

# FM 150 WEST ALIGNMENT STUDY

APRIL 14, 2015 PUBLIC MEETING

DRAFT SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS

*Hays County, Texas*

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## OVERVIEW

This is a summary and analysis of the public meeting conducted for the Farm-to-Market (FM) 150 West Alignment Study on April 14, 2015. Hays County and the Texas Department of Transportation are considering the re-alignment of a five-mile section of existing FM 150 from Arroyo Ranch Road east through Kyle to Interstate 35 (I-35). The County is working with the public during this study to ensure that the process and design of the roadway reflects local values while providing a solution to the congestion issues through Kyle.

Work began on this project in early 2014. Meetings were held with property owners and stakeholders in March 2014. Then a public open house was held to introduce the project and collect input. 102 people attended this meeting and 27 comments were received. The County then expanded the study area, based on public input, and four potential corridors were evaluated at a high level. A second public meeting was held in September 2014 to share information on the four different corridors within the study area. 131 people attended this meeting and 117 online surveys were completed. The third public meeting was planned to share analysis completed on all four corridors and the selection of Corridor C.

## PROJECT PURPOSE AND NEED

The Hays County Transportation Plan, adopted in January 2013, proposed a re-alignment of FM 150 to alleviate congestion in downtown Kyle where there is limited space to improve the existing roadway. A portion of new location roadway, if constructed, would provide an alternate route, reducing congestion by providing separate routes for through and local traffic, and accommodate pedestrian and bicycle considerations.

The purpose of the FM 150 West Alignment Study is to identify and evaluate a project that would relieve congestion in downtown Kyle, provide enhanced travel conditions for through traffic, improve safety, and accommodate pedestrian and bicycle considerations. This project would address current traffic needs as well as future traffic needs with the growth projections showing Hays population more than doubling by 2030.

## OPEN HOUSE DETAILS

**Date:** Tuesday, April 14, 2015

**Time:** 6 to 8 p.m.

**Presentation:** 6:15 p.m.

**Location:** Hays High School Cafeteria  
4800 Jack C. Hays Trail  
Buda, Texas 78610



*Presentation at Hays High School – April 14, 2015*

**Purpose:** The project team analyzed public input, technical information, and performed further studies and evaluations on the four corridors considered for the FM 150 Alignment Study. The analysis of the four corridors was presented and the selection of Corridor C was announced.

**Format:** A brief open house was conducted from 6:00 to 6:15 p.m. and a formal presentation was given at 6:15 p.m. There was a question and answer session held after the presentation and comments were collected. A court reporter was also present to record verbal comments attendees wished to make.

**Attendance:** There were 135 people registered via the sign-in sheet. Of those, seven were employees of TxDOT, project team members, or elected public officials.

## NOTIFICATIONS OF THE PUBLIC MEETING


**Published Notifications:** Meeting notices were placed in the following newspapers:

- *Hays Free Press* on March 18, 2015 and April 8, 2015
- *El Mundo Newspaper* (Spanish) on March 19, 2015 and April 9, 2015

**Mailings:** Meeting notices were mailed to 120 property owners and businesses within the study area on March 17, 2015.

**Emails:** A meeting notice was emailed on March 17, 2015 to 193 people and two reminder email reminders were sent on April 2, 2015 to 201 people, and on April 9, 2015 to 205 people with meeting information and to collect email addresses.

**Signage:** The project team placed 15 signs with meeting details in various locations along and near the project limits from April 7, 2015 to April 14, 2015.



**Public Meeting**

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Hays High School, Cafeteria  
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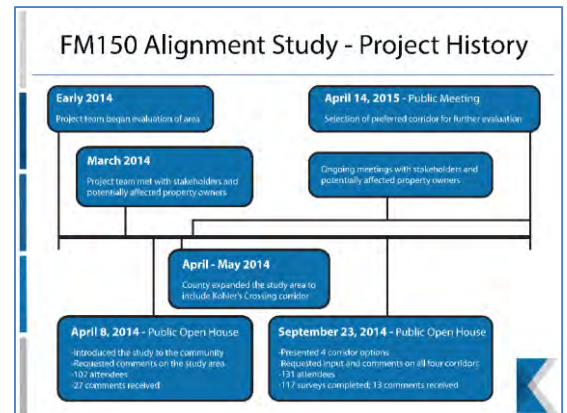
## MEETING MATERIALS

As community members entered, they were asked to sign in and shared email addresses if they wished to receive project updates. All were provided comment cards and project contact information cards.

Two sets of large presentation boards were displayed:

- Project History Board
- Overall Map of all Corridors
- Map of Corridor C

Project team members were available to answer questions.



Project History Display Board

## PRESENTATION

A presentation was made which outlined the project overview and history, analysis of the four corridors studied, and the selection of Corridor C for further study. Details were also shared on next steps for the project which will be to further study Corridor C to identify and study a potential roadway alignment to consider as a build alternative, to meet with any potentially affected property owners, and to hold another public meeting in fall 2015 to share details and again collect input.

## QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

Upon the conclusion of the presentation, a question and answer session was held. Below is a general summary of the questions and answer session.

- **Will an environmental impact statement be done?**
  - All National Environmental Policy Act regulations will be followed. It is anticipated that an environmental assessment will be the appropriate level of environmental documentation.
- **Does Corridor C impact more residential areas than Corridor D? In follow up discussions concerns were expressed over not knowing how many residents affected.**
  - As no alignment has been selected, the number of residences directly affected, cannot be determined at this point. We can get the total number of residences in the Corridor C study area, but until we know the location of the roadway alignment we are unable to share exact numbers. In any case, all efforts will be exhausted to avoid residential and business impacts and minimize landowner impacts.
- **Questions on eminent domain and the process were asked.**
  - A brief discussion of eminent domain was held with an overview of the new laws in place to protect property owners. It was also mentioned that that the location of the roadway alignment is unknown and therefore it is too early to initiate discussion of right-of-way needs.
- **Concerns this project will not relieve the congestion in Kyle. People living in northern and southern end connections would have to go out of their way to use this corridor.**

- While there is a lot of traffic going north there is also a significant amount going south. This project is identifying a way to relieve some of the Kyle congestion, as well as address future traffic projections.
- **Questions were asked regarding traffic surveys and studies for FM 150 and RR 2770 to show how much traffic is going north and show commuter versus local traffic. Residents believed they saw 16 areas where traffic counts were being done. Residents also wanted to see similar traffic counts that were shared for the FM 150 Character Plan meeting and were concerned this information was not presented.**
  - The project team does not have surveys that distinguish between commuter and local traffic. The intent for this meeting was to share that Corridor C has been selected. TxDOT traffic data maps and Level of Service Maps are on the website and have been shared at previous meetings. Now that a corridor has been selected, the team will begin to look for a preferred alignment and more studies will be done as this process continues.
- **Question regarding why the project was limited to only four study area corridors, as none of these please everyone. Why would a corridor further north not be considered?**
  - When first defining the study area, we stopped short of Kohler's Crossing. Due to requests made in the course of public comment, the Kohler's Crossing corridor was considered. Looking at areas further north, we would begin to address a different problem in the County. This northern section is not part of this study and does not address the goals of this project, but this may be an additional consideration for the County in the future.
- **Concerns about safety for schools and buses with the large number of people moving into Blanco Vista as well as safe access onto I-35 from Yarrington Road.**
  - As there is not a preferred alignment at this point, there are not detailed plans for the connection. However, safety is a top priority for this project.
- **Questions on whether this project is attempting to move traffic through downtown Kyle to go north or south.**
  - The purpose of this project is to provide a safe and efficient route for traffic flow throughout the county. The additional benefit is providing relief to the City of Kyle. The point is not only to accommodate Kyle but the overall growth of the entire county. Unprecedented growth documented in the recent past combined with current population projections provide evidence that the county will continue to grow. With this current and pending growth on the horizon, it would be irresponsible to do nothing.
- **Question whether this road improvement's purpose would be to encourage growth.**
  - Any proposed improvements would be planned and designed to deal with expected growth and development; not to encourage growth.
- **Questions on traffic study numbers and the availability to review them. Noted that CAMPO shows the traffic increase up to 2040, west of 35 is not significant. Are the numbers mixed from various sources?**
  - As stated, the TxDOT traffic data maps and Level of Service Maps are on the project website and have been shared. Currently, information from the CAMPO 2035 Plan is being used but updated data from the CAMPO 2040 Plan will be used once it is adopted and available. The need for this project is based on projected population growth and related safety and traffic congestion issues.
- **Concerns on growth straining the natural resources of the county, most importantly water.**

- A brief discussion of water issues in the county was held but the team noted this was not a part of this transportation project.
- **Who is paying for the project?**
  - The County is paying for the Alignment Study and design but is partnered with TxDOT throughout the process as it is a state facility. Construction funding will come from a combination of the state and County. Once all the studies are finished, the project will have gone through the state and federal environmental process.
- **Are public comments and surveys available for review?**
  - Summaries of workshops and public input are all available and posted on the project website. In addition to the summaries, all of the technical information we have discussed is also posted.
- **Questions about the intersection of FM 150 and Arroyo Ranch, as it is very dangerous. Will this project improve safety in this area?**
  - Part of the next phase of this project is to identify, analyze, and select a preferred alignment that best solves safety issues.
- **Questions on why Corridor A was not selected, as it was preferred by the public and seems to be the cheapest and shortest. Noted corridor A would need an overpass, but C would relocate people, why not build the overpass instead?**
  - There is not an alignment yet, so no definitive answer can be given on relocations. All of the corridors evaluated make sense to a certain extent, however the Kohler's Crossing Option does not address all needs for this project, as much as Corridor C does.

## SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public comment period was from April 14 to April 27, 2015. During this time, the project team received 31 total comments. Two email reminders of the official comment period were sent to the project distribution list. The first was sent on April 17, 2015 to 251 recipients and the second was sent on April 24, 2015 to 252 recipients. Full comments and responses can be found in the Comment and Responses Report.

During the comment period the project team received:

- 27 Comments Submitted by Email
- 1 Written Comment Received at the Public Meeting
- 3 Verbal Comments

Below is a summary of topics taken from the comments received, as well as the frequency those topics appeared in the comments submitted. Note that some comments may have covered more than one topic.

