1%)
Hutto	21,241	7,530 (35.5%)	12,685 (59.7%)	1,026 (4.8%)
Manor	7,145	2,599 (36.4%)	4,226 (59.1%)	320 (4.5%)
Pflugerville	55,712	16,675 (29.9%)	34,659 (62.2%)	4,378 (7.9%)
Round Rock	112,767	35,879 (31.8%)	68,526 (60.8%)	8,362 (7.4%)
Taylor	16,492	4,466 (27.1%)	9,963 (60.4%)	2,063 (12.5%)
Source: US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP05 ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates				

Disabilities

The U.S. Census Bureau collects data on the disability status of civilian, non-institutionalized persons at the state, county, and city level.

Table 15 shows the percentage of the population with disability for the Plan area. The percentage of

the population with disability is similar. However, it is slightly higher in Elgin, Georgetown, and Taylor. Since the Plan area has sizeable numbers of people with disabilities, those persons are considered to be vulnerable populations.

Table 15: Disabilities

Area	Total Civilian Non-Institutionalized Population	Civilian Non-Institutionalized Population with a Disability (percent)
Texas	26,478,868	3,083,141 (11.6%)
Travis County	1,140,612	99,231 (8.7%)
Williamson County	486,835	45,519 (9.3%)
Austin	902,809	79,117 (8.8%)
Elgin	8,634	1,141 (13.2%)
Georgetown	58,373	7,809 (13.4%)
Hutto	21,223	1,891 (8.9%)
Manor	7,125	591 (8.3%)
Pflugerville	55,507	5,062 (9.1%)
Round Rock	112,345	9,998 (8.9%)
Taylor	16,045	2,469 (15.4%)
Source: US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP02 Selected Social Characteristics in the United States		

Occupied Housing with Cars

Table 16 provides a breakdown of occupied housing units and associated number of vehicles available within the Plan area. The percentage of housing units with no vehicles varies across the Plan area from a high of 8.3 percent in Elgin to low of 0.4 percent in Hutto. Areas with no access to a

vehicle leads to mobility issues for those persons that need transportation for shopping, recreation, and medical services. Since the Plan area is served by two transit providers with limited service, those persons with no access to a vehicle are considered to be vulnerable populations.

Table 16: Occupied Housing with Cars

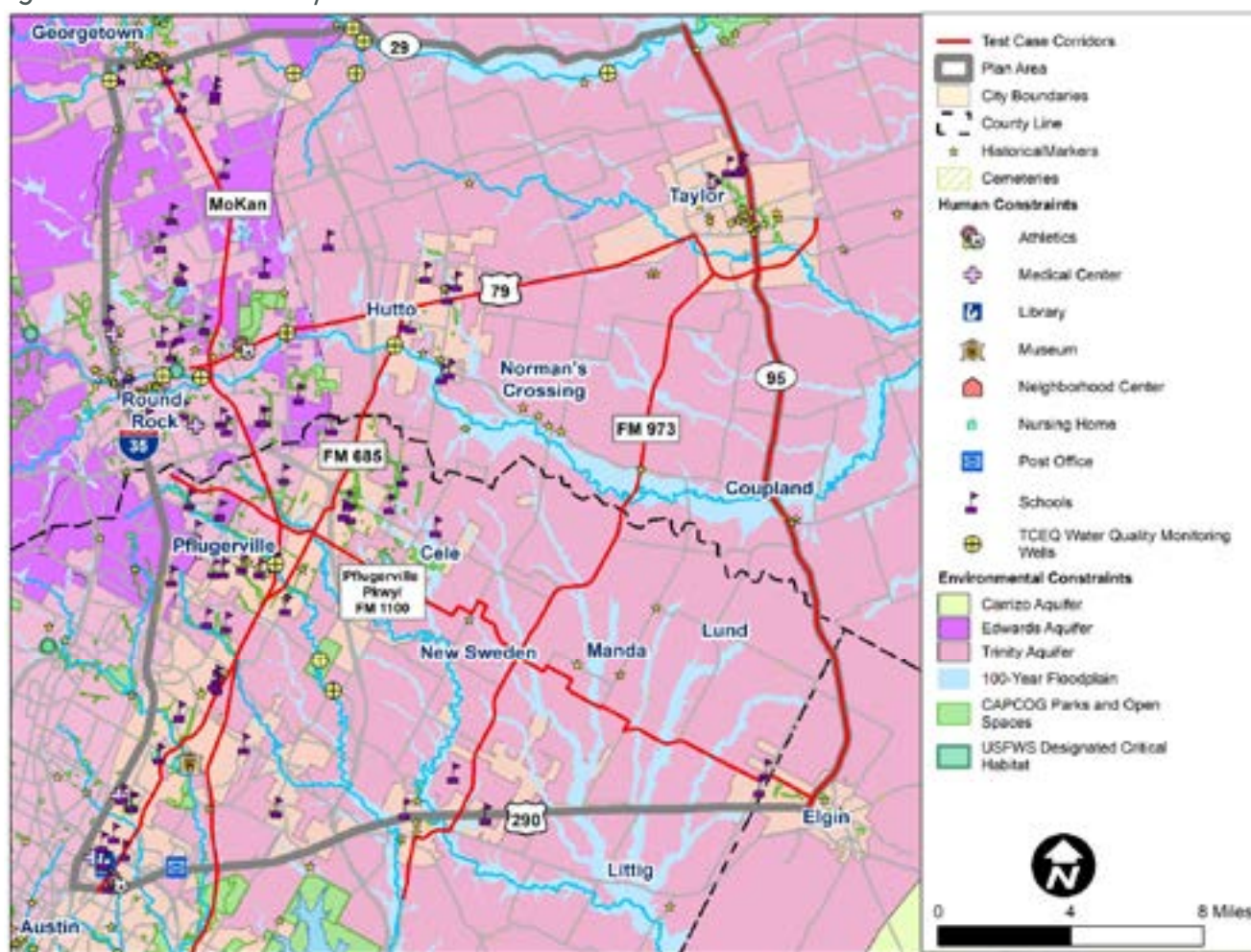
Area	Occupied Housing Units	No Vehicles Available (percent)	One Vehicle Available (percent)	Two Vehicles Available (percent)	Three of More Vehicles Available (percent)
Texas	9,289,554	523,186 (5.6%)	3,146,969 (33.9%)	3,738,211 (40.2%)	1,881,118 (20.3%)
Travis County	437,831	24,543 (5.6%)	165,886 (37.9%)	179,893 (41.1%)	67,509 (15.4%)
Williamson County	165,425	4,204 (2.5%)	49,919 (30.2%)	78,471 (47.4%)	32,831 (19.8%)
Austin	358,401	22,955 (6.4%)	148,029 (41.3%)	140,503 (39.2%)	46,914 (13.1%)
Elgin	2,762	229 (8.3%)	766 (27.7%)	1,177 (42.6%)	590 (21.4%)
Georgetown	23,460	719 (3.1%)	9,373 (40.0%)	9,958 (42.4%)	3,410 (14.5%)
Hutto	6,047	26 (0.4%)	1,415 (23.4%)	3,433 (56.8%)	1,173 (19.4%)
Manor	2,147	43 (2.0%)	643 (29.9%)	932 (43.4%)	529 (24.6%)
Pflugerville	19,146	560 (2.9%)	5,145 (26.9%)	8,812 (46.0%)	4,629 (24.2%)
Round Rock	36,051	1,216 (3.4%)	10,886 (30.2%)	16,807 (46.6%)	7,142 (19.8%)
Taylor	5,647	313 (5.5%)	2,020 (35.8%)	2,164 (38.3%)	1,150 (20.4%)
Source: US Census Bureau 2016, Table DP04 Selected Housing Characteristics					

Environmental/Human Constraints

Figure 33 shows the environmental and human-made constraints in the Plan area. The most prominent environmental feature running east-west across the Plan area is Brushy Creek. Brushy Creek loosely follows FM 1660 from Cedar Park to SH 95, through the communities of Round Rock, Hutto, Norman's Crossing and Coupland. Numerous additional creeks and streams that are part of the Colorado River Basin and Brazos River Basin are present within the Plan area. Creeks

and streams are generally concentrated in the southwestern portion of the Plan area in vicinity of Austin and Pflugerville. Gilleland and Willbarger Creeks are amongst those environmental constraints. The largest body of water in the Plan area is Lake Pflugerville. Additional bodies of water include numerous soil conservation service site reservoirs which are located north of US 79, in the northern portion of the Plan area.

Figure 33: Environmental/Human Constraints



The floodplain zone covers approximately 12 percent of the Plan area and is evenly distributed throughout. Floodplains are generally associated with the creeks and streams located in the Plan area. Critical habitat for the Jollyville Plateau Salamander (*Eurycea tonkawae*) exist within the Plan area as part of Brushy Creek wildlife habitat. The Jollyville Plateau Salamander is currently listed as a threatened species by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. No additional USFWS designated critical habitat is located in the Plan area. Most of the Plan area is located atop the Trinity Aquifer, however, the western portion of the Plan area is located atop the Edwards Aquifer. Additionally, a negligible portion of the Plan area near Elgin is located atop the Carrizo Aquifer.

Furthermore, the Atlas 14 process may significantly expand floodplains and included areas that were previously not in flood hazard zones. Atlas 14 will have implications on the design, location, and

project costs of major roadway facilities, as well as access management.

The Plan area contains many human-made constraints including public facilities such as schools, government buildings, religious centers, recreation centers, and parks and trails. Due to the rural character of the eastern portion of the Plan area, most of the man-made environmental constraints are concentrated in the western half of the Plan area. Many of the schools located in the Plan area are concentrated in the larger communities such as Georgetown, Hutto, Elgin, Manor, Pflugerville, Round Rock, and Taylor. Austin Independent School District has a number of schools located in the southwest corner of the Plan area, and many communities found in the Plan area contain many historic buildings and cemeteries listed under the National Register of Historic Places.

Regulations, Policies and Strategic Plans

Several regional and local plans were assessed and reviewed in order to form a background of the needs and goals of the various agencies and communities that influence the MoKan/NE Subregion. These range from individual community/municipality comprehensive plans, thoroughfare plans and transportation plans, to statewide or county-wide plans.

Defined in each of the reviewed plans is each entity's need to create and develop strategies to improve communities amid projected rapid population growth. The reviewed plans also investigate factors such as future land use,

environmental constraints and limitations within the existing roadway network, in order to create their own set of goals and implementation steps for the future. A more detailed review of each plan can be found in the Appendix. The MoKan/NE Subregional Plan intends to align with the needs and goals of each agency and community within the study area. Information gathered from the plan reviews were used to inform the future concepts and recommendations found in the MoKan/NE Subregional Concept Plans. See below for a list of reviewed plans, and **Appendix B** for summaries of these plans.

CAMPO
CAMPO 2040 Regional Transportation Plan
TxDOT
TxDOT Texas Transportation Plan 2040
TxDOT Unified Transportation Program 2019
TxDOT Texas Freight Mobility Plan
Bastrop County
2016 Bastrop County Transportation Plan
Travis County
Travis County Land, Water and Transportation Plan
Travis County Parks Master Plan
Travis County Transportation Blueprint 2045 (concurrent development)
Williamson County
Williamson County LongRange Transportation Plan
Williamson County Trails Master Plan
Municipalities
Imagine Austin
Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (concurrent development)
Austin Bicycle Plan
Austin Sidewalk Plan/ADA Transition Plan
Austin Urban Trails Plan
Elgin Comprehensive Plan
Elgin Thoroughfare Plan
Georgetown 2030 Comprehensive Plan
Georgetown Overall Transportation Plan
Georgetown Downtown Master Plan
Hutto 2040
Hutto Thoroughfare Plan
Heart of Hutto Old Town Master Plan
Pflugerville 2030 Comprehensive Plan
Pflugerville Master Transportation Plan
Round Rock General Plan 2020
Round Rock Transportation Master Plan
Round Rock Downtown Master Plan
Taylor, Texas A Vision for Future Development
Taylor Downtown Master Plan

Key Findings

An assessment of the existing conditions of the MoKan/NE Subregion have determined the need for further investigation into transportation options and concepts for the Subregion and more specifically, the test case corridors outlined in the sections above. Several key findings from the existing conditions assessment informed the next steps of the Plan. These key findings include.

- Past population and employment in Georgetown, Hutto, Manor and Pflugerville communities grew over 50% over a 16-year period, and this trend is expected to continue.
- The arterial roadways within the Subregional Plan area do not support current and forecasted volumes and multimodal transportation options.
- More than double the number of workers commute into the Subregional Plan area and nearly four times the workers commute outside of the Subregional Plan area than live in the Subregional Plan area.
- There are locations along these regional corridors that need safety treatments, including the FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road corridor which had over 60 intersection crashes during the three-year period of 2014 to 2016.
- Several transit deserts existing within the Subregional Plan area, most notably in eastern Pflugerville and Round Rock, as well as, Hutto.
- The Capital Metro service area includes less than 1/4 of the Subregional Plan area with most

routes paralleling Interstate 35.

- The CARTS service area is less than 3/4 of the Subregional Plan area with routes only in Georgetown, along US 79 and along US 290.
- Major environmental constraints include variable soil plasticity, the San Gabriel River, Brushy Creek, Gilleland and Willbarger Creeks, Lake Pflugerville, Jollyville Plateau Salamander critical habitat, and small portions of the Edwards Aquifer.
- Open house mobility comments included providing guidance on the direction of the MoKan corridor, increasing public transit options & connectivity to the airport, planning for growth, and improving multimodal connectivity.

The findings above further demonstrate the need for a traffic modeling and conceptual assessment of the Subregion and test-case corridors. This includes the consideration of economic development opportunities, expanded transit service, improved connectivity between major “centers” and potential solutions to growing congestion issues. The upcoming sections describe the potential concepts to improve gaps within the existing roadway network and promote improved connectivity. The concepts and improvements made to each roadway were modeled in a number of traffic modeling scenarios to determine the impact of the improvements on the Subregion as well as the entire six-county Capital Area Region.

Concept Development

Potential corridor concepts for the Subregion have been developed in response to local stakeholder priorities and critical regional mobility needs identified through parallel efforts with the CAMPO 2045 Regional Arterials Study.

The Regional Arterials Study recommends the development of a network of “Regional Connectors” to provide enhanced and expanded regional transportation options as the region continues to rapidly develop. The Regional Connectors refer to a network of coordinated principal arterials designed to provide long-distance regional trips and strategically spaced for improved mobility access and options across the region—including in growing areas like the Subregion. Depending on the corridor, Regional Connector design may include new alignments, capacity improvements, and managed lanes (including non-tolled) options for HOV and enhanced transit to serve forecasted mobility demands and provide new and critical regional transportation linkages. Please note the placement of managed/HOV lanes would be contingent on functional class, transit/service type and other operational considerations.

Working with the RAS and MoKan/Subregion Steering Committees, CAMPO staff identified a coordinated set of potential Regional Connector concepts that could improve capacity, regional and local network connections, and mobility options across the Subregion and support local development patterns and future economic development opportunities. The potential Regional Connector concepts include two operational possibilities:

1. **The Standard Concept** mostly includes the addition of general purpose lanes to increase roadway capacity and accommodate increased regional travel demand. This concept also seeks to achieve consistent lane patterns across the corridor as appropriate considering travel demand.
2. **The Enhanced Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Concept** assumes similar capacity improvements as the Standard Concept and introduces tolled and non-tolled managed lanes for HOV and transit priority during peak hours. Depending on the corridor, the managed lanes could be developed through converting general purpose lanes or using shoulders or medians as new driving lanes for HOV and transit travel. Worth noting, shoulder upgrades associated with the Enhanced TDM Concept represent an increased cost compared to the Standard Concept.

Context Sensitive Design

This assessment considers the CAMPO Context Zones and applicable roadway cross-sections, as recommended through the Regional Arterials Study Pattern Book. Context Zones are a tool to help stakeholders evaluate relevant best practices and to contextualize corridor treatments ensuring they are appropriate for given locations. The local roadway grid-spacing and intersection points typically change based upon the land uses through which an arterial travels. The changing land uses along corridors require roadway design modifications to allow the arterial to best serve travel demand, facilitate multimodal movements, and support economic development activity. The CAMPO Context Zones are described as:

- **Z1- Urban 1/High-rise Downtown:** Generally, mixed-use and high-rise development facing the street with many activity centers at corner lots.
- **Z2- Urban 2/Main Street (Small Town):** Generally, an activity center surrounded by lands with single family houses. Commercial buildings facing the street that are typically no taller than six stories.
- **Z3- Suburban 1/Mixed-Use/Activity Center:** An activity center surrounded by single family housing and commercial development. Buildings do not typically face the street.
- **Z4- Suburban/Conventional:** A lack of activity centers. Mostly housing typically with small “strip malls” or a single grocery store/ convenience store.
- **Z5- Rural:** Free from large developments with scattered single-family housing or the occasionally large facility.

Study area context zones predominantly include Zone 3: Suburban 1, Mixed-Use Activity Center, Zone 4: Suburban/Conventional and Zone 5: Rural. Within the MoKan/Northeast Subregion, there are also a few urban areas that match the Zone 2: Urban 2, Main Street (Small Town) classification, including the main streets of downtown Round Rock, Pflugerville, and Taylor. See **Appendix C** for related context zones and recommended cross-section patterns specific to the Plan area’s Regional Connectors.

The development of the concepts incorporates both the CAMPO Context Zones and roadway functional class, while addressing five corridor characteristics including multimodal, safety, access, urban form and land use. Throughout the development of the concepts, the connection between transportation and land use was a major consideration to support economic development opportunities such as transit-oriented development (TOD), local development along arterials and frontage/backage roads, and regional nodal development at major interchanges and highway junctions. Corridor concepts that consider land use in design can enhance the local and regional economies through providing new and convenient access to economic development opportunities and improved mobility options between existing and new job centers and residential areas.

Cost Assumptions

Developing planning level cost estimates for these regional corridor improvements is important for planning next efforts for funding and implementation. Planning level cost estimates per lane mile for each roadway functional classification have been developed for the Regional Arterials Study, and these lane mile cost estimates are the basis for determining cost estimates per each potential corridor concept and the network of potential corridor concepts for the MoKan/ Northeast Subregion Study area.

For the Regional Arterials Study, the lane mile cost estimates per each roadway classification were developed by analyzing and comparing costs previously developed for the Williamson County Corridor Study, Mobility35, and other published programming cost reports. Evaluation examined programmatic costs ranging between approximately \$1 million to \$7 million per lane mile depending on project location and complexity. Based upon these ranges, a construction cost per lane mile was developed for each TXDOT/FHWA functional class in the model and then grouped into CAMPO's functional classifications (Limited Access, Principal Arterial, and Minor Arterial).

Considering these are high-level estimates for conceptual improvements, the lane mile costs assume a 30% factor for contingency, 10% factor for intersection improvements and additional amenities, and a 20% factor for planning, environmental, design and construction management activities necessary for project implementation. Grade separated interchanges are assumed at \$30 million and full directional interchanges are assumed at \$200 million (eight direct connectors at \$25 million a piece). However, the cost estimates do not include right-of-way acquisition costs or utility relocation costs, as these costs are highly variable by corridor. It is also important to note that additional transit costs occur if facilities and services are being developed in areas where transit service does not currently exist. The operational costs and development of transit services in current gap areas have not been factored into these planning level cost estimates.

Per the Regional Arterial Study, **Table 17** lists the per lane mile cost estimates by functional class for use in developing cost estimates for the potential corridor concepts specific to the MoKan/ Northeast Subregion Study Area.

Table 17: Cost Estimates per Corridor Lane Mile

CAMPO Functional Class	Cost Per Lane Mile				
	Construction	30% Contingency	10% Intersection Improvements & Amenities	20% Planning, Engineering, Construction Mgmt.	Estimated Cost per Lane Mile*
Limited Access	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 750,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 4,000,000
Principal Arterial	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 3,200,000
Minor Arterial	\$ 1,900,000	\$ 570,000	\$ 190,000	\$ 380,000	\$ 3,040,000

***Estimated cost per lane mile does NOT reflect costs for right-of-way and utilities. Safety and operational improvement costs were added for portions of roadway with no new lane miles at \$100,000 per lane mile for limited access and \$50,000 per lane mile for principal arterials. Addition of shoulders for potential future shoulder running counted as additional lanes on the roadway.**



MoKan Potential Concepts

Current Design (2018)

The MoKan Corridor runs approximately 27 miles between Georgetown to Austin, and the abandoned railroad corridor connects the cities of Georgetown, Round Rock, Pflugerville, and Austin. The facility is owned by TxDOT. As the region continues to grow, the MoKan Corridor remains a critical regional transportation asset for further consideration in improving mobility and transit options in the coming years. The corridor currently does not have a designated transportation facility that spans its entire length, however there are locations along its rights-of-way in which transportation facilities have been built. In Pflugerville, a shared-use trail has been built on part of its alignment adjacent to Railroad Avenue. Approximately 1.8-miles of Dessau Road, from E. Custers Creek Bend in Pflugerville to Crystal Bend Drive in Austin, is also located within the MoKan right-of-way.

Potential Concepts

For the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan, identifying enhanced transportation possibilities for the MoKan Corridor—that include multimodal elements—has great potential to improve regional and local mobility options and support economic development opportunities along the corridor. The corridor presents a critical opportunity to accommodate HOV and enhanced transit—including express, BRT, and intercity bus services in the near-term—between Georgetown and Austin.

The MoKan Corridor could allow for potential connections to important east-west Regional Connectors such as Pflugerville Parkway and Parmer Lane. These Regional Connectors provide long-distance inter-city connections and allow for greater mobility due to tight access controls. Regional Connectors feature access management, dedicated/

separate ped/bike facilities, grade separated intersections, timed signals, and bus pullouts. The MoKan Corridor has the potential to provide a similar north-south connection, alleviating the volume of traffic through IH 35 and SH 130 as well as congested north-south arterials and collectors.

The following ten intersecting Regional Connectors are envisioned as the limited access points to and from the MoKan Corridor (ordered north to south):

- SE Inner Loop (Georgetown)
- University Drive (Round Rock)
- US 79 (Round Rock)
- SH 45 (Round Rock)
- FM 1100/Pflugerville Parkway
- Pecan Street (Pflugerville)
- Dessau Road (Pflugerville)
- FM 734 (Austin)
- US 290 (Austin)
- Loyola Lane (Austin)
- MLK/FM 969 (Austin)
- US 183 (Austin)

Planning level concepts for enhanced transportation options on MoKan north of SH 45 have been identified through other efforts, yet options south of SH 45 warrant further discussion and consideration. The following discussion describes potential MoKan routing options from north (Georgetown) to south (Austin), with the consideration that south to north travel options are assumed in the reverse pattern.

MoKan Potential Concepts *(continued)*

Georgetown to SH 45 (Round Rock) via MoKan

Per the 2018 CTRMA MoKan Corridor Study, MoKan is envisioned as a limited-access facility with shoulders and frontage roads designed for 70 miles per hour between Georgetown (SE Inner Loop) and SH 45. HOV and enhanced transit options could be accommodated on this segment of the MoKan Corridor, with stations, park-and-rides, and TOD opportunities at key regional intersections including University Avenue/SH 29 and SE Inner Loop in Georgetown and University Boulevard and US 79 in Round Rock.

Providing transit connections between the MoKan Corridor and downtown Georgetown and downtown Round Rock is also recommended to further expand local mobility options and sustain local economic development opportunities.

Connecting to Downtown Georgetown

In Georgetown, there are multiple options to extend MoKan transit services north from SE Inner Loop into downtown:

- **SE Inner Loop west to FM 1460 and S. Austin Avenue:** Enhanced transit services could travel west on SE Inner Loop, northwest on FM 1460, and north on S. Austin Avenue to downtown Georgetown. Continued travel east on University Avenue/SH 29 would add a direct connection to Southwestern University.
- **SE Inner Loop northeast to University Avenue/SH 29:** Enhanced transit services from MoKan could travel northeast on SE Inner Loop to SH 29 and then west on University Avenue/SH 29 to Southwestern University and downtown Georgetown. This option would serve both

downtown and Southwestern University.

- **Continue northbound on the MoKan Corridor via Maple Street to University Avenue/SH 29:** Enhanced transit could be routed via a transit-only extension of MoKan northward from SE Inner Loop via Maple Street to University Avenue/SH 29 with a termination spot near the intersection. This option would be the most direct routing to downtown and Southwestern University, with appropriate design treatments in consideration of nearby residential uses along Maple Street.

Connecting to Downtown Round Rock

Connecting downtown Round Rock with MoKan enhanced transit could be facilitated through travel via US 79 to Mays Street, a distance of approximately 2.5 miles.

Mobility Options from SH 45

The prime intersection of MoKan and SH 45 could serve as a critical mobility junction to facilitate the following travel options via MoKan from the north to regional destinations south and vice-versa (see **Figure 35** for the SH 45/MoKan Directional Map):

- **SH 45 West to IH 35 and MoPac Expressway:** MoKan HOV and transit traffic would have the option to travel west on SH 45 and south via IH 35 or Loop 1/MoPac into Austin. The routing option via MoPac would take advantage of new express lanes and provide direct access to The Domain.
- **SH 45 East to SH 130:** MoKan HOV and transit traffic would have the option to travel east via SH 45 and south on SH 130 to east Austin via US 290 and the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

MoKan Potential Concepts *(continued)*

- **SH 45 to FM 685/Dessau Road:** MoKan traffic could also route east via SH 45 and south via FM 685/Dessau Road through Pflugerville and then rejoin the MoKan corridor at Crystal Bend Drive in Travis County. FM 685/Dessau Road's recommended expansion from four to six lanes between SH 130 to FM 734 (Parmer Lane) would help facilitate HOV and transit priority movements. Opportunities for TOD could include the FM 685/Pflugerville Parkway and FM 685/Pecan Street intersections.
- **MoKan Mobility Corridor between SH 45 and Crystal Bend Drive:** The limited access facility would travel through Pflugerville via the MoKan Corridor and merge with Dessau Road for 1.8-miles to Crystal Bend Drive. Potential TOD locations along the MoKan Corridor could include the area south of SH 45 and north of Meister Lane, Pflugerville Parkway, and downtown Pflugerville near Pecan Street with options for a downtown transit center and park-and-ride facility. Roadway configurations, and travel speeds would be designed to match the available right-of way and land use characteristics while providing enhanced transit and alternative mobility options, including a shared use path through Pflugerville:
 - o Between SH 45 and Pflugerville Parkway, the corridor could accommodate HOV, enhanced bus, and local Pflugerville traffic traveling to or from the MoKan limited-access lanes north of SH 45.
 - o The MoKan Corridor between Pflugerville Parkway and Dessau Road could be tightly restricted to HOV, enhanced bus, electric vehicle (EV), autonomous vehicle (AV), and emergency responder traffic to prioritize mobility alternatives and limit traffic volumes through the central Pflugerville area. A design option that places the MoKan facility at or below grade, while retaining east-west neighborhood street connectivity at grade, could preserve neighborhood character and minimize potential visual and noise impacts. Railroad Avenue, **Figure 34**, could continue to provide local access and be enhanced to include new shared use path facilities currently on the MoKan alignment.
 - o When reaching Dessau Road near E. Custers Creek Bend in Pflugerville, MoKan travel lanes could merge with Dessau Road for 1.8-miles to approximately Crystal Bend Drive in Travis County. MoKan and Dessau Road share right-of-way in this segment, and design options that effectively balance merging movements, traffic flow, and transit priority are recommended for optimal regional mobility and enhanced transit service along both Dessau Road and the MoKan Corridor.

Crystal Bend Drive to US 290 via MoKan

MoKan HOV and transit priority southbound traffic traveling on Dessau Road would exit at approximately Crystal Bend Drive to rejoin the dedicated MoKan right-of way for continued travel into east Austin at US 290. The exact transition point between Dessau Road and the MoKan Corridor should be further examined in future studies. Operating on the MoKan Corridor

MoKan Potential Concepts *(continued)*

through this segment will allow for potential regional transit connections at US 290 (CapMetro Green Line/Park-and-Ride).

Options South of US 290

Further study is recommended to examine potential MoKan travel options south of US 290, the limits of the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan area, to downtown Austin and the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

Potential MoKan routing options for continued southbound HOV and enhanced transit travel could include the following:

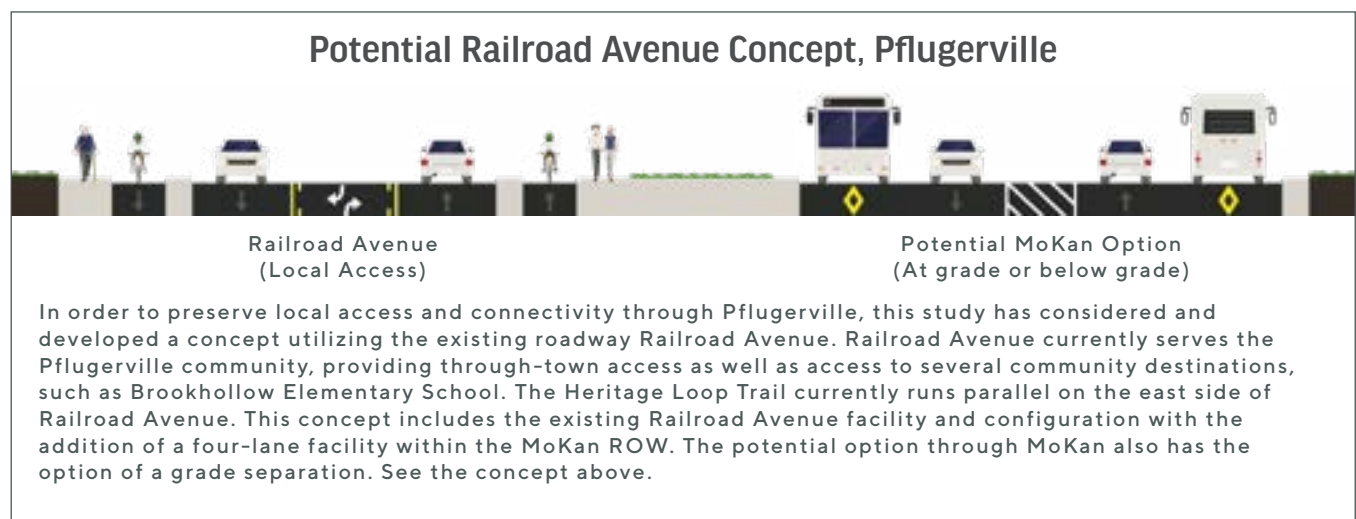
- US 290 west (HOV) to IH 35 south (managed lanes) for direct service to the University of Texas and downtown Austin.
- US 290 west to US 183 south to reach the CapMetro transit center near US 183/MLK, FM 969 into downtown, and/or the CARTS transit center at 7th Street. Continued travel via US 183 south could reach the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

- Continued MoKan Corridor southbound travel to the CARTS transit center at 7th Street with an undetermined routing option west into downtown.
- US 290 east to SH 130 for direct service to the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

Potential Standard and Enhanced TDM Concepts are recommended for the MoKan Corridor by segment, as further detailed in **Table 18**. The Standard Concept reflects a basic operational possibility for the entire 27-mile corridor without managed lanes, and the Enhanced TDM Concept includes the use of non-tolled managed lanes along the entire corridor for transit and HOV priority. Both concepts assume a continuous shared use path to be built along the entire 27-mile corridor. Representative cross-sections for the Enhanced TDM Concept are depicted in the sections following **Figure 36**.

Estimated capital costs for MoKan range from \$883 million (2019 dollars) for the Standard Concept to \$1.020 billion (2019 dollars) for the Enhanced TDM Concept and are further detailed in **Appendix D**.

Figure 34: Railroad Avenue Cross Section



MoKan Potential Concepts *(continued)*

Figure 35: MoKan Directional Map



Table 18: Potential 2045 Concepts – MoKan

MoKan		Current Design - 2018			Potential Designs - 2045			
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Lanes	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes *
SH 29	SH 45	N/A	N/A	N/A	Limited Access	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 Managed
SH 45	Pecan Street	N/A	N/A	N/A	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose	2 General Purpose + 2 Managed
Pecan Street	Dessau Road	N/A	N/A	N/A	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose	2 General Purpose + 2 Managed
Dessau Road	Crystal Bend	Minor Arterial	Divided	4 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose + 2 Managed
Crystal Bend	US 290	N/A	N/A	N/A	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 General Purpose + 2 Managed

*Specific management techniques for the MoKan Corridor (whether tolled or non-tolled) should be examined as part of future corridor work, unlike non-controlled access arterial which would most likely feature non-tolled HOV/managed lanes.



Figure 36: MoKan Corridor - Enhanced TDM Concept

SH 29 to SH 45



SH 45 to Pecan Street



Pecan Street to Dessau Road




Dessau Road to Crystal Bend Drive



Crystal Bend Drive to US 290



-  = Managed lane (peak only)
-  = Shoulder as Managed lane (peak only)



US 79 Potential Concepts

Current Design (2018)

In the Plan area, US 79 provides a critical east/west 18-mile connection across Williamson County and serves the communities of Round Rock, Hutto and Taylor and intersects IH 35, SH 130, and SH 95. It is currently classified as a principal/major arterial, and generally functions with four general purpose lanes with center turn lanes at intersections between IH 35 and FM 1460. The facility is maintained by TxDOT.

Potential Concept

For 2045, potential concepts recommend establishing US 79 as a **Principal – Regional Connector** to improve its capacity to facilitate regional travel and enhanced mobility options. Roadway capacity would be increased through additional general purpose lanes between IH 35 and US 79 West in Taylor. New shoulders between FM 1460 and US 79 West are also recommended to further enhance safety. Along US 79 through south Taylor between US 79 West and US 79 East, US 79 would gain shoulders and frontage roads to support local economic development opportunities and enhance local mobility options. Through downtown Taylor via West 2nd Street (former US 79 Business Route), context sensitive roadway treatments are recommended to support economic development, placemaking, and pedestrian and bicycle mobility. Potential non-tolled managed lanes could also be incorporated for HOV and transit priority at certain times of day.

New direct connectors to improve regional mobility are envisioned between northbound IH 35 and US 79 ramps in Round Rock, US 79 South to IH 35 South in Round Rock, US 79 South at US 79 West in

Taylor, and US 79 South at US 79 East in Taylor. These new connectors will have the potential to improve economic development opportunities at these critical regional nodes. New connectors will require additional planning and coordination with TxDOT and local entities.