Topic	Number of Comments
Personal Property	9
Traffic Patterns and Congestion	6
Does Not Support Corridor C	6
Support Corridor C	5
Public Preferences Not Chosen	5
Cemeteries	4
Safety	4
Alternative Route Suggestion	4
Protection of Organic Farm	4
Support Corridor A	3
Speed Limits	3
Water Availability Concerns	3
Environmental Concerns	3
Location of Road	2
Traffic Data	2
Bicycle and Pedestrian	2
Historical Property	2
Kyle Loop	2
Oppose all Corridor Options	2
Population Growth	2
Comment on Character Plan Project	2
More Information Needed	2
Number of Water Wells Referred to in Corridor Analysis Report	2
Road Not Needed	2
Traffic Studies	2
Support for Option 1 in Corridor C	2
Does Not Support Project Process	2
Location of Study Area	1
Eminent Domain	1

Does Not Support Corridor A	1
Opposes corridor through Blanco River Ranch Property	1
Old Stagecoach Road Congestion	1
Alignment West of Blanco River Crossing and Old Stagecoach Road	1
Questions of Population Growth	1
Questions of Corridor A	1
Warbler Habitat	1
Not Sharing Information with Public	1
Questions on General Land Office Property	1
Does Not Support Project	1
Environmental Process	1
Stream on Property	1
Preference for Eastern Alignment in Corridor C	1
Cost	1
Previous Planning Study	1

## RECOMMENDATIONS AND NEXT STEPS

Hays County and the project team recommend moving forward to identify a preferred alignment within Corridor C. This will include environmental documentation and conducting a more detailed environmental analysis, more detailed engineering, more detailed cost estimates, and working closely with potentially affected property owners and the public.

Appendix A  
Meeting Notices

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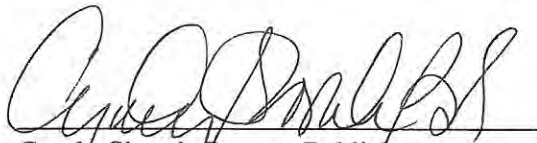
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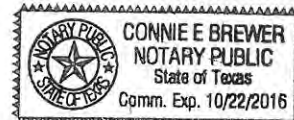
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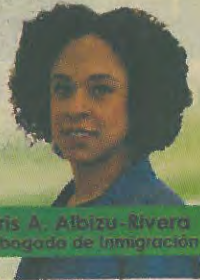
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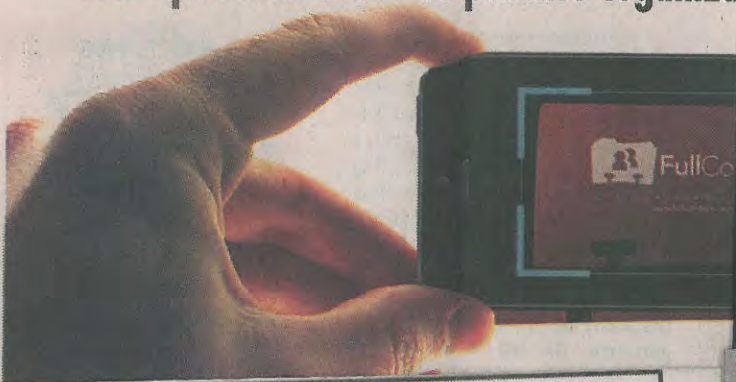
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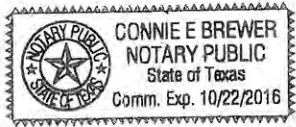
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TWIN LIQUORS LP, TWIN LIQUORS GP LLC, GENERAL PARTNER, DAVID MICHAEL JABOUR, MEMBER, MARGARET ANN JABOUR, MEMBER, DBA TWIN LIQUORS #79 IS MAKING APPLICATION WITH THE TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION FOR A BEER RETAIL DEALER'S OFF PREMISE LICENSE ON THE ADDRESS OF 15300 IH 35 SOUTH, SUITE 350, BUDA, HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS 78610

HELEN JABOUR DBA JABOUR'S WINE AND SPIRITS IS MAKING APPLICATION WITH THE TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION FOR A PACKAGE STORE PERMIT ON THE ADDRESS OF 15300 IH 35 SOUTH, SUITE 350, BUDA, HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS 78610

#### LEGAL NOTICE

APPLICATION HAS BEEN MADE WITH THE TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION FOR A MIXED BEVERAGE PERMIT BY TXHP BUDA 1 OPCO, L.L.C. DBA COMFORT SUITES, TO BE LOCATED AT 15295 IH 35, BUILDING 800, BUDA, HAYS, TEXAS. OFFICERS OF SAID LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ARE RUBY HUANG, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT. SURIL SHAH, MANAGING DIRECTOR.

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COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared  
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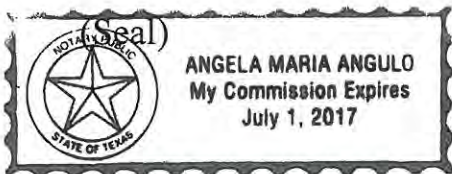
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March 19, 2015.

*Irma Portuondo*  
*(Newspaper representative's signature)*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 9 day of April, 2015 to certify  
which witness my hand and seal of office.



Notary Public in and for the State of Texas  
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Print or Type Name of Notary Public  
*Angela Maria Angulo*

My Commission Expires July 1, 2017

# 4 AUSTIN

Abril 9 - 15, 2015

Monte el informático día a día con las noticias locales e internacionales a través de nuestro caso en la Web, localizado en el [www.elmundonewsppaper.com](http://www.elmundonewsppaper.com). ¡Te esperamos!

## A un clic de las noticias

Encargada. Además, informarán sobre varias opciones de envíos de remesa que son confiables y con cobros de comisiones razonables, para evitar el uso de

gramas y servicios locales e internacionales. El cronograma de actividades será publicado el lunes 13 de abril en el portal <http://consumex.sre.gob.mx/austin>.



### Reunión Pública

Martes, 14 de abril del 2015 - 6pm a 8pm.

Presentación: 6:15 p.m.

Hays High School - Cafetería

4800 Jack C. Hays Trail Buda TX 78610

El Condado de Hays y el Departamento de Transportación de Texas (TxDOT) están considerando la realineación del FM 150 desde Arroyo Ranch a la I-35. El equipo ha evaluado cuatro corredores diferentes y seleccionó un corredor preferido para su estudio posterior. Unase a nosotros para aprender más sobre el análisis y el corredor preferido. La reunión incluirá una exhibición pública, una presentación y una sesión de preguntas y respuestas.

La revisión ambiental, consultas y otras acciones requeridas por las leyes ambientales federales aplicables para este proyecto están siendo o han sido, llevados a cabo por TxDOT - en virtud de 23 USC 327 y un Memorando de Entendimiento fechado el 16 de diciembre del 2014, y ejecutado por la FHWA y el TxDOT.

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## ¿Cómo entrar a la universidad?

Entrar a universidades prestigiosas como Harvard o Stanford no sólo requieren tener un 4.0 de promedio GPA, muchas instituciones educativas reconocidas requieren que el aplicante tenga historial de actividades extracurriculares y desarrollo de sus propias destrezas.

Para orientar sobre este tema, el domingo 12 de abril se puede asistir a la Biblioteca

Faulk Central para recibir consejos de expertos en admisión educativa sobre cómo prepararse para entrar a la universidad. Todas sus preguntas serán respondidas. La charla es en inglés y comenzará a las 4pm. La Biblioteca Faulk Central está ubicada en el 800 Guadalupe St., en Austin (TX 78701). Para más información llame al (512) 974-7400. REDACCION EL MUNDO ▼

**Clínica**



# FM 150 West Alignment Study

## From Arroyo Ranch Road to I-35

### Public Meeting

#### Project Details

Hays County and The Texas Department of Transportation are considering a realignment of a 5 mile section of existing FM 150 from Arroyo Ranch Road to I-35. The purpose of this proposed project is to enhance safety and mobility.

#### Public Meeting

The project team has analyzed public input, technical information, and performed further studies and evaluations on the four corridors considered for the FM 150 Alignment Study. At this meeting the preferred corridor will be shared along with the analysis completed to select it. The preferred corridor will be used as the basis for identifying potential roadway alignments that will be the subject of additional study and a public meeting.

There will be a brief open house, with a presentation beginning at 6:15 p.m. There will be a question and answer session and comments will be collected after the presentation.

#### Meeting Details

**Date:** Tuesday, April 14, 2015

**Time:** 6 to 8 p.m.

**Presentation:** 6:15 p.m.

**Location:** Hays High School  
Cafeteria  
4800 Jack C. Hays Trail  
Buda, TX 78610

#### Submitting Comments

All comments must be received or postmarked by Friday, April 24, 2015 for inclusion in the Public Meeting Record using one of the following methods:

- Complete a written comment card or make a verbal comment to a court reporter at the meeting
- Submit your written comments by April 24, 2015
  - Email: [info@improvefm150.com](mailto:info@improvefm150.com)
  - Mail: P.O. Box 5459, Austin, TX 78763
  - Fax: 512-533-9101

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting will be conducted in English and a Spanish translator will be available. Those who have special translation or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Arin Gray (512-533-9100 Ext. 12, [info@improvefm150.com](mailto:info@improvefm150.com)) by April 7, 2015. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs.

#### For Project Information

Arin Gray  
Public Information Consultant  
512-533-9100 Ext. 12  
[info@improvefm150.com](mailto:info@improvefm150.com)

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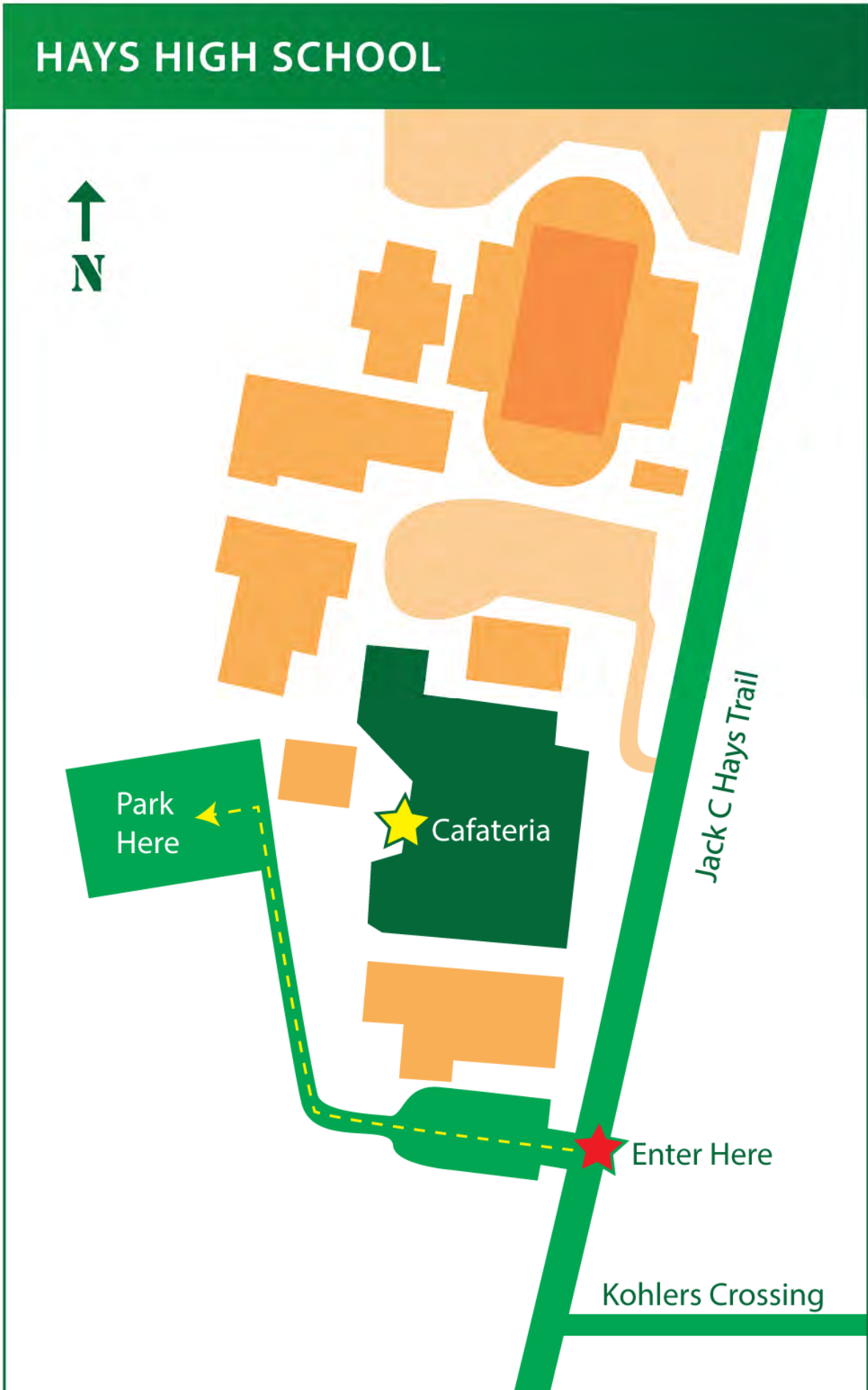
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# PUBLIC MEETING

**FM 150 WEST ALIGNMENT STUDY**

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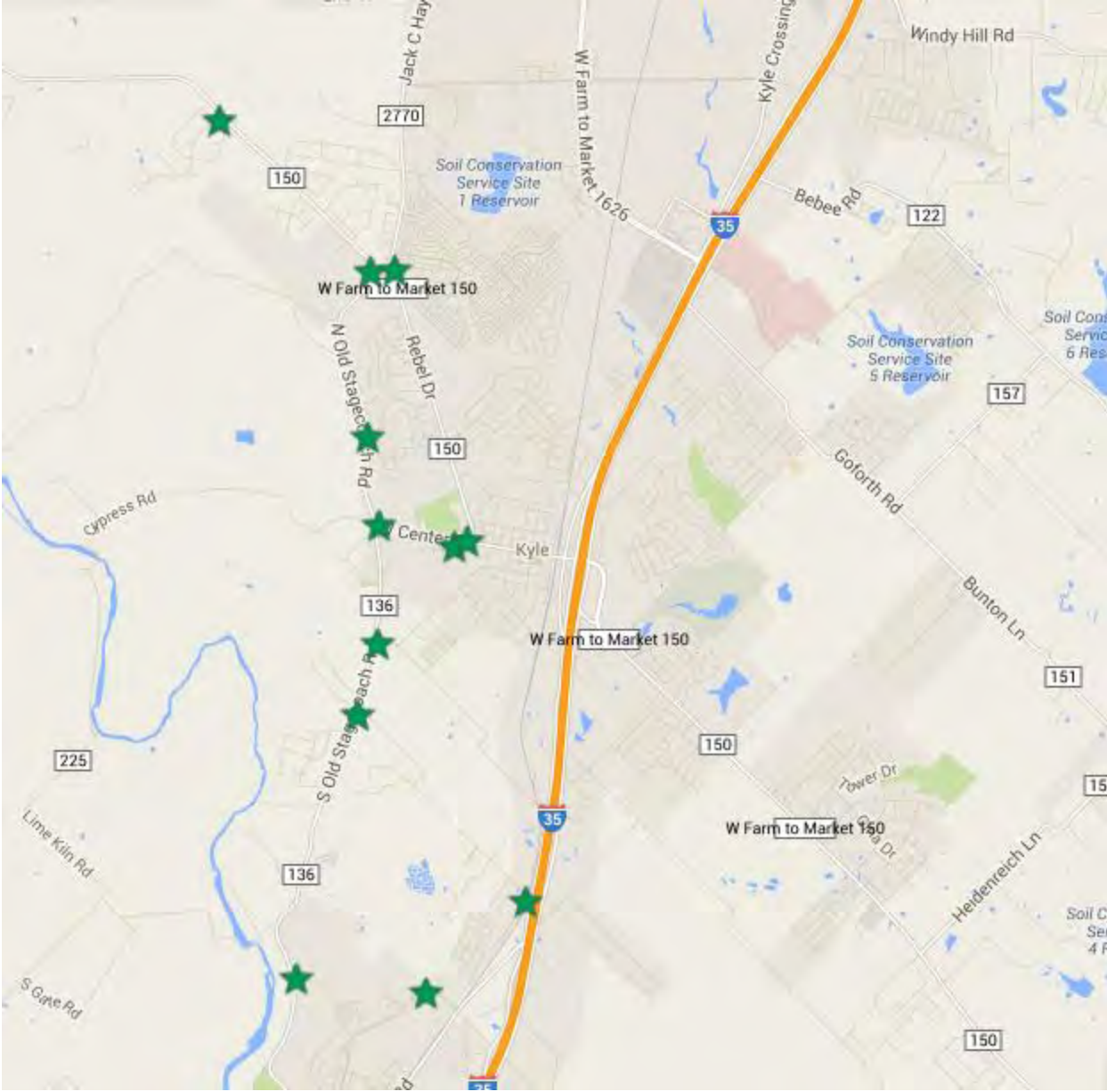
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Meeting Sign Placement