In general, the **Standard Concept** recommends capacity and shoulder improvements along the US 79 corridor to achieve consistent lane patterns, and the **Enhanced TDM Concept** recommends the use of non-tolled managed lanes between IH 35 and US 79/SH 95 to support future HOV and transit mobility options. See **Appendix D** for a summary of the potential 2045 design concepts by segment, and **Figure 37** for representative cross-sections for the Enhanced TDM Concept.

Estimated capital costs for implementation ranges from \$318 million (in 2019 dollars) for the Standard Concept to \$423 million (2019 dollars) for the Enhanced TDM Concept, and these estimates are further detailed in **Appendix: D**.

US 79 Potential Concepts *(continued)*

Table 19: Potential 2045 Concepts – US 79

US 79		Current Design - 2018			Potential Operational Concepts - 2045			
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Lanes	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes
US 79 E	US 79/ SH 95	Limited Access	Divided	4 General Purpose	Limited Access	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage
US 79/ SH 95	US 79 W	Limited Access	Divided	4 General Purpose	Limited Access	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed + 4 Frontage
US 79 W	FM 1460	Principal (Major Arterial)	Undivided/ Divided	4 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed
FM 1460	IH 35	Principal (Major Arterial)	Undivided/ Divided	4 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed

Figure 37: US 79 – Enhanced TDM Concept



US 79 E to SH 95



SH 95 to US 79 W



US 79 W to FM 1460



FM 1460 to IH 35



- = Non-Tolled Managed lane (peak only)
- = Shoulder as Non-Tolled Managed lane (peak only)



FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road Potential Concepts

Current Design (2018)

The FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road corridor runs north/south between US 79 in Hutto and US 290 in northeast Austin for approximately 17.6 miles, and it makes important regional connections with US 79, SH 130, US 183, and US 290. It currently operates as a divided **minor arterial**. Its northern segment between SH 130 in Pflugerville and FM 734 (Parmer Lane) in northeast Austin has four general purpose lanes and is maintained by multiple jurisdictions; its southern segment from FM 734 (Parmer Lane) to US 290 has six general purpose lanes and is maintained by the City of Austin.

Potential Concepts

FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road is recommended for upgrade to a **Principal – Regional Connector** through capacity additions and non-tolled managed lane options featuring a consistent lane pattern between SH 130 and US 290. Envisioned intersection improvements to enhance regional network connectivity and safety include an improved interchange with SH 130 that adds a direct connector from FM 685 north to the northbound frontage road and improved interchanges with Pflugerville Parkway, FM 734 (Parmer Lane), US 183, and US 290. Right-of-way requirements for related interchange improvements will need further evaluation during corridor design to ensure optimal operations. These facility improvements may also enhance the corridor's market for north/south bus transit services and potential TOD at key intersections with other regional facilities – such as Pflugerville Parkway, FM 1825/Pecan Street, and FM 734/Parmer Lane.

Worth noting, Dessau Road shares right-of-way and roadway alignment with the MoKan Corridor for approximately 1.8-miles between approximately E. Custers Creek Bend in Pflugerville and Crystal Bend Drive in Travis County. In this segment, design options that effectively balance merging movements, traffic flow, and transit priority require future consideration for optimal regional mobility and enhanced transit service along both Dessau Road and the MoKan Corridor. South of Pecan Street to Parmer Lane, Dessau Road is a City of Pflugerville, Travis County and City of Austin facility. For further context, please see the MoKan Corridor potential concept discussion.

Potential Standard and Enhanced TDM Concepts

are recommended for FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road by segment, as detailed in **Table 20**. The **Standard Concept** includes improvements to expand roadway lane capacity between SH 130 and FM 734 (Parmer Road) and achieve a consistent pattern for general purpose lanes. **The Enhanced TDM Concept** builds upon the Standard Concept recommendations and converts outside general purpose lanes to non-tolled managed lanes during peak hours for transit and HOV priority. Representative cross-sections for the Enhanced TDM Concept are illustrated in **Figure 38**.

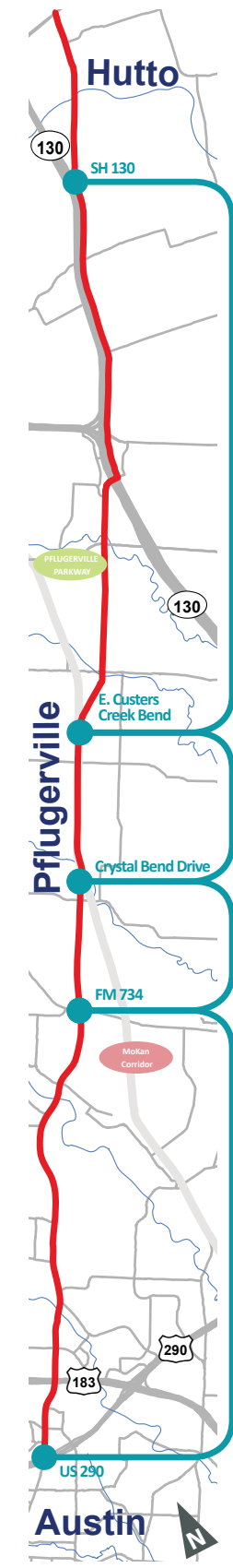
The Standard Concept has an estimated capital cost of \$227 million (2019 dollars), and the Enhanced TDM Concept has an estimated capital cost of \$238 million (2019 dollars). Capital cost estimates for the potential concepts are further detailed in **Appendix D**.

FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road Potential Concepts *(continued)*

Table 20: Potential 2045 Concepts – FM 685/Dessau Road/Cameron Road

FM 685/ Dessau/ Cameron		Current Design - 2018			Potential Operational Concepts - 2045			
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Lanes	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes
SH 130	E. Custers Creek Bend (MoKan)	Minor Arterial	Divided	4 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed
E. Custers Creek Bend (MoKan)	Crystal Bend	Minor Arterial	Divided	4 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed
Crystal Bend	FM 734	Minor Arterial	Divided	4 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed
FM 734	US 290	Minor Arterial	Divided	6 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed

Figure 38: FM 685/ Dessau Road/ Cameron Road
 - Enhanced TDM Concept



SH 130 to E. Custers Creek Bend



E. Custers Creek Bend to Crystal Bend Drive



Crystal Bend Drive to FM 734



FM 734 to US 290



- = Non-Tolled Managed lane (peak only)
- = Shoulder as Non-Tolled Managed lane (peak only)



FM 973 Potential Concepts

Current Design (2018)

In the Plan area, FM 973 is a two lane minor arterial running north/south between Taylor and Manor and connects with US 79, US 290, and SH 130. Much of its 24 mile alignment crosses agricultural land in southeast Williamson County and northeast Travis County, yet its importance is expected to grow as regional population and development continues to advance northeast.

Potential Concepts

To address a critical network gap in the Capital Area Regional network, FM 973 would be upgraded to a **Principal – Regional Connector** to provide a high-capacity north/south transportation option located between the Plan area’s other major north/south facilities, SH 130 and SH 95. FM 973 is envisioned to be widened with new lanes and shoulders to better accommodate anticipated regional travel demands forecasted for the area.

New interchanges are recommended at US 79, Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100, and US 290 for improved regional connectivity between facilities and to support economic development opportunities at these regional nodes. Non-tolled managed lane facilities could be potentially used on this corridor to enhance HOV and transit priority movements. Right-of-way requirements for interchange improvements will need further evaluation to plan and design for optimal mobility.

For FM 973, the **Standard Concept** calls for expanded capacity along the entire corridor. The **Enhanced TDM Concept** recommends expanded capacity along the entire corridor and upgrading shoulders to new non-tolled managed lanes to

support HOV and transit priority movements along the corridor, as conceptually depicted in **Figure 39**. Summary details of the potential Standard and Enhanced TDM design concepts are included in **Table 21**.

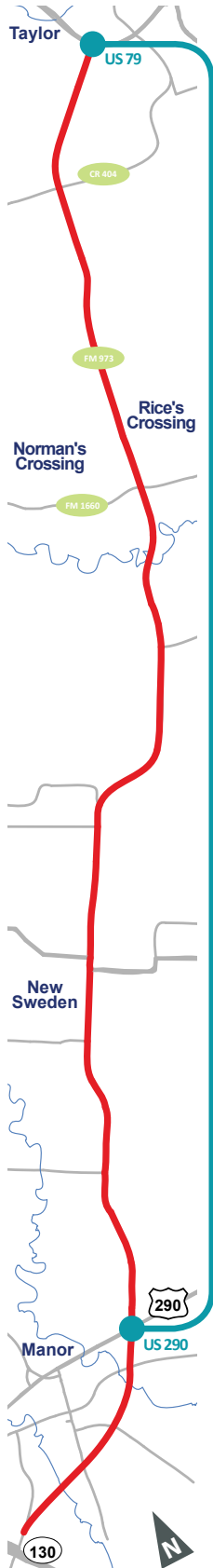
Estimated capital costs for these concepts range from \$284 million (2019 dollars) for the Standard Concept to \$396 million (2019 dollars) for the Enhanced TDM Concept, as further detailed in **Appendix D**.

FM 973 Potential Concepts *(continued)*

Table 21: Potential 2045 Concepts – FM 973

FM 973		Current Design - 2018			Potential Designs - 2045			
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Lanes	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes
US 79	US 290	Minor Arterial	Undivided	2 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed

Figure 39: FM 973 - Enhanced TDM Concept



US 79 W to US 290



-  = Non-Tolled Managed lane (peak only)
-  = Shoulder as Non-Tolled Managed lane (peak only)



Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 Potential Concepts

Current Design (2018)

Pflugerville Parkway, running southeast from Pflugerville, and FM 1100, running northwest from Elgin, are loosely connected via a set of rural roads between these segments. This 22.5 mile corridor intersects FM 685, SH 130, FM 973, and SH 95, and its roads are functionally classified as two to four lane **collectors**. The City of Pflugerville maintains Pflugerville Parkway, TxDOT maintains FM 1100, and Travis County generally maintains the rural roads between these two segments.

Potential Concepts

The Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 segments present a critical opportunity to create an important east/west **Principal - Regional Connector** across northeast Travis County and into Bastrop County and to address a critical transportation gap in the Capital Area Regional system. This new facility would provide an alternative east/west route to US 79 and US 290 and include improved interchanges at FM 685, SH 130, FM 973, and SH 95 to best facilitate regional travel movements and economic development opportunities near these junctions. Sections of the roadway could be constructed to accommodate ultimate build out, with flexible striping options to allow additional capacity in the future as necessary. Right-of-way requirements for interchange improvements will need further evaluation as the corridor concept is further refined.

Capacity improvements on Pflugerville Parkway between FM 685 and FM 973 are envisioned to support anticipated regional growth patterns and to match planned capacity improvements for FM 973 running north/south between Taylor and Manor. Between FM

973 and SH 95, FM 1100 would also be expanded with new general purpose lanes and shoulders to improve roadway capacity, speeds, and safety.

Potential design **Standard** and **Enhanced TDM Concepts** envisioned for Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 by segment are detailed in **Table 22**.

The **Standard Concept** includes lane capacity improvements necessary for upgrade to a principal arterial (Regional Connector), and the **Enhanced TDM Concept** includes both the lane capacity improvements recommended with the Standard Concept and the use of non-tolled managed lanes to support future transit and HOV travel options. Conceptual cross-sections for the Enhanced TDM Concept are depicted in **Figure 40**.

Estimated capital costs for these corridor improvements range from \$188 million (2019 dollars) for the Standard Concept to \$292 million (2019 dollars) for the Enhanced TDM Concept, with the difference in attributed to the addition of non-tolled managed lanes for the Enhanced TDM Concept. Corridor capital cost estimates are further detailed in **Appendix D**.

Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 Potential Concepts *(continued)*

Table 22: Potential 2045 Concepts – Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100

Pflugerville Pkwy/ FM1100		Current Design - 2018			Potential Operational Concepts - 2045			
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Lanes	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes
SH 95	FM 973	Collector/ New Facility	Undivided	2 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 General Purpose +2 Non-Tolled Managed
FM 973	FM 685	Collector/ New Facility	Divided/ Undivided	4 General Purpose 2 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose +2 Non-Tolled Managed

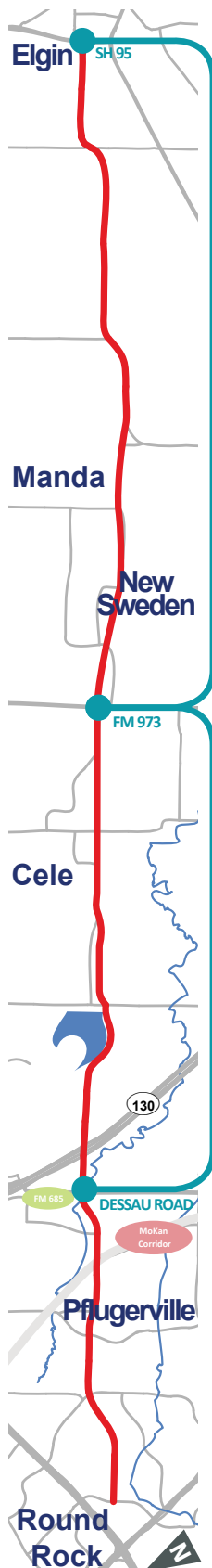


Figure 40: Pflugerville Parkway/ FM 1100
- Enhanced TDM Concept

SH 95 to FM 973



* Cross section between FM 973 to SH 95 may vary from 4 – 6 lanes due to ROW constraints on portions of the corridor.

FM 973 to Dessau Road





SH 95 Potential Concepts

SH 95

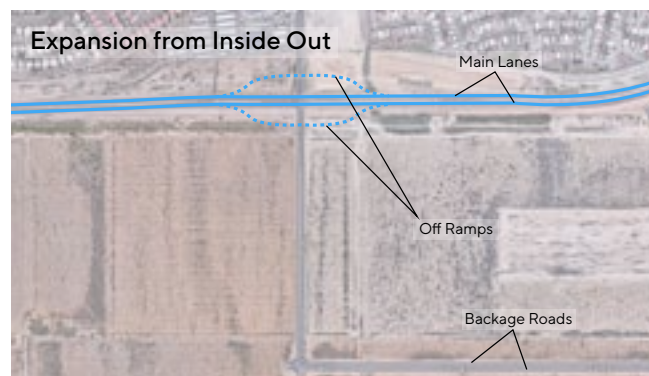
Current Design (2018)

In the Plan area, SH 95 is a north/south minor arterial running approximately 22 miles through eastern Williamson and Travis counties between Circleville, Taylor, and Elgin. Along its route, it connects with SH 29, US 79, FM 1100, and US 290. The undivided highway typically has two general purpose lanes, with four general purpose lanes at locations near communities and highway junctions. The facility is maintained by TxDOT.

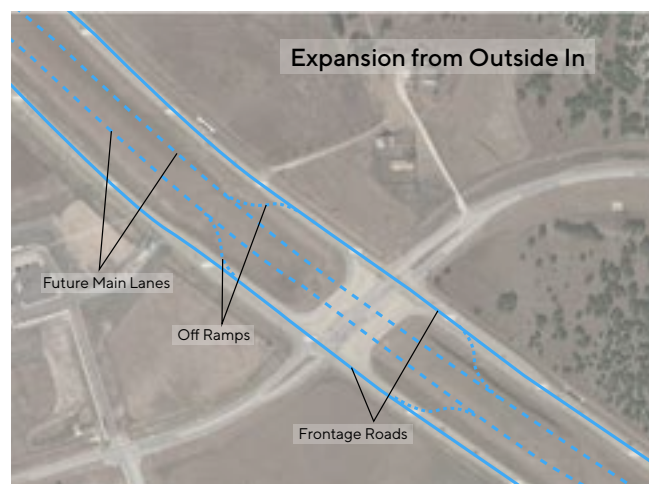
Potential Concepts

Consistent with TxDOT long-range and Williamson County 2045 transportation plans, SH 95 is proposed to be improved to a **Principal – Regional Connector** through the addition of new general purpose lanes and shoulders for enhanced capacity and safety. This will result in a uniform lane design for SH 95 as a divided highway between SH 29 and US 290. Recommended junction improvements include Chandler Road, US 79, and US 290 (west Elgin), and new direct connectors are envisioned from US 290 east to SH 95 north, from US 290 east/SH 95 south to SH 95 south, and from SH 95 north to US 290 west/SH 95 north. Right-of-way requirements for junction improvements will need further consideration in future design phases. In addition to enhancing regional connectivity, the junction improvements will also support development opportunities at key regional nodes. Options for downtown bypasses and context-sensitive design treatments for SH 95 business access through downtown Taylor and Elgin are recommended to further support placemaking and walkability.

As detailed in **Table 23**, the **Standard Concept** recommends capacity and shoulder improvements along to corridor to achieve a uniform lane pattern, and the **Enhanced TDM Concept** builds upon the Standard Concept with the use of non-tolled managed lanes recommended between Taylor (US 79) and Elgin (US 290). Additional setbacks or wider medians may be required as corridor redevelops for potential future upgrade to limited access. See **Figure 41** for representative cross-sections for the Enhanced TDM Concept.



Example: Expansion from Inside Out



Example: Expansion from Outside In

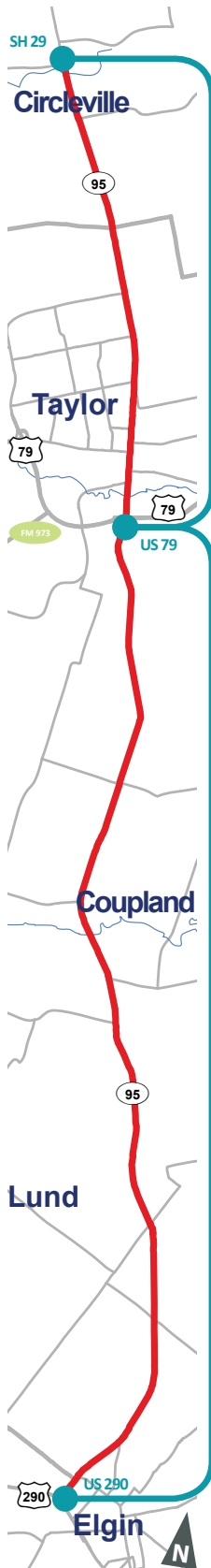
SH 95 Potential Concepts *(continued)*

Table 23: Potential 2045 Concepts – SH 95

SH 95		Current Design - 2018			Potential Operational Concepts - 2045			
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Lanes	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes
SH 29	US 79	Minor Arterial	Undivided	2-4 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 General Purpose + Shoulders
US 79	US 290	Minor Arterial	Undivided	2-4 General Purpose	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed

Estimated construction costs for the SH 95 potential concept improvements range between \$130 million (2019 dollars) for the Standard Concept and \$226 million (2019 dollars) for the Enhanced TDM Concept and are further detailed in **Appendix D**.

Figure 41: SH 95 - Enhanced TDM Concept



SH 29 to US 79



US 79 to US 290



-  = Non-Tolled Managed lane (peak only)
-  = Shoulder as Non-Tolled Managed lane (peak only)

Southeast Loop Potential Concept

Current Design (2018)

Southeast Loop currently does not exist as roadway.

Potential Concept (2018)

The Southeast Loop is being developed as new limited-access arterial by Williamson County to improve local and regional mobility near Hutto and Taylor. The approximately 10-mile facility will connect SH 130 with US 79, providing a new transportation access south and east of Hutto and west of Taylor. The corridor will consist of limited-access travel lanes accommodating regional travel, with frontage road

lanes and shared-use paths providing local access and mobility options in support of local economic development opportunities. The first phase is planned with an estimated cost \$118-million. As this project fully supports the goals of the MoKan/ Northeast Subregional Plan, CAMPO has added Southeast Loop to the Plan as a critical priority for improving mobility in the area.

Please see **Figure 42** for a conceptual cross-section of the Southeast Loop Corridor per Williamson County.

Figure 42: Southeast Loop Conceptual Cross Section, Williamson County



Assessment

Model Scenarios

Through the Regional Arterials Study efforts, five future scenarios featuring different packages of new and improved improvements for the regional transportation network were developed for assessment and comparison purposes. Four of the scenarios were assessed through the CAMPO Transportation Demand Model, with an additional scenario assessed outside of the model.

For the purposes of the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan, modeling results specific to the Plan area were extracted to best understand the potential needs for and benefits of the seven Regional Connector concepts and supporting local minor arterial network. The following performance measures are Transportation Demand Model outputs and used to evaluate the benefits of each scenario in comparison to others:

- **Network Lane mileage** is the sum of the length of each roadway multiplied by the number of lanes within each segment of roadway. Increasing lane mileage is equivalent to adding new roadways and/or widening existing roadways. Adding lane mileage increases roadway capacity.
- **Vehicle to Capacity Ratio (V/C)** represents how “full” a roadway is. By dividing demand

(VMT) by the capacity (Lane miles) the result is the V/C ratio. A V/C ratio of .85 to 1 means that a roadway segment is operating near or at full capacity. A V/C ratio above 1 means the roadway segment is operating over capacity. A V/C under .85 means the roadway is operating at or near free-flow conditions.

- **Vehicle Miles of Travel (VMT)** represents vehicular demand and can also be referred to as “distance traveled.” VMT is calculated by multiplying the number of vehicles on a roadway segment by the length of that segment. VMT can be calculated for individual roadways or for the entire regional roadway network.
- **Vehicle Hours of Travel (VHT)** measures how long vehicles are on the roadway network or a roadway segment and can also be referred to as “travel time.” VHT is calculated by multiplying the number of vehicles on a roadway segment or regional network by the travel time of the roadway segment or regional network. VHT typically decreases when improvements are made to a roadway or regional network. When VHT is decreased, travel time or network speed is increased.
- **Average Speed** refers to the average travel speed forecasted on the network. Average speed is calculated by dividing VMT by VHT.

Table 24: Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ranges and Descriptions

V/C ratio Ranges	
V/C Ratio	Description
0.0 - 0.85	Roadway operating at 85% of its capacity or less; free-flow traffic to slow traffic
0.85 - 1.0	Roadway operating between 85% and 100% of its capacity; stop and go
1.0 - 1.5	Roadway operating between 100% and 150% over capacity; congested
1.5 - >1.5	Roadway operating at over 150% of its capacity; “parking-lot” traffic

Baseline Scenario

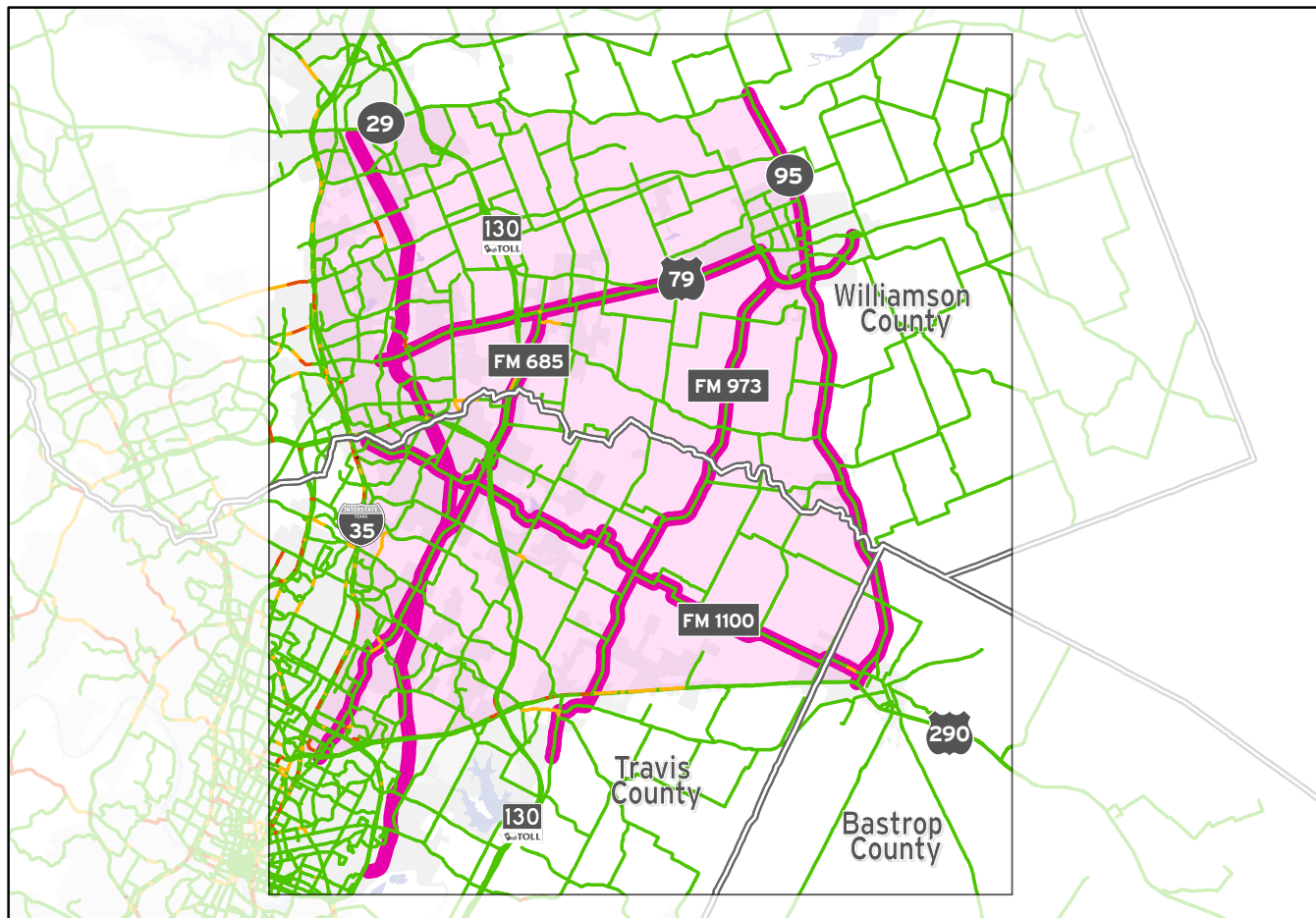
The Baseline Scenario considers the current (2020) regional transportation network and demographics (population and employment) and forecasts the resulting travel demand and transportation network performance. This scenario includes the existing roadways plus roadway improvements contained in the current Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), adopted May 2018. Projects in the TIP are funded and expected to go to construction well in advance of this plan's 2045 horizon. **Figures 43 and 44** displays AM and PM Peak Period Existing Congestion Levels.

Performance measures for the Baseline Scenario - Subregional Plan Area include:

- Network Lane Mileage = 1,695
- Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) = 6.78 million
- Vehicle Hours Traveled (VHT) = 152,400
- Average Speed = 44 miles per hour



Figure 43: Baseline Scenario - AM Peak Period (6am to 9am) Existing Congestion Levels



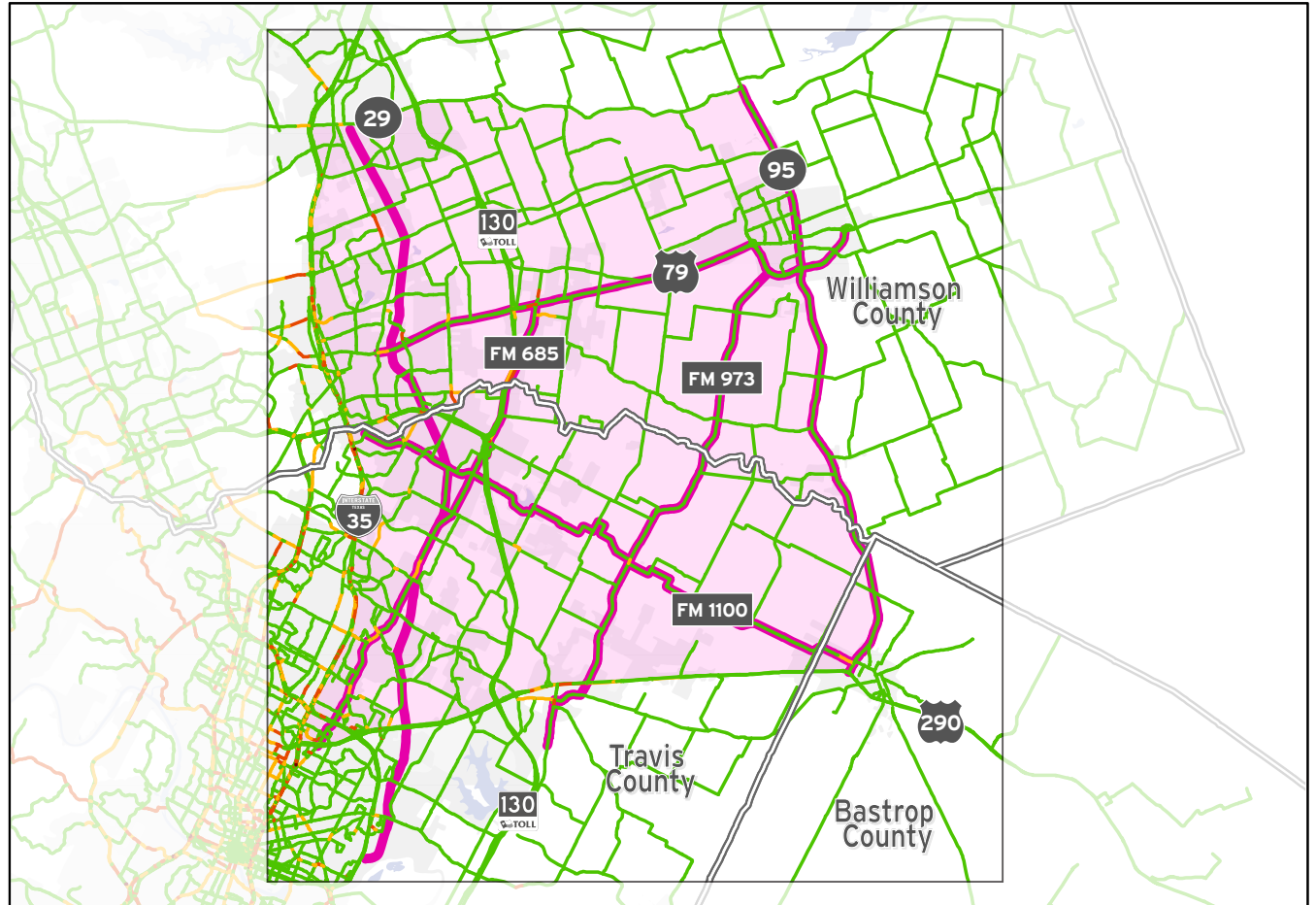
Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio

- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
- .85 - 1 (Slow)
- 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
- 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
- Mokan Study Area
- Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Figure 44: Baseline Scenario - PM Peak Period (3:30pm to 6:30pm) Existing Congestion Levels



- Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio
- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
 - .85 - 1 (Slow)
 - 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
 - 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
 - Mokan Study Area
 - Regional Connectors

Source:
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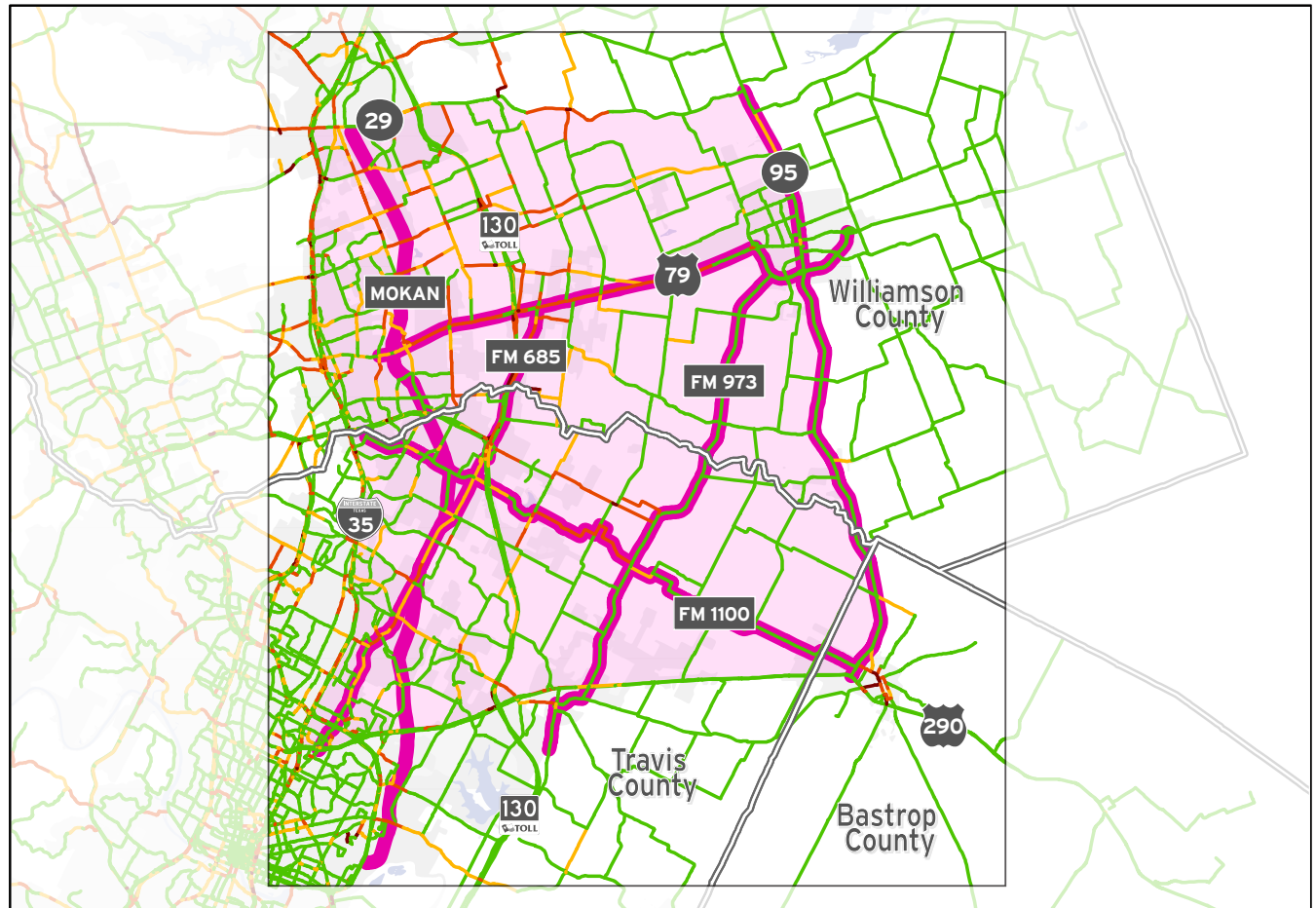
Scenario Z: Future No Build

Scenario Z uses the adopted demographic forecast for Year 2040 (per the currently approved Transportation Demand Model), yet it holds the regional transportation network as unchanged from its current 2020 form. This scenario conveys potential future impacts to regional transportation network performance if no additional facilities are improved or built over the next twenty-year period forecasted for continued and significant demographic growth. This type of scenario is often referred to as a “Do-nothing” scenario and is used to compare the impacts of improvements made in other scenarios. **Figures 45 and 46** displays Scenario Z’s AM and PM Peak Period Congestion Levels.

Performance measures for the Baseline Scenario in the Subregional Plan area include:

- Network Lane Mileage = 1,695
- Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) = 15.04 million
- Vehicle Hours Traveled (VHT) = 423,356
- Average Speed = 35 miles per hour

Figure 45: Scenario Z - AM Peak Period (6am to 9am) Congestion Levels
2040 Population on Today's Roadways

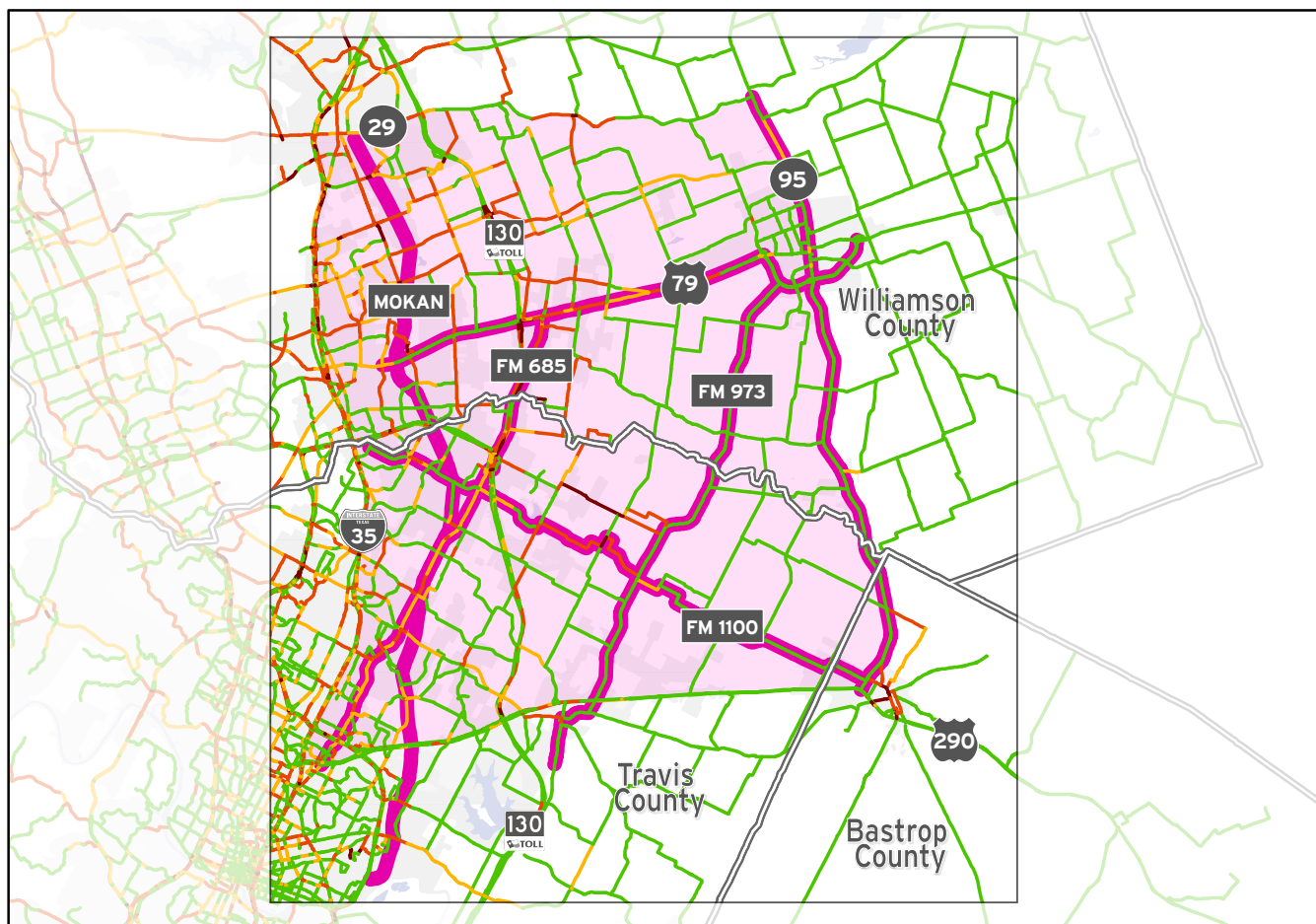


- Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio
- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
 - .85 - 1 (Slow)
 - 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
 - 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
 - MOKAN Study Area
 - Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Figure 46: Scenario Z - PM Peak Period (3:30pm to 6:30pm) Congestion Levels
2040 Population on Today's Roadways



Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio

- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
- .85 - 1 (Slow)
- 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
- 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
- Mokan Study Area
- Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Scenario A: Regional Connectors

As the previous analysis has indicated, it is apparent that not all arterial roadways within the network function the same or are used the same by residents and visitors within the region. For example, Parmer Lane and Congress Avenue are both considered major arterials, however they are designed and used differently. Scenario A proposes improvements to the regions' existing major arterials, and new major arterials are only added to eliminate gaps within our regional connections. These types of roadways are the highest functioning roadways within our region and support most of our travel. Within Scenario A, these roadways are our region's top tier roadways. Top tier roadways include all limited access and higher functioning principal arterials in the Capital Area region.

Scenario A, with respect to the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan, includes all limited access and higher functioning principal arterials in the Mogan study area. This also includes a missing functional class, as suggested in the initial phases of the 2045 Regional Arterials Study, that has been identified as Regional Connectors. These facilities provide long-distance connections and allow for greater mobility due to tighter access controls. Along with the limited access facilities and a few strategically located major arterials, the Regional Connectors form an integrated system of multi-lane high-capacity principal arterials. More specifically they feature:

- Tight access management
- Right turn in/out only
- Left turns at signalized intersections only

- Intersections typically spaced no less than mile apart (all signalized)
- Grade separated intersections with all other regional connectors and limited access roads
- Timed/synchronized lights
- Dedicated separated ped/bike facilities
- Bus pullouts

Regional Connectors should be supported by nearby Major Arterials, which can provide access to adjacent uses. As **Figure 47** illustrates, developments are oriented toward these Major Arterials and they provide multiple access points to driveways and collector roads. The Regional Connector, found in the center of the image running north to south, offers only access to those Major Arterials at signalized intersections. Thus, the role of this kind of facility even in relatively active contexts is to provide for longer distance trips.

The Regional Arterials network is spaced appropriately for higher functional class roadways (3 to 5 miles or more). This was based on best practices developed by the case study regions examined in the Regional Arterials Study Pattern Book. Additionally, this network connects multiple centers; many of which provide mobility around the core, along with additional treatments or peak period uses that may be recommended to help improve mobility.

The Scenario A corridors were added to the current 2020 model network used in Scenario Z. Focusing on the Plan area, the Scenario A model includes upgrades and improvements to each of the Test Case corridors: US 79, FM 1100/Pflugerville Parkway, FM 685/Cameron Rd/Dessau Rd, SH 95, and FM 973. The results of these improvements in the Scenario A

model include improved V/C ratios for each existing Test Case corridor (excludes MoKan).

Compared to Scenario Z: Future No Build, Scenario A model outputs include a 37% increase in lane miles within the Subregion and a resulting 5% reduction in distance traveled (VMT) and a 19% reduction in travel time (VHT). Furthermore, the transportation network achieves an improved travel speed of 42 miles per hour compared to 35 mph for Scenario Z. Scenario A results demonstrate the collective importance of the Plan's seven Regional Connector concepts for improving the transportation network to keep pace with forecasted travel demand coming to the area over the next twenty years. Targeted efforts, that

prioritize the improvement of the Plan's Regional Connectors, have considerable potential for bringing tangible mobility benefits to the arterial network.

Performance measures for Scenario A include:

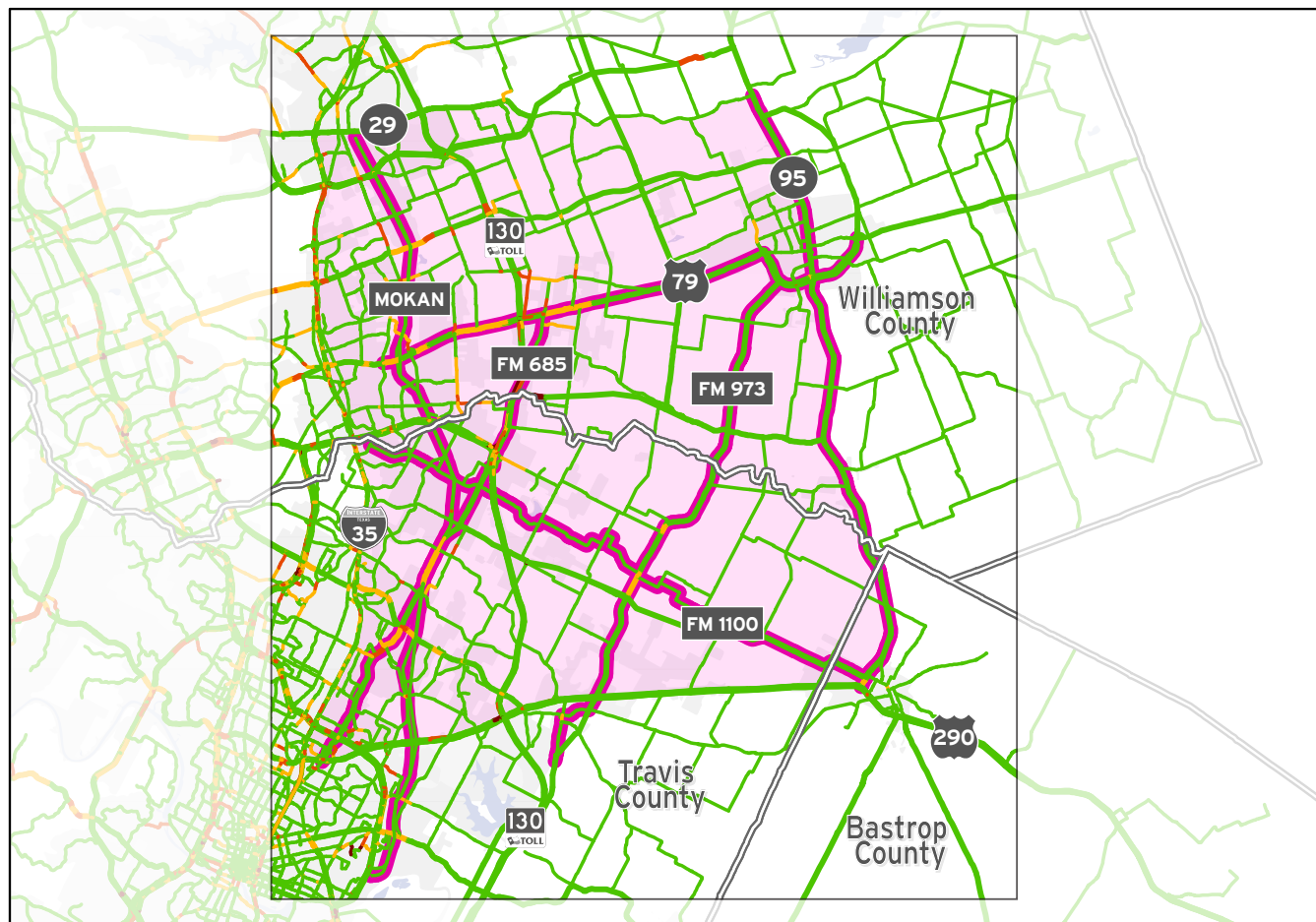
- Network Lane Mileage = 2,325
- Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) = 14.26 million
- Vehicle Hours Traveled (VHT) = 342,672
- Average Speed = 42 miles per hour

As a part of the Regional Arterials Study, an interim improvement scenario (A 1/2) was included; however, this did not feature any of the corridor concepts within the MoKan/Northeast Subregion.

Figure 47: Access VS. Mobility (San Thomas Expressway, CA)



Figure 48: Scenario A - AM Peak Period (6am to 9am) Congestion Levels
2040 Population with E+C Tier I Regional Connectors

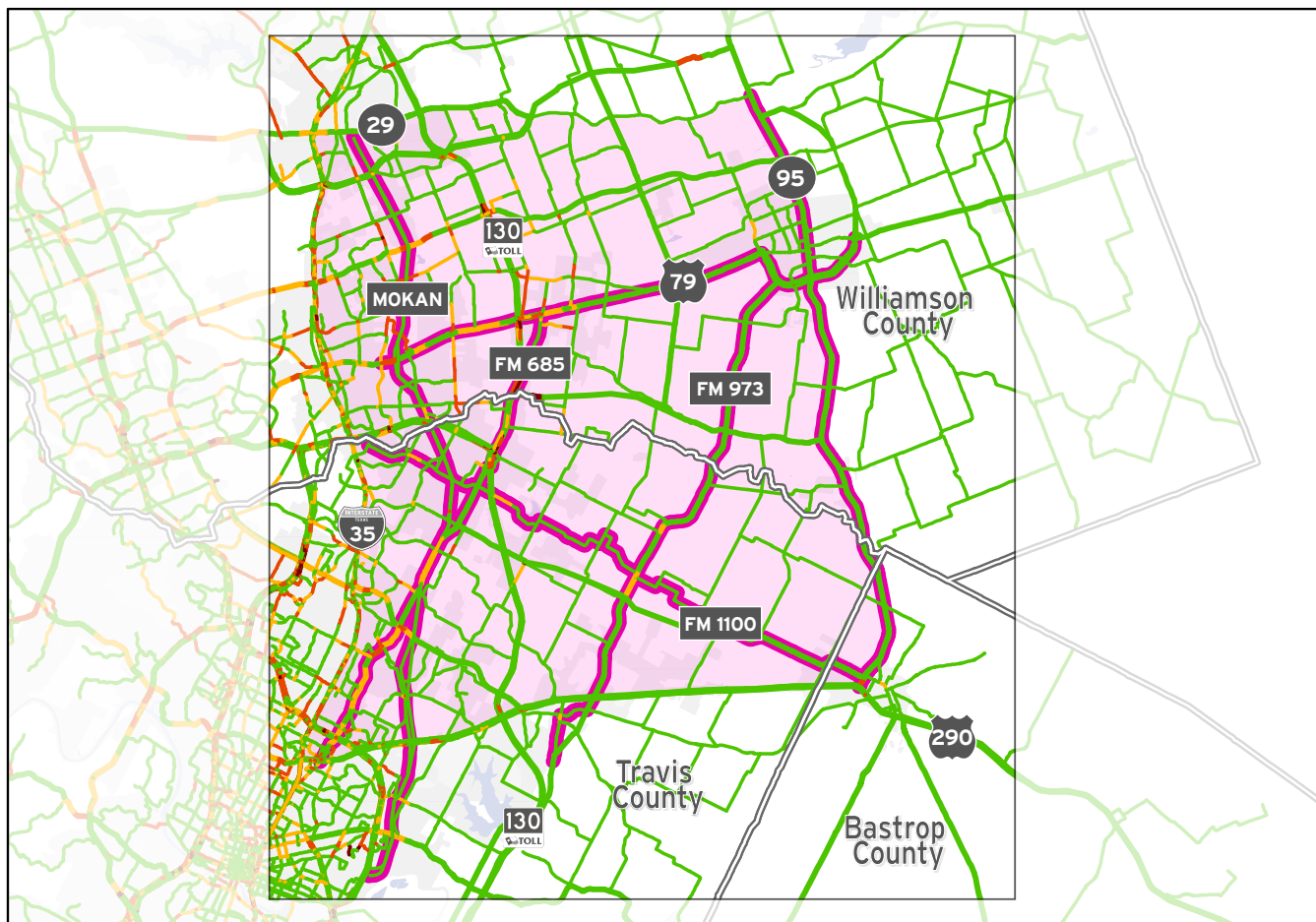


- Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio
- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
 - .85 - 1 (Slow)
 - 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
 - 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
 - Mokan Study Area
 - Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Figure 49: Scenario A - PM Peak Period (3:30pm to 6:30pm) Congestion Levels
2040 Population with E+C Tier I Regional Connectors



Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio

- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
- .85 - 1 (Slow)
- 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
- 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
- Mokan Study Area
- Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Figure 50: Illustration of Potential HOV / Diamond Lane



Scenario B: HOV

Scenario B: HOV, shown in **Figure 50**, was developed to qualitatively illustrate how facilities could increase person throughput by utilizing lane management techniques. This scenario includes the addition of a flexible lane type for a select number of the top tier roadways identified in *Scenario A: Regional Connectors*. Flexible lanes can be special use lanes that are managed – often referred to as “diamond” lanes. Their uses could change throughout the day. These flexible lanes or diamond lanes could be used for transit, high-occupancy vehicles (HOV) and motorcycles, be limited to parking during off-peak times, be used to support reversible lanes, or be used as variable priced facilities. The flexible uses on arterials in the study would be assumed in the right lane in each direction or using shoulders. Shoulder use would

require additional legislation at the state level. Diamond lanes are thought to be an alternative that may increase mode shift; i.e. from single occupancy vehicles (SOV) to HOV or to transit. Shifting drivers from their single occupant vehicle to bus or other HOV vehicles can increase person throughput with less vehicles. HOV lanes require a minimum number of occupants to be in a vehicle.

Managing the type of vehicle that can use the lane can also help meet this objective. For example, not allowing large commercial vehicles or allowing transit only vehicles. Tolling is also a common lane management tool. By tolling a lane, the users help fund its construction, but tolling can also control the demand within the lane so that an acceptable speed is maintained. Flexible lanes may be a viable option for regional connector project

Table 25: Trip Percentage Changes by Roadway

Facility	% Change in Vehicle Trips	% Change in Person Trips
US 290 E	14%	35%
FM 734	17%	42%
FM 685	21%	49%

improvements. Analyzing the impacts of a HOV flex lane was accomplished by postprocessing model results from the Scenario A model run. The primary assumptions for post-processing impacts of Scenario B include:

- Vehicle occupancy rates for SOV, HOV, and transit bus
- Travel demand by time of day
- Vehicle capacity of a non-tolled managed lane
- Bus frequency
- Bus Passenger Car Equivalent (PCE)
- Mode shift from SOVs to HOVs

The scenario assumes that 50% of vehicles with two or more passengers would shift to the HOV lane. Along with the assumptions regarding bus frequency and capacity, it was assumed that these routes would be at 80% occupancy.

A few selected roadways were chosen as a test case for evaluation. CAMPO worked with Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) and Capital Metro Transit Authority (CMTA) to develop transit assumptions for the year 2040. These assumptions were used to determine the potential change in person throughput. These assumptions can be found within the Appendix. The table on the previous page provides the results for the HOV option. Under the HOV option, person throughput could be significantly increased on major regional arterials.

Scenario C: Combined Concept

Scenario C: Combined Concept builds upon the arterial network developed in *Scenario A: Regional Connectors* with more emphasis placed on increasing the number and connectivity of minor arterials throughout the region. This increase in minor arterials provides support to the region's

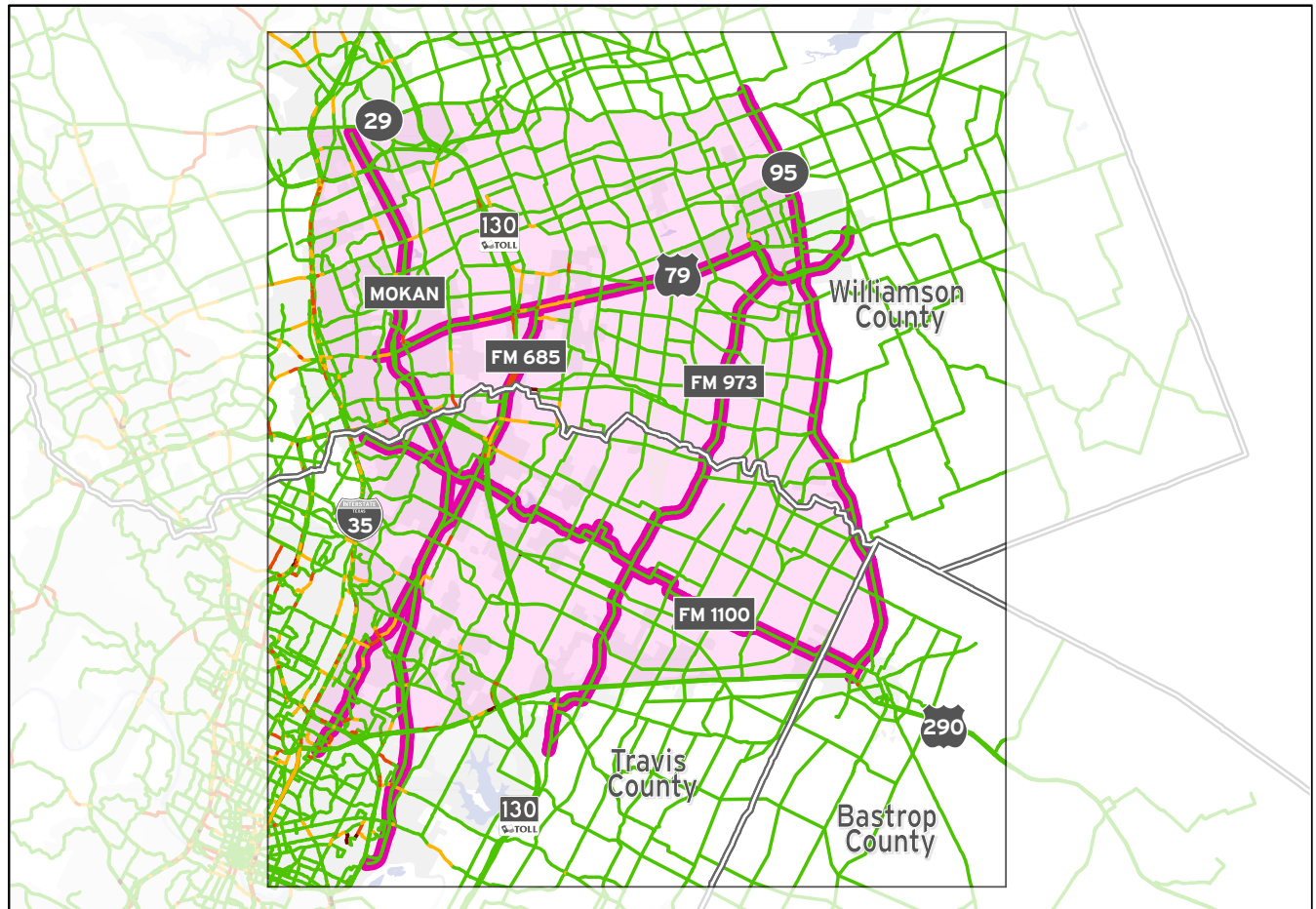
high capacity arterials and will help distribute trips more efficiently throughout the roadway network. This scenario provides redundancy to critical arterials in the event of an evacuation, hazardous spills, or major crashes which shut down portions of an arterial for an extended time. The network includes planned projects from the region's municipalities' and counties' transportation plans. It also includes improvements identified by CAMPO that would improve connectivity in areas where roadway gaps were found to exist due to jurisdictional boundaries – gaps in planning jurisdictions.

Compared to *Scenario Z: Future No Build*, Scenario C also improves the performance of the network in the Subregional Plan area. Travel time (VHT) is reduced (-5%) due to the provision of more routing options via the expanded regional and local street network. Short trips, that might otherwise be relegated to limited access roads or principal arterials spaced approximately every 3 to 5 miles, shift to minor arterials. Scenario C enables the network to distribute trips more efficiently via a network of more regional and local roads, and consequentially average travel speed improves from 35 mph in Scenario Z to 40 mph in Scenario C. However, Scenario C includes a significant increase in lane miles (109%) and results in an increase of distance traveled (6% increase in VMT) as the expanded roadway network attracts more trips due to increased capacity and lower VHT.

Performance measures for Scenario C include:

- Network Lane Mileage = 3,538
- Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) = 15.96 million
- Vehicle Hours Traveled (VHT) = 403,310
- Average Speed = 40 miles per hour

Figure 51: Scenario C Combined Concept - AM Peak Period (6am to 9am) Congestion Levels
2040 Population with E+C, Tier I, & Vision Network

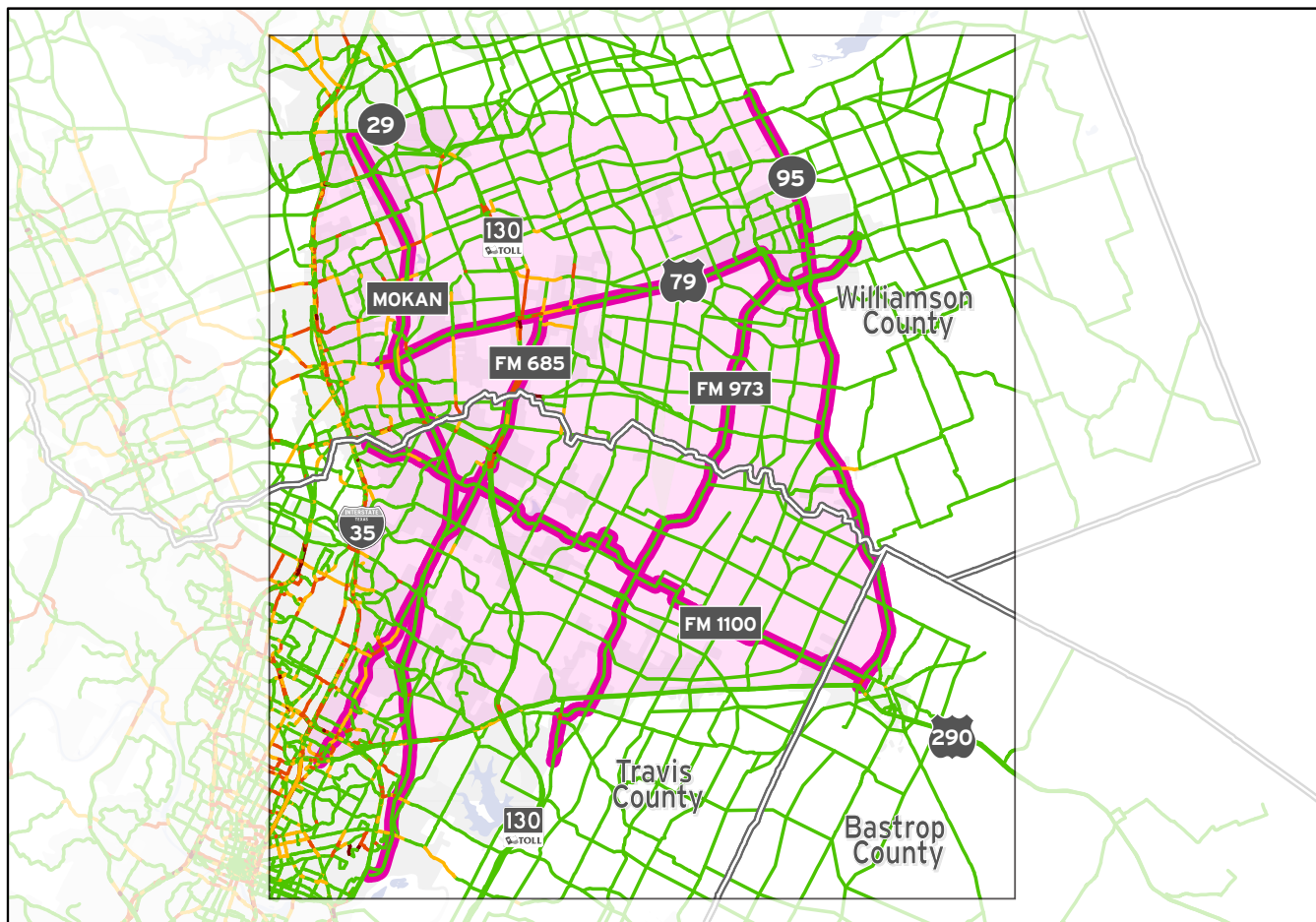


- Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio
- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
 - .85 - 1 (Slow)
 - 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
 - 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
 - Mokan Study Area
 - Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Figure 52: Scenario C Combined Concept- PM Peak Period (3:30pm to 6:30pm) Congestion Levels
2040 Population with E+C, Tier I, & Vision Network



Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio

- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
- .85 - 1 (Slow)
- 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
- 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
- Mokan Study Area
- Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Scenario D: Regional and Supporting Connectors

The objective of *Scenario D: Regional and Supporting Connectors* is to identify and prioritize supporting minor arterial improvements from *Scenario C: Combined Concept* that provide the greatest benefit to the arterial roadway concepts included in *Scenario A: Regional Connectors*. Selection criteria includes safety, redundancy, V/C ratios, and input from the public. This scenario establishes the optimal blend of regional connectors from Scenario A and key supporting minor arterial connections from Scenario C.

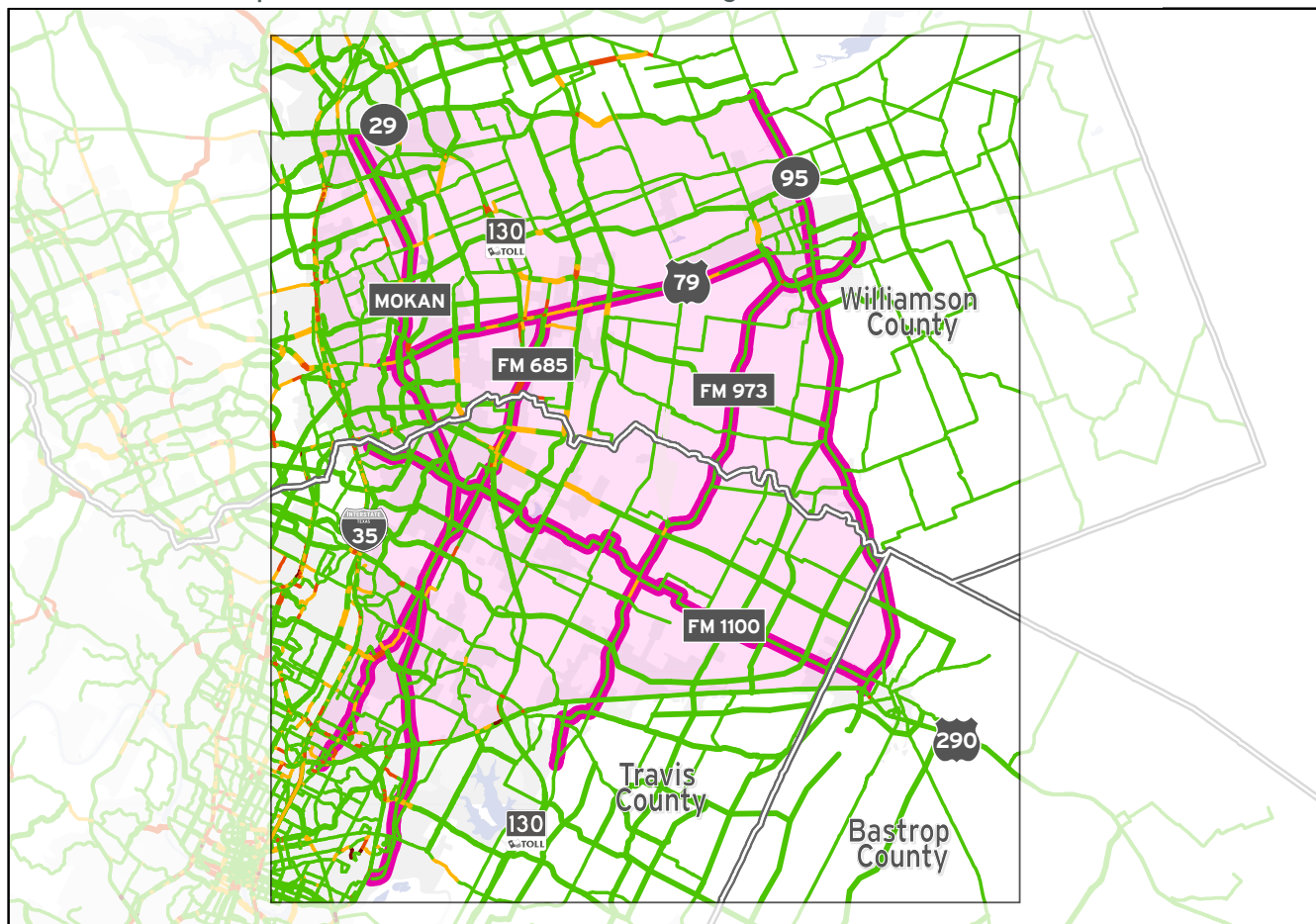
Compared to *Scenario Z: Future No Build*, Scenario D increases lane miles by 91% through the Regional Connector and select minor arterial capacity improvements. Model results for this scenario indicate a 6% increase in distance traveled (VMT) and an 11% reduction in travel time (VHT) in the Subregional Plan area. Average speed is estimated at 42 mph, matching Scenario A and an improvement over Scenario Z (35 mph) and Scenario C (40 mph) forecasted average speeds.

Though Scenario D has model results more favorable than Scenario C, Scenario A exhibits better forecasted performance measures than Scenario D – further demonstrating the benefits of primarily targeting Regional Connector improvements in the Subregional Plan area to enhance future mobility.