**Appendix B**  
**Meeting Materials & Presentation**

## Project Information Card



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Date: 4/14/15

Team Member

Name	Zip code	Email (if you would like to receive updates)	How did you hear about the meeting?
Jennifer Scott	78640		Email__ Newspaper__ Friend__ Sign__ Mailed Notice__ Other__
Doris Kuester	78640		Email__ Newspaper__ Friend__ Sign__ Mailed Notice__ Other__
Linda Default	78640		Email__ Newspaper__ Friend__ Sign__ Mailed Notice__ Other__
Calvin Kirkham	78640		Email__ Newspaper <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Friend <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sign__ Mailed Notice <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other__
Debra Young	78640		Email__ Newspaper__ Friend__ Sign__ Mailed Notice__ Other__
J.I. Jeffery	78640		Email__ Newspaper__ Friend__ Sign__ Mailed Notice__ Other__
Scott Nance	78610		Email__ Newspaper__ Friend__ Sign__ Mailed Notice__ Other__
Lana Nance	78610		Email__ Newspaper__ Friend__ Sign__ Mailed Notice__ Other__
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Scott Ferguson	78640		Email ___ Newspaper ___ Friend ___ Sign ___ Mailed Notice ___ Other ___
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SHARON WHITEHURST	78640		Email ___ Newspaper ___ Friend ___ Sign ___ Mailed Notice ___ Other ___
Eddy and Mary Etheredge	78640		Email ___ Newspaper ___ Friend ___ Sign ___ Mailed Notice ___ Other ___
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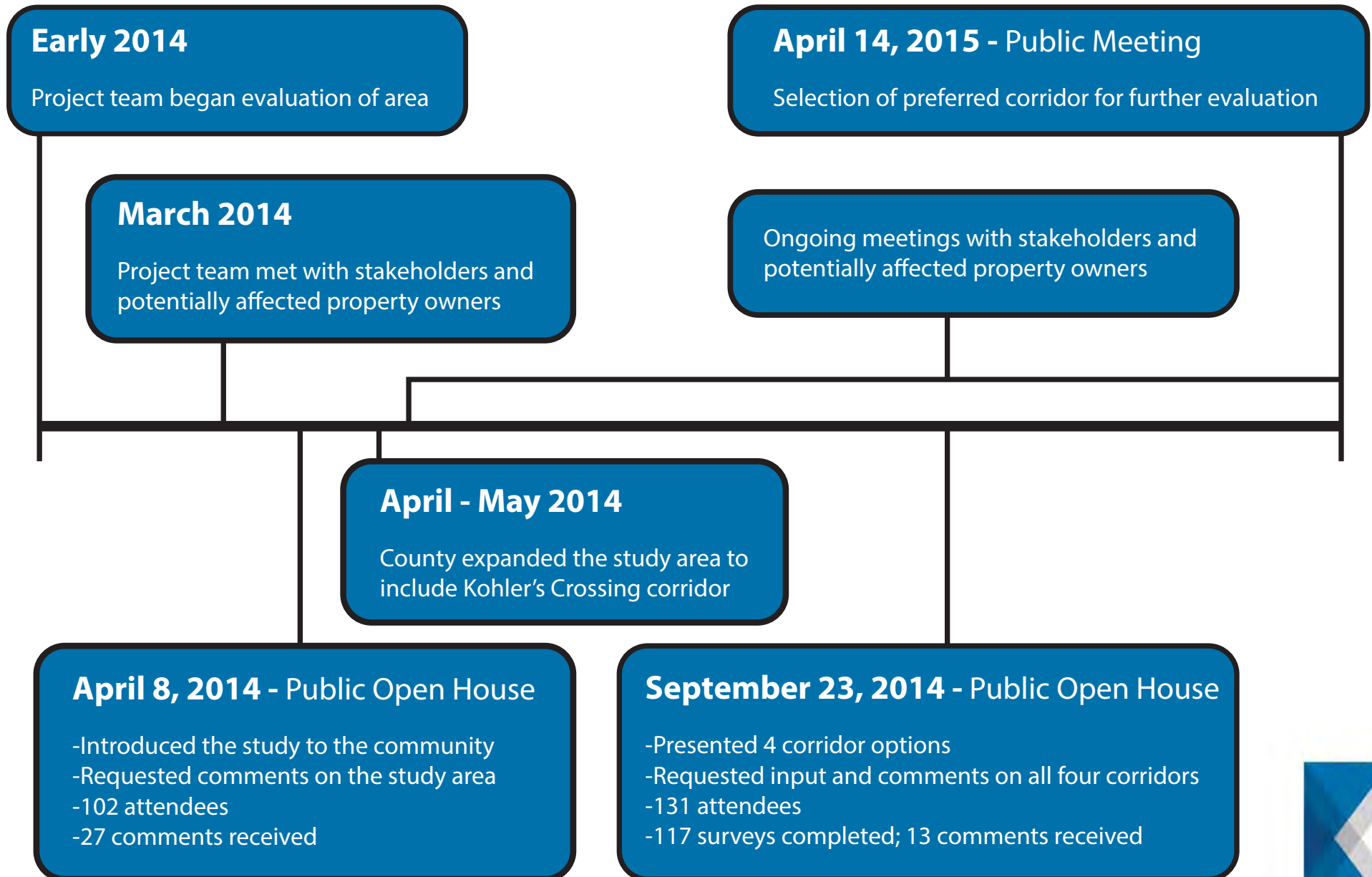
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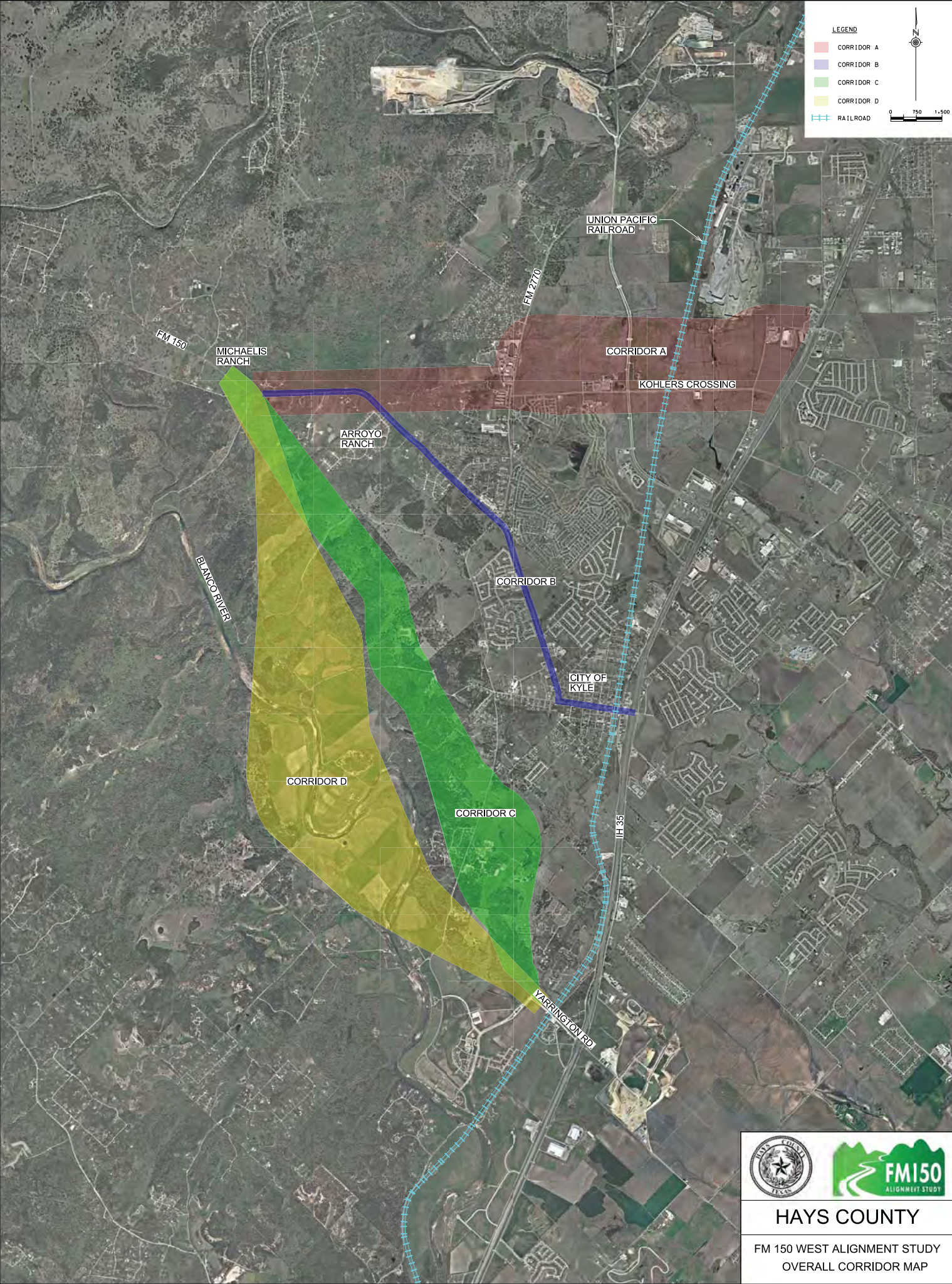
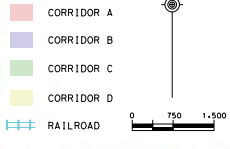
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# FM150 Alignment Study - Project History



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# FM 150 West Alignment Study

## Arroyo Ranch Road to I-35

CSJ Numbers: 0016-17-013; 085-04-028; 0805-04-027

# Public Meeting

## April 14, 2015

# Agenda

- Project overview
- History
- The four corridors studied
- Selection of Corridor C for further study
- Next steps
- Questions and answers

# Project Overview

The purpose of the FM 150 West Alignment Study is to identify a project that will relieve congestion in downtown Kyle, provide enhanced travel conditions for through traffic, improve safety, and accommodate pedestrian and bicycle considerations. The proposed project will:

- Support the safe and efficient movement of traffic through Hays County
- Support desired growth and development in throughout the County and in and around Kyle

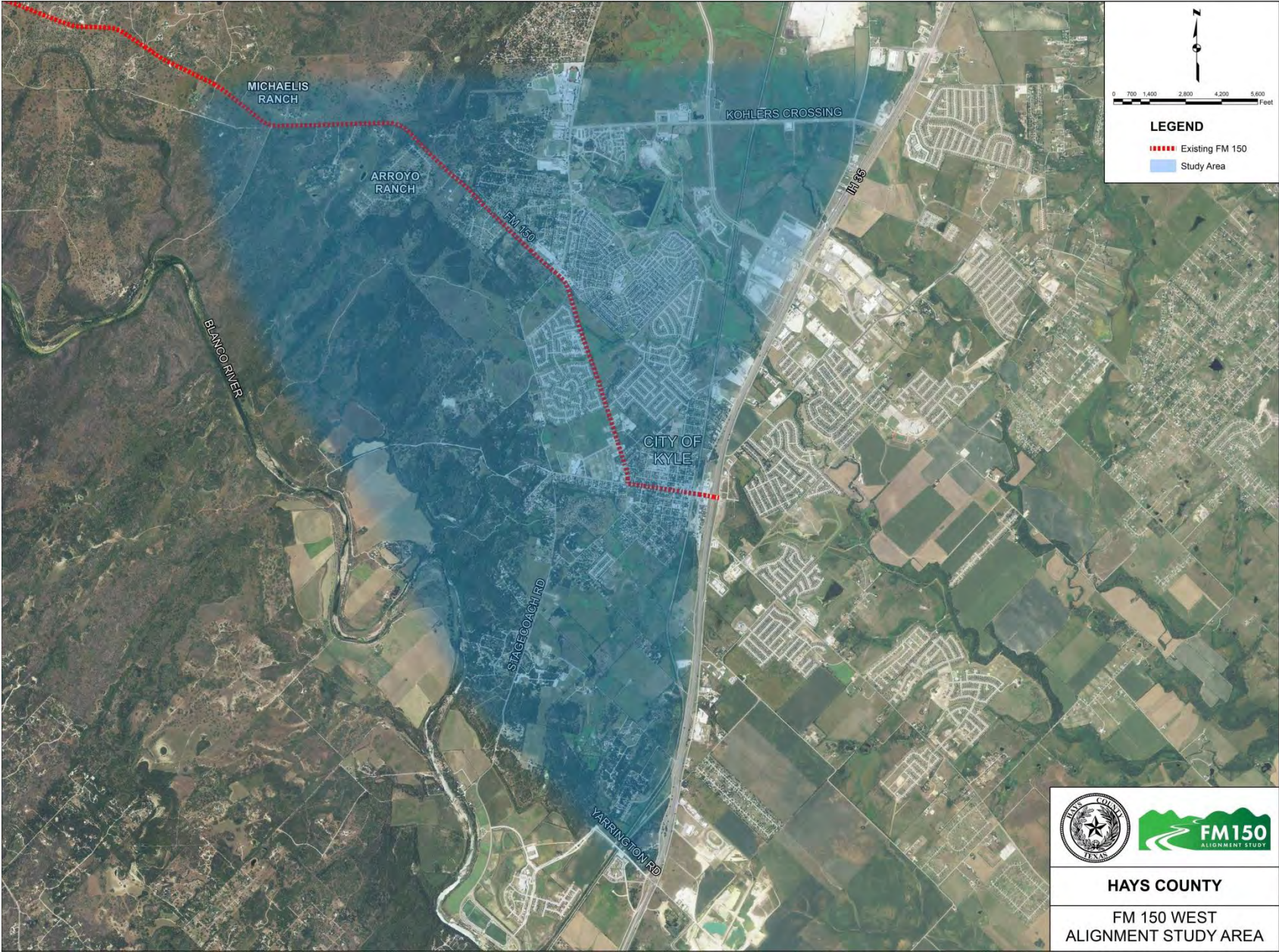
# Project History

- Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2035 Metropolitan Transportation Plan  
*Adopted March, 2010*  
*Included in the illustrative list*
- Hays County Transportation Plan  
*Adopted January, 2013*  
*Shown as southern portion of the Proposed Kyle Loop*  
*Identified as a four-lane roadway*
- Capital Area 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan  
*Included in the Draft Preferred Scenario*