Performance measures for Scenario D include:

- Network Lane Mileage = 3,239
- Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) = 15.88 million
- Vehicle Hours Traveled (VHT) = 378,702
- Average Speed = 42 miles per hour

Figure 53: Scenario D Regional & Supporting - AM Peak Period (6am to 9am) Congestion Levels
2040 Population with E+C, Tier I, & Tier II Regional Connectors



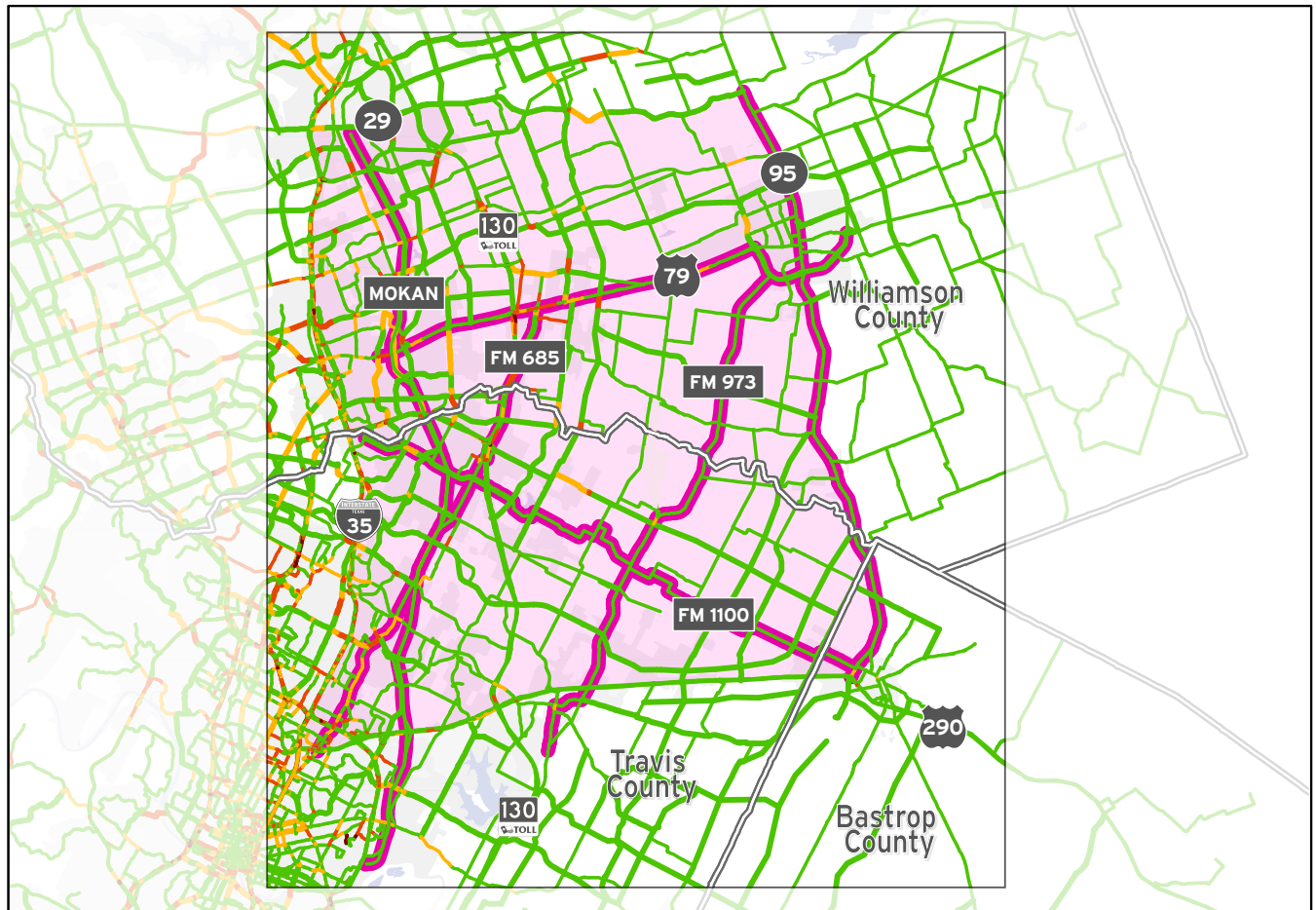
Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio

- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
- .85 - 1 (Slow)
- 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
- 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
- Mokan Study Area
- Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Figure 54: Scenario D Regional & Supporting - PM Peak Period (3:30pm to 6:30pm) Congestion Levels
2040 Population with E+C, Tier I, & Tier II Regional Connectors



Vehicle to Capacity (V/C) Ratio

- 0 - .85 (Free-Flow)
- .85 - 1 (Slow)
- 1 - 1.5 (Stop and Go)
- 1.5 - >1.5 (Parking lot)
- Mokan Study Area
- Regional Connectors

Source:
CAMPO, 2018
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), 2018



Scenario Comparison

Scenario model runs indicate that the Scenario A Regional Connectors in the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Study Area are critical transportation improvements to avert network performance degradation and meet forecasted mobility demands for the growing subregion in 2040. Model runs demonstrate that Scenarios A (Regional Connectors), C (Combined Concept), and D (Regional and Supporting Connectors) all result in improved average speeds and a reduction in vehicle hours of travel (VHT) in the Plan Area compared to the Scenario Z (Future No Build) approach for 2040, with Scenario A bringing the

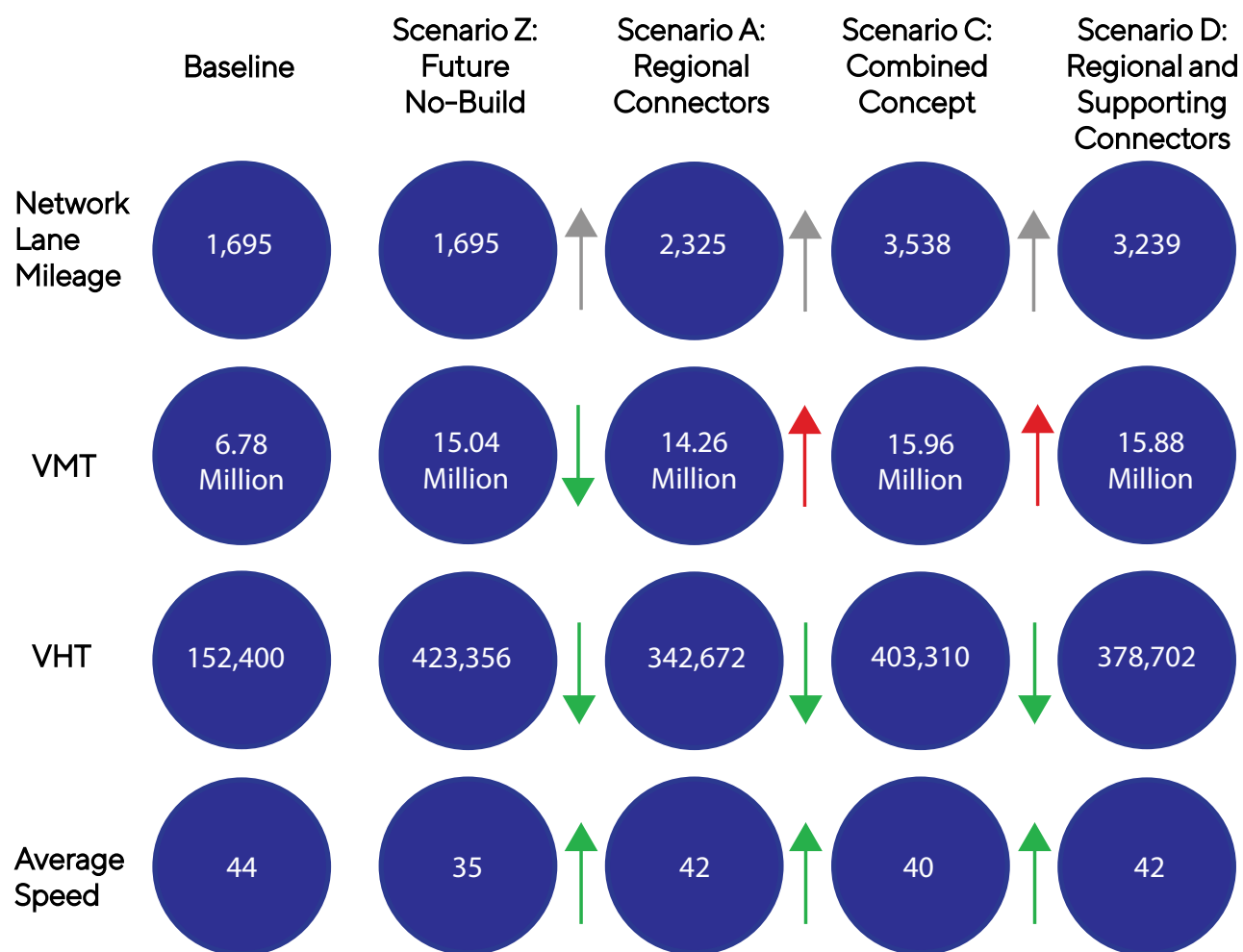
greatest reduction in VHT (-19%). However, only Scenario A results in a reduction of vehicle miles of travel (VMT) in the Plan Area (-5%) and achieves this result with the lowest percent increase of lane miles (37%) per future scenario.

Scenario A's favorable results further demonstrate the critical importance of implementing the Regional Connector improvements as targeted and cost-effective priorities for maintaining and achieving optimal mobility in the Plan Area over the next twenty-five years. See **Table 26** for the detailed model results per scenario and **Figure 55** for scenario comparisons specific to lane miles, VMT, and, VHT.

Table 26: MoKan/Northeast Subregional Study Area - Model Results by Scenario

MoKan/Northeast Subregional Study Area - Model Results by Scenario							
Scenario	Average Speed	Lane Miles		Vehicle Miles Traveled		Vehicle Hours Traveled	
		Lane Miles	Change VS Scenario Z	VMT (millions)	Change VS Scenario Z	VHT	Change VS Scenario Z
Baseline	44	1,695		6.78		152,400	
Z - Future No-Build	35	1,695		15.04		423,356	
A - Regional Connectors	42	2,325	37%	14.26	-5%	342,672	-19%
C - Combined Concept	40	3,538	109%	15.96	6%	403,310	-5%
D - Regional and Supporting Connectors	42	3,239	91%	15.88	6%	378,702	-11%

Figure 55: Scenario Comparison to Scenario Z: Future No-Build*



*The arrows represent a positive or negative comparison with Scenario Z.

Cost Estimates: Study Area Potential Concepts

Planning level estimates for the potential regional corridor improvements prioritized in the MoKan/Northeast Subregion Study have a total package price ranging between \$2.148 billion and \$2.595 billion (2019 dollars) as further detailed in **Table 27**. The range represents the estimated cost differences between advancing the potential Standard Concepts and the Enhanced TDM Concepts, with the Enhanced TDM Concepts requiring additional lane miles to accommodate non-tolled managed lanes through shoulder lane upgrades.

As previously noted, these are high-level cost estimates for conceptual planning purposes and do not account for potential right-of-

way acquisition costs or utility relocation costs, as these costs are highly variable by corridor. The cost estimates reflect potential grade separated intersections and direct connectors, as recommended per the Regional Arterials Study. Additional planning and engineering efforts are recommended to develop more refined cost estimates specific to each corridor's unique design considerations.

See **Appendix D** for a cost summary of the potential regional transportation concepts for the subregion.

Table 27: Cost Estimates Package of MoKan/Northeast Subregion Potential Concepts

Corridor	Standard Concept		Enhanced TDM Concept	
	New Lane Miles	Estimated Cost*	New Lane Miles	Estimated Cost*
MoKan**	105	\$ 883,000,000	152	\$1,020,000,000
US 79	49	\$ 318,000,000	81	\$423,000,000
FM 685/Dessau/Cameron**	15	\$ 227,000,000	19	\$238,000,000
FM 973	70	\$ 284,000,000	105	\$396,000,000
Pflugerville Pkway/FM 1100	40	\$ 188,000,000	72	\$292,000,000
SH 95	22	\$ 130,000,000	52	\$226,000,000
Southeast Loop, Williamson Co - Phase 1***	30	\$ 118,000,000	TBD	TBD
	330	\$ 2,148,000,000	481	\$ 2,595,000,000

* Estimated costs do NOT include costs associated with right-of-way and utilities. Safety and operational improvement costs were added for portions of roadway with no new lane miles.

**Estimated costs for MoKan and FM 685 both reflect the 1.8-miles of shared corridor segment via Dessau Road, between E. Custers Creek Bend and Crystal Bend Drive.

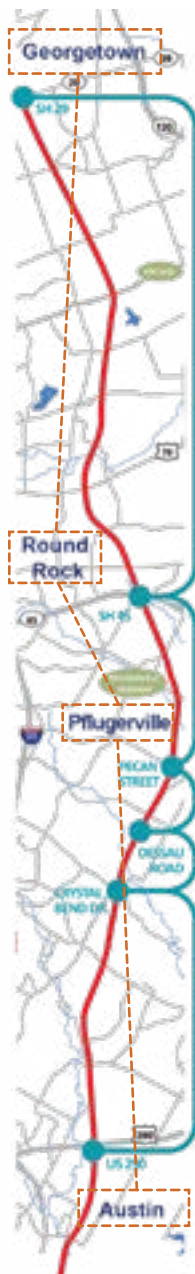
***Estimated cost for Southeast Loop Phase 1 provided by Williamson County; Enhanced TDM Concept may be considered at future date.

Implementation Strategies

Building from this study, there are several steps that can be taken through regional collaboration to further advance project definition, funding, and implementation of these important regional corridor improvements.

- 1. The MoKan Corridor should be further advanced by regional partners to fully define and advance a potential transportation alternative for the 27-mile alignment between Georgetown and Austin.**

This study has further confirmed that the MoKan Corridor presents a valuable and unique regional asset for enhancing multimodal travel options and spurring economic development. This concept includes enhanced mobility options and design treatments supportive of local land use characteristics and economic development opportunities along its alignment between Georgetown and US 290 in Austin. Continued planning and collaboration between Georgetown, Round Rock, Pflugerville, Austin, Williamson County, Travis County, Cap Metro, CARTS, CTRMA, TxDOT,



CAMPO, and other local jurisdictional partners is encouraged to collectively advance a potential mobility improvement for the MoKan Corridor with an enhanced transit component. Additional study of the MoKan Corridor south of US 290 is recommended to further explore potential travel options for connecting into downtown Austin and the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

- 2. Future study of the MoKan Corridor should include the system of connecting and parallel transportation corridors to further enhance local and regional travel options.**
Though an important regional transportation asset, the MoKan Corridor is not a singular solution for north/south regional travel and should continue to be examined in a regional context. Continued project advancement efforts for MoKan should consider connection opportunities with intersecting and parallel highways and arterials that can expand MoKan's regional transportation role and maximize its regional and local mobility options, such as those presented in this study.
- 3. The MoKan/Northeast Subregion Study network of regional connectors, the MoKan Corridor, and Southeast Loop limited access route should continue to be planned and advanced toward future implementation.**
Building upon these potential concepts, more detailed planning is necessary to further refine the design alternatives and cost estimates of each concept. Continued partnerships between regional and local entities that share access to each corridor is

encouraged to collaboratively advance an option that well-serves local and regional mobility and development needs. As feasible and applicable, roadway design guidelines presented in the CAMPO Regional Arterials Pattern Book should be considered for regional system consistency.

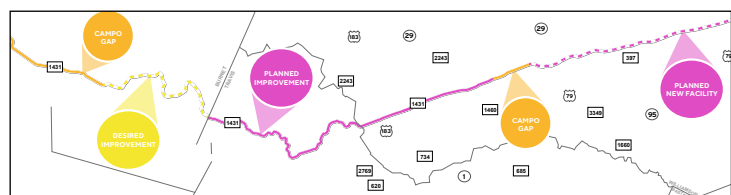
4. Local transportation and economic development plans should be coordinated to build upon and capitalize from these proposed regional corridor concepts.

Besides providing enhanced regional mobility options, the corridor improvements have the potential to improve transportation access and provide new development opportunities at the local level. Municipalities and local entities should consider proactively planning and coordinating right-of-way needs, local traffic patterns, intersecting arterials, access roads, and water and sewer infrastructure to maximize community and economic benefit with the new regional transportation improvements.

5. Plan and design the corridor improvements with the flexibility to be funded and implemented in prioritized segments and sequential phases. Transportation improvement projects typically require significant lead time for planning and engineering and to secure funding. Therefore, planning efforts should consider options to incrementally improve these corridors as available funding allows. A strategy of phased improvements can be beneficial in maintaining project momentum and prioritizing segments with the most pressing and critical need for

improvements. Phasing efforts should focus on proactively preserving right-of-way and advancing corridor improvements outward from the urbanized area to incrementally and systematically serve greatest travel demand and growing suburban areas.

Figure 56: Example of Corridor Segmentation



6. The intersection of MoKan and SH 45 should be further considered as a potential regional mobility node to facilitate vehicular travel and transit options in multiple directions.

The MoKan Corridor and SH 45 junction has the potential to serve as a key node for regional travel and greatly expand MoKan travel options beyond its north/south corridor. From this important node, MoKan traffic could gain east/west travel options via SH 45 to and from MoPac, IH 35, FM 685/Dessau Road and SH 130 and new options to and from downtown Austin, The Domain, and the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport. Furthermore, launching enhanced transit services on MoKan would likely prime this regional node for TOD.

7. The potential mobility concept for the MoKan Corridor should include context sensitive designs to support the varying land use characteristics and development opportunities adjacent to the corridor.

The MoKan Corridor travels through rural, suburban and urban areas with different

development characteristics and densities, and a potential transportation concept will bring new opportunities for development. Corridor design should balance regional mobility needs with local land use characteristics and development preferences, ensuring the MoKan transportation improvements enhance adjacent areas and support local communities.

8. **Enhanced transit options for the MoKan Corridor should allow for mode flexibility and mode upgrades as travel demand increases and new funding opportunities emerge over time.** In the interest of addressing immediate mobility needs, enhanced bus-based services—such as commuter express, BRT, and intercity bus service—could be launched in the near-term with the build-out of the MoKan Corridor roadway facilities. Strategic placement and adaptable design of transit facilities, stations, and TOD centers is encouraged for accommodating near and long-term enhanced transit modes for the MoKan Corridor.

Figure 57: Example of Transitway and TOD



9. **Next corridor planning efforts should assist municipalities in identifying and planning potential station areas along MoKan that could support and benefit from transit oriented-development.** Transit is an attractive mobility option when it quickly and directly connects activity nodes, and an enhanced transit option on the MoKan Corridor has great potential to link several regional nodes and encourage transformative TOD at its stations. Technical assistance for municipalities along the MoKan Corridor recommended to identify potential development opportunities near stations and update local development codes to attract and benefit from quality TOD.

Figure 58: Example of Transitway and TOD

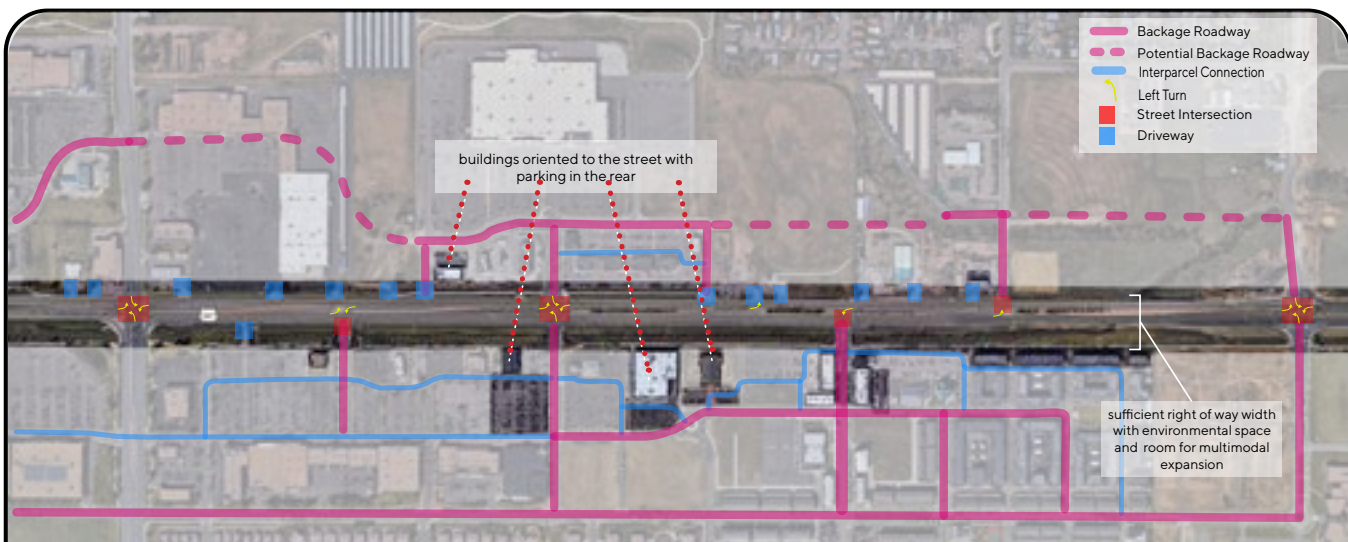


10. **Corridor right-of-way should be proactively preserved for full concept development.** Full development of these proposed regional corridor concepts may require a phased approach that incrementally adds capacity over time as travel demand increases and funding

is available. Yet, preserving right-of-way in the immediate future is a proactive and critical step in ensuring the full concepts can be developed in the future—particularly for the rural portions of US 79, SH 95, and FM 973 in the study area. Local planning and funding partnership efforts should proactively secure corridor right-of-way for full build out, as required right-of-way is typically less costly and easier to obtain in the short-term and before development encroachments occur along the preferred corridor. Corridor design should consider the entire right-of-way width for full concept development and include implementation phases that build travel lanes from the outside of the right-of-way limits toward the inside and reserve medians for future lane development, including peak-period or dedicated lanes for HOV, transit, or TDM-supportive uses.

11. **Local subdivision regulations should consider street designs that efficiently connect movements between subdivisions, the local street network hierarchy, and nearest regional connector.** New subdivision development—whether residential, commercial, or mixed-use—allows the critical opportunity for creating a subdivision street network that is well-coordinated with the local and regional street network and provides effective circulation within and between subdivisions. Subdivision regulations should include access management strategies to best balance regional and local transportation access, subdivision development patterns, and related traffic demands. Subdivision access management strategies could include limited commercial driveway spacing, alleyway access for service deliveries, additional access via backage roads, and grid street connectivity for efficient and safe multimodal transportation movement.

Figure 59: Early Phase Example of Backage and Interparcel Connectivity



The suburban Denver (Westminster) example takes advantage of local zoning policies that encourage development toward regional connectors with necessary setbacks for future corridor expansion. Prescribing appropriate zoning and managing access is paramount for all users that move through the area. This area utilizes setback requirements, strategically located parking (in the rear), and an ample backage network. The corridor design in Denver also considers the entire right-of-way, environmental swells, and multimodal transportation users. Backage routes are even created specifically for freight deliveries with special access points in the back of stores, away from the main roadway.

Figure 60: Early Phase Example of Backage and Interparcel Connectivity

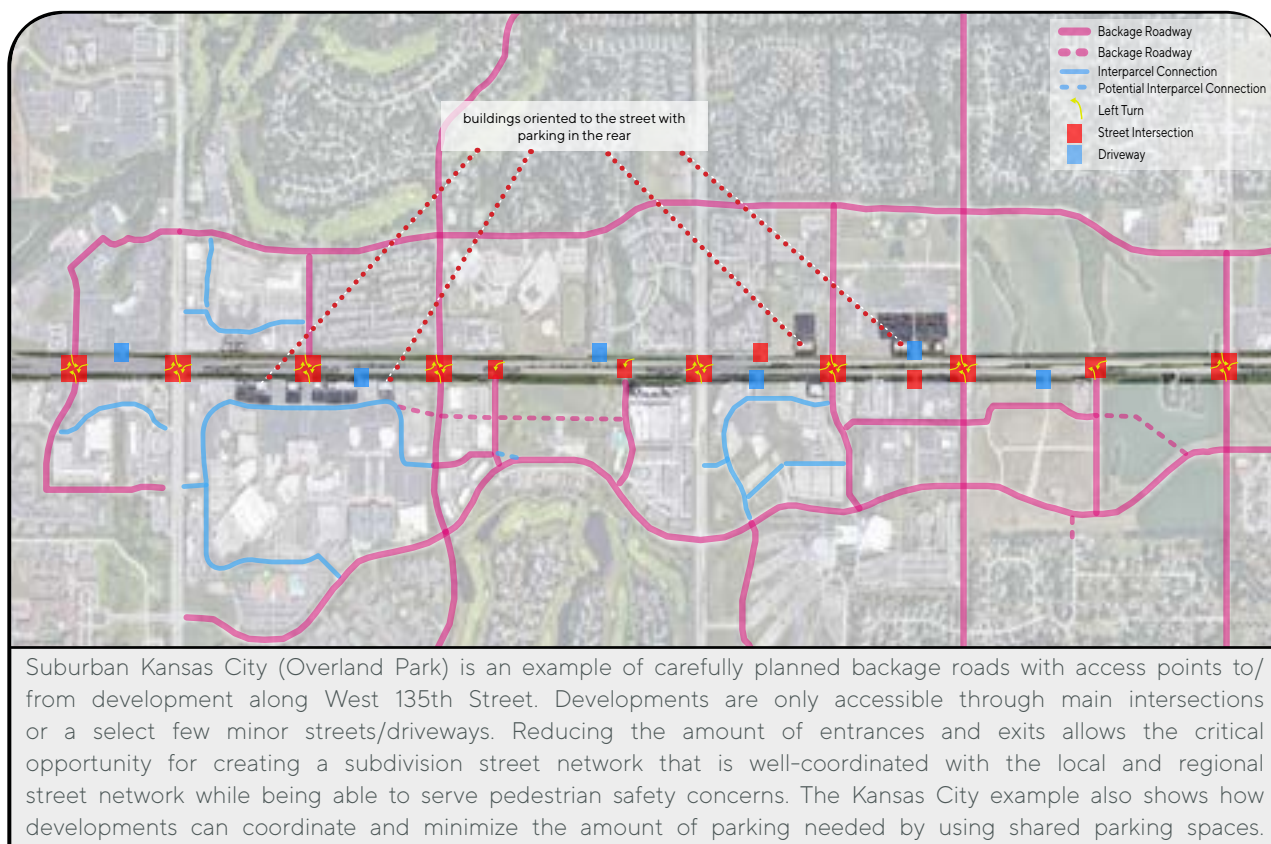
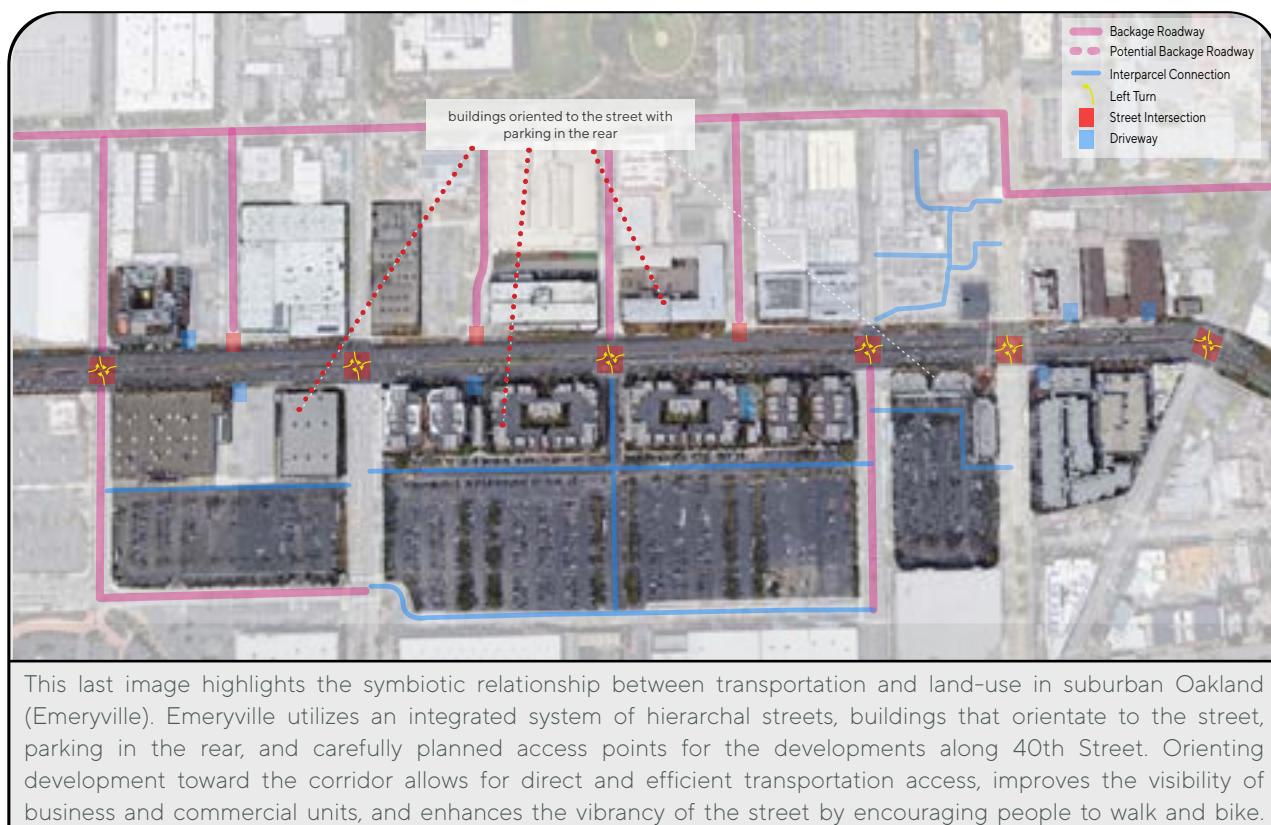


Figure 61: Advanced Phase Example of Backage and Interparcel Connectivity



12. Corridor improvement design and access management strategies should maximize regional connectivity and economic development opportunities at major intersections and highway junctions.

Major intersections and highway junctions along these regional corridors present critical opportunities to expand travel options in multiple directions across the regional network, and they should be designed to intuitively, efficiently, and safely facilitate regional travel connections and diverging movements. These intersections and junctions will become major transportation nodes on the regional network, and local planning efforts should consider strategies for capturing and maximizing the economic development potential at these regional nodes. Access management strategies that consolidate and focus intersecting commercial drives and neighborhood collectors in limited spatial intervals are recommended to enhance mobility, traveling safety, and development potential along these regional connectors.

13. Local zoning policies are encouraged that orient development towards the regional connectors with necessary setbacks that allow for future corridor expansion as necessary. Orienting development towards the corridor allows for direct and efficient transportation access via

the regional connectors, improves the visibility of businesses and developments along the corridor, and enhances the vibrancy of the street. Furthermore, setback requirements that preserve future right-of-way needs for corridor expansion are encouraged to guide development in the immediate and avoid potential takings in the future.

14. Consider submitting these corridor improvements for inclusion in the next CAMPO Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). These corridor improvements have regional significance, and they may be solid project candidates for CAMPO's next 2045 metropolitan transportation plan and eligible for federal funding. Inclusion in the MTP requires a local funding sponsor(s) and allows projects to compete for STBG-UZA federal funding available at the regional level. Since the MTP is financially constrained and limited to a list of prioritized regional projects that meets anticipated funding levels, collaborative efforts between project partners is encouraged to locally prioritize and financially sponsor these corridor projects to secure listing in the MTP and compete for federal project funding.

Conclusion

Developing a coordinated network of Regional Connectors is critical to proactively providing safe, reliable, and multimodal local and regional mobility options throughout the Subregion in the near-term and over the next twenty-five years.

The current arterial roadway network in the Subregional Plan area is deemed insufficient to facilitate current and forecasted travel demand, especially considering the CAMPO area population is forecasted to more than double in the next twenty-five years. Furthermore, there are growing population and employment centers in the subregion currently without HOV and transit options, and these markets are expected to grow as the region grows.

The Plan recommends a set of concept improvements for the subregion's seven Regional Connector corridors—MoKan, US 79, FM 685, FM 973, Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100, SH 95, and Southeast Loop—to enhance mobility options, support economic development, and enhance

quality of life. These corridor concepts feature targeted capacity improvements, new regional connections, alignments supportive of economic development, TDM options for HOV and transit travel, and parallel network connectivity with minor arterials for improved local access to the regional transportation system. Modeling results indicate these concepts have merit in contributing to favorable forecasted future travel speeds similar to today's travel speeds on the regional network—which is significant considering the forecasted population growth and travel demand coming to the region and subregion.

Continued collaborative efforts at the local, regional, and state levels are encouraged to further evaluate, refine, and potentially advance these potential Regional Corridor concepts through approaches that balance and support local priorities and regional mobility needs.

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Public Comments

Appendix B: Local Plans

Appendix C: CAMPO Context Zones

Appendix D: Estimated Capital Costs

Appendix E: MoKan Agreement and Minute Orders

Appendix F: City of Pflugerville MoKan Resolution – August 13, 2019

Appendix A: Public Comments

From: [Suhanthi Alugubelli](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Best use of the land along the Mokan corridor.
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 3:54:07 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

I believe that the best use of the land is a hike and bike trail. That section of the Mokan corridor especially overlaps the proposed extension of Kenny Fort, so use of that property as a roadway seems redundant and unnecessary. A hike and bike trail would improve the quality of life for the residents as the area grows and becomes busier.

Thank you for the consideration of my comments.

Thanks,
Suhanthi

From: [Kelly Porter](#)
To: [Doise Miers](#); [Emily Hepworth](#)
Subject: FW: MOKAN Plan - Feedback
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 3:26:30 PM

From: Abbas Ali Amir <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 12:52 PM
To: CAMPO Comments <comments@campotexas.org>; Kelly Porter <[REDACTED]>
Subject: MOKAN Plan - Feedback

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Hi,

My name is Abbas Amir and I am a resident of Concord At Brushy Creek Community located on Kenny Fort Crossing in Round Rock

This is in regards to the study being conducted on the best use of Mokan Corridor.

My and my family's vote is to build a hiking trail in that area. There are quite a few neighborhoods in that region and already have a well connected road network that's supposed to go even broader once the Kenny Fort road extension is complete, which is currently in progress. Also, the new hiking trail will give lot of residents an easy connectivity to Brushy Creek Trail that eventually leads up to the Play for All Abilities Park. The region itself is pretty green and the hiking trail will make much more conducive for hiking and biking for a lot of local residents.

The last thing we would want is a busy road in our backyards. We would really appreciate if you consider our feedback.

Thank you.
Abbas A Amir

From: [Allan Aubert](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Cc: [Sandy Aubert](#)
Subject: MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 6:36:53 PM

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Greetings,

My wife Sandy and I are homeowners right next to the MoKan abandoned rail line.

I am writing to give input on the future development of this region.

- 1) Regarding North / South road access east of I-35 - the AW Grimes corridor already provides good access north / south.
- 2) Further east - there is already a fragment of Kinney Fort Parkway with three lanes both directions. I would recommend and prefer that this road be connected south to SR-45.
- 3) With these two major north - south major arteries in place - there is no reason for another within this region east of I-35. The train right of way is very narrow at Doubecreek, and use for a highway would decimate our neighborhood.
- 4) We and most of our neighbors would strongly prefer that the old train corridor be converted into a walk / bike trail to improve non-motorized access in Round Rock.

Respectfully,

Allan Aubert

"Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life."



Round Rock, TX 78665

From: [Bhujang...!!](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan corridor
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 7:19:30 PM

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Hello,

I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

I believe that the best use of the land is as a hike and bike trail. That section of the Mokan corridor essentially overlaps the proposed extension of Kenney Fort, so use of that property as a roadway seems redundant, duplicative and unnecessary. My understanding is that a proposal to build light rail on that land has already failed. However, a hike and bike trail would intersect well with the Brushy Creek trail and would give residents better access to the nearby Play For All Abilities Park. It would also provide a good alternative for bikers and pedestrians as automobile traffic increases with the construction of the Kenney Fort extension and Kalahari resort. In short, a hike and bike trail would improve the quality of life for residents as the area grows and becomes busier.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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Regards,
Bhujang..!!

From: [Mohammed Danesh](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: In support of trail
Date: Tuesday, January 1, 2019 2:52:59 AM

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Here's what I wrote: I would like to express my strong support of a regional hike & bike trail within the MoKan corridor. Any proposal for a street or thoroughfare of any kind is unnecessary and wasteful. North/south vehicular mobility in Williamson County is more than sufficient to accommodate the needs of residents and visitors in the area. We currently have A.W. Grimes, which functions as a major north/south arterial, as well as I-35 and SH 130. In addition, we will soon have the extension of Kenny Fort Blvd., which will be yet another north/south arterial. At Hwy. 79, A.W. Grimes and Kenny Fort Blvd. are less than one mile apart. The last thing we need here is another major north/south thoroughfare. The MoKan Corridor would be best utilized as a regional hike & bike trail, similar to the Brushy Creek Regional Trail. There is currently no regional north/south pedestrian mobility in Williamson County. A trail in this location would tie into the existing east/west Brushy Creek Trail, and would provide much needed north/south pedestrian mobility.

Thanks

Danesh

, roundrock , 78665

From: [Karthik Dhoopati](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Trail
Date: Friday, December 7, 2018 8:50:30 AM

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I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

I believe that the best use of the land is as a hike and bike trail. That section of the Mokan corridor essentially overlaps the proposed extension of Kenney Fort, so use of that property as a roadway seems redundant, duplicative and unnecessary. My understanding is that a proposal to build light rail on that land has already failed. However, a hike and bike trail would intersect well with the Brushy Creek trail and would give residents better access to the nearby Play For All Abilities Park. It would also provide a good alternative for bikers and pedestrians as automobile traffic increases with the construction of the Kenney Fort extension and Kalahari resort. In short, a hike and bike trail would improve the quality of life for residents as the area grows and becomes busier.


Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Best regards
Karthik

From: [Jessica Douglas](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MoKan Corridor support for hiking/ biking
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 9:35:53 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Please use this as my official submission for my support of a regional hike & bike trail within the MoKan corridor. I recently moved to Round Rock for their strong focus on people, safety and community togetherness. This is why I think the MoKan corridor as a hike and bike path as an excellent addition to Round Rock and surrounding areas versus any main thoroughway. My family loves the Brushy Creek trail even with its lengthy route to get on it and the new pathway would provide us with a safer route to the brushy creek trail allowing us to bike to park over driving thus reducing our carbon footprint. I feel that proposal for a street or thoroughfare of any kind is unnecessary and wasteful. North/south vehicular mobility in Williamson County is more than sufficient to accommodate the needs of residents and visitors in the area. Moreover, traffic issues stem more from traffic patterns than number of roads. Highways and freeways should have clover on and off ramps to avoid major congestion at every entry/ exit which currently is not the case and creates heavy traffic from unnecessary braking. The MoKan Corridor would be best utilized as a regional hike/bike trail. There is currently no regional north/south pedestrian mobility in Williamson County. A trail in this location would tie into the existing east/west Brushy Creek Trail, and would provide much needed north/south pedestrian mobility. Once Kalahari is in place, this will also provide a great attraction for folks to get out of the resort and see how beautiful Round Rock can be. I thank you for your consideration in this matter. I really hope you understand the need for a north/ south hiking and biking trail versus car use. Promote good health and green lifestyles (a better way to travel to work or use for recreation). I would be happy to discuss further as needed.

Sincerely,
Jessica Douglas
Resident of Concord at Brushy Creek


From: [Jenai Estrada](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan
Date: Tuesday, January 1, 2019 12:23:17 PM

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Hello. I am a homeowner in the Concord at Brushy Creek subdivision. I live less than 2 blocks from the area in question. I would absolutely hate to see it turned into a major arterial. We have a nice little pocket of trees and peace in this community and I would love to see it stay that way. If anything, I would like to see it transformed into a walking/biking trail.

Thank you for your consideration,
Jenai Estrada

From: [vasu gunja](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: REQUEST
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 3:31:11 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

I believe that the best use of the land is as a hike and bike trail. That section of the Mokan corridor essentially overlaps the proposed extension of Kenney Fort, so use of that property as a roadway seems redundant, duplicative and unnecessary. My understanding is that a proposal to build light rail on that land has already failed. However, a hike and bike trail would intersect well with the Brushy Creek trail and would give residents better access to the nearby Play For All Abilities Park. It would also provide a good alternative for bikers and pedestrians as automobile traffic increases with the construction of the Kenney Fort extension and Kalahari resort. In short, a hike and bike trail would improve the quality of life for residents as the area grows and becomes busier.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Best regards

Vasu

From: [Paul Heath](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan - Northeast: Comments for future usage
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 12:28:21 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Hi,

I live alongside the current disused railway, the Mokan corridor in Round Rock.

Having interest in the area, from all angles, and interest in your study on this specific corridor, I write with my thoughts on this for inclusion...

- I believe that the current and future generations of the region would benefit from the land becoming a dedicated hike and bike trail link, connecting and interconnecting communities and allowing an alternate to private car usage and public transport. Not only for fitness, but an alternate bike-way and route to allow truly alternate, safe and healthy means of getting around.

- Done properly, and throughout the whole route, it could in years to come develop further to be a really exciting attraction for trail enthusiasts, with small businesses perhaps being established to service refreshment needs, bike service and associated parts and accessories, maybe.

- There is already a new corridor to link Georgetown down to the 45 Toll Road in Round Rock, via the Kenney Fort Boulevard expansion which runs near parallel to the Mokan, and therefore wouldn't serve as any real advantage to this stretch.

Thank you for considering my comments and feedback on the future of the Mokan corridor.

Sincerely,

Paul Heath.

From: [Venu Jampani](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan corridor study
Date: Friday, December 7, 2018 4:48:38 PM

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Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Thanks,
Venu.

From: [Julie Leahy](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Comments on Mokan study
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 11:10:28 AM

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My name is Julie Leahy. I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

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Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Julie Leahy

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Wallis Meshier](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan - Comments
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 12:45:09 PM

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Below are my comments regarding the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan:

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Respectfully,
Wallis Meshier



From: [Brent Meslier](#)
To: [Canoa](#)
Subject: MoKan
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 5:25:40 PM

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Brent

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From: [Mullapudi nagamalli kharjunarao](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#); [mullapudi nagamalli kharjunarao](#)
Subject: Hike and Bike trail
Date: Friday, December 7, 2018 7:17:41 PM

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Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Best regards

Nagamalli Mullapudi
[REDACTED], Roundrock TX 78665

From: [Nambiyur Family](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Request for a hike and bike trail @ Moka corridor
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 7:33:10 PM

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Hello

I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Moka corridor.

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Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Best regards

Raji

From: [Venkat Nambiyur](#)
To: [Campo](#); [Kelly Porter](#)
Subject: CAMPO - REGIONAL ARTERIALS PLAN AND MOKAN/NORTHEAST SUBREGIONAL PLAN OPEN HOUSE
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 1:21:50 PM

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Venkat S. R. Nambiyur
[REDACTED], 78665
[REDACTED]

Kindly excuse my brevity and spelling mistakes as my iPhone tends to think on its own and correct me.

From: [Cynthia Ogden](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MoKan Corridor would be best used as a hike & bike trail
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 1:26:27 PM

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MoKan/ Northeast Subregional Plan

COMMENT CARD

Name (required): Roberto Garcia

Address: [REDACTED] Pflugerville, TX 78660

Email: [REDACTED]

- Comments:
- ① Fund Transit & more modes of travel
 - ② Utilize aerial and underground rights
(build above/below ground - not just surface)
 - ③ old railroad MoKAN - shared use paths ~~and~~;
no major freeways/disruptive
project in center of Pflugerville
 - ④ Don't forget about rideshares; uber, etc
 - ⑤ Integrate Transportation Plan w/ water &
~~sewage~~ sewer infrastructure plans
 - ⑥ Stop subsidizing sprawl
 - ⑦ Integrate the cultural heritage of the
northeast & subregion towns
into the thinking
 - ⑧ Find ways to
reduce risk of bias & personal benefits
to landowners w/ connections to elected officials
in Williamson County

Public comment period closes at 5 p.m. Monday, December 31, 2018.

RETURN COMMENTS BY:

Fax: 737.708.8140

Mail: CAMPO

3300 N. Interstate 35, Suite 630
Austin, Texas 78705

Email: comments@campotexas.org

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Austin, Texas 78705



MoKan/ Northeast Subregional Plan

COMMENT CARD

Name (required): Adeline Bui [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED] Austin TX 78753
Email: [REDACTED]

Comments: ~~Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the MoKan/ Northeast Subregional Plan~~ I am a land owner inside downtown 7th/8th/9th. I have land that is adjacent to MoKan. I am concerned with the usage of the land for roads. I am in the CBD area and having a road that breaks up the usage of the land leaves downtown PF undesirable to growth. To tie the ~~city~~ downtown sector to be more advantageous to the city would consist of the land being used as for retail/residential growth.

I would like to be involved in this process.

I am interested in acquiring any land next to my property that is adjacent to MoKan, if possible.

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MoKan/ Northeast Subregional Plan

COMMENT CARD

Name (required): Cathy Stephens

Address: _____

Email: _____

Comments: Mokan from Pflugerville to Downtown Austin
would be a great bicycle/pedestrian facility,
like the beltline in Atlanta & facilities in other great
cities. If built wide enough (12-20ft+ wide) it
could also be used for emergency evacuation
purposes. The region has studied Mokan many
times without resolving or determining a
facility or mode that would work for all, so
bike/ped is one of the few viable options
left. It could be a major component of
a regional bike/ped system, connecting to
Pflugerville, Round Rock, & Austin existing or
planned trails. It would also provide some
commuters an alternate commuting route
that could reduce some traffic on
surrounding roadways. It would be a
cost effective, healthy option for the region.

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MoKan/ Northeast Subregional Plan

COMMENT CARD

Name (required):

Mike Heath

Address:

107 Settling Valley Dr., Pflugerville, TX 78660

Email:

mike.heath@pflugerville.tx.gov

Comments:

MoKan from Pflugerville to Downtown Austin would be an outstanding hike and bike facility (like the Belt Line in Atlanta). The alignment as it stands ~~is~~ has environmental constraints that limit its use as a transit or toll facility (roadway). Also the alignment and adjacent land uses do not support high-capacity transit and the alignment is ~~not~~ toll-viable. The "Eastside Trail" will foster economic development, create a destination community and promote fitness for a portion of the community that is under-served. Western Travis County has the Green Belt — Eastern Travis County needs the Eastside Trail.

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From: [Jayanth Reddy](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Concord at Brushy Creek Resident Request on Mokan corridor
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 5:39:41 PM

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Hi,

I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

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Thanks
Jayanth

From: [REDACTED]
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Reg: bike and hike trail
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 4:02:01 PM

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Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Best regards
Sattvik
Sent from my iPhone

From: [vali shaik](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan/north east subregional plan
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 6:17:50 PM

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Best regards,

Vali Shaik

From: [Apsar Shaik](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Opinion on the Mogan corridor
Date: Friday, December 7, 2018 11:47:49 AM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek, Round Rock, TX. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mogan corridor.

I believe that the best use of the land is as a hike and bike trail. That section of the Mogan corridor essentially overlaps the proposed extension of Kenney Fort, so use of that property as a roadway seems redundant, duplicative and unnecessary. My understanding is that a proposal to build light rail on that land has already failed. However, a hike and bike trail would intersect well with the Brushy Creek trail and would give residents better access to the nearby Play For All Abilities Park. It would also provide a good alternative for bikers and pedestrians as automobile traffic increases with the construction of the Kenney Fort extension and Kalahari resort. In short, a hike and bike trail would improve the quality of life for residents as the area grows and becomes busier.

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Best regards

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Thanks,
Apsar Vali Shaik

From: [vali shaik](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan Corridor
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 11:29:40 AM

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My name is Vali Shaik. I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

We would like to have a hike and bike trail in that land that can connect to Brushycreek trail.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Best regards,

Vali Shaik

From: [shahena shaik](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan/north east subregional plan
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 6:22:39 PM

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Best regards,

Shahena

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: [Sathese Sowdayan](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Support Hike and Bike trail
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 7:49:07 PM

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Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Best regards,
Sathese Soudian

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Srikanth](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Request
Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018 5:52:36 PM

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Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Best regards
Srikanth Renukunta

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Charlie Watts](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Cc: [Scheleen Walker](#); [Cathy Stephens](#); [Peter Einhorn](#)
Subject: Travis County Commissioners Court
Date: Monday, December 31, 2018 10:58:40 AM
Attachments: [TCCCminutes12-18-18.pdf](#)
[TCCC RAP comments FINAL.pdf](#)

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CAMPO staff-

See attached for the Regional Arterials Plan and MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan comments approved by members of the Travis County Commissioners Court at the December 18, 2018 Voting Session and the associated minutes for the item (Item #16). A final version of the comments that includes the non-substantive edits will be sent upon the Judge's return to the office.

Thanks,

Charlie Watts

Planning Project Manager

Travis County, Transportation and Natural Resources

P.O. Box 1748



Austin, Texas 78767-1748

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Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court Tuesday, December 18, 2018 Voting Session

Minutes Prepared by the Travis County Clerk
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Call to Order

Meeting called to order on December 18, 2018, in the Travis County Administration Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca Street, 1st Floor, Austin, TX, Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Gillian Porter.

Sarah Eckhardt	County Judge	Present
Jeffrey W. Travillion, Sr.	Precinct 1, Commissioner	Present
Brigid Shea	Precinct 2, Commissioner	Present
Gerald Daugherty	Precinct 3, Commissioner	Present
Margaret J. Gómez	Precinct 4, Commissioner	Present

Public Communication

Members of the Court heard from:

- Rick Luna, Travis County resident
- John Loughren, Travis County resident
- Carlos León, Travis County resident
- Melanie McAfee, Travis County resident
- Andrew Micek, Travis County resident
- Colleen Mikoska, Travis County resident
- Sarah Lisenbe, Travis County resident

County Announcements

Clerk's Note: The Court observed a moment of silence to remember Mayor Gus Garcia.

Clerk's Note: There were no speakers for County Announcements.

Resolutions and Proclamations

1. Approve resolution recognizing Fred Gilliam on his induction into the American Public Transportation Association Hall of Fame. (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

- Fred Gilliam, former CEO, Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (CTRMA)

MOTION:	Approve Item 1.
RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Brigid Shea, Commissioner
AYES:	Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

Consent Items

- C1. Receive bids from the County Purchasing Agent. (Commissioner Daugherty)
- C2. Approve payment of claims by the County Treasurer. (Judge Eckhardt)
- C3. Authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds. (Judge Eckhardt)
- C4. Approve the minutes for the Commissioners Court Voting Session of December 4, 2018. (Judge Eckhardt)

MOTION: Approve Consent Items C1-C4 and Agenda Items 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 15.a-b, 17, 18.a-b, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.a-b, 33, 34, 36, and 38.

RESULT: **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner

SECONDER: Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner

AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

Emergency Services

- 2. Consider and take appropriate action regarding:
 - a. Outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of Travis County
 - b. County response to natural disaster or other emergency (Judge Eckhardt)

RESULT: **NO ACTION NECESSARY**

Clerk's Note: The County Judge announced that by taking no action, the prohibition against outdoor burning remains lifted.

- 3. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the interlocal agreement between Travis County and the City of Austin for Emergency Medical Services. (Commissioners Shea & Daugherty)

Members of the Court heard from:

Chuck Brotherton, County Executive, Emergency Services
Jessica Rio, County Executive, Planning and Budget Office (PBO)
Jasper Brown, Chief of Staff, Austin Travis County EMS

MOTION: Approve Item 3.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner

SECONDER: Brigid Shea, Commissioner

AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

- 4. Consider and take appropriate action to:
 - a. Set the time, date, and location for a public hearing to receive comments regarding a petition to create Travis County Emergency Services District (ESD) 16
 - b. Authorize the County Executive of Emergency Services to send the Travis County ESD 8 Board of Commissioners a copy of the petition (Commissioners Shea & Daugherty)

Members of the Court heard from:

Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney

MOTION: Approve Items 4.a-b.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

5. Consider and take appropriate action on the reappointment of Rico Reyes to the ESD 2 Board of Commissioners, for a term effective January 1, 2019, and ending December 31, 2020. (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: **ADDED TO CONSENT**

6. Consider and take appropriate action on the reappointments of Aleah Clark and Gene Wills to the ESD 4 Board of Commissioners, for terms effective January 1, 2019, and ending December 31, 2020. (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: **ADDED TO CONSENT**

Justice Planning

7. Receive presentation on updates to jail diversion initiatives in Travis County. (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Roger Jefferies, County Executive, Justice and Public Safety (JPS)
Valerie Hollier, Planning Project Manager, Justice Planning
David Shelton, Planner, Justice Planning
Rodolfo Perez, Director, Adult Probation, Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD)

RESULT: **DISCUSSED**

8. Consider and take appropriate action on a request from the Travis County Sheriff's Office regarding the annual interlocal agreement for emergency law enforcement dispatch services with the City of Rollingwood. (Judge Eckhardt)

RESULT: **ADDED TO CONSENT**

Health and Human Services

9. Approve a nunc pro tunc order to correct a clerical error in Travis County Code Chapter 272, Basic Needs Assistance Program Policy. (Commissioners Shea & Gómez)

RESULT: **ADDED TO CONSENT**

10. Consider and take appropriate action on items related to the final draft of the Program Year 2017 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), including accepting all comments, responses, and final edits, and approving submission to the HUD Region 6 San Antonio Field Office. (Commissioners Shea & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

11. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a lease agreement for use of the Throckmorton School Lands in Throckmorton County. (This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney and Real Property exceptions.) (Commissioners Shea & Gómez)

Judge Eckhardt announced that Item 11 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.

Members of the Court heard from:

Sherri Fleming, County Executive, Travis County Health and Human Services (HHS)

MOTION: Approve the Nantz proposal.

FRIENDLY

AMENDMENT: For a period of time not to exceed five years.

MOVER: Sarah Eckhardt, County Judge

RESULT: **FRIENDLY AMENDMENT ACCEPTED**

Clerk's Note: A Vote on the Standing Motion was taken.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Brigid Shea, Commissioner

SECONDER: Jeffrey W. Travillion Sr, Commissioner

AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

Planning and Budget

12. Consider and take appropriate action on budget amendments, transfers, and discussion items. (Commissioner Gómez)

MOTION: Approve Item 12.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner

SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner

AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

13. Consider and take appropriate action on a resolution expressing Travis County's intent to finance expenditures to be incurred for approved capital projects and to reimburse itself from tax-exempt debt proceeds, and associated budget adjustments. (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Aerin-Renee Pfaffenberger, Senior Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO

MOTION: Approve Item 13.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner

SECONDER: Jeffrey W. Travillion Sr, Commissioner

AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

14. Consider and take appropriate action on the Civil & Family Courts Facilities Project. (This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney and Real Property exceptions.) (Judge Eckhardt)

Judge Eckhardt announced that Item 14 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to

Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.

Items 14 and 40 are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion. Please refer to Item 40 for a summary of the action taken by the Court.

Operations Management

15. Consider and take appropriate action on:

- a. Routine personnel actions
- b. Non-routine personnel action (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Transportation and Natural Resources

16. Consider and take appropriate action regarding Commissioners Court comments on the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) Regional Arterials Plan and the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan. (Commissioners Travillion & Shea)

Members of the Court heard from:

Scheleen Walker, Long Range Planning Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)

Charlie Watts, Planning Project Manager, TNR

Cynthia McDonald, County Executive, TNR

MOTION: Approve sending the comments to CAMPO, with non-substantive edits.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Brigid Shea, Commissioner

SECONDER: Jeffrey W. Travillion Sr, Commissioner

AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

17. Consider and take appropriate action on a plat for recording: Bayer Subdivision (final plat – one commercial lot on 15.01 acres – Decker Lake Road – City of Austin two-mile ETJ) in Precinct One. (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

18. Consider and take appropriate action on:

- a. Exemption from platting requirements for Sorento Condominiums, Lot 90 Block X, in Precinct One
- b. Condominium construction agreement with Sorento Holdings 2012, LLC. (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

19. Set a public hearing on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, to receive comments regarding a request to authorize the filing of an instrument to vacate a public utility easement located along the common lot line of Lots 7 & 8, Block SS, Twin Lake Hills, a subdivision in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

20. Set a public hearing on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, to receive comments regarding the temporary closure to reconfigure the intersection for an extension of Vail Divide Road to the south, beginning on or after January 15, 2019, and continuing through December 31, 2019, or until construction is completed of Vail Divide Road, in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

21. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a request to terminate an interlocal agreement with Hays County relating to the maintenance of certain streets in West Cave Estates, Section IV, a subdivision lying primarily in Travis County, and West Cave Estates, Section II, a subdivision lying primarily in Hays County, in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Purchasing Office Items

22. Approve contract award for Professional Engineering Services, Wyldwood Road Drainage Improvements Project, RFQ No. Q1802-004-TG, to the most highly qualified respondent, AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

23. Approve Modification No. 6 to Contract No. 4400002082, Atchley & Associates LLP, for Audit Services. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

24. Approve Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 4400002862, DNT Construction, for Slaughter Lane East Roadway Extension Project. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

25. Approve Modification No. 10 to Contract No. 4400002403, Higginbotham Insurance Agency, Inc., for Property and Boiler & Machinery Insurance Coverage. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

26. Approve Modification No. 10 to Contract No. 4400001602, Level 3 Communications, LLC, for Telecommunications Services. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

27. Approve Modification No. 3 to Contract No. 4400003710, Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc., for Design Services, Bullick Hollow Road Bike/Safety Improvements. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

28. Approve Modification No. 12 to Contract No. 4400000257, SAP Public Services, Inc., for SAP ERP software and maintenance support. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

29. Approve contract award for Professional Architectural/Engineering Services for Northeast Metropolitan Soccer Field Improvements, RFQ No. Q1508-009-LP, to the most highly qualified firm, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

30. Approve Modification No. 8 to Contract No. 4400003662, Tyler Technologies, Inc., for Electronic Citation System. (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

31. Consider and take appropriate action to:
- a. Declare equipment as surplus and authorize sale via seal bid, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code § 263.152(a)(1)
 - b. Authorize Purchasing Agent to destroy or otherwise dispose of surplus as worthless property if unable to sell because no bids were made (Commissioner Daugherty)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Other

32. Receive update from the Ethics Policy Workgroup and take appropriate action. (Judge Eckhardt)

Members of the Court heard from:

Deece Eckstein, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, Intergovernmental Relations Office (IGR)

Tracey Calloway, Director, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD)

Julie Wheeler, Administrative Associate, IGR

John Hille, Assistant County Attorney

MOTION: Amend and approve the proposed language for the intent statement for the Code of Ethics.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner

SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner

AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

33. Receive report from the District Judges regarding the selection of the County Auditor, and direct the payment of the Auditor's salary. (Judge Eckhardt)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

34. Receive revenue and expenditure reports, and other statutorily required reports, for the month of October 2018 from the County Auditor's Office. (Judge Eckhardt)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

35. Receive update regarding the Energy Savings Performance Contracting (ESPC) proposal for Travis County Jail Facilities, and take appropriate action. (Judge Eckhardt)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

36. Consider and take appropriate action on an interlocal agreement between Travis County and the Travis County Healthcare District DBA Central Health for cash management and investment services, risk management services, legal services, and television broadcasting services. (Judge Eckhardt)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

37. Consider and take appropriate action on amendments to Travis County Code Chapter 312, Siting of Solid Waste Facilities. (Commissioners Travillion & Shea)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

38. Approve bond renewal for Dolores Ortega Carter, County Treasurer. (Judge Eckhardt)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Executive Session

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

Note 1: Gov't Code Ann 551.071, Consultation with Attorney

Note 2: Gov't Code Ann 551.072, Real Property

Note 3: Gov't Code Ann 551.074, Personnel Matters

Note 4: Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security

Note 5: Gov't Code Ann 551.087, Economic Development Negotiations

Note 6 Gov't Code Ann 551.089, IT Security

39. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding retaining local counsel to assist with representation in E.V. Drake vs. ACCC Insurance Company, et al., Cause No. 2:18-cv-98-LGW-BWC in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, Brunswick Division.¹ (Judge Eckhardt)

Judge Eckhardt announced that Item 39 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

Members of the Court heard from:

John Hille, Assistant County Attorney

MOTION: Authorize the Travis County Attorney to retain local counsel as required by local rules in the US District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, to assist Travis County Attorney in representation of Travis County defense in Case No. 2:18-cv-98, *Drake vs ACCC Insurance Company, et al.*, pending in federal District Court in Georgia, contract not to exceed \$10,000.00, without obtaining additional authorization from the Commissioners Court.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Jeffrey W. Travillion Sr, Commissioner

SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner

AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

40. Consider and take appropriate action under the powers of eminent domain involving the Travis County Civil and Family Courts Facilities Project and a resolution of condemnation on TCAD Parcels 199814 and 199815.^{1&2} (Judge Eckhardt)

Judge Eckhardt announced that Item 40 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.

Items 14 and 40 are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

MOTION: Reject the counter-offer and proceed with condemnation.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Brigid Shea, Commissioner
SECONDER: Jeffrey W. Travillion Sr, Commissioner
AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

41. Receive update on issues related to the North Campus Development Project at 5325–5335 Airport Boulevard. ^{1&2} (Commissioner Travillion)

Judge Eckhardt announced that Item 41 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.

RESULT: **DISCUSSED**

42. Receive briefing from County Attorney and take appropriate action regarding Contract No. 4400002021, Job Order No. 36, with AG Construction Management, for the Heman Marion Sweatt (HMS) Courthouse 4th Floor Holding Cells.¹ (Commissioner Daugherty)

Judge Eckhardt announced that Item 42 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

MOTION: Enter into an assignment of final payment agreement with Grey Insurance Company for the retainage left over under this job order.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Jeffrey W. Travillion Sr, Gerald Daugherty
SECONDER: Brigid Shea, Commissioner
AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

Added Items

- A1. Set a public hearing on Tuesday, January 22, 2019, to receive comments regarding proposed modifications to the frequency of food establishment inspections and fees related to Travis County Code Chapter 247, Food Establishment Permits. (Commissioners Shea & Gómez)

MOTION: Approve Item A1.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Jeffrey W. Travillion Sr, Commissioner
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

Adjourn

Minutes approved by the Commissioners Court

Date of Approval

Sarah Eckhardt, Travis County Judge



Minutes for the Travis County Bee Cave Road District No. 1 Tuesday, December 18, 2018 Voting Session

Minutes Prepared by the Travis County Clerk
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Meeting called to order on December 18, 2018, in the Travis County Administration Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca Street, 1st Floor, Austin, TX. Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Gillian Porter.

Sarah Eckhardt	County Judge	Present
Jeffrey W. Travillion, Sr.	Precinct 1, Commissioner	Present
Brigid Shea	Precinct 2, Commissioner	Present
Gerald Daugherty	Precinct 3, Commissioner	present
Margaret J. Gómez	Precinct 4, Commissioner	Present

1. Approve payment of claims by the County Treasurer.

RESULT: **NO ACTION NECESSARY**

2. Authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds. (Judge Eckhardt)

MOTION: Approve Item 2.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

3. Approve the minutes for the Travis County Bee Cave Road District No. 1 Voting Session of December 4, 2018. (Judge Eckhardt)

MOTION: Approve Item 3.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

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OFFICE OF TRAVIS COUNTY JUDGE SARAH ECKHARDT

January 2, 2019

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Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO)
3300 N. Interstate 35, Suite 630
Austin, Texas 78705

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Sincerely,

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Judge Sarah Eckhardt
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Enclosure:

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Please share your comments on:

- ☒ The Regional Arterials Study ☒ The Transportation Demand Management Plan
☒ The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan ☐ Other

I appreciate the professional approach
that CAMPO has brought to Transportation
Planning in the last few years.

Public comment period closes at 5 p.m. Monday, July 15, 2019.

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It would be helpful to see the land use plan associated with each scenario.

Do not expand any new roads or improvements to western hays other than multimodal lanes specifically on RR 12, FM 150 & Elderhill Road (FM 170)

Focus on capacity along I-35 & EAST OF THE EDWARDS AQUIFER.

ESTABLISH RAIL CORRIDORS (LONE STAR RAIL) REDESIGNED ALONG UNION PACIFIC ALIGNMENT OR NEW ALIGNMENT IN ORDER TO CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT AT CRITICAL POINTS BETWEEN AUSTIN - SAN MARCOS & SAN ANTONIO

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No super highways going through neighborhoods or downtown Pflugerville. Proposals presented put super highways going directly through many high neighborhoods butting up to houses (front yards and back) as well as almost on top of schools. This is not an acceptable proposal for these reasons and many more.

Residents and others are more likely to support and benefit from a bike and bike trail and alternative transportation solutions going through DSHS.

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I opposed to any highways or mass transportation thru downtown Pflugerville. I own 2 properties in downtown Pflugerville and my businesses as well as safety of the public will be in danger if a major roads are implemented thru downtown.

I support more bike + trail or more toward walk trail thru downtown. highway

Highways surround Pflugerville with I35 + I430. If another highway needed, then move to Dessau or roads that have already been established and not have to retrofit into a neighborhood that cannot support such development.

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These roads are needed. Our roads in this area are 50 years behind which causes obvious congestion but also increases traffic hazards due to the problems moving around.

Citizens are going to drive their vehicles and we need more lanes - there is no way to sugar-coat or spin it.

Government at all levels ~~are~~ need to get behind this ~~project~~ concept and put priorities on projects that will increase lanes to move traffic

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1. Redundancy of MoKan w/ (funded) Kenny Fort + 35, AW Grimes, + 130 = MoKan NOT NEEDED
2. Already have enough N/S, need E/W, or a hike + Bike trail, not another highway.
3. Need local connectivity, NOT more highways. I can't get to the Park < 1 mile from my house w/o walking 5+ miles.
4. Don't take away fire access for our neighborhood. Existing ingress/egress is required to meet fire code.
5. Let's fix what we have (ie 79, access roads on 45, local connectivity) instead of spending \$ on highways we don't need!
6. Please include light rail, hike + bike not just highway.

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In my subdivision my home backs right up to the MoKan proposed road - it would be better to use the TexDot property for hiking & biking trails for north/south to connect to the Gattis School Elementary School and local dog park. There is already Hwy 79 and Fort Kenny Rd within .5-1 mile away.

Also in the 20 year plan there should be less roads a much more light rail.

The city should focus more on local connectivity between roads. For example we have to get on the 45 Toll road to go one exit, instead of having a feeder road between Round Rock and Pflugerville

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Designated lanes for transit should
be clearly designated for
Bus Rapid Transit or Light Rail.
If a light rail is considered for the
Green Line rail ROW it should also
be considered for MoKan

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Consider why MoKan needs to be a large highway parallel
to & other wide highways

IDM plan - subordinated by the arterial plan

Arterial plan - this is an absurd waste of planning expertise
and money. Why bother with a fanciful wishlist generated by naive
and incompetent modeling? No induced demand? No land use?

It sets up your 2045 plan to be totally car-dominated!
You've done a huge bulk of work with the idea of "mode shift"
later. too much inertia

Anyway, thanks!
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There should be a passenger high speed and local rail along this corridor. It could easily be extended to the airport in the south and Dallas/Ft Worth in the North. By the time a highway is build capacity will already be used up in my opinion. The pollution of cars will shorten the lives of those living around the highway.

I'm disappointed in the short sightedness of this study.

Perhaps including rail along a highway may satisfy those who ignore the future where climate change is the reality.

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SH95 should have a wide
center median like US 183.

What you are showing is not in conformance
with the Williamson County Transportation Plan.

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From: [KAREN ADAIR](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MOKAN/Northeast Subregional Plan
Date: Sunday, July 14, 2019 10:18:59 AM

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I moved to South Creek over 30 years to a quiet community. While I know "progress" is always inevitable, being surrounded on all sides by 4-6 lane roads is asking too much of any neighborhood. The City Council, in their last 5-year plan, discarded the notion of doing anything with this piece of land. We already have A.W. Grimes (6 lanes) to our west, Kenny Fort (4 lane) to our east and Gattis School (4 lane) to the south. Why do we need yet another 6-lane in such close proximity.

It has grown considerably and is taking away the living spaces for our wildlife, sending them into our neighborhoods making it unsafe for our kids and pets. Coyote and mountain lion sightings are now common. Their space is dwindling.

Between the new Waterpark, Dell Diamond, A.W. Grimes, Kenny Fort, Gattis School Road, I believe we have had our share of progress. Doublecreek is another 4 lane road to our east. We hear the noise from all of these due to all the trees being cut down for "progress" taking away any type of noise barrier we have.

Make it a nice bike trail and keeping a small piece of green space for people to enjoy.

Enough is enough.

Karen Adair
South Creek resident

From: [Ashwin](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Cc: [Jayanth Reddy](#)
Subject: Mokkan Corridor project
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 9:48:21 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Hi,

Currently the Mokkan Corridor serves as a wonderful greenbelt community for the neighborhood with the neighbors enjoying the peaceful nature. With the proposed project, this will put everything in jeopardy so kindly request the project to be stalled and let all of us enjoy the serenity around us.

Thanks,
A worried resident.

From: [morning song](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan project
Date: Monday, July 15, 2019 7:25:30 AM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

To whom it may concern,

My family and I have lived in South Creek Subdivision since 2005. When we were looking at the home we ended up buying I went out in the middle of the street to see if I could hear traffic and I did not. (This would have been a deal breaker for us) It is quiet back here in the older part of South Creek Subdivision. Please do not build. Noone back here wants an expressway or a highway back here. We can now hear traffic on 79 some and do not want to hear anymore. Not only thatmany people will be displaced and also many people will leave the area due to a very noisy highway...expressway or freeway whatever you are calling this proposed road. I have spoken with all of our neighbors and noone wants this road to be put in. Perhaps put a road in somewhere where there is already a commercial zoning and already a LOT of traffic. This is a very quiet subdivision with very little traffic if you will. I do not believe putting in a road back here will be good at all for Round Rock economy as the people who are here and have been here for many many years will leave the area.