# Project History

- Early 2014 – project team began evaluation of study area
- Meetings with stakeholders
- Public Open House April 8, 2014
  - Introduced the study to the community
  - Requested comments on the study area
  - 102 attendees
  - 27 comments received
- County expanded the study area to include Kohler's Crossing corridor

# Project History



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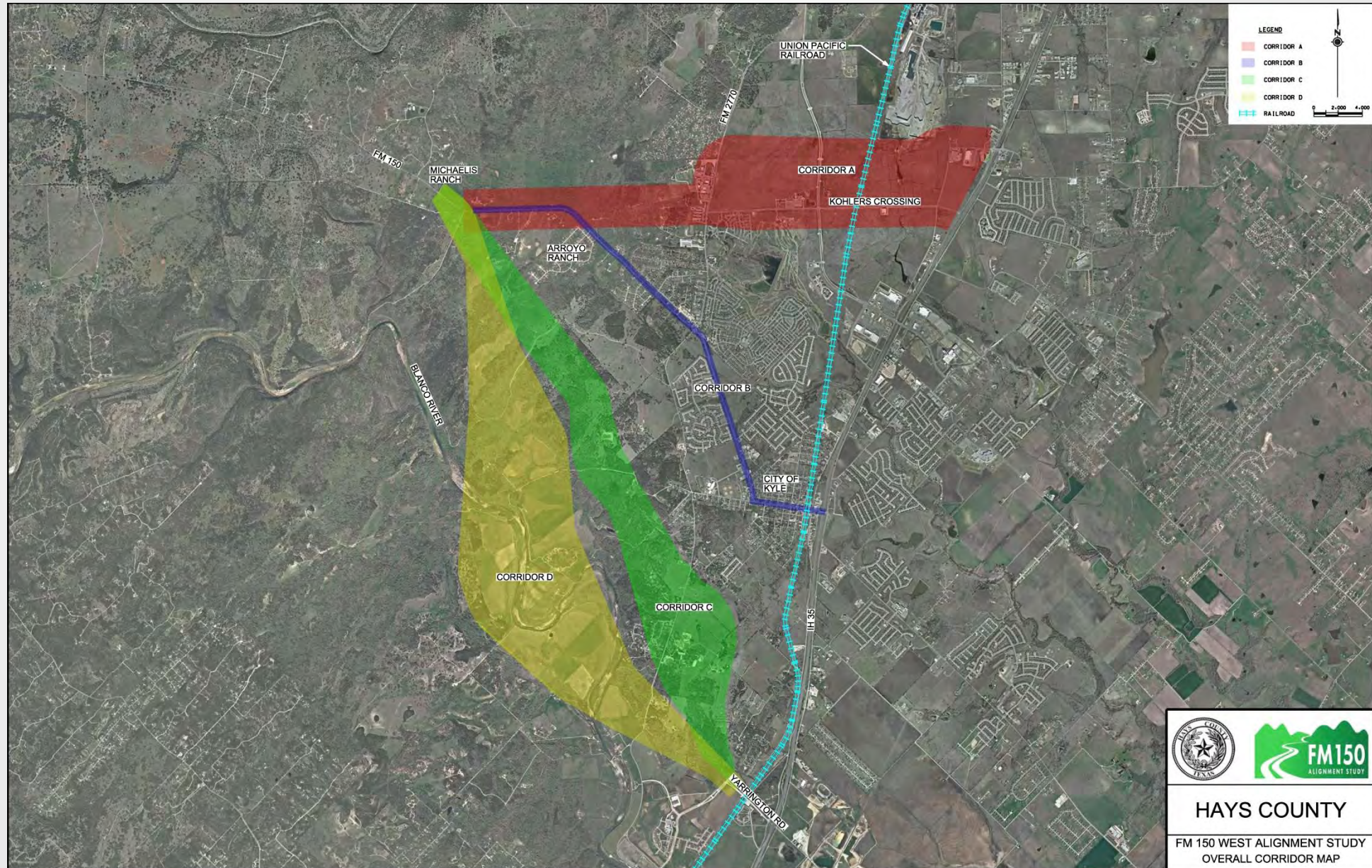
- Public Open House – September 23, 2014
  - Presented 4 corridor options
  - Requested input and comments on all four corridors
  - 131 attendees
  - 117 surveys completed; 13 additional comments
  - Selection of preferred corridor for further evaluation

# Corridors Studied

## No Build Option

- Advantages:
  - No cost
  - No ROW impact
- Disadvantages:
  - No reduction in traffic through downtown Kyle
  - Adverse impacts to residents and businesses

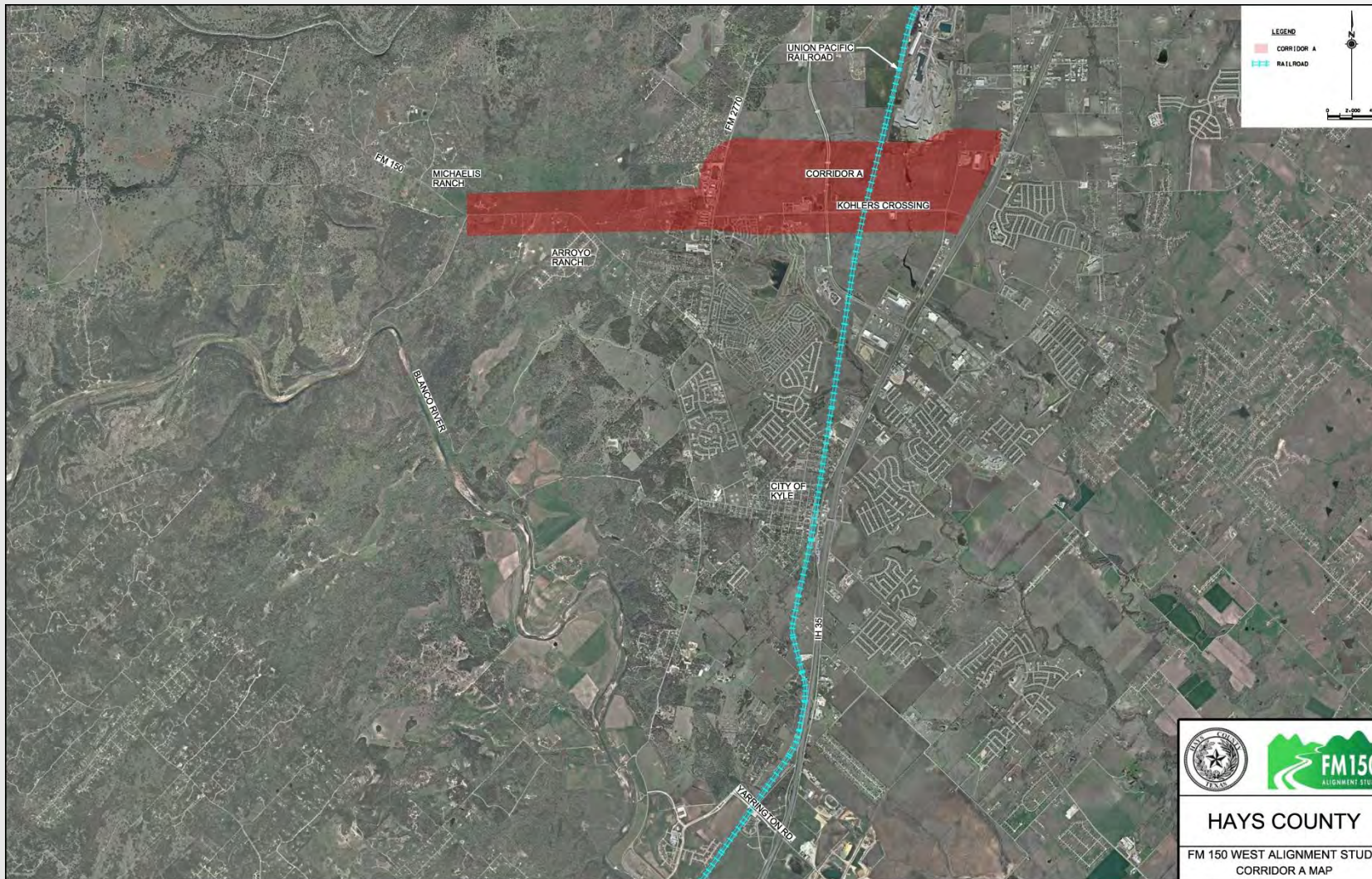
# Corridors Studied



# Corridor A

Widening and improving Kohler's Crossing and tying into existing FM 150 north of Arroyo Ranch Road

# Corridor A



## Highlights

### Advantages:

- Short alignment
- Minimal ROW acquisition
- Encourages future northern connectivity