Please consider this and move on to a better location for your expressway and NOT through our nice quiet area.

Kathy Campbell LMT CMT CTPT CNMT



From: [Bhargava Cingaram](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MoKan Corridor
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 9:04:02 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

I am a resident of Round Rock and submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

I believe that the best use of that land is to leave it intact to be very few green belt strips in this area for the sake of environment or as a hike and bike trail. A hike and bike trail would intersect well with the Brushy Creek trail and would give residents better access to the nearby Play For All Abilities Park. It would also provide a good alternative for bikers and pedestrians as automobile traffic increases air and sound pollution for closely located neighborhoods causing health hazards.

Thanks & Regards
Bhargava

From: [Tracy Colello](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Public Comment for MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan
Date: Monday, July 15, 2019 8:38:16 AM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

I attended your open house on June 17th in Round Rock for the Regional Arterials Study. I didn't have time to fill out a card at the meeting, so I am sending in my comment after seeing the online form.

For my neighborhood (South Creek), I don't think the current plan will benefit us. It will not improve access, decrease local travel time, or decrease traffic around our neighborhood because there won't be any entrances or exits closer than the roads we already use to travel between 79 or 45. The plan describes a wide, multi-lane expressway for cars jammed into a narrow right of way, without enough space left over for a hike and bike trail that could be used by local residents. It will add noise and pollution, but won't improve our escape routes from fire or flooding.

Several years ago, a plan that would have used the same right of way for SH 130 was proposed, which would have gone through some of the yards in South Creek. That plan was rejected in favor of moving SH130 further away from 35, to be a better bypass through an undeveloped area that could grow. The difficulties with building a large road through an area with existing neighborhoods and lots of development hasn't changed since then. For example, the Concorde neighborhood, on the other side of the right of way, has been built right up to the edge of the Mokan corridor. I've heard the classic story of people buying those houses assuming it was a greenbelt.

I understand that the width of the available right of way changes quite a bit along the whole path. Unfortunately, that seems to limit the continuity of the plan. It makes sense to me to plan for longer distance options such as trains or buses to bypass 35, without as much of an increase in traffic east to west.

Tracy Colello
Round Rock, TX

From: [CAMPO](#)
To: [Campo](#); [Doise Miers](#); [Doise Miers](#)
Subject: New submission from Contact Form
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 8:05:44 PM

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Submitted from Page:

<https://www.campotexas.org/contact/>

Name

David Dalesandro

Email

[REDACTED]

Comment

For the proposed use between 79 and 45 (along Expedition Way), I strongly recommend a bike path or light rail. A highway makes absolutely no sense since Kenny Fort already exists and is funded. Thanks.

From: [Davis, Nathan](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan Study Comment
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 3:38:51 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to Comment on the purposed use of the Mokan land. I cannot speak about the entire length of the route, but I can say that the portion in Round Rock goes through several residential areas. I understand that growth and change are inevitable, but I think that it should be responsibly done. It should have as little impact on the residence and environment as possible.

From reading through the study it appears that the suggestions made for the Mokan route were done to inflict the greatest amount of impact possible. Much of the current rout has become green space that goes between subdivisions and contains Brushy Creek and many of its tributaries. This impromptu green space helps to control flooding and run-off for the area. Furthermore, the study did not appear to contain the new subdivision of The Concord in Round Rock, this changes right of way distances.

As a resident of Round Rock I would rather you improve and extend existing road was rather than create new one. For example if we need a new North – South artery widen and extend Kenny Fort Blvd to HWY 45.

If the Mokan must be developed, the only use I find acceptable would be commuter rail or a road way exclusively for mass public transit.

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From: [AliceRose Duerr](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Feedback on MOKAN/NORTHEAST Subregional Plan
Date: Friday, June 21, 2019 4:50:12 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Hello and thank you for the phenomenal work that went into the MOKAN/NORTHEAST Sub-regional Plan. I was unable to attend the open house but did read the entire 140 page report.

I live on [REDACTED] in Pflugerville. Previously lived and traveled extensively in different parts of the country and abroad where the majority of residence use public transit. It's a 15 to 20 minute drive from my home to the bus stop. Even so, I do catch the bus at Tech Ridge to go into Austin for events. It's a nice way to avoid traffic, not worry about parking, etc.

I live within walking distance of an HEB. Walking is out of the question because there are no sidewalks along FM 685. Not to mention the unsafe pedestrian crossing at FM 685 and Gattis School road. Which is sad because walking is healthy!

Granted this is a long term plan and things will change, but it's a great start.

Thank you.

Alice Duerr

[REDACTED]

Pflugerville, TX 78660

From: [Song Campbell](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan project
Date: Monday, July 15, 2019 8:01:27 AM

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My family and I have lived in South Creek Subdivision since 2005. When we were looking at the home we ended up buying I went out in the middle of the street to see if I could hear traffic and I did not. (This would have been a deal breaker for us) It is quiet back here in the older part of South Creek Subdivision. Please do not build. Noone back here wants an expressway or a highway back here. We can now hear traffic on 79 some and do not want to hear anymore. Not only thatmany people will be displaced and also many people will leave the area due to a very noisy highway...expressway or freeway whatever you are calling this proposed road. I have spoken with all of our neighbors and noone wants this road to be put in. Perhaps put a road in somewhere where there is already a commercial zoning and already a LOT of traffic. This is a very quiet subdivision with very little traffic if you will. I do not believe putting in a road back here will be good at all for Round Rock economy as the people who are here and have been here for many many years will leave the area.

Please consider this and move on to a better location for your expressway and NOT through our nice quiet area.

Thank you for your consideration,
Bob Durham

From: [Jenai Estrada](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan comments
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2019 9:58:29 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

I absolutely hate the idea of running a north-south road behind the Concord At Brushy Creek subdivision, crossing over Forest Creek. I think it is a terrible idea for several reasons:

- 1- We already have two major 6-lane north-south roadways nearby (AW Grimes Blvd and Kenney Fort Blvd), so it would be redundant and unnecessary.
- 2- It would be a huge waste of money because you would have to build yet another bridge over Brushy Creek. Which is redundant because of the other nearby bridges.
- 3- I don't want another major road/highway close to Gattis elementary school.
- 4- It would drastically lower property values.
- 5- It would be devastating to the local wildlife.
- 6- That space would be better used as a hike/bike trail.

Please do not build a road there. Please.

Thanks for your consideration,
Jenai Estrada

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From: [Clay Hunn](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mo-kan corridor
Date: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 10:44:22 AM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

The old Mo-kan rail line seems like an ideal route for rail connecting Georgetown, Round Rock, Pflugerville and Austin. Just look at the car traffic on IH35 and now 130. Any roadway built in this area is destined to be gridlocked in a very short time. We need to really start thinking beyond the car. The whole region is barely moving. Time to start seriously using rail to move people in the metro area. Thanks. Clay Hunn

From: [Jayanth Reddy](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Request on MoKan Corridor
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 1:26:07 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Hi,

I am a resident of Concord at Brushy Creek. I am submitting these comments with regards to the study being conducted on the best use of the abandoned stretch of land along the Mokan corridor.

I believe that the best use of that land is to leave it intact to be very few green belt strips in this area for the sake of environment or as a hike and bike trail. A hike and bike trail would intersect well with the Brushy Creek trail and would give residents better access to the nearby Play For All Abilities Park. It would also provide a good alternative for bikers and pedestrians as automobile traffic increases air and sound pollution for closely located neighborhoods causing health hazards.

Thanks
Jayanth

From: [CAMPO](#)
To: [Campo](#); [Doise Miers](#); [Doise Miers](#)
Subject: New submission from Contact Form
Date: Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:41:06 AM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Submitted from Page:

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Name

Yong Hi Lambert

Email

[REDACTED]

Comment

Mokan/Northeast should run from Georgetown through Pflugerville to North Austin.

From: [Tiffany Manatt](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Suggestions for Expedition Way area Plan/Concord at Brushy Creek
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 3:02:55 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Hello,

We have recently moved into the Concord at Brushy Creek and beg of you to reconsider a road going through our neighborhood. The road will not only destroy the beautiful natural landscape, but create traffic right outside of our home. There are young families and it would become dangerous for the children to play if it becomes a busy strip of road.

Please reconsider with a walking or a biking trail instead.

I beg of you,
Tiffany

From: [Megan Marshall](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MoKan Draft Plan
Date: Monday, July 15, 2019 10:13:47 AM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

The proposed plan to split Pflugerville with yet another 4-lane roadway is beyond disappointing. This would disrupt neighborhoods, schools, and a space that is currently very friendly to pedestrians, bicyclists, and community activity. In its place, we would have what appears to be a replica of Dessau cutting through residential neighborhoods, duplicated less than a mile away in many places. This seems to go directly against the plan's claimed goals of minimizing community impact and being environmentally sensitive.

Please reconsider this plan. It's frankly terrible. Previously, some excellent ideas involving bike and/or light rail options have been suggested. With the addition of proper bus service, light rail would stand a better chance of serving low-income commuters while providing an efficient, eco-friendly option for all travelers in the area. Preserving some green space and trails would integrate well with the existing park systems in the area, and avoid turning rare suburban green space into yet another concrete corridor.

Braess's paradox seems to have been conveniently ignored during this plan's development--adding more roads is a solution we've been trying for decades, and it's not working. It would be a serious blow to the communities impacted and, based on similar projects undertaken in the Austin area over the past 10 years, create yet another traffic problem to solve in the long term. Please do better for our communities.

Regards,
Megan Marshall

From: [Cynthia Ogden](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MoKan proposal
Date: Monday, June 24, 2019 6:20:11 AM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

The stretch of the MoKan between Gattis School Road and Hwy 79/Palm Valley Rd should be used for a hiking/biking trail. This would allow all of the children in the surrounding neighborhoods to walk to Gattis School Elementary and Cedar Ridge High School in safety. As it is now there are numerous cars on the roads taking children to school and picking them up. This would cut down on traffic and provide a healthy opportunity for the children to walk and get exercise.

Cynthia Ogden



Round Rock TX 78665

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: [Susan Pantell](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#); [Kelly Porter](#)
Subject: MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan comments
Date: Friday, July 5, 2019 12:47:30 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Ms. Porter,

Following are my comments on the Draft MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan. The discussion of scenarios is confusing because the Open House displays list Scenarios A, B. and C; whereas the draft plan lists Scenarios 1-4.

It is important that we increase transit in the region, and that should be a priority for this plan. Improving transit is listed in Goal 4, and it is an important component of achieving all of the goals. I strongly support bus lanes on all of the corridors evaluated, and Scenario 3 is the preferred scenario because it includes managed lanes for buses on all of the primary corridors. If more people ride the bus, that would reduce vehicle miles traveled for single-occupant vehicles. You do not include Scenario 3 in the evaluation, and it appears that you did not even model it, and that is problematic. Please explain why Scenario 3 is not included in your analysis.

It is essential to include bus lanes on the MoKan Corridor, and it is important that the MoKan Corridor connect with downtown Austin, as discussed in the plan.

I support CAMPO encouraging and assisting with transit-oriented development (TOD) along the MoKan Corridor. The policy of encouraging TOD should be expanded to all of these corridors.

I do not support adding additional lanes to these corridors unless they are needed for safety, since the added capacity will only fill up with traffic. I oppose the frontage road lanes for the E-1 Corridor because frontage road speeds are too high to support safe pedestrian, bike and transit use.

Please acknowledge receipt of these comments.

Sincerely,
Susan Pantell

From: [Robert Colello](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan
Date: Saturday, July 13, 2019 10:25:56 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Hello,

I attended your open house in Round Rock last month. Thank you for having it. I would like to share my concerns about the following:

The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan

I am not in favor of a 4 or 6 lane expressway in the Williamson County portion of the Mogan Corridor. This may have made sense 20 years ago but the area has been built up too much with other roadways and many single-family homes directly against the right of way. The right of way is too narrow to properly support a large, high speed road while still maintaining a safety and green space buffer with the existing neighborhoods as pictured in the draft.

Additionally, this section of Mogan is very close to the 6 lane AW Grimes Blvd and 6-lane Kenny Fort Boulevard that provide easy access north and south. Those roadways could have capacity expanded with overpasses at critical intersections such as with US-79 and Gattis School Road. This area needs more east/west capacity instead, and limited resources should go to other areas such as building the beneficial SouthEast loop around Hutto.

As this used to be a railroad, the grade of the right-of-way is very level and gradually changes elevation. This would make it well suited for light rail or commuter rail which I would fully support and utilize if it connected into Austin. Alternatively, a dedicated busway with one lane in each direction could effectively move a lot of people at much lower expense and a lower impact on neighborhoods and historic structures like Palm Valley Church.

While I know this project, in any form, is a long way away from fruition, this would be a great opportunity to save this valuable land for futuristic options that might come along such as high speed hyperloop technology, rail or busways instead of more automobile focused solutions. While a hike/bike trail would be great, it is not realistic. A good compromise would be dedicated lanes for busses only so they are not slowed down by IH-35 traffic.

Take the savings and apply them to the other worthy road projects such as the Hutto Southeast loop project or more critical projects in Austin, growing Hays County and western Williamson.

Thank You

Robert Colello
Round Rock, TX

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: [dilip.reddy.chintaparti](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Save MOKAN/NORTHEAST SUBREGIONAL corridor
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 8:57:46 PM

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Thanks,
Dilip Reddy

From: [Cade Ritter](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Comments on Mokan corridor
Date: Thursday, June 13, 2019 1:48:40 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Last I heard, the MoKan corridor was being considered for a rail connection from downtown Austin to Georgetown (which we badly, badly need). After reading the draft plan, I was absolutely aghast to learn that you are proposing a 70 MPH highway there instead. We are in a climate crisis. Expanding roadways does nothing for traffic (induced demand?). A highway through an urban area quite literally tears the urban fabric in two. This is a bad, bad idea.

In a time where we need to see a massive expansion of high capacity transit options for central Texans, it blows me away that this is being proposed here. Please build rail. Please. For the environment, for our city, for our people. A new highway is the last thing we need.

From: [Sarah Simpson](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: Mokan Subregional Plan Comments
Date: Sunday, July 14, 2019 2:59:16 PM

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

To CAMPO,

I write today to recommend that all of the suggestions put forth in the Mokan Subregional Plan be abandoned to redirect the focus of this study on local and regional public transportation spending throughout this northern CAMPO region on existing right-of-ways. The proposed plan offers only status-quo solutions of roadway widening and roadway expansion that primarily serve single-occupant vehicles, which will only result in increased vehicle miles traveled throughout the region, increased congestion, increased suburbanization, further environmental damage and loss.

The vision statement states that the goal of this plan is “*to facilitate a framework of a broad set of mobility choices that are safe, convenient, reliable, 29 resilient, and efficient and that promote equitable prosperity, region-wide connectivity, economic 30 development, and healthy communities.*” After reviewing the plan, it is clear that this study fails to achieve vision because currently, the only option for travel through this area is by car, and what has been proposed perpetuates this condition. The stated goals of increased safety, increased mobility, effective growth planning, environmental protection and equitable community prosperity are all woefully ignored in what appears to be continued congestion chasing through sole focus on increased roadway building.

Not once is the phenomenon of induced demand mentioned in the Mokan Subregional study, which undermines any supposed gains offered by these plans. The more lanes, the more roads that are built, the more cars will fill them and the more people will drive. This region does not need new lanes or new roads, but needs instead investment in regional public transportation on existing right-of-way and expansion of viable active transportation.

Even more irresponsible, not once is the current climate crisis mentioned in the plan. It is as if this has been developed in a bubble where cause and effect are completely ignored. More roads and cars, especially when induced demand is factored in, equals increase emissions, poorer air quality, more high temperature days, more volatile weather patterns, all of which will make huge infrastructural expansion as suggested in this plan that much more difficult and expensive to maintain. The seemingly pervasive idea of moving cars quickly through an area to avoid emissions by building more and more lanes and roadways sacrifices long-term reduction of vehicle miles traveled. When will transportation engineers actually confess to this?

Instead of building new roads, widening roads, or converting the existing abandoned railway into a 4 - 6 lane road - which all will likely function like high speed roads with what are likely 12' lanes, may or may not serve BRT, and get a token sidewalk or shared use paths tacked on so that CAMPO can say "look, it's multimodal!" - let's instead take a new approach. Take advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to create a rails to trails project and extend regional active transportation facilities for both commuting and recreation. Then focus on maintenance of our existing road network and invest in lane conversions for dedicated BRT

lanes on existing right-of-way. Not only will this be more affordable, it will also actually work to achieve the vision and goals noted in the plan, especially those concerning roadway safety, environmental preservation, and transportation equity - the most pressing issues of our time.

If the proposals in this plan are carried out, we will be back in this exact same situation in just a few years time, thus, I urge the leaders at CAMPO to change course. We need leadership for the environment, equity, safety not more of the same.

Thank you,
Sarah Simpson
Austin, District 9

From: [Paul Smith](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MoKan Corridor
Date: Monday, June 17, 2019 2:22:00 AM

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Dear CAMPO:

It seems to me that these plans are a shortsighted missed opportunity to add a third commuter rail line connecting Georgetown, Round Rock, and Pflugerville to downtown. Since the downtown MetroRail station is being upgraded to hold three trains at once, why not have trains going simultaneously to Georgetown, Leander, and Elgin?

Thank you,
Paul Kevin Smith

From: [william tamayo](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Cc: [Kelly Porter](#)
Subject: Comments from MOKAN/NORTHEAST SUBREGIONAL PLAN OPEN HOUSE
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 11:44:03 AM

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please see attached card.

Thanks,
William Tamayo



COMMENT CARD

Name (required): William Tamayo
Address: [REDACTED] Round Rock
Zip Code: 78664
Email: [REDACTED]

Please share your comments on:

- ☐ The Regional Arterials Study ☐ The Transportation Demand Management Plan
☒ The MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan ☐ Other

I live in a neighborhood that borders the Mogan right of way between Toll
way 45 and Hwy 79.

I strongly oppose any option that puts motor vehicles on that track of land.

It seems redundant and to be honest silly to have that option pondered while
the soon to be built Kenny Fort extension will serve the same purpose.

I am in favor of light rail that connects to downtown, hike & bike trails and
the possibility of the autonomous rail rapid which I feel would add value, and
options to the area and not just another road to sit in traffic.

Public comment period closes at 5 p.m. Monday, July 15, 2019.

RETURN COMMENTS BY:

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From: [Lisa Wright](#)
To: [CAMPO Comments](#)
Subject: MOKAN corridor comments
Date: Thursday, June 27, 2019 7:29:58 AM

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I was unable to attend the June "meetings". Based on what I am seeing in the draft there is still a consideration of using the MOKAN abandoned rail route north/south thru Pflugerville. I absolutely, completely, wholly object to the considered use of this route for bus, rail, metro rail, cars or any kind of transit. There are elementary and middle schools in close proximity to this route. I see no consideration for the safety of children and families that traverse to these schools. I only see the 30000 ft view of "we have to get people from Georgetown to Austin". One death of a child due to any transport on this route is unacceptable.

Campo TX needs to abandon this route as it has been abandoned by MOKAN. If people want to live in Georgetown and drive to work in Austin, then they have to be willing to live with the traffic. The smarter choice would be to make Austin more affordable to live and the schools of higher quality to avoid people moving out of Austin. I do not agree with my quality of life and my property being degraded to support someone else being able to get from Georgetown to Austin and I do NOT support any kind of high volume traffic going so close (across the street) from elementary and/or middle schools.

I respectfully request you abandon this foolishness of considering the MOKAN corridor.

Lisa M Wright


[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

MoKan Northeast Subregional Plan Comments

Adding more capacity for cars improves nobody's quality of life. More emissions, more traffic fatalities, more cars on the road, a more dangerous urban landscape (especially MoKan - 70 MPH through Austin?). Please stop expanding roadways. Listen to urban planners.

Why on EARTH are you guys planning on paving the MoKan corridor? It was originally proposed as a rail connection to Austin's commuter rail system! And now you want to expand road capacity? A 70 MPH road is a highway. And I'm sure you all know what highway expansion in urban areas amounts to: traffic. And more emissions. You do know that we're in the middle of a climate crisis, right? Make MoKan rail! No more new highways in our city!

No MoKan through downtown Pflugerville!

Appendix B: Local Plans

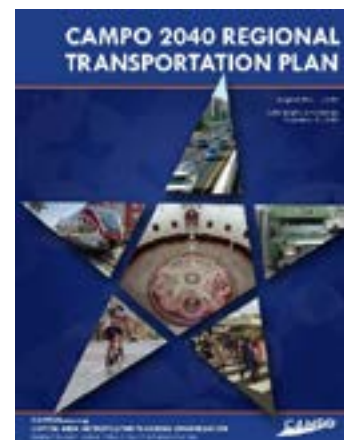
Plan Reviews

Regional Plans

CAMPO 2040 Regional Transportation Plan:

The CAMPO 2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) (May 2015) is the blueprint that guides the planning and investment of regional partners so that they adequately plan and design projects, secure funding, and build public support long before a road, bicycle path, or transit route opens to travel. The RTP is updated every five years per federal law. The updates ensure that this blueprint is consistent with ever-changing transportation and land use trends. At a minimum, the RTP process looks ahead 20 years in the future, and must include all the expected road and transit projects forecasted to occur within that time period. The RTP vision is stated as

“Develop a comprehensive, multimodal, regional transportation system that safely and efficiently addresses mobility needs over time, is economically viable, cost-effective and environmentally sustainable, supports regional quality of life, and promotes travel options.”



The RTP goals are:

- Social Equity: Ensure the benefits and impacts of the transportation system are equitably distributed regardless of income, age, race, or ethnicity.
- Land Use and Transportation: Support coordinated planning of land use and transportation, where applicable.
- Safety and Security: Increase the safety and security of the transportation system.
- Cost Effectiveness: Maximize the affordability of the transportation system in both the near and long-term.
- Mobility and Access: Maintain and enhance mobility and access of goods and people with the region.
- Connectivity: Improve connectivity within and between the various transportation modes for goods and people of all ages and abilities.
- Economy: Maximize the economic competitiveness of the region.
- Project Delays: Reduce project delays through the project development and delivery process, and in the allocation of funds.
- Environment, Noise, and Neighborhood Character: Minimize negative impact to environmental resources, reduce adverse noise impacts, and preserve neighborhood character.
- Air Quality and Energy: Minimize air pollution and energy consumption related to the transportation system.
- Efficiency: Improve the efficiency and performance of the transportation system.
- System Preservation: Ensure that the transportation system can be maintained and operated over time.

Mobility is a guiding principle to the RTP process. All modes of transportation and travel demand management practices are considered to address current and future congestion of the region. This includes non-vehicular modes of transportation such as bicycle and pedestrian movement, in addition to transit network expansion and operations improvements to existing infrastructure.

TxDOT Texas Transportation Plan 2040:

The Texas Transportation Plan (TTP) 2040 was adopted in February 2015, and serves as a guide for transportation investment decisions in the State of Texas. These decisions ensure that the investment is aligned with performance outcomes to address passenger and freight needs and demands in a time of high growth statewide. TTP 2040 was developed to support TxDOT goals found in the 2015-2019 TxDOT Strategic Plan, as well as national goals defined in the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) Act. TTP 2040 is organized into four different performance-based planning and programming principles:

- Strategic Direction – Where do we want to go?
- Long-Range Planning – How are we going to get there?
- Transportation Programming – What will it take?
- Implementation and Evaluation – How did we do?

The specific TTP 2040 goal areas are defined with the Strategic Direction principle. These goals include:

- Financial Sustainability
- Safety
- Asset Management
- Mobility and Reliability
- Multimodal Connectivity
- Stewardship
- Customer Service



TTP 2040 goals were defined based on continuous feedback from stakeholders and the public, and finalized after an extensive stakeholder and public outreach campaign.

The long-range planning principle addresses long-range

transportation needs such as maintenance and the replacement of aging infrastructure. Within this principle, TxDOT analyzed existing modal plans, metropolitan planning organization transportation plans, and rural plans to make certain that consistency was present between state and local initiatives to address needs. TTP 2040 ensures that TxDOT will advance asset management planning and predictive capabilities for all project types, both at the Division and District levels; make strategic capacity enhancements to reduce bottlenecks and improve travel times in key passenger and freight corridors; continue to work with elected officials to identify and develop sustainable funding sources; and continue its partnerships with multimodal transportation providers to develop and implement new technologies, demand management strategies, system operations and non-motorized transportation improvements to meet identified needs.

TxDOT Unified Transportation Program 2019:

The Unified Transportation Program (UTP) is a TxDOT planning process that serves as a guide to the development of Texas's transportation projects. The 2019 UTP was adopted in late 2018. The UTP links key objectives from the Statewide Long-Range Transportation Plan (SLRTP) while also addressing the detailed project-level activities under the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The primary intent of the UTP is project implementation to reach TxDOT's overarching mission, goals, and key performance objectives. Although the UTP is an important planning and programming tool, it is neither a budget nor does it guarantee that projects will or can be built. The UTP provides the authorization for TxDOT to begin preparing specific projects for construction with activities such as, preliminary engineering design, environmental analysis, ROW acquisition, and final engineering.

- The main product of the UTP is a list of projects and programs that will guide TxDOT's development projects over the next 10-years. The UTP specifically discusses information on the following points: Mobility, Connectivity, Congestion, and Expansion Project Listings;
- Public Transportation Program;
- Maritime Program;
- Aviation Program;
- Rail Program; and
- Freight and International Trade Program.



A major aspect of the UTP is the Funding Forecast. Each year TxDOT uses a projected baseline forecast based on its various funding sources and cannot exceed the planning scenario forecast. The projected revenue stated in the UTP is

distributed amongst 12 funding categories that are associated with a specific type of transportation project or range of activities. In the process of selecting projects for the updated UTP, projects are aligned with the uses of the 12 category funds based on the type of project. Those 12 categories include:

1. Preventive Maintenance and Rehabilitation
2. Metropolitan and Urban Area Corridor Projects
3. NonTraditionally Funded Transportation Projects
4. Statewide Connectivity Corridor Projects
5. Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement
6. Structures Replacement and Rehabilitation
7. Metropolitan Mobility and Rehabilitation
8. Safety
9. Transportation Alternatives Program
10. Supplemental Transportation Projects
11. District Discretionary
12. Strategic Priority

TxDOT Texas Freight Mobility Plan 2017:

The 2017 Texas Freight Mobility Plan was adopted November 2, 2017. The 2017 Texas Freight Mobility Plan takes key objectives from the 2016 Plan to ensure a comprehensive approach to facilitate the safe movement of people and freight while also meeting recently established federal requirements. The 2017 Plan achieves the following purposes:

- Outlines high-, medium-, and low-priority plans for freight investments and planning activities.
- Identifies freight transportation facilities that are critical to economic growth and goods movement and updating the Texas Multimodal Freight Network through a comprehensive, data-driven, stakeholder-informed process.
- Provides strategies to enhance economic growth and competitiveness by focusing on key freight intensive industries throughout the state and improvements on the Freight Network.
- Updates the economic impact of freight modes on Texas and its economy.
- Validates and expands policies and investment strategies to enhance Texas' freight transportation system.
- Ensures consistency with neighboring states and federal goals and objectives.
- Provides a realistic implementation plan focused on immediate and robust strategies to ensure prioritized needs will be addressed within a reasonable timeframe.



The goals outlined in the 2017 Plan highlight, Safety, Economic Competitiveness, Asset Preservation and Utilization, Mobility and Reliability, Multimodal Connectivity, Stewardship, Customer Service, and Sustainable Funding. The product

of the 2017 Plan is a set of 22 recommended freight policy actions for the short-, mid- and long-term. These recommendations are broad-based strategies designed to meet Texas' institutional, regulatory and systemic challenges and bottlenecks.

Local Plans

Bastrop County:

A small part of the study area lies within the unincorporated area of Bastrop County. Bastrop County adopted a **Transportation Plan in 2016**, using CAMPO's "Platinum Planning" methodology. The plan - which was developed in consultation with TxDOT and the local incorporated municipalities - identified the ten following goals:

- Reduce and manage traffic congestion in the county transportation system;
- Improve the safety of the county transportation system for all road users;
- Enhance the connectivity and accessibility of the county transportation system;
- Utilize cost effective strategies to achieve the most system benefit on a per dollar basis;
- Improve the reliability of the county transportation system;

- Support the competitiveness and economic development goals of Bastrop County communities;
- Ensure that the transportation system provides all users with affordable options to move throughout the county;
- Enhance transportation system maintenance and operations;
- Promote environmental, economic, and social sustainability; and
- Preserve the local character and promote the quality of life of Bastrop County communities.

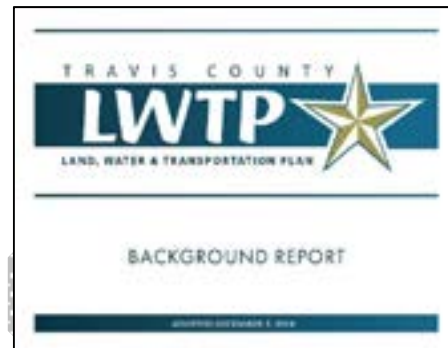
The Bastrop County Transportation Plan also includes a Thoroughfare Plan which sets out a network of existing, upgraded, and proposed roadways intended to meet the long-term needs of Bastrop County as it grows and changes over time, and is intended to be a guide for future public investments in the roadway system.

Travis County:

The Travis County Land, Water and Transportation Plan was adopted December 2, 2014. The Plan is a framework for formulating and enacting policies and capital improvement programs to guide growth while protecting critical natural resources in unincorporated Travis County. The goals of the Plan include the below.

- Help establish priorities for the transportation and conservation-related Capital Improvement Programs
- Guide the formulation of growth-related policies and practices
- Guide long-range, collaborative planning efforts
- Guide transportation and conservation-related public/private partnerships
- Inform the county's legislative program
- Guide annual work plans and budgets
- Foster meaningful public engagement in all the above

The Plan seeks to balance development with natural resource conservation by combining the County's Development Concept with its Land Conservation Concept to create an overarching Growth Guidance Concept. The Development Concept promotes new growth in the unincorporated areas of Travis County to be more compact and connected. The Development Concept offers residents that live in "activity centers" more housing and transportation choices by encouraging alternatives to single-family only land development patterns and mobility options



for all ages beyond the automobile. The Land Conservation Concept is built upon 20 years of effort to

preserve habitats of endangered species while also acquiring parkland in unincorporated Travis County. The Growth Guidance Concept brings together the goals, objectives, and policies identified in the Development and Land Conservation Concepts. The Growth Guidance Concept provides a foundation for the development of Travis County Transportation and Natural Resources annual work plans, budget and capital improvement priorities, growth-related policies and practices, and informing the county's legislative agenda.

The Plan calls for a number of bicycle and pedestrian improvements including:

- Connecting multi-use trails in county parks to regional bicycle and pedestrian facilities;
- Providing bike lanes, sidewalks or shared-use paths on arterial roads, increasing capacity of the regional transportation system, including transit, roadway, freight, and bicycle/pedestrian modes;
- Providing roadway and bicycle/pedestrian access to transit station and stops, developing a roadway system that is compatible with the needs of all modes, including transit, motor

vehicles, freight, and bicycle/pedestrian modes; and

- Connect transportation bicycle facilities with recreation bicycle facilities, particularly where recreational facilities are destinations.



The Plan also calls for the development of a county transportation plan, currently underway and a bike, pedestrian and trail plan.

Travis County also developed a Parks Master Plan, adopted in 2016. **The Parks Master Plan** works in coordination with the Land, Water and Transportation Plan, and recommends the development of a comprehensive greenway multi-use trail system and connecting multi-use park trails to regional bike and pedestrian systems. The main goals of the Travis County Parks Master Plan include:

- Support the health and wellbeing of Travis County residents.
- Protect natural and cultural resources.
- Use Travis County resources responsibly.

The **Travis County Transportation Blueprint 2045** was not reviewed as a part of this existing condition analysis due to the report being developed at a similar time as this Plan.

Austin:



The Austin City Council unanimously adopted **Imagine Austin** on June 15, 2012. The Planning Commission reviews the comprehensive plan annually and may propose amendments to the City Council for approval. Imagine Austin is organized

in five chapters to tackle six key challenges and opportunities:

- Preserving Our Livability;
- Expanding Transportation Choices;
- Tackling the Ethnic Divide;
- Protecting Our Natural Resources;
- Promoting Prosperity for All; and
- Collaborating Regionally.

Within this comprehensive plan, the City of Austin considers a vision for shaping existing conditions in light of past and projected population growth, as well as increasing environmental, fiscal, and social costs. A major priority within Imagine Austin is to address and develop solutions to better address current transportation and land use practices to build a more “compact and connected Austin.” Imagine Austin explores the possibility of bringing more compact places, complete streets, and people friendly places while reducing the dependence on vehicular movement and devoting more development to walkability and bicycle travel.

In addition to Imagine Austin, the City of Austin is currently undergoing the process of developing a new city-wide transportation plan, the **Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (ASMP)**. The ASMP is intended to expand the vision of Imagine Austin and create actionable mobility-related goals and objectives to guide near-term and long-term transportation investments. Such investments include proposed facilities that parallel and/or intersect one of the



corridors in the Plan area. The ASMP recommended strategy also focuses on:

- Identifying ways to improve efficiencies in our existing systems, manage demand, and strategically add capacity in all modes.
- An integrated approach to planning for all modes of our transportation network.
- Approaching transportation access and mobility as essential to quality of life for Austin residents.
- Adding performance measures that will track the City’s progress and ensure accountability.
- Considering technological advances shaping the 21st century transportation network.

The ASMP also makes suggestions to improve safety along and across existing and proposed facilities. The planning process for the ASMP began in 2016, and was adopted by the Austin City Council in early 2019.

The City of Austin has also adopted its **Austin Bicycle Plan and Sidewalk Master Plan/ADA Transition Plan**. The Bicycle Plan recommends:

- Providing an all-ages and abilities bicycle network of integrated on-street and off-street facilities with end of trip facilities;
- Fully integrating cycling with transit service;
- Expanding the bike share system.



The highest priority recommendation of the Bicycle Plan is to fund and implement an all-ages and abilities bicycle network, which consists of several facilities that intersect and parallel the MoKan and FM 685/Dessau Road corridors.

The Sidewalk Master Plan/ADA Transition Plan identifies approximately 2,500 miles of roads without sidewalks, recommends constructing sidewalks in these locations, and provides background on how sidewalks are to be included in all new roadway construction projects.

City of Austin districts 1, 4 and 7 are bisected by both the MoKan and FM 685 corridors. The plan shows that these districts also contain roadways with missing sidewalks which have been rated from “very



low” to “very high” priorities.