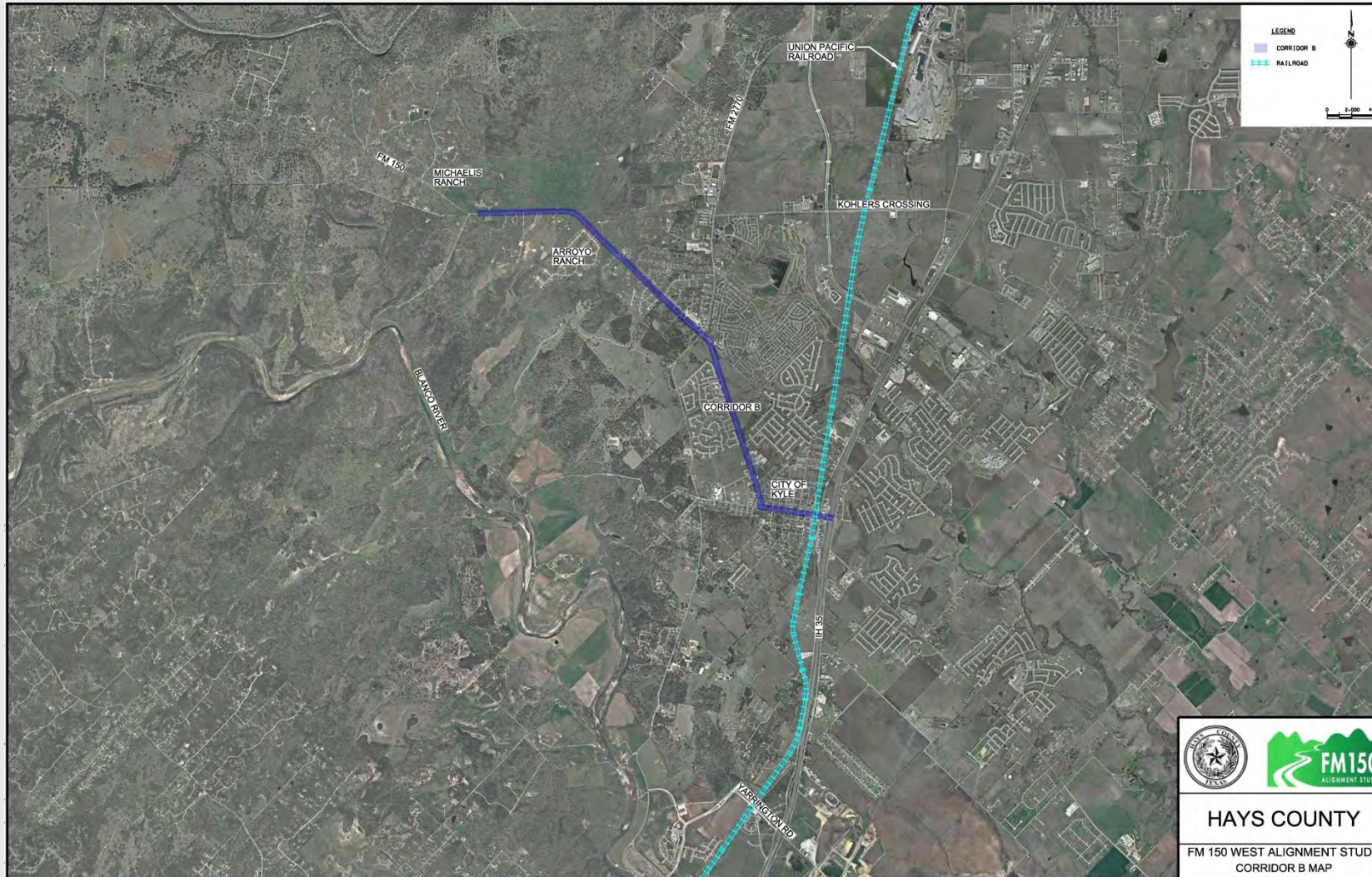
### Disadvantages:

- Crosses floodplain
- Requires improvement to at-grade UPRR crossing
- Bisects schools
- May discourage future development north of Kyle
- Requires reconstruction of intersection at FM 2770 and Kohlers Crossing
- Minimal traffic

# Corridor B

Widening and improving existing FM 150 (Center Street) through downtown Kyle.

# Corridor B



## Highlights

### Advantages:

- Only one FEMA floodplain crossing

### Disadvantages:

- Significant changes to downtown Kyle
- Requires improvement to at-grade UPRR crossing
- Sharp turns reduce design speed
- Crosses between multiple subdivisions
- No improvement to pedestrian or bicyclist safety
- Does not reduce amount of traffic through downtown

# Corridor C

Developing a new-location alternative south of Kyle and east of the Blanco River from the Yarrington Road-IH 35 intersection to existing FM 150 north of Arroyo Ranch Road.

# Corridor C



## Highlights

### Advantages:

- Existing grade separated UPRR crossing
- Connects to future FM 110
- Reduces congestion through downtown Kyle
- Supports desired growth and development within Kyle

### Disadvantages:

- Three floodplain crossings
- Requires extensive ROW acquisition
- Potential impacts to existing residences
- Close proximity to historic ranches

# Corridor D

Developing a new-location alternative south of Kyle and west of the Blanco River from the Yarrington Road-IH 35 intersection to existing FM 150 north of Arroyo Ranch Road.

# Corridor D



## Highlights

### Advantages:

- Existing grade separated UPRR crossing
- Connects to future FM110
- Supports desired growth and development within Kyle
- Reduces congestion through downtown Kyle
- Reduced impact to existing residences

### Disadvantages:

- Requires two bridges to cross Blanco River
- Requires extensive ROW acquisition
- Potential impacts to existing residences
- Close proximity to

# Comparative Analysis

# Evaluation Matrix

Table 1: Corridor and No Build Alternatives Evaluation Table

Criteria	Corridor A	Corridor B	Corridor C	Corridor D	No Build
<b>Construction Cost</b>	Lowest cost	Lower than D, but higher than A and C	Lower than B and D, but higher than A	Most expensive overall	NA
<b>Direct Property Constraints</b>	Requires majority new ROW and construction between two schools.	Requires new ROW; eliminates roadside parking downtown; and require extensive coordination with property owners.	Would require almost entirely new ROW except for alignments connection at Yarrington Road.	Would require almost entirely new ROW except for alignments connection at Yarrington Road; ROW acquisition potentially easier than other three corridors.	No new ROW
<b>Adjacent Property Constraints</b>	Increased traffic volume and noise near two schools and Plum Creek neighborhood.	Increase traffic, noise and travel time; would potentially decreased property values, roadway's level of service, lot sizes; and decrease congestion.	Increase traffic noise for residential neighborhoods at the southern end of the corridor; decrease traffic congestion.	Increase traffic noise for residential neighborhoods at the southern end of the corridor; and undeveloped areas would increase in property value.	FM 150 travel times would increase and the roadway's level of service would decrease; potential to negatively affect property values.
<b>Accommodates Existing Travel Patterns/Demands</b>	Shortest connection from existing FM 150 to I-35; best route to relocate current Austin bound traffic away from downtown Kyle.	Would accommodate current travel demands and patterns of FM 150.	Would accommodate current south and east bound traffic demands; and would relocated traffic away from downtown Kyle.	Would accommodate current south and east bound traffic demands; and would relocate traffic away from downtown Kyle.	Would not accommodate existing demands as there are currently extensive delays along Center Street through downtown Kyle.
<b>Accommodates Future Travel Patterns/Demands</b>	Would accommodate future travel patterns, and would complete HCTP northern segment of the proposed Kyle Loop.	Would accommodate future travel patterns.	Would accommodate future travel patterns, and would complete HCTP southern segment of the proposed Kyle Loop.	Would accommodate future travel patterns, and is similar to HCTP southern segment of the proposed Kyle Loop.	Would not accommodate future travel demands and will increased delays and congestion.
<b>Improves Union Pacific Railroad Crossing</b>	Would require significant improvements to UPRR.	Would require improvements to UPRR.	No improvements needed for UPRR.	No improvements needed for UPRR.	No improvements needed for UPRR.
<b>Groundwater</b>	Over portions of all three zones; Edwards Aquifer Rules would apply; and 17 recorded water wells	Over portions of all three zone; Edwards Aquifer Rules would apply; and 19 recorded water wells.	Over portions of all three zones; Edwards Aquifer Rules would apply; and 9 recorded water wells.	Over portions of all three zones; Edwards Aquifer Rules would apply; and 8 recorded water wells.	Edwards Aquifer Rules would not apply and 0 recorded water wells.
<b>Surface Water</b>	Future alignments could potentially cross Bunton Branch 1-3 times, Plum Creek 1 time, and 6 floodplains totaling 64 acres.	There are no rivers or streams. However, future alignments could potentially cross 2 floodplains totaling 4.4 acres.	There are no rivers or streams. However, future alignments could potentially cross 3-5 floodplains totaling 55.3 acres.	Future alignments could potentially cross the Blanco River 1-3 times and 9 floodplains totaling 934.1 acres.	No rivers, streams or floodplains.

# Selected Corridor: Corridor C



# How Corridor C was Selected

**Corridor A** - favored by the public but possible roadway alignments split the schools and have a variety of significant public safety issues

**Corridor B** - harm to downtown Kyle by eliminating parking, encroaching on residential and business lots, and require significant improvements to the UPRR crossing

**Corridor D** - extensive engineering and construction costs and environmental compliance as it requires two bridges over the Blanco River and has the most potential Golden Cheek Warbler habitat impacts

# How Corridor C was Selected

Corridor C was chosen because it:

- Most directly supports the purpose and need
- Provides the most feasible constructability
- Avoids business and public facility resources
- Provides for the most adjustments to mitigate potential land use and environmental impacts
- Best addresses County mobility and economic development needs
- Best balances human and natural environment impacts

# Next Steps

- Initiate environmental documentation to identify a preferred alignment within Corridor C

*Corridor Analysis Report*

*More detailed environmental analysis*

*More detailed engineering*

*More detailed cost estimates*

*Work with potentially affected property owners*

*Public meeting*

# Next Steps

- Now to September 2015 – December 2015
  - Work with potentially affected property owners
  - Environmental Assessment
  - Preferred alignment
- October 2015 – November 2015
  - Public meeting preferred alignment
- December 2015 to June 2016
  - Schematic design

# Comments

## **Tonight:**

- Complete a comment card
- Leave comment with the court reporter

## **Comment Period:**

- Open through April 24, 2015
- Email: [info@improvefm150.com](mailto:info@improvefm150.com)
- Mail: PO Box 5459, Austin, TX 78763
- Fax: (512) 533-9101

# Questions and Answers

# Appendix C

## Comments

After attending the public meeting on the Realignment of RR 150 Project on April 14, 2015, I am disappointed with both the quantity and quality of information presented. A project of this magnitude should be supported by volumes of factual documentation regarding both the need for the project and the facts supporting decisions that are being made. As far as I am concerned these documents do not exist since very few have been presented and/or discussed at these public meetings.

I would also like to say that I am not against the proposed roadway just because it will probably come within a few hundred feet of my property. I am opposed to it because, in my opinion, it will not alleviate current traffic problems in Kyle nor prevent future problems with traffic in Kyle. It appears to me, and many others, that there must be other factors, not being shared with us, that are driving this roadway development because the facts, as known to us, do not support its construction.

Almost every person attending the meeting was in agreement that the proposed new roadway is not needed at the present time nor will be needed in the near future. Without documentation to the contrary, their opinion is just as valuable as yours!

I understand why no traffic studies were performed as they would clearly show, as mine did, the current need is for improved access to the north and not the south, and I understand your intention is to provide for "future" needs. What I don't understand is why you are willing to spend funds for a roadway when there is NO documentation indicating the roadway will be needed in the future! I understand Hays County is growing but what facts are convincing you there will be a need for a roadway connecting RR 150 to IH 35 on the south side of Kyle?

Every person in attendance that I talked to, and I talked to a lot of the people there, agreed that a roadway through the proposed corridor will not relieve congestion on Center Street. Vehicles traveling eastbound on RR 150, intending to travel north on IH 35 will not go several miles out of their way, to the south, to get to IH 35. Nor will the hundreds of vehicles intending to travel northbound on

FM 1626 and FM 2770. Such a roadway will be even less necessary if 45 SW is connected to FM 1626 as planned.

When this new loop is completed from IH 35 in Buda, across FM 2770, FM 1626 and then to RR 150, I believe all the traffic eastbound on RR 150 intending to travel north on IH 35 will take that portion of the loop. I do not believe the majority of citizens residing in Kyle will drive west out to the loop to go north. They will go north on FM 1626 and/or FM 2770 to the loop or 45 SW, or will go north on IH 35 from Kyle. That section of the proposed loop will alleviate most of the existing and future congestion in downtown Kyle.

Unless the existing section of RR 150, between the proposed roadway and FM 2770 is closed, vehicles intending to travel east of Kyle on RR 150 East, will continue to choose the existing roadways through Kyle, rather than taking the loop to Yarrington Road and then going north, back to RR 150 East.

And why are we to assume, future residents living west of Kyle will need more access to the south? Common sense would indicate that some will find employment south of Kyle and will desire access to business and services in that area, but not the majority! Currently the Austin metro-plex provides the majority of jobs in the Austin area. Kyle is currently promoting itself as a "Destination" and now provides many jobs, businesses and services that citizens used to have to travel to Buda, San Marcos and Austin to access.

As I have mentioned in previous communications with you, I have lived in the Kyle area for thirty six years and, having been a law enforcement officer for 43 years, I am very aware of traffic flow and human behavior. After listening to the people attending the meeting last night, I am even more convinced that we all share the same opinion regarding this project. We do not currently, nor will we in the near future, need to spend funds on a roadway that provides people living west of Kyle with access to IH 35 south of Kyle! If it is intended to be part of a larger "loop" system around Kyle, what driver on IH 35 would want to go that far out of his/her way to avoid driving through Kyle? The State of Texas is having trouble getting people to use the I 45/130 Loop around Austin and Austin's traffic congestion is horrible!

Perhaps at the next public meeting, someone could present some maps clearly depicting the entire proposed loop system. There is still confusion as to what this "loop" system will look like. Maybe one map showing the entire loop for San Marcos, Kyle and Buda. I might add, just because someone or some group arbitrarily drew up a plan for roadways, does not mean they are written in stone and are based on facts supporting them. They may look good on paper but are they well developed and will they do what they are intended to do?

Criteria used to evaluate the validity of the four proposed corridors was appropriate but I find fault with several of the findings.

1. Your report points out that there will only be nine water wells affected by constructing the roadway through Corridor C. By my count, there will be at least 22.
2. You did not list the effect on the Golden Cheek Warbler in Corridor C as you did in Corridor D and I'm sure the birds are in both areas.

In Summary:

I'm sure the RR 150 Realignment project looks good on paper and would be a feather in someone's cap, but, in most citizens minds, it would be a terrible waste of public funds! As I stated in previous comments, I am glad we are planning ahead for future traffic needs, but as far as I am concerned, this roadway will not alleviate current traffic problems nor prevent future traffic problems! This is my opinion and without facts and documentation contradicting my beliefs, I am against this proposed route and will be disappointed in my elected officials if it is completed in its proposed form.

Roy R. Baldrige



Kyle, Texas, 78640

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Thank you very much for not using the Kohler's crossing route option for 150!

David Barnes

Plum Creek resident

[REDACTED]

**DUANE S. BEALS**

**KYLE, TX 78640**

April 23, 2015

To: TXDOT  
Commissioner Ray Whisenant  
Commissioner Mark Jones  
K-Friese+Associates  
ImproveFM150.com

Subject: Comments on RR 150 Realignment Project

In response to the public meeting held April 14<sup>th</sup>, I wish to submit my comments on the proposed realignment of FM 150 (which is actually RR 150). I was disappointed in that meeting in that it provided very little substantive information other than the fact that Corridor "C" has been selected at the proposed route area for the proposed 4-lane roadway.

I still cannot understand why you are proposing to build that road, and everyone I have talked to about it is in complete agreement. Here are some of the reasons:

1. The route proposed will do absolutely NOTHING to alleviate the current traffic congestion problem in downtown Kyle. For you to continue to assert that it will is simply disingenuous and actually severely diminishes your

credibility about this whole project. With the northern terminus at RR 150 near Arroyo Ranch, it will be too far out of the way for any current residents of the Kyle area to get to conveniently. With the route proceeding southeast from there to the Yarrington overpass of I-35, almost no one would need to go there because it doesn't take them conveniently to I-35 and the vast majority will want to go north to the Austin area anyway. So this proposed roadway would actually take them miles out of their way, in the wrong direction, just to get to I-35. They will all prefer to get there the way they currently do. You should at least stop trying to cram that logic down our throats. It simply won't work.

2. You have still not provided any traffic study data supporting your assertions about where traffic is going, even after repeated requests to do so.

We have at least gone to the trouble to do our own survey, which confirmed our suspicions that well over ninety percent of current traffic from west of Kyle will go north or east, NOT south! See previous comment letter containing the data from that survey. In addition, please refer to an article about Kyle in the April 16 – May 20 edition of the "Community Impact" newspaper. On page 20 is a graphic called "Driving Kyle's Economy". In a part titled "Where are Kyle residents working", statistics show that 75% travel north to Buda, Austin, Irving, and Dallas, while only 12% travel to San Marcos and another 12% to Houston.

3. Acknowledging that Hays County will “double” in population in the next 30 years still does not offer any evidence that residential growth will take place west of Kyle along RR 150. It is not currently happening and in all probability will not happen anytime soon because there is not sufficient water available to supply many new homes in that area. The news is full of stories about existing water shortages and problems with supply and much controversy about where additional water might be secured (from long distances away, for example). It is mostly open ranch land now and likely to remain that way due to that lack of water, for just one urgent reason.
4. We are left to understand the thinking to be “People are coming, we’d better build some roads. Let’s put one here and see what happens”.
5. Your statement that there are only nine water wells in Corridor C is so flat-out wrong as to be some kind of cruel joke. Just on my street alone (Wildcat Hollow Drive) there are eighteen houses, each of which has one or more water wells! Also, there are at least a dozen more within a thousand yards of us. In the entire area of Corridor C there are many more private residences with their own private well.
6. You tell us Corridor A has been eliminated from consideration because it would involve constructing the roadway between two schools, which may not be safe. But later in the meeting presentation, we were told the city of Kyle should consider constructing it, as it would be a logical extension of Kohler’s Crossing to provide a

convenient connection between RR 150 and I-35. Which is it?

7. Logical thinking should ask the questions “Where are people living? Where do they want/need to go? What is the most likely way they would take to get there?”

Constructing a four-lane divided major thoroughfare from a spot between cities in I-35 north-westward into open country and ranch land toward Wimberley and Dripping Springs just does not answer any of those questions. It most certainly does not justify spending the huge sums of money it would require for no real perceived benefit.

We ask you to please step back and take another strong hard look at this whole project. Try to come up with something much less disruptive and costly that would better fit current as well as future needs.

Thank you for this opportunity to express my thoughts on this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Duane Beals

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My comments enclosed.

## Public Comments

Obviously I'm not for this major highway that will pollute me out of business due to the massive amounts of vehicle emissions into my rainwater collection system, soil and human edible crops on a daily basis. Since Hays County elected to locate the highway to follow the location of County Commissioner Whisenant precinct lines due to the severe lack of voters that would re-elect him think Rowland and Opal roads and not telling us prior to this he secured this highway for his major amount of voters in Dripping Springs. All other elected County Commissioners knew this would take place as well that is why they redid precinct lines years before.

Whisenant comments regarding the vehicle emission standards within EPA, clean air is worth noting especially since the health of me and my family along with all customers who buy from me will be exposed to higher levels of carcinogens. This becomes a State of Texas Health Dept., food safety issue. At risk is my Certified Organic farm of which all current County Commissioners knew of my farm and of me. This is a personal attack especially since (County Commissioners) all knew of my location.

Protecting the rights of other large landowners while withholding information on the real reason for this highway( GLO tract and their need for this road of which warrants the need for this road). Not telling the truth is something you have to live with. As in previous meetings the question was asked many times can the State of Texas benefit from a sale of land because of the new highway location? Even at the big presentation they never talked about it.

I am glad that The State of Texas at your expense will supply me with all knowledgeable personal BEFORE the pollution of my Certified Organic Farm. Those involved will be Dept of Agriculture, Texas Water Development Board, TECQ, Hays County Health Dept., Texas Parks and Wildlife, State of Texas Health Dept., EPA who will support me in preventing this pollution from occurring on my farmland. Certainly baseline testing is needed immediately effective now, since I was selected for the corridor.

This is a personal property rights issue with direct ties to land use of which a known source of pollution (vehicle emissions) will directly and negatively cause me harm. With the pollution that will occur this then becomes a Takings. Since all parties (City of Kyle, Hays County State of Texas) have all agreed that this will be the route this becomes a much more serious matter.

With clear indications that vehicle emissions are hazardous to our health and a Certified Organic farming business that challenges TXDOT, Hays County this corridor was still selected. This location puts public health at risk when you knowingly pollute me with vehicle emissions. Even our County Extension Service Agent knows about the daily exposure to vehicle emissions through inhalation, digestion and touch.

No mention was ever talked about was the historical roads Stagecoach, Rowland, Opal, Cypress, Post Road. Since County Commissioners appoint members to the Hays County Historical Committee neither they nor you have made any mention in this road plan. Why not?

No mention of the massive power lines that will disrupt the scenic views, why not ?

What about the noise reduction walls ? No traffic counts were made in our area. What bicycle groups were contacted?

What mitigation plans are going to be done concerning the advent of building the highway I'm still here and vehicle emissions pollute my land with the highway located nearby? With TECQ and all other supporting State agencies with their monitoring daily will detect pollution levels at your expense.