The City of Austin also adopted the **Urban Trails Plan**. The Plan directly supports all eight of the priority programs as identified in Imagine Austin. The Urban Trails network is intended to work in conjunction with the on-street pedestrian and bicycle networks, giving Austin residents a greater opportunity to travel longer distances using active transportation facilities. The Urban Trails network is also intended to provide access to scenic recreation corridors throughout the built environment of Austin. The goals of the Urban Trails Plan include:

1. Provide adequate access to Urban Trails for both transportation and recreation users from all parts of the City.
2. Link all Urban Trails to the on-street bicycle and sidewalk network around them.
3. Ensure that all Urban Trails are adequately sized to accommodate both recreational and transportation uses.
4. Incorporate trail amenities and features that transform them from a paved surface into unique greenways that reflect the City around them.
5. Provide adequate funding and resources to maintain and operate Urban Trails in Austin.
6. Ensure that all Urban Trails are context-sensitive and environmentally sustainable as well as preserve and improve wildlife habitat.

The Urban Trails Plan provides an analysis of the existing Urban Trails network and provides mechanisms for improvements and linkages to be made. The Plan also walks through the public involvement process as well as a timeframe for the design and construction of an Urban Trail.

Williamson County:

The Williamson County LongRange Transportation Plan was adopted October 13, 2009, and last amended March 30, 2016. The Long-Range Transportation Plan focuses on what road and transit improvements should be built or improved over the next 25 years to help address expected growth in the county. This plan will guide and aid in decision making for future capital improvements. Additionally, the plan will serve as a blueprint for future bond programs and will provide opportunities to partner with cities in making decisions about infrastructure improvements throughout the county. The plan will also help guide relationships with developers and landowners regarding land-planning and preservation.



The Long-Range Transportation Plan includes a variety of proposed projects that are anticipated to start during a 20-year period starting in 2016 to 2035. Through extensive coordination with other communities and counties, the Plan identifies projects that were submitted for CAMPO's 2035

MTP. The recommendations include transit, bicycle, pedestrian, trail and bottleneck projects. The proposed projects were placed in three categories. These include:

1. Operational Improvements
 - Access control
 - Signal timing
 - Turn lanes
2. Major Operational Improvements/Minor Construction Improvements
 - Reversible flow
 - Super Streets
 - Roundabouts
3. Major Construction Improvements
 - Direct connectors
 - Overpasses
 - Interchanges

The Long-Range Transportation Plan provides opportunities for local municipalities to install sidewalks and bike lanes as new roadways are built. This would provide sidewalk opportunities for portions of the corridors in the Plan area, specifically MoKan, US 79, FM 685/Dessau Road, and FM 973. Williamson County also adopted the Trails Master Plan February 1, 2017. The Trails Master Plan encourages additional trails for hiking and walking, as well as the extension and continuation of the existing hike and bike trail network.

Elgin:

The City of Elgin developed its **Comprehensive Plan** in 2016 that serves as a long-range plan for physical growth and development within



the community. The Comprehensive Plan was officially adopted by the City Council on May 24, 2016 and provides a tool for the City of Elgin to guide growth and development while also improving the quality of life for Elgin

residents. The purpose of the Comprehensive Plan is outlined below:

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- Provides a general blueprint for future development and redevelopment in the City and its ETJ).
- Documents anticipated issues, trends, opportunities, and challenges facing the community.
- Defines a series of Guiding Principles

that together form a future vision for the community.

- Identifies policies to guide daily decision-making for elected and appointed officials.
- Establishes a set of specific strategies and priorities to see the vision of the Plan achieved in the desired time frame.

The Plan addresses the topics of land use and development, transportation, utility infrastructure, public facilities and services, parks and recreation, and economic development. An underlying purpose of the Comprehensive Plan is to create a blueprint and foundation for policy making for the City's development codes and ordinances. Ultimately, the Comprehensive Plan is to be used by City officials and departments to guide decisions regarding growth and development, capital improvements, and annual work programs. The guiding principles of the Comprehensive Plan include:

- Preserve the local history, natural landscape, and creative spirit that together give Elgin its unique sense of place.
- Connect the community and region to ensure that all residents have access to safe and affordable modes of transportation.
- Foster sustainable development patterns that are accessible and accommodate the diverse needs of all residents, especially those of future generations.
- Regulate development in a manner that facilitates economic growth while also ensuring that the built environment respects the local character and values of the community.

- Attract the kind of development that strengthens the property tax base, provides local employment, and improves the diversity of options within the community.
- Promote development that creates a safe community now and in the future.
- Balance the traditions and values of the old with the innovation and diversity of the new.

The 2016 Elgin Comprehensive Plan includes a **Thoroughfare Plan** that analyzes the existing and future regional traffic network, local traffic network, sidewalks and trails network, rail network,

and transit network. The Thoroughfare Plan also serves as a guide for the development of a future transportation system that enhances mobility, provides economic development opportunities, and increases community quality of life. In conjunction with the MoKan/Northeast Subregional Plan, the Elgin Thoroughfare Plan includes recommendations for FM 1100, part of the Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100 corridor. The City of Elgin has been working with TxDOT on construction plans to widen FM 1100 between County Line Road and SH 95, into a two-lane road with a shared turn lane, and to realign the curve in FM 1100 east and west of County Line Road to intersect in a “T” configuration.

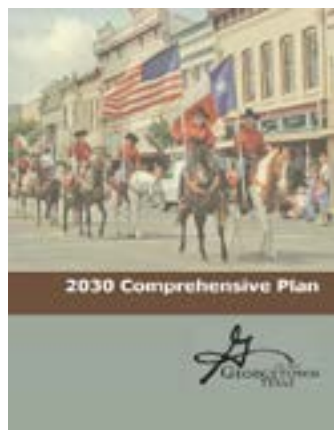
Georgetown:

The **City of Georgetown 2030 Comprehensive Plan** followed the foundations built in the Century Plan – Policy, Development, and Future Land Use Plans last adopted in 2002.

The Comprehensive Plan was adopted February 26, 2008. Through a series of public engagement efforts, citizens in Georgetown defined the Comprehensive Plan as:

- A reflection of our values, aspirations and shared vision;
- A guide for the management of change;
- The foundation for policies, strategies and actions;
- Georgetown’s 20-year “To-Do” list

The Comprehensive Plan vision looks at four major themes including quality of life, sustainable development, balanced transportation/efficient mobility, and effective governance. A major aspect



of the Comprehensive Plan is the Land Use Element. Outlined in the Land Use Element are the future desires of the City of Georgetown for future land uses and how those can shape zoning decisions. The Land Use Element Goals include:

1. Promote sound, sustainable, and compact development patterns with balanced land uses, a variety of housing choices and well-integrated transportation, public facilities, and open space amenities.
2. Promote sound investment in Georgetown’s older development areas, including downtown, aging commercial and industrial areas, in-town neighborhoods, and other areas expected to experience land use change and obsolescence.
3. Provide a development framework for the fringe that guides sound, sustainable patterns of land use, limits sprawl, protects community character, demonstrates sound stewardship of the environment, and provides for efficient provision of public services and facilities as the city expands.
4. Maintain and strengthen viable land uses and land use patterns (e.g. stable neighborhoods, economically sound commercial and employment areas, etc.).



In addition to the Comprehensive Plan, the City of Georgetown also completed the **Overall Transportation Plan (OTP)** in 2015.

The OTP guides future roadway improvements and the construction of new facilities, while still

maintaining the transportation goals outlines in the Comprehensive Plan. The goals and objectives of the OTP are:

- Implement improvements to the local road and traffic control system, including new thoroughfare linkages to enhance connectivity, improved and coordinated traffic signalization, standards for access management to enhance traffic flow and safety.
- Progress toward a functional, well-integrated, multi-modal transportation system that provides a variety of choices – bicycle, public transportation, and pedestrian – on a local and regional level.
- Reduce reliance on single-occupant automobile traffic by retrofitting bicycle lanes and sidewalks in underserved areas to enhance bicycle and pedestrian mobility; incorporating these facilities in new developments; and encouraging compact mixed-use and other “walkable” development types.
- Guide the future growth and development of the City toward a more balanced approach between employment and commercial

centers, school and other high traffic generators.

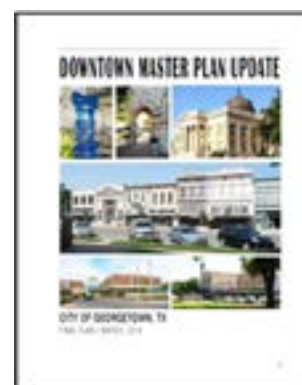
Stakeholder outreach during the development of the OTP identified another goal to provide a high degree of safety for motorists, transit users, pedestrians and bicyclists.

The City of Georgetown also adopted its

Downtown Master Plan Update in March 2014.

The Downtown Master Plan updates the vision for downtown Georgetown and revises previous concepts and design ideas to enable the city,

property owners and citizens to make informed, strategic decisions about future developments and enhancements. The updated Downtown Master Plan details a downtown framework system and identifies the elements that interface most closely with it: new development, pedestrian circulation, streetscape design, wayfinding systems, parks and open space, and circulation and parking. The Downtown Master Plan also guides an implementation strategy to prioritize and fund investments. The Downtown Master Plan is based on three elements to improve what is now downtown Georgetown. Those elements include the following ideas: downtown Georgetown is a pedestrian-oriented place; the heart of the city, and the key economic center for the entire business community.



Hutto:



The City of Hutto adopted **Hutto 2040**, the city's comprehensive plan, on May 7, 2015 and references several adopted plans such as the Thoroughfare Plan, Water Master Plan, and the Parks, Trails and Open Spaces

Master Plan. Hutto 2040 does not serve as zoning regulations or establish zoning district boundaries. Rather, Hutto 2040 serves as a guide to coordinate and establish development regulations. Hutto 2040 informs the planning issues of zoning, population, demographics, and permits, while also addressing the historical context of the City of Hutto. The goals of Hutto 2040 are categorized into quality of life, mobility, resiliency, community, and future land use. Specific goals include:

Quality of Life:

- Acquire and develop open space of various scales for active, passive, and programmed use;
- Cultivate an expansive urban tree canopy;
- Celebrate Hutto's heritage and preserve our history for future generations;
- Support the growing arts community;
- Promote Hutto as a destination;
- Increase economic viability of downtown Hutto.

Mobility:

- Develop a transportation network which safely accommodates driver, pedestrians and cyclists;
- Support efforts to serve Hutto with regional public transit, such as bus or rail;
- Ensure that transportation projects respect and preserve surrounding character to the greatest practical extent;
- Provide a developed trail system to connect neighborhoods, commercial areas, schools and downtown to one another.

Resiliency:

- Pursue a financially-sustaining development pattern;
- Reduce retail and job leakage;
- Improve environmental performance;
- Consistently maintain infrastructure to extend the lifespan of the city's assets;
- Ensure utility capacity and availability for current and future users;
- Ensure that neighborhoods will hold value and remain safe.

Community:

- Offer a variety of housing products to serve the needs of a diverse population through all stages of life;
- Strengthen connections between residents;
- Advance Hutto as a place for a qualified, diverse workforce;
- Facilitate a diverse mix of uses to serve Hutto residents;
- Develop the Co-Op site as a vibrant, mixed-use district.

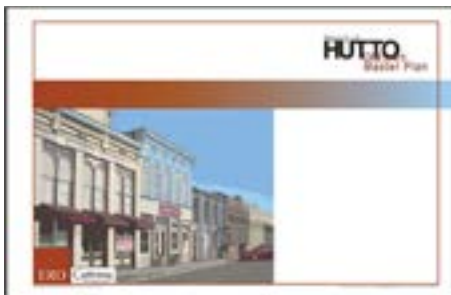
The City of Hutto also adopted the **Hutto Thoroughfare Plan** in 2011. The Thoroughfare Plan is focused on major thoroughfares and



connections throughout the Hutto city limits, extra-territorial jurisdiction, and future growth area. It is a long-range plan for identifying needed roadway connection as well as for classifying existing thoroughfares for future improvements and adequate ROW reservation. The Thoroughfare Plan includes four goals that improve transportation safety in Hutto, each consisting of several policies and objectives to help achieve these goals. The goals focus on:

- Connectivity and mobility;
- Effective transportation;
- Land use coordination;
- Multi-modal transportation; and
- Quality of life

Under the connectivity and mobility goal, Hutto is to encourage the signalization of intersections at major arterials, and strive to mitigate issues created by barriers to connectivity such as rail lines and natural features. The goal of effective transportation and land use coordination will ensure that new development proposals have adequate internal circulation, appropriate connections to adjacent uses, and multi-modal connections to the City of Hutto's overall transportation system. In achieving this goal, Hutto will also create corridor plans that identify the needs for particular roadways in relation to adjacent development and their density levels. The multi-modal transportation goal will ensure that all new roadways are designed to accommodate automobiles, pedestrians, and in many cases, bicyclists. Additionally, the multi-modal transportation goal strives to stay updated on plans for regional rail and bus systems, and work with and encourage Capital Metro, TxDOT, CAMPO and any other applicable agencies to extend rail and bus systems to Hutto to help serve the high number of commuters. Lastly, under the quality of life goal, Hutto will strive to ensure that the city is a safe, walkable place for its citizens, particularly those with special needs, in addition to enforcing traffic laws and development regulations to ensure the safe use and efficiency of the transportation system.



The City of Hutto adopted the **Heart of Hutto Old Town Master Plan**

February 19,

2009. Due to extremely high population growth in Hutto, 400 percent, the Old Town Master Plan aims to guide the development of Old Town Hutto to reflect such a growth in population. The key goals of the Old Town Master Plan are:

- Preserve and maintain the resources which help define the existing character of the City of Hutto.
- Strengthen the links and reinforce gateways and corridors between the surrounding neighborhoods and downtown.
- Create a downtown which appropriately balances pedestrian, bike, and vehicular traffic.
- Provide a range of public open space that adds value to adjacent development and which is linked to and accessible from the Hutto street grid.
- Provide a vision that is economically and socially viable for the redevelopment and integration of the Co-op Site into downtown Hutto.
- Develop a set of standards which responds to existing conditions in the city and provides

a framework for the integration of new development into the existing fabric of the downtown.

- To create an accurate understanding of the current capacity and future needs for improvements to the City infrastructure.

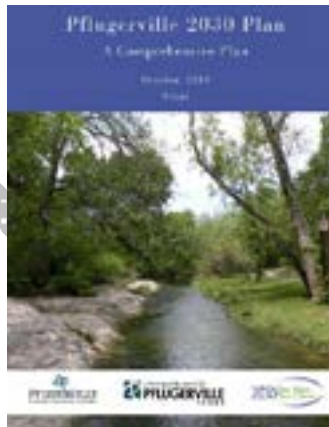
The Plan outlines a New Urbanism approach that drives economic development and focuses on a vision for placemaking. The transportation infrastructure section, timelines for a variety of area developments/redevelopments. TxDOT's current plans call for an upgrade of US 79 to a six-lane divided major arterial before the year 2030. However, Hutto recommended that US 79 be upgraded by the year 2015 in a manner compatible with the Master Plan Vision set forth by the community, while still being designed for an appropriate traffic capacity. Since the demolition and removal of many existing buildings along US 79 is undesirable, an alternative cross-section for US 79 needs to be examined further. According to the Old Town Master Plan, one option that would balance regional mobility goals with placemaking and local access would be the use of the "slip street" concept along the northern edge of US 79. The Old Town Master Plan recommends that Hutto work with CAMPO and TXDOT to evaluate the feasibility of re-designating US 79 in Hutto as a context sensitive urban boulevard. Lastly, the Old Town Master Plan prioritizes projects for implementation into three tiers and includes possible street sections for the projects including one for a slip street design.

Manor:

The City of Manor does not have a comprehensive planning document at this time.

Pflugerville:

The **Pflugerville 2030 Comprehensive Plan** was officially adopted by the Pflugerville Planning Commission and City Council in October 2010. The Comprehensive Plan guides the following types of decisions for the future of Pflugerville:



- It provides a general framework for evaluating individual land development and referral applications submitted to the city on an ongoing basis.
- It provides an action plan for revisions to Pflugerville's Unified Development Code and official Zoning Map, which are the regulatory tools by which the city implements this Comprehensive Plan. It also provides a context within which Pflugerville can make capital improvement investment decisions to implement the Comprehensive Plan.
- It establishes the priorities for more detailed plans which Pflugerville will likely formulate for specific areas of Pflugerville (the sub-area plans) and for specific topics (such as open space, trails, and roads).

The vision for the Comprehensive Plan was developed by the citizens advisory committee and states:

"Pflugerville is the most desirable community in Central Texas because of its greatest assets such as first-rate parks, connected trails, exceptional schools, cohesive neighborhoods, diverse and creative employment opportunities, and vibrant shopping districts."

The key focus areas of the Comprehensive Plan include Infill, SH 130 and SH 45, East Pflugerville, Housing Diversity, Parks and Open Space, the Civic Center, and Old Town Pflugerville. The Comprehensive Plan also calls for:

- A network of trails that link parks, homes, schools and community facilities across the entire city in order to provide safe routes for bicycles and pedestrians to key locations;
- Reinforcement of the existing network of trails;
- Continued utilization of the MoKan corridor as a hike and bike trail;
- Development of a street design manual that includes complete streets standards;
- Requirement that trail connections link all neighborhoods and centers.

In conjunction with the Comprehensive Plan, the **Pflugerville Master Transportation Plan (MTP)**, adopted in May 2015, intends to guide the development of transportation improvements in the area. The MTP encourages improvements to the network that generally improve safety. The four goals of the MTP are:

- Pflugerville will have a regional transportation presence and will maintain a voice in regional transportation planning and funding opportunities.



- In order for Pflugerville to continue to be a vibrant community, land use and transportation must be balanced.
- The design, development and maintenance of the roadway network shall take into consideration the community as a whole.
- The cost associated with the development of the transportation network shall be shared.

The MTP makes recommendations along the Pflugerville Parkway corridor, near Lake Pflugerville, to be developed into a 4-lane divided boulevard with shared-use paths separated from the roadway on both sides. Lastly, the MTP recommends maintaining an active Safe Routes to School program to encourage walking and bicycling to school.

Round Rock:

The Round Rock General Plan 2020

is the official policy document guiding long-range planning and community development in the City of Round Rock. The General Plan informs policy decisions on a number of issues including:

- Land Use
- Environment and Quality Life
- Transportation
- Water and Wastewater
- Parks, Recreation Facilities, and Open Space
- Historic Preservation
- Community Quality

The vision of the General Plan states, "Round Rock will be the city of choice for entrepreneurs, business leaders, researchers, educators, and members of the various creative professions, who want to combine professional accomplishment and achievement with a culturally rich, recreationally and socially diverse lifestyle." Overall, the General Plan outlines strategies to manage three changes in Round Rock's development:

- Certain areas of the city are aging and are approaching the point where redevelopment will occur and transform these areas;



- Over the next 50 years, the city's population will grow from about 100,000 to approximately 300,000, and this growth will change Round Rock from a suburban-oriented city to a mature city; and
- The city will need to transition to a more sustainable and energy efficient community, with less impact on the environment, and built on the diverse economic engines that are now emerging.

The City of Round Rock, also adopted its **Transportation Master Plan** Update in 2017.

The Transportation Master Plan (TMP) defines goals and policies for growth and recommends transportation investments to prepare for the future mobility needs of the community. It aims to meet ultimate build-out traffic demands, guides development, and establishes organized growth within a transportation network. The TMP also seeks to preserve the environmental, aesthetic, historic, and natural resources of the area, while providing safety and mobility. To plan for the ultimate growth of Round Rock, the TMP establishes the ultimate roadway network and protects adequate ROW to meet future transportation need for all modes, including cars, pedestrians, cyclists and transit. The goals of the TMP are:

- Ensure citizens of Round Rock are afforded an adequate future transportation system.
- Ensure efficient utilization of the 1997 ½ cent sales tax dedicated to roadway improvements.



- Identify major deficiencies in the existing transportation network.
- Maintain the quality of life enjoyed by the citizens of Round Rock.



The City of Round Rock adopted its **Downtown Master Plan** in January of 2010. The primary

goal of the Downtown Master Plan is to create a design and policy strategy for a thriving town center featuring a mix of retail, entertainment, residential and public spaces, in a walkable and historically-sensitive environment to enhance the sense of place, economy and quality of life. The Plan seeks to create a bustling town center beyond its two-block historic area that will feature a viable mix of uses in a walkable environment, and to enhance the community's economy, quality of life, and sense of place. The Plan aims to achieve five objectives:

1. Accentuate the area's assets and build upon past planning efforts.
2. Present a cohesive vision and identity for the Plan area.
3. Describe place-making concepts to achieve an activated and attractive downtown.
4. Provide strategies to implement the urban design concepts.
5. Stimulate responsible and foresighted growth in downtown.

The location of downtown near IH-35 and adjacent to a rail line offer other opportunities for the study area. The Downtown Master Plan describes a northbound exit ramp from the IH-35 frontage road that could increase the viability of commerce such as a hotel in the southwest downtown area. Palm Valley Boulevard (US 79) is also envisioned as a reprogrammed corridor with retail and commercial uses and an infusion of more pedestrian focused street design. Both Brushy Creek and Lake Creek are other amenities that can be capitalized on as well.

The Downtown Master Plan presents a multi-pronged approach for overall implementation including: Identifying seven "Catalytic Projects", development/implementation of a form-based code, and recommendation of policy initiatives. Lastly, the Downtown Master Plan provides a design guide serving as a pattern book. It includes a variety of plan view images, 3-D drawings, street networks, and development photos.

Taylor:



Taylor, Texas: A Vision for Future Development,

was adopted by Taylor City Council in January 2017. This land use study evaluates the potential for future residential, commercial, office and industrial development growth within the decades ahead. The study examines six existing and emerging growth sectors in the City of Taylor. The six growth sectors include, Taylor Historic Downtown District, Taylor North, Taylor East, Taylor South, Taylor West, and Airport. The study seeks to enhance the community's local economy while also maintaining the community's character. Equally important, the study identifies and analyzes many infrastructure factors that must be considered if Taylor is to grow its economy, create new job opportunities and attract additional investment.

Within each of the six growth sectors, the study discusses the following infrastructure factors:

- Development Potential;
- Existing Land Use;
- Zoning;

- Utility Infrastructure;
- Circulation;
- Floodplain and Topography; and
- Recommended Land Use.

A Vision for Future Development produced seven major recommendations as part of its planning and development strategy. Those recommendations include:

- An impact fee study to determine cost implications of new growth.
- A planning/economic analysis to develop ratios for residential vs commercial development which is important for balanced and sustainable development for the future of Taylor.
- An analysis of appropriate development tools/mechanisms for areas in the extra-territorial jurisdiction outside of growth sectors.
- A planning study to develop commercial corridor standards for significant corridors in Taylor. Overlay districts can then be applied to implement the standards for development.
- An analysis of the alignment of the future land use plan with the Water and Wastewater Masterplan to promote sustainable growth.
- Major components of the study should be updated every five to eight years. These include the major thoroughfare plan, the existing and future land use plan, the park master plan and the community facilities master plan.



The City of Taylor also adopted the **Taylor Downtown Master Plan** in April 2015.

The Downtown

Master Plan identified goals based on community outreach and past planning efforts. Those goals include:

1. Stimulate economic development.
2. Provide entertainment, recreation, programming and events.
3. Direct visitors to key locations with signage, parking and streetscapes.
4. Be a pedestrian-friendly destination.

5. Meet the vision of a broad range of stakeholders.
6. Serve the needs of visitors and residents alike.
7. Provide more recreational opportunities and access to nature.
8. Protect the unique history and character of Taylor.

The Downtown Master Plan looks at high traffic-volume streets in the areas that have potential for more productive uses functionally, socially, and economically. Integral to the Plan is the implementation of traffic calming designs such as bulb outs, street furniture, and reducing the size of the street from four lanes to three. Many other streets are prioritized with recommendations as well. Each of these improvements are intended to complement a possible multi-modal hub near the downtown Amtrak station that can accommodate CARTS, Amtrak and the terminus of the Lone Star Rail line.

Appendix C: CAMPO Context Zones

Table 28: 2045 Potential Design Context Zones - MoKan

MoKan		Potential Designs - 2045					
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Context Zone	Cross-Section Pattern
SH 29	SH 45	Limited Access	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 Managed	Z5 Rural	2
SH 45	Pecan Street	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose	2 General Purpose + 2 Managed	Z2 Urban (Main Street/ Small Town)	14
Pecan Street	Dessau Road	Principal (Regional Connector)	Undivided	4 General Purpose	2 General Purpose + 2 Managed	Z2 Urban (Main Street/ Small Town)	14
Dessau Road	Crystal Bend	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose + 2 Managed	Z3 Suburban (Mixed Use/ Activity Ctr)	8
Crystal Bend	US 290	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 General Purpose + 2 Managed	Z3 Suburban (Mixed Use/ Activity Ctr)	7

Table 29: 2045 Potential Design Context Zones - US 79

US 79		Potential Designs - 2045					
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Context Zone	Cross-Section Pattern
US 79 E	US 79/ SH 95	Limited Access	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage	Z4 Suburban (Conventional)	2
US 79/ SH 95	US 79 W	Limited Access	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed + 4 Frontage	Z4 Suburban (Conventional)	2
US 79 W	FM 1460	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z5 Rural	11
FM 1460	IH 35	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z4 Suburban (Conventional)	10

Table 30: 2045 Potential Design Context Zones - FM 973

FM 973		Potential Designs - 2045					
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Context Zone	Cross-Section Pattern
US 79	US 290	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose +2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z5 Rural	11

Table 31: 2045 Potential Design Context Zones - FM 685/Dessau/Cameron

FM 685/ Dessau/ Cameron		Potential Designs - 2045					
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Context Zone	Cross-Section Pattern
SH 130	E. Custers Creek Bend (MoKan)	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z4 Suburban (Conventional)	7
E. Custers Creek Bend (MoKan)	Crystal Bend	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z4 Suburban (Conventional)	7
Crystal Bend	FM 734	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z3 Suburban (Mixed Use/ Activity Ctr)	10
FM 734	US 290	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z3 Suburban (Mixed Use/ Activity Ctr)	10

Table 32: 2045 Potential Design Context Zones - Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100

Pflugerville Pkwy/ FM1100		Potential Designs - 2045					
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Context Zone	Cross-Section Pattern
SH 95	FM 973	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 General Purpose +2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z5 Rural	11
FM 973	FM 685	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	6 General Purpose +2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z4 Suburban (Conventional)	17

Table 33: 2045 Potential Design Context Zones - SH 95

SH 95		Potential Designs - 2045					
From	To	Functional Class	Design Type	Standard Concept Lanes	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Context Zone	Cross-Section Pattern
SH 29	US 79	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	Z5 Rural/ Z2 Urban (Main St)	11 21
US 79	US 290	Principal (Regional Connector)	Divided	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	Z5 Rural/ Z2 Urban (Main St)	11 21

Appendix D: Estimated Capital Costs

Table 34: Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept - MoKan

MoKan - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Standard Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
SH 29	SH 45	11.0	N/A	0.0	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	44.0	44.0	Limited Access	\$4,000,000	\$176,000,000
SH 45	Pecan Street	2.6	N/A	0.00	4 General Purpose	10.4	10.4	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$33,280,000
Pecan Street	Dessau Road	0.75	N/A	0.0	4 General Purpose	3.0	3.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$9,600,000
Dessau Road	Crystal Bend	1.8	4 General Purpose	7.2	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	10.8	3.6	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$11,520,000
Crystal Bend	US 290	10.9	N/A	0.00	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	43.6	43.6	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$139,520,000
SUBTOTALS		27.1		7.2		111.8	104.6			\$369,920,000

MoKan - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Interchanges		
Location	Interchange	Estimated Cost
SE Inner Loop (Georgetown)	Partial stack	\$ 100,000,000
University Drive (Round Rock)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
US 79 (Round Rock)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
SH 45 (Round Rock)	Half Stack	\$ 100,000,000
FM 1100/Pflugerville Parkway (Pflugerville)	Diamond	\$ 30,000,000
Pecan Street (Pflugerville)	Diamond	\$ 30,000,000
Dessau Road (Pflugerville)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
FM 734 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
US 290 (Austin)	Half Stack	\$ 100,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 480,000,000

Shared Use Path (27.1 miles @\$1.2-million/mile) \$ 32,520,000

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES + SUP \$ 882,440,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 883,000,000

Table 35: Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept - MoKan

MoKan - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
SH 29	SH 45	11.0	N/A	0.0	4 Managed	66.0	66.0	Limited Access	\$4,000,000	\$264,000,000
SH 45	Pecan Street	2.6	N/A	0.00	2 General Purpose + 2 Managed	10.4	10.4	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$33,280,000
Pecan Street	Dessau Road	0.75	N/A	0.0	2 General Purpose + 2 Managed	3.0	3.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$9,600,000
Dessau Road	Crystal Bend	1.8	4 General Purpose	7.2	6 General Purpose + 2 Managed	14.4	7.2	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$23,040,000
Crystal Bend	US 290	10.9	N/A	0.00	4 General Purpose + 2 Managed	65.4	65.4	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$209,280,000
SUBTOTALS		27.1		7.2		159.2	152.0			\$539,200,000

MoKan - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Interchanges		
Location	Interchange	Estimated Cost
SE Inner Loop (Georgetown)	Partial stack	\$ 100,000,000
University Drive (Round Rock)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
US 79 (Round Rock)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
SH 45 (Round Rock)	Half Stack	\$ 100,000,000
FM 1100/Pflugerville Parkway (Pflugerville)	Diamond	\$ 30,000,000
Pecan Street (Pflugerville)	Diamond	\$ 30,000,000
Dessau Road (Pflugerville)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
FM 734 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
US 290 (Austin)	Half Stack	\$ 100,000,000
SUBTOTALS		480,000,000

Shared Use Path (27 miles @\$1.2-million/mile) \$ 32,400,000

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$1,019,200,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 1,020,000,000

Table 36: Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept - US 79

US 79 - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Standard Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
IH 35	FM 1460	2.0	4 General Purpose	8.0	6 General Purpose	12.0	4.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$12,800,000
FM 1460	US 79 W	13.4	4 General Purpose	53.6	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	80.4	26.8	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$85,760,000
US 79 W	US 79/ SH 95	2.5	4 General Purpose	10.0	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage	10.0	0.0	Limited Access	\$4,000,000	\$1,000,000
						10.0	10	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$32,000,000
US 79/ SH 95	US 79 E	2.0	4 General Purpose	8.0	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage	8.0	0.0	Limited Access	\$4,000,000	\$800,000
						8.0	8.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$25,600,000
SUBTOTALS		19.9		79.6		128.4	48.8			\$157,960,000

US 79 - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Interchanges

Location	Interchange*	Estimated Cost
IH 35 (Round Rock)	2 DCs	\$ 50,000,000
Bus 79 W (Taylor)	3/4 quarterleaf + DC	\$ 55,000,000
Bus 79 E (Taylor)	3/4 quarterleaf + DC	\$ 55,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 160,000,000

*DC = Direct Connector

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$317,960,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$318,000,000

Table 37: Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept - US 79

US 79 - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
IH 35	FM 1460	2.0	4 General Purpose	8.0	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	12.0	4.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$12,800,000
FM 1460	US 79 W	13.4	4 General Purpose	53.6	6 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	107.2	53.6	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$171,520,000
US 79 W	US 79/ SH 95	2.5	4 General Purpose	10.0	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed + 4 Frontage	15.0	5.0	Limited Access	\$4,000,000	\$20,000,000
						10.0	10	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$32,000,000
US 79/ SH 95	US 79 E	2.0	4 General Purpose	8.0	4 General Purpose + Shoulders + 4 Frontage	8.0	0.0	Limited Access	\$4,000,000	\$800,000
						8.0	8.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$25,600,000
SUBTOTALS		19.9		79.6		160.2	80.6			\$262,720,000

US 79 - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Interchanges		
Location	Interchange*	Estimated Cost
IH 35 (Round Rock)	2 DCs	\$ 50,000,000
Bus 79 W (Taylor)	3/4 quarterleaf + DC	\$ 55,000,000
Bus 79 E (Taylor)	3/4 quarterleaf + DC	\$ 55,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 160,000,000

*DC = Direct Connector

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES	\$422,720,000
ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES	\$423,000,000

Table 38: Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept - FM 685/Dessau/Cameron

FM 685/Dessau/Cameron - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Standard Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
SH 130	E. Custers Creek Bend (MoKan)	2.4	4 General Purpose	9.6	6 General Purpose	14.4	4.8	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$15,360,000
E. Custers Creek Rd (MoKan)	Crystal Bend	1.8	4 General Purpose	7.2	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	10.8	3.6	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$11,520,000
Crystal Bend	FM 734	3.4	4 General Purpose	13.6	6 General Purpose	20.4	6.8	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$21,760,000
FM 734	US 290	8.6	6 General Purpose	51.6	6 General Purpose	51.6	0.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$2,580,000
SUBTOTALS		16.2		82.0		97.2	15.2			\$51,220,000

FM 685/Dessau/Cameron - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Interchanges			
Location	Interchange*	Estimated Cost	
SH 130 S	Diamond w/ DC	\$	55,000,000
Pflugerville Parkway (Pflugerville)	3-level diamond	\$	30,000,000
FM 734 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$	30,000,000
US 183 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$	30,000,000
US 290 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$	30,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$	175,000,000

*DC = Direct Connector

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ \$226,220,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ \$227,000,000

Table 39: Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept - FM 685/Dessau/Cameron

FM 685/Dessau/Cameron - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Standard Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
SH 130	E. Custers Creek Bend (MoKan)	2.4	4 General Purpose	9.6	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	14.4	4.8	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$15,360,000
E. Custers Creek Bend (MoKan)	Crystal Bend	1.8	4 General Purpose	7.2	6 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	14.4	7.2	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$23,040,000
Crystal Bend	FM 734	3.4	4 General Purpose	13.6	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	20.4	6.8	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$21,760,000
FM 734	US 290	8.6	6 General Purpose	51.6	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	51.6	0.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$2,580,000
SUBTOTALS		16.2		82.0		100.8	18.8			\$62,740,000

FM 685/Dessau/Cameron - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Interchanges		
Location	Interchange*	Estimated Cost
SH 130 S	Diamond w/ DC	\$ 55,000,000
Pflugerville Parkway (Pflugerville)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
FM 734 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
US 183 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
US 290 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 175,000,000

*DC = Direct Connector

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ \$237,740,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 238,000,000

Table 40: Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept - FM 973

FM 973 - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Standard Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
US 79	US 290	17.5	2 General Purpose	35.0	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	105.0	70.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$224,000,000
SUBTOTALS		17.5		35.0		105.0	70.0			\$224,000,000

FM 973 - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Interchanges		
Location	Interchange	Estimated Cost
US 79	See US 79	In US 79 cost
Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
US 290 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 60,000,000

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 284,000,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 284,000,000

Table 41: Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept - FM 973

FM 973 - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
US 79	US 290	17.5	2 General Purpose	35.0	6 General Purpose +2 Non-Tolled Managed	140.0	105.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$336,000,000
SUBTOTALS		17.5		35.0		140.0	105.0			\$336,000,000

FM 973 - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Interchanges

Location	Interchange	Estimated Cost
US 79	See US 79	In US 79 cost
Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
US 290 (Austin)	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 60,000,000

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 396,000,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 396,000,000

Table 42: Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept - Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100

FM 1100 / Pflugerville Parkway - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Standard Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
FM 685	FM 973	7.6	4 General Purpose 2 General Purpose	22.8	6 General Purpose + Shoulders	45.6	22.8	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$72,960,000
FM 973	SH 95	8.6	2 General Purpose	17.2	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	34.4	17.2	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$55,040,000
SUBTOTALS		16.2		40.0		80.0	40.0			\$128,000,000

FM 1100/Pflugerville Parkway - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Interchanges		
Location	Interchange	Estimated Cost
FM 685	See FM 685	In FM 685 cost
SH 130	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
FM 973	See FM 973	In FM 973 cost
SH 95	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 60,000,000

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 188,000,000
 ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$ 188,000,000

Table 43: Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept - Pflugerville Parkway/FM 1100

FM 1100 / Pflugerville Parkway - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
FM 685	FM 973	7.6	4 General Purpose 2 General Purpose	22.8	6 General Purpose +2 Non-Tolled Managed	60.8	38.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$121,600,000
FM 973	SH 95	8.6	2 General Purpose	17.2	4 General Purpose +2 Non-Tolled Managed	51.6	34.4	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$110,080,000
SUBTOTALS		16.2		40.0		112.4	72.4			\$231,680,000

FM 1100/Pflugerville Parkway - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Interchanges			
Location	Interchange	Estimated Cost	
FM 685	See FM 685	In FM 685 cost	
SH 130	3-level diamond	\$	30,000,000
FM 973	See FM 973	In FM 973 cost	
SH 95	3-level diamond	\$	30,000,000
SUBTOTALS			60,000,000

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES	\$	291,680,000
ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES	\$	292,000,000

Table 44: Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept - SH 95

SH 95 - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
SH 29	US 79	6.8	2-4 General Purpose	20.4	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	27.2	6.8	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$21,760,000
US 79	US 290	15.0	2-4 General Purpose	45.0	4 General Purpose + 2 Shoulders	60.0	15.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$48,000,000
SUBTOTALS		21.8		65.4		87.2	21.8			\$69,760,000

SH 95 - Estimated Capital Costs for Standard Concept, Interchanges		
Location	Interchange	Estimated Cost
SH 29	See SH 29	In SH 29 cost
SH 130	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
FM 973	See FM 973	In FM 973 cost
SH 95	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 60,000,000

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$129,760,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$130,000,000

Table 45: Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept - SH 95

SH 95 - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Lane Miles										
From	To	Distance	Current Lanes	Current Lane Miles	Enhanced TDM Concept Lanes	Proposed Lane Miles	New Lane Miles	Preferred Functional Class	Lane Mile Cost	Estimated Cost
SH 29	US 79	6.8	2-4 General Purpose	20.4	4 General Purpose + Shoulders	27.2	6.8	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$21,760,000
US 79	US 290	15.0	2-4 General Purpose	45.0	4 General Purpose + 2 Non-Tolled Managed	90.0	45.0	Principal Arterial	\$3,200,000	\$144,000,000
SUBTOTALS		21.8		65.4		117.2	51.8			\$165,760,000

SH 95 - Estimated Capital Costs for Enhanced TDM Concept, Interchanges		
Location	Interchange	Estimated Cost
SH 29	See SH 29	In SH 29 cost
SH 130	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
FM 973	See FM 973	In FM 973 cost
SH 95	3-level diamond	\$ 30,000,000
SUBTOTALS		\$ 60,000,000

TOTAL: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$225,760,000

ROUNDED: LANE MILES + INTERCHANGES \$226,000,000

Appendix E: MoKan Agreement and Minute Orders

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO ACQUIRE THE

ABANDONED MKT RIGHT-OF-WAY

COUNTY CLERK
TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

The Cities of Austin, Pflugerville, Georgetown and Round Rock, Texas (herein referenced to collectively as the "Cities"), the Counties of Travis and Williamson, Texas, (herein referred to collectively as the "Counties") and the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority ("Capital Metro"), as parties to this agreement (herein collectively referred to as "Participants") recite, agree, stipulate and act as follows:

SECTION I. PARTIES

1.1 Cities

The Cities are municipal corporations and political subdivisions of the State of Texas organized and existing under and pursuant to the Texas Constitution, the general laws of the State of Texas, and their respective Charters.

1.2 Counties

Travis and Williamson Counties are political subdivisions of the state and are organized and operating pursuant to the general laws of the State of Texas.

1.3 Capital Metro

Capital Metro is a metropolitan transit authority created and organized pursuant to Article 1118x, Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, and a body corporate and politic.

SECTION II. PURPOSE

2.1 Acquisition of Right-of-Way

The Missouri-Kansas Texas Railroad Company, the owner of certain abandoned railroad right-of-way, has indicated a willingness to negotiate the sale of twenty-six (26) miles of abandoned Missouri-Kansas-Texas railroad right-of-way (hereafter "MKT right-of-way") totaling approximately 365 acres, and extending from Georgetown to Austin, as shown on the map attached to this Agreement. The Cities, Counties and Capital Metro as parties to this agreement are desirous of acquiring the MKT right-of-way and for that purpose agree to combine their resources and finances for negotiation of the joint purchase of the MKT right-of-way, for necessary appraisal services, and for representation in identifying and securing federal funds for the purchase in accordance with the terms and conditions herein described.

2.2 Use

A minimum width of fifty (50) feet within the MKT right-of-way shall be dedicated and used for "Mass Transit" purposes as that term is defined in Article 1118x, V.T.C.S.

SECTION III. CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE

3.1 Agent

The Participants have jointly selected and will retain Jack Martin of the Sendero Capital Corporation, 13915 Burnet Road, Suite 202, Austin, Texas, to serve as their agent in negotiating with the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad Company

for acquisition of the MKT right-of-way. The agent will serve at the pleasure of the Participants in accordance with the terms and conditions of a separate letter of agreement which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Attachment I.

3.2 Coordination

Subcommittees may be appointed by the Participants to make recommendations on various issues as they develop during the acquisition process including contract and matters affecting the appraisal reviews. Subcommittees shall submit their reports to the Participants for consideration and final action or agreement. Participants agree to utilize their respective staff personnel whenever possible to minimize administrative expenses. The Participants will diligently seek to resolve issues by unanimous consensus and in the best interest of all of the Participants.

SECTION IV. FINANCING

4.1 In accordance with Section 8.3 herein, and subject to the subsequent actions of their respective governing bodies, the Cities and Counties intend to contribute, toward the acquisition of the MKT right-of-way, their proportionate local share, less any amount paid by Capital Metro, of the negotiated purchase price. After subtracting from the negotiated purchase price the federal dollars to be applied toward the acquisition as provided in 4.3 below, the proportionate local share of each shall be that percentage

which represents the ratio of the appraised value of the property within the legal boundaries of each Participant to the total appraised value of the entire line. The appraised value to be determined by an appraisal or appraisal review adopted by Participants as the official appraisal report.

4.2 The Participants will combine resources in a coordinated effort to obtain Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) funds and any other federal funding available from other sources for the purchase of the MKT right-of-way. The Participants have jointly selected and will retain, by separate contract, the services of Michael Keeling of the law office of David P. Stang, P.C., 1629 K. Street, N.W., Suite 601, Washington, D.C., 20006, to serve as their collective representative in identifying and securing federal funds. Mr. Keeling's services will include the development of any necessary legislative action or federal regulatory compliance associated with the purchase of abandoned railroad property. The Keeling Contract, is attached hereto as Attachment II, and incorporated herein by reference.

4.3 Participants receiving federal grant awards for acquisition of the MKT right-of-way, whether received directly or channeled through any other governmental entity, shall apply the total amount of the federal grant dollars received for such purpose to the negotiated purchase price. The remaining portion of the negotiated purchase price shall reflect the local share to be paid by the Participants in accordance with Section 4.1 above.

4.4 The Participants providing local funding for the MKT right-of-way acquisition shall jointly hold fee simple title and shall share an undivided ownership interest in the property. Said undivided interest will be in proportion to the percentage of local funding contributed by each Participant for the purchase of the MKT right-of-way.

4.5 Subject to 8.2 below, nothing herein shall prohibit any Participant from entering into a separate agreement for contribution toward the acquisition of the MKT right-of-way so long as the separate agreement results in a contribution of local funds sufficient to meet the local funding obligation attributed to the Participant pursuant to 4.1 above.

SECTION V. INCIDENTAL EXPENSE

5.1 The Participants recognize that there will be incidental expenses associated with the acquisition of the MKT right-of-way which include the cost of service for the contract negotiator and UMTA representative and appraisal. Participant liability for the incidental expenses is contingent upon the Participant or its authorized representative having given prior written approval to the agreement of transaction creating the liability. Approved incidental expenses shall be borne by the Participants in accordance with the following formula:

Capital Metro	1/5
City of Austin	1/5
Williamson County	1/5
Travis County	1/5
Round Rock, Pflugerville	

& Georgetown collectively

in equal proportions 1/5

Any unapproved incidental expenditures shall be borne by the party or parties incurring them. Total incidental expenses shall not exceed \$110,000. In the event that Pflugerville does not participate in this agreement, Capital Metro and Travis County agree to equally share the portion of incidental expenses which would have been borne by Pflugerville as reflected by this Section 5.1.

5.2 The Participants recognize that the negotiations and acquisition process will require the immediate availability of funds for payment of the incidental expenses associated with the acquisition process.

A. Initially, the City of Austin, Travis County and Williamson County will split the costs of the incidental expenses as payment of the obligations become due and shall, at their convenience, present an itemized request for reimbursement to the remaining Participants.

B. Reimbursement for incidental expenses shall be made within a reasonable time not to exceed sixty (60) days from receipt of request for reimbursement.

SECTION VI. MAINTENANCE

6.1 The Cities and Counties will be responsible for maintenance of the MKT right-of-way situated within their respective boundaries unless otherwise provided by separate agreement with a third party or until such time that Capital Metro undertakes the location of Mass Transit or other use on the portion of the MKT right-of-way within its service area. Maintenance shall include but not be limited to such activities as right-of-way crossings, weeding, mowing, and upkeep.

6.2 The responsibility for defending any lawsuits or claims for injury or damage affecting any portion or portions of the MKT right-of-way shall be borne by the respective City or County where the property, which is the subject of such lawsuit or claim, is situated unless such claim or lawsuit is directly or indirectly caused by the actions or inaction of Capital Metro's use of the MKT right-of-way. Claims or suits resulting from the action or inaction of Capital Metro shall be the responsibility of Capital Metro.

SECTION VII. CAPITAL METRO

7.1 Capital Metro's participation in this agreement is for the purpose of securing a dedicated transit corridor along the right-of-way. The availability of federal dollars may require substantial local matching dollars for the acquisition. Use of the right-of-way for Mass Transit will

require substantial local dollars. Capital Metro's financial ability to participate in this acquisition and subsequent use of the right-of-way for Mass Transit is dependent on the continuation of its existing level of local funding.

- 7.2 Subject to 7.1 above, Capital Metro shall contribute, toward the purchase of the MKT right-of-way, a sum of money equal to fifty percent of the local share of the final negotiated purchase price that is charged to and due from the Participant cities within the Capital Metro service area (i.e. Austin and Pflugerville) as determined pursuant to 4.1 above. Travis County's local share of the final negotiated purchase price as determined pursuant to Section 4.1 above shall be further divided to determine the portion of such share to which Capital Metro will contribute. Such portion will be derived by determining the ratio of the appraised value of the MKT right-of-way within the legal boundaries of both Capital Metro and Travis County to the total appraised value of the MKT right-of-way within the legal boundaries of Travis County as that appraised value is determined for the purposes set forth in 4.1 above. Such ratio will then be applied to the local share of the final negotiated purchase price charged to and due from Travis County to reflect that portion of Travis County's local share of the final negotiated purchase price within Capital Metro's service area. Capital Metro will contribute a sum of money equal to 50% of such portion as determined in this manner.

7.3 Capital Metro, by entering into this Agreement, reaffirms its priorities for commitment of existing and new federal funding for acquisition of right-of-way for Mass Transit purposes, including the MKT right-of-way. As the designated recipient of UMTA funds for this region, should Capital Metro receive any federal funds for the acquisition of the MKT right-of-way on behalf of any Participant to this Agreement, Capital Metro shall contribute those federal monies to the acquisition on behalf of all Participants as set forth in 4.3 above.

7.4 The Participants will abide by any special conditions or requirements imposed by the federal government as a result the use of federal grant dollars in the acquisition of any portion of the MKT right-of-way.

7.5 If the right-of-way is not used for Mass Transit purposes and as a consequence federal funds must be repaid, each party agrees to contribute to such repayment of federal funds in the same proportion as those federal funds were applied to reduce each party's contribution to the acquisition of the right-of-way. If local funds of Capital Metro are used in the acquisition of the right-of-way within its service area and such right-of-way is not used for Mass Transit purposes but is used for non-Mass Transit purposes, each party whose acquisition share was reduced by the contribution of local dollars from Capital Metro agrees to reimburse Capital Metro the amount of local dollars by which each party's share of the acquisition price was reduced as a result of such local dollar contribution by Capital Metro.

- 7.6 The design for any proposed use of the right-of-way must be compatible with its use for Mass Transit purposes. Such compatibility determination will be made by Capital Metro in consultation with the other parties to this agreement.
- 7.7 Article 1118x authorizes Capital Metro to contract to provide Mass Transit service outside its service area and any such service offered by Capital Metro would be pursuant to a full cost of service contract.

SECTION VIII. SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENTS

- 8.1 As it becomes necessary in the acquisition process or upon completion of purchase, the Participants shall negotiate and enter into subsequent agreements for the management, operation or use of the MKT right-of-way. Subsequent agreements, contracts or letters of understanding shall become part of and be incorporated into this Intergovernmental Agreement.
- 8.2 Participants shall not enter into any subsequent agreements affecting the MKT right-of-way with any third party not a Participant under this agreement, other than for maintenance, without notice and approval of all Participants.
- 8.3 This agreement shall not bind any Participant directly or by implication, to any subsequent agreement. The governing body of each Participant may designate a representative to act on its behalf in negotiating subsequent agreements.

8.4 This agreement shall not be binding on any Participant unless it is ratified by the governing body of each participating entity and executed by each Participant's authorized representative.

SECTION IX. SEVERABILITY

9.1 No partial invalidity of this agreement shall affect the remainder.

SECTION X. EFFECTIVE DATE

10.1 This agreement shall become effective when signed by all Participants.

In witness whereof Participants have, in duplicate original have signed and sealed this agreement by the respective parties authorized to execute same on the dates indicated below.

SIGNED:

CITY OF GEORGETOWN

BY: Jim Cobb

DATE: 9/22/87

WILLIAMSON COUNTY

BY: Tommy R

DATE: 9/14/87

CITY OF ROUND ROCK

BY: Mike Parker

DATE: 8-27-87

CAPITAL METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

BY: Arthur M. Lunn

DATE: 8/25/87

CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE

BY: _____

DATE: _____

TRAVIS COUNTY

BY: Bill Alsho

DATE: 8/26/87

CITY OF AUSTIN

BY: Wm. Gage

DATE: 9-22-87

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BY: Bruce J. Linder

Aust. City Attorney (Notary)
ATTORNEY
(Specify which Participant's
Attorneys will be approving)

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

TRAVIS AND WILLIAMSON County

MINUTE ORDER

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District No. AUSTIN (14)

WHEREAS, the Commission in its May 22, 1985 regular meeting passed Minute Order 83157 designating a State highway extending from Interstate Highway 35 north of Georgetown, to the south of U.S. Highway 183 near Austin and with provisions for future transit facilities within the State highway; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission acting in its February 24, 1988; May 16, 1988; and June 28, 1988 regular meetings and passing Minute Order 87440 and 87643, authorized the Engineer-Director to prepare and submit appropriate applications and documentation in seeking discretionary funds available under Section 3 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, 49 U.S.C. 1602, for the purchase of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas railroad right-of-way located between the cities of Austin and Georgetown; and, which generally fall within the boundaries of the previously mentioned State highway; and which would be used to meet the provisions for future transit facilities in the transportation corridor; and,

WHEREAS, the Section 3 discretionary fund application has been reviewed by Urban Mass Transportation Administration officials who have indicated approval of the funds are contingent on the commitment by the Department to provide financing for the development of the public mass transportation facility without the assistance of additional Urban Mass Transportation Administration funding; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission has reviewed the proposed conditions of receiving the Section 3 discretionary funds to purchase the railroad right-of-way and find it to be inappropriate at this time to accept the conditions; and,

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

TRAVIS AND WILLIAMSON County

MINUTE ORDER

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District No. AUSTIN (14)

WHEREAS, certain development proposals planned within the railroad right-of-way make it critical that the right-of-way be reserved for future transportation purposes; and,

WHEREAS, it has been found to be more cost effective and in the best interest of Texas to use State highway funds to acquire the railroad right-of-way in lieu of subjecting future development of the transportation corridor to the conditions imposed by the Urban Mass Transportation Administration for Section 3 discretionary funding; and,

WHEREAS, local city and county governments and the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority have expressed the desire to incorporate a public transit component in the future development of this facility; and,

WHEREAS, it is the Commission's intent that departmental staff will work with the local entities in developing future transit facility plans which are appropriate for the transportation corridor; and,

WHEREAS, continued participation of local city and county governments and the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority in acquiring the railroad right-of-way is desired;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, the Commission directs the Engineer-Director to negotiate with the appropriate local city and county government and Capital Metropolitan Transit Authority officials in offering the availability of State Highway Funds, in lieu of Section 3 discretionary funds, to provide up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the total cost of acquiring the approximately 28 miles of abandoned Missouri-Kansas-Texas railroad right-of-way located between the cities of Austin and Georgetown, contingent that the local entities will provide the remaining balance of the acquisition cost.

Submitted by

Richard Schmitt
(Title) Director,
Public Transportation

Examined and recommended by:

Marcel J. Gancy Jr., P.E.
Deputy Director

Approved

RE Stotzer
Engineer-Director

Minute Number

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Date Passed

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AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the STATE OF TEXAS, acting by and through the STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS and PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ("SDH&PT"), and the CITY OF AUSTIN, ("AUSTIN"), the CITY OF GEORGETOWN, ("GEORGETOWN"), the CITY OF ROUND ROCK, ("ROUND ROCK"), the CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, ("PFLUGERVILLE"), TRAVIS COUNTY, ("TRAVIS COUNTY"), WILLIAMSON COUNTY, ("WILLIAMSON COUNTY"), and CAPITAL METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ("CAPITAL METRO"), each acting by and through its duly authorized officials, said local entities being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS".

WHEREAS, the former Missouri-Kansas Texas Railroad Company Right-of-Way ("MKT Right-of-Way") consists of Parcels 1, 2, 6, and 8 which are presently owned by the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad Company ("MKT"), Parcels 3 and 5 which are owned by C.N. Avery, Parcel 4 which is owned by T.E. Nelson, Jr., and Parcel 7 which is owned by Georgetown; and

WHEREAS, the parties have obtained appraisals of the value of all parcels constituting the MKT Right-of-Way; and

WHEREAS, SDH&PT and the Local Political Subdivisions (the parties") are desirous of cooperating in the funding and acquisition in fee simple of Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8 for construction of the proposed State Highway 130 and mass transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed that Austin and Capital Metro shall have primary responsibility for acquisition of Parcel 1, SDH&PT shall have primary responsibility for acquisition of Parcel 2, and Georgetown shall have primary responsibility for acquisition of Parcels 6 and 8; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual undertakings herein contained, the SDH&PT and Local Political Subdivisions agree as follows:

1. The SDH&PT will negotiate with MKT and all other interest owners and will act as the manager of the funds necessary for the acquisition in fee simple of Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8 of the MKT Right-of-Way consistent with the terms of this Agreement. The SDH&PT is hereby authorized to act as the expressly disclosed agent for Austin and Capital Metro in the negotiations for purchase of Parcel 1 and for Georgetown for the purchase of Parcels 6 and 8. The SDH&PT hereby agrees to negotiate in good faith for the purchase of Tract 1 on behalf of Austin and Capital Metro and for the purchase of Tracts 6 and 8 on behalf of Georgetown. The SDH&PT is hereby further authorized to tender, by certified mail, return receipt requested, a written good faith "final offer" to MKT and all other interest owners for the purchase of Parcels 1, 6 and 8, giving MKT and all other interest owners at least fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt thereof to respond. If no affirmative response is received from MKT and all other interest owners within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of receipt of the written final offer, then the expressly disclosed agency of SDH&PT shall lapse and Austin and, at Capital Metro's option, Capital Metro shall proceed to condemn Parcel 1 and Georgetown to condemn Parcels 6 and 8. Within five (5) working days of the lapse of SDH&PT's agency as described hereunder, SDH&PT shall deliver all files, working papers and other pertinent documentation concerning the negotiations with MKT to Austin and Capital Metro, if Capital Metro is a condemning authority, for Parcel 1 and to Georgetown for Parcels 6 and 8.
2. Title Upon Acquisition. Title to Parcel 1 shall be taken in the name of Austin and, at the option of Capital Metro, title shall be taken jointly by Austin and Capital Metro as tenants in common. Title to Parcel 2 shall be taken in the name of the State of Texas. Title to Parcels 6 and 8 shall be taken in the name of Georgetown.

3. Contribution Shares. As utilized herein, the term "land costs" shall include only the cost of land and appurtenances and shall not include costs of litigation, attorney's fees, appraisals, expert witnesses, etc. Unless otherwise specified, any contributions to land costs or other surplus funds shall be made in the following proportions:

Austin	14.0938%
Travis County (Pct. 1)	18.6154%
Travis County (Pct. 2)	13.4987%
Pflugerville	3.7792%
Williamson County	17.6996%
Round Rock	.9418%
Georgetown	- 0 -
<u>Capital Metro</u>	<u>31.3716%</u>
Total	100.0000%

The parties acknowledge that the percentages of Travis County (Pct. 1), Williamson County, and Round Rock represent the ratio of 25% of the appraised value of the MKT Right-of-Way segments lying within the jurisdiction of each entity relative to 25% of the total value of all segments owned by the MKT, excluding Parcels 6 and 8. The percentages of Austin, Pflugerville, and Travis County (Pct. 2) each represent the ratio of 12.5% of the appraised value of the MKT Right-of-Way segments lying within the jurisdictions of each of the respective entities relative to 25% of the total value of all segments owned by the MKT, excluding Parcels 6 and 8; Capital Metro's percentage representing the sum of such percentages for Austin, Pflugerville, and Travis County (Pct. 2).

4. For purposes of funding the purchase price to be negotiated by SDH&PT for Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8, with the return of this executed Agreement to the SDH&PT, the Local Political Subdivisions shall also deliver the funds as stated below:

Austin	\$126,510.00
Travis County (Pct. 1)	\$167,097.00
Travis County (Pct. 2)	\$121,168.00
Pflugerville	\$ 33,923.00
Williamson County	\$158,877.00
Round Rock	\$ 8,454.00
Georgetown	- 0 -
<u>Capital Metro</u>	<u>\$281,601.00</u>
Total	\$897,629.00

SDH&PT shall contribute the initial sum of \$3,040,499.00 toward the land cost of Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8. The SDH&PT shall hold the local funds in escrow for the benefit of Local Political Subdivisions and may expend said local funds for the purchase of Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8 should negotiations with MKT prove successful.

5. In the event it is necessary to condemn Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8, Austin and, at Capital Metro's option, Capital Metro shall condemn Parcel 1, the SDH&PT shall condemn Parcel 2, and Georgetown shall condemn Parcels 6 and 8.
6. Return of Excess Funds. If the land cost of Parcels 1, 2, 6, and 8 is less than \$3,938,128.00, SDH&PT will return any excess funds provided by the Local Political Subdivisions in accordance with each party's contribution percentage set out in paragraph 3.
7. Additional Land Costs. If the land cost for Parcels 1, 2, 6, and 8, whether through negotiated purchase or condemnation, is more than \$3,938,128.00, then, in addition to the amounts tendered under paragraph 5 above, SDH&PT shall contribute 75% of such additional land costs not to exceed 100% of the value of Parcel 2 and Local Political Subdivisions (except Georgetown) shall contribute 25% of such additional land costs not to exceed a total of \$179,525.80 over and above the initial local share of \$897,629.00. The Local Political Subdivisions shall advance such additional land costs pro rata in accordance with the respective contribution percentages established in paragraph 3. The Local Political Subdivisions must authorize in advance any payment of land costs which would cause the aggregate of the Local Political Subdivision's share of such costs to exceed \$1,077,154.00. Subject to the foregoing, the Local Political Subdivisions agree that the Local Political Subdivision's share of approved land costs exceeding the aggregate sum of \$1,077,154.00 will be borne by the Local Political Subdivisions in accordance with the percentages set forth in paragraph 3 with no participation therein by Georgetown. If the Local Political Subdivision's share of the cost of acquiring Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8 exceeds \$1,077,154.00, no Local Political Subdivision shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of its pro rata share unless by separate action the Local Political Subdivision agrees to fund all or part of such excess portion. Subject to the above conditions, SDH&PT and Local Political Subdivisions agree to provide SDH&PT with such additional land costs required for acquisition of Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8 no later than forty-five (45) days of written request therefor from SDH&PT accompanied by documentation establishing the need thereof.
8. Costs of Condemnation. In the event that condemnation is required to acquire Parcels 1, 2, 6 and/or 8:
 - a) the condemnation cases will be coordinated by all condemning entities to the extent possible in order to ascertain the aggregate land costs for the condemned parcels and ensure that such aggregate land costs are

in accordance with the agreement limits set forth herein;

- b) all costs of condemnation including the amount of any award, deposit or judgment, attorney's fees, transcripts, costs of court, appraisals, expert witnesses and all other costs incidental to same shall be provided by the condemning entities and each such condemning authority shall have the right to control such litigation and pursue to completion such appeals or other legal process as it deems appropriate; provided, however, that each of the condemning authorities listed in paragraph 5, above, agrees to fund a special commissioners' award and/or judgment in condemnation only after it is ascertained that either the Local Political Subdivision's share of aggregate land cost of acquiring Parcels 1, 2, 6 and 8 is less than or equal to the \$1,077,154.00 or the costs above \$1,077,154.00 have been approved by the Local Political Subdivisions.
- c) Austin/Capital Metro shall be reimbursed by SDH&PT for the land cost of Parcel 1 based on the amount of the Commissioners Award or Judgment presented to SDH&PT with 75% of such reimbursements to come from SDH&PT and 25% of same from Local Political Subdivisions up to the agreement limits set out in paragraph 7 herein; Austin and, if Capital Metro is a condemning authority, Capital Metro shall bear all attorney's fees, expenses, and other costs incidental to such condemnation;
- d) the Local Political Subdivisions shall provide SDH&PT with 25% of the land cost of Parcel 2 up to the agreement limits set forth in paragraph 7 herein based on the Commissioners Award or Judgment evidencing such land costs; SDH&PT shall bear all attorney's fees, expenses, and other costs incidental to such condemnation;
- e) the SDH&PT and the remaining Local Political Subdivisions shall reimburse Georgetown for 100% of the land costs of Parcels 6 and 8 with 75% of such reimbursement to come from the SDH&PT and 25% of the same from the Local Political Subdivisions up to the agreement limits set out in paragraph 7 herein with the Local Political Subdivisions being responsible for any amounts over and above the Agreement limits, as set forth in paragraphs 7 and 8 herein, as well as for all reasonable costs of litigation, including reasonable attorney's fees, appraisals, expert witness fees, court reporter fees, costs of court, etc., in accordance with the contribution percentages established in paragraph 3 upon presentation of appropriate documentation of such

costs; the aforesaid reimbursement is based on an acknowledgment by the SDH&PT and the Local Political Subdivisions of Georgetown's prior acquisition of Parcel 7 for State Highway 130 and mass transit purposes and the SDH&PT appraised value of Parcel 7.

9. Mass Transit Uses. As set forth in SDH&PT Minute Orders numbered 83157, 87440, 87643, and 88030 and dated 5/22/85, 5/26/88, and 6/28/88, and 10/28/88, respectively, the SDH&PT and the Local Political Subdivisions agree to work together in developing plans, which are appropriate for the transportation corridor to be created and preserved by the acquisition of the MKT Right-of-Way for State Highway and Mass Transit purposes. The Parties agree that it is their intent that a portion of the entire length of the MKT Right-of-Way shall be devoted to and used for "Mass Transit" purposes as that term is defined in Article 1118x, V.T.C.S. and that width and elevation of the portion used for mass transit shall be determined by the technology available at the time of the design and development of the proposed State Highway within the MKT Right-of-Way. Capital Metro shall be involved in and provide input in a timely manner to all major technical decisions affecting the range of alternatives in the SDH&PT's development of the subject MKT Right-of-Way and shall be given an opportunity to meet with the SDH&PT and discuss alternatives or other technical or policy matters prior to decision thereon.
10. Surplus Right-of-Way. Any surplus land remaining in the jurisdiction of a Local Political Subdivision not included in plans for the State Highway and Mass Transit System may be used by that Local Political Subdivision under a multiple use agreement entered into by the appropriate parties at that time or may be disposed of in accordance with applicable law.
11. Acquisition of Remaining Parcels. SDH&PT and Local Political Subdivisions acknowledge their intention to provide by separate agreement for later acquisition of Parcels 3, 4 and 5 from the Nelson and Avery families for mass transportation purposes.
12. Amendment of Previous Agreement. To the extent that the provisions hereof are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of the Interlocal Agreement to acquire MKT Right-of-Way previously entered into by the Local Political Subdivisions (except Pflugerville), the Local Political Subdivisions agree that said previous Agreement is hereby amended to the extent of such inconsistency.

13. Notices. Any notices to the parties shall be mailed to the parties at the addresses set forth below.
14. Amendment. This Agreement may not be modified by any employee or representative of any party hereto except in writing and pursuant to express authority granted by the governing body of each party.
15. Severability. The invalidity or illegality of any portion of this Agreement shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.
16. Multiple Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts each of which shall constitute to duplicate original hereof.
17. Effective Date. This Agreement shall be effective from and after the date of due execution hereof by all parties.

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Title: _____

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Date: _____

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WILLIAMSON COUNTY

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Appendix F: City of Pflugerville MoKan Resolution - August 13, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 1709-19-08-13-0633

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS
CREATING A LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF
THE MOKAN RIGHT OF WAY.**

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the City of Pflugerville is a home rule city in Travis and Williamson counties and reserves the right to evaluate the compatibility of any proposed plans for the Missouri Kansas (MoKan) Corridor and approve any plans and mitigation efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the MoKan Corridor is a north-south abandoned railroad right-of-way that extends approximately 27 miles parallel to I-35 between downtown Austin and Georgetown, traversing the cities of Pflugerville and Round Rock; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the MoKan Corridor was acquired through collaborative efforts by TxDOT (formerly SDH&PT) with local political subdivisions based on agreements to work together in the development of infrastructure that meets the mobility and safety needs of the region; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the MoKan Corridor is a critical regional transportation asset within Central Texas that provides for the opportunity to improve regional mobility options in a locally context-sensitive manner; and

WHEREAS, the MoKan Corridor bisects the City of Pflugerville and is primarily used for hike and bike trails and is adjacent to houses, schools and parks; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the MoKan right-of-way passes adjacent to approximately 30 different subdivisions, passing within 200 feet of more than 400 homes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the city's 2030 Comprehensive Plan establishes that the MoKan Corridor shall continue to be utilized as a hike and bike trail and evaluate the potential for developing public transit options within the community; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Area Metropolitan Organization (CAMPO) is currently conducting a sub-regional study to evaluate concepts and improvements to the MoKan Corridor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pflugerville fully embraces a multimodal approach to address current and emerging transportation needs with street connectivity and a network of hike and bike trails linking neighborhoods, schools, and other centers within the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pflugerville fully embraces its role as a stakeholder in all discussions regarding potential development of the MoKan Corridor through the Pflugerville area which would be more appropriate for our citizens and the future development of our city in the regional context; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it approved Resolution 1412-12-07-08-0212 supporting Project Connect utilizing the MoKan Corridor for transit options that are financially feasible, integrates one or more station locations in Pflugerville, and does not unduly impede other modes of transportation or result in grade separations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds high-capacity transit projects should maximize the use of dedicated rights-of-way, such as the MoKan Corridor, and other means of gaining a travel time advantage where financially and physically reasonable and not otherwise detrimental to adjacent land uses or existing transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds future high-capacity transit projects should strive for a “true alternative” to single-occupancy vehicle driving, providing quality competitive trips among and within the CAMPO adopted and emerging regional activity centers utilizing seamless connectivity between high-capacity transit components and other modes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it adopted a Transit Development Plan on August 14, 2018 that supports providing safe, reliable, efficient and accessible transportation options for residents and visitors of Pflugerville; and

WHEREAS, MoKan traverses Pflugerville’s downtown in which the City Council passed Resolution 1649-18-09-25-0547 Downtown Action Plan in September 2018, that outlines the actions to revitalizing this area; and

WHEREAS, the City Council supported the Project Connect effort to plan, fund and operate a regional high-capacity transit system as a “Single System” provides a solid framework that should be further evaluated; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently undergoing development of a transportation master plan that is analyzing existing and future transportation needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, the CAMPO proposes a system of regional improvements to MoKan that, to date, has not generated options suitable for the Pflugerville context.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS, THAT:

- 1) The City of Pflugerville supports a regional hike and bike trail facility within the MoKan right of way, providing connectivity between the cities of Round Rock, Pflugerville and Austin and requests Travis County and the City of Austin support this improvement within the MoKan corridor for the overall health and wellness of the region.

Approved this 13th day of August, 2019.

City of Pflugerville, Texas

By: 
Victor Gonzalez, Mayor

Attest:


Karen Thompson, City Secretary