No factual information was told to the citizens concerning projected vehicle estimates, especially the dangerous cement, gravel and semi trucks that local police do not attempt to pull over for known traffic violations..ie speeding, over weight, running stop signs. With known speeding that occurs how will you prevent a gasoline spills in this area especially with close proximity of nearby well owners, Blanco River and karst topography and a Certified Organic Farm Business.

No Environmental Impact Statement? Only a Environmental Assessment. Well you certainly have the worst case scenario on your hands. Certainly the cultural aspects just concerning my farm warrants investigation concerning the overwhelming need of citizens wanting, supporting the ONLY Certified Organic farm in this whole highway section. My credibility, healthy food will be taken away.

The unnamed stream that starts on my property and flows into Ed Bullocks ponds is not even mentioned. How will you protect my credibility of my Certified Organic farm when the highway does get built nearby? With I-35 one mile away (north-south) and now with another major highway built a mile away(east-west) the winds that are associated with both highways will swirl and cause pooling of massive amounts of vehicle emissions how will that affect me? Is there a scale model of that already done like the map that I saw with the highway 100ft from me?

If my farm was not a Certified Organic farm but just like another chemical farm this would not be an issue. How you balance the growing human consumption of clean food from a Certified Organic farm that is growing in popularity each year with your major highway project remains unclear. Having recently won the 2015 Blue Legacy Award as a Producer for Water Conservation of which I have never pumped any aquifer water in 25 years makes this even more of a challenge.

Basically you have told my family you don't want a 25 year Certified Organic business here anymore and will kick us out of our house, lose both incomes, relocate to a different location all because of speculative developers who want to build 7500 homes at the GLO tract that the County Commissioners have NOT told the citizens about.

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**Subject:** Comment on Public meeting

I received the following comment and am forwarding for your records and response.

I attended the [improveFM150.com](http://improveFM150.com) Open House 4/14/15. I can tell you after soliciting public input, last night was the most hostile meeting of all. The public wanted Corridor A. The committee avoided specific answers to questions asked why Corridor C was chosen anyway. The public is growing extremely upset that their opinions are ignored!!!

Dean Blackmor [REDACTED]  
Phone [REDACTED]

Regards,

Chris

Christopher Bishop  
Public Information Office  
TxDOT Austin District  
512-832-7110

Talk. Text. Crash.



## Improve FM150

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**From:** Dean Blackmor [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 6:03 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Comment Period

I wish to make comments regarding the last meeting held on 4/14/15. Obviously this was the most focal meeting held to date. During these public meetings, we have been invited to share our input into the direction to improve conditions for traffic on FM 150. The public has participated and I know Joe and his project team have put numerous man hours into preparing and hosting these meetings. What I witnessed last Tuesday the 14th of April was a decision to ignore the public majority's vote for Corridor A because of a meeting with the school board.

Why go to all the trouble of such meetings to only turn around and ignore the people who have participated in good faith. This was a slap in the face to waste our time! Those on the school board have not been to the meetings. Move the Football stadium and build them a new one in a better spot. There are better solutions than longer, more expensive roads through historic and environmentally sensitive areas that the citizens do not support. I guess it will be time to elect a new school board next election. I expected after ALL our efforts to be "inclusive" to improve FM 150 that we would have been included. Instead the decision was given over to a bureaucratic few. These meetings will not get any user friendlier from this point on. I feel our trust has been undermined.

Dean Blackmor

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Debra Courtney [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 3:39 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Heartbroken

To say that I am heartbroken at the changes being proposed for FM 150 would be an understatement.

The possibility (now likelihood) that my friend will lose her home (her grandparents' home) and her ranch, that her kids will lose that piece of their heritage to make room for people who aren't even here, sickens me.

The chance that my neighborhood (Arroyo Ranch) will become a shortcut to the new extension scares me.

I get that Austin didn't prepare for its growth and is paying for it now. I sat in rush-hour traffic every day for 16 years watching it get worse. But I got to come home to Kyle, where everyone knows that there's a pretty good chance the train will be blocking Center Street and they either find their way around it or wait. We've been doing it for years. And the new people figure it out, too.

Along with every other resident that attended last week's meeting, I do not believe that this re-alignment will do anything to move traffic out of downtown Kyle - at least from the west. An awful lot of people turn north onto 2770 from 150, and a significant portion of the ones who go straight are either going to Kyle or continuing east.

Drop the speed limit on 150 from Plum Creek east and incentivize the south-bounders to get to I-35 via Kohler's Crossing and 1626. I'd do that to save a friend's future (and her family's past) ...

## Improve FM150

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**From:** De Leon,Jonathan (DARS) <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 15, 2015 12:47 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** requesting information of where the new road section of fm150 will be.

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Completed

What is the current projected plan or plans of the location of the 4 lane highway going to be (on a map)? I live on old stagecoach Rd South, how will I be affected by the new road?

Thanks,

Jonathan

## Improve FM150

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**From:** De Leon,Jonathan (DARS) <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 15, 2015 2:38 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** questions about fm150

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Completed

Question #1: If my front door faces the road is this new road going to be in my front yard? Currently there is no room for expanding the road where I live, my mail box and fence is closets to Old Stagecoach Rd.

Question # 2: I noticed in the article no one mention eminent domain, is this because that's a given?

My contact information is,

Jonathan De Leon  
[REDACTED]

## Improve FM150

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 27, 2015 8:25 PM  
**To:** Improve FM150  
**Subject:** Re: FM 150 Alignment Study - Final Reminder Comment Period Ends 4/27/15

Fm150 improvement needs to not go through old stagecoach rd (option 2) and go through option 1 because most people would only use it to get to the highway which should be yalls primary goal to get traffic that wants to go to the highway. You would cause more congested traffic and more fatalities by going through option2.

For the following reasons:

There are three cemetery located on old stagecoach rd and the traffic is already congested and the primary reason This is not respectful on yalls behalf at all, it shouldnt even be a consideration to go through old stagecoach rd with that alone with having 3 cemetery located on old stagecoach rd. This realignment should be improving conditions not hurting them and above all gain public trust.

There is already a lot of traffic trying to utilize Dudley park and option 1 is best suited bc most people try to take the highway instead of the park so it would improve the nearby cemetery and going to the park.

Option 1 is best suited because a lot of bicyclist utilize old stagecoach rd and putting a highway there would endanger many of them, this alone is a good enough reason to not go through old stagecoach. The realignment should not endanger people's alive by putting a highway or so many bicycle rides travel through down old stage coach.

This would be unsuitable living conditions for people living off old stage coach rd and blanco river crossing. Option 1 goes around them and does not interfere as much.

The historic land mark of kyle Claiborne log cabin is down old stagecoach rd and a busy highway should not draw more traffic there.

Option 1 should be selected because of the following reasons I have mentioned. I know it probably will cost more money but this is the best and right decision for everyone. I pray and hope yall make the right decision by selection option 1.

Thank your for your time,

Jonathan

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Gomez, MaryAnn [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 16, 2015 3:07 PM  
**To:** 'info@improvefm150.com'  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Corridor "C"

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

My interest is in Corridor C, therefore; since you are still accepting comments till 04/23/2015, please take my comment into consideration.

Old Stagecoach Rd has already suffered a tremendous increase in traffic due to the new subdivision developments. I realize it does not compare to downtown Kyle, never-the-less it has increased.

The three (3) cemeteries bring traffic that is heavier than usual with visitors and or funeral processions and on special occasions/events the Kyle Log Cabin as well.

If Corridor C is selected for improvement, please consider routing FM 150 road towards West of Blanco River Crossing Subdivision which still leads to Yarrington Rd. It stands to reason since you would not be disturbing as many home owners west of Blanco River Crossing.

Needless to say new subdivisions are or will soon be proposed which in turn will create additional unwanted traffic congestion on Old Stagecoach Rd. My concern is the time in accessing my home and the potential increase in accidents while trying to gain entrance and exiting my home not only for myself but my neighbors as well whose homes face the frontage road.

Thank you for your consideration in having the road improvements re-routed West of Old Stagecoach Road.

A prompt response to this email will be greatly appreciated.

*Mary Ann Gomez,*

CITY OF  
KYLE

CORRIDOR C

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## Improve FM150

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**From:** Ruben Guerrero [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 22, 2015 3:27 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Recent meeting at Hays High cafeteria

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

We were asked for our comments. Here they are:

The reasons for needing this new road are not convincing. It seems like you're making a road to bring in the people! No new road=Less growth and thus conserve water in the area.

We don't believe Options A,B and D were really seriously considered by your committee. We feel you had your mind made up from the beginning. So, why ask for our input?

By choosing option C you are hurting people who have lived here for many years, so that you can make a road for future residents.

Sent from my iPad

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Andrew Hardin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 24, 2015 4:37 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** FM 150

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dear Arin Gray-

Thank you for taking public input on the FM 150 project. I was not able to attend the meeting last week.

I am opposed to "improving" FM 150. It is perfect the way it is. It is one of the most beautiful roads I have ever seen anywhere,

and it travels across some of the most beautiful and fragile creeks in Texas. I would much rather see 1826 widened to accommodate traffic.

To me, connecting I-35 at Kyle to 290 at Dripping Springs is creating an extension of urban sprawl that is already out of control.

I also oppose altering Elder Hill Road.

Thank you for taking the time to read my comments.

Sincerely,

Andrew Hardin  
Wimberley, Texas

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Matthew Kruzie [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 27, 2015 4:07 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** FM 150 West Alignment Study  
**Attachments:** img304.pdf

Comment on the FM 150 West Alignment Study from Matt Kruzie who resides at [REDACTED], Kyle TX 78640.

Upon my review of the FM 150 West Alignment Corridor Evaluation Report, I am disturbed how the report not only defied the conclusions of the traffic studies shown in Exhibit G (shows the majority of the traffic coming from and heading to the north of Kyle) but also ignored/undervalued the the public opinion. How discouraging.

For this reason I am a little hesitant to provide any feedback from this point forward. Nonetheless, my home and business (Texas Old Town) are in the middle of Corridor C, therefore I feel a duty to protect my property.

I feel you should at least have accurate information before you continue your route selection. It seems that the maps are out of date and/or incorrect in that they do not show all the residences and businesses in this corridor. I noted on the attached map just a few updates/errors that need to be considered prior to the route selection. I have only included things that I am familiar and acquainted with.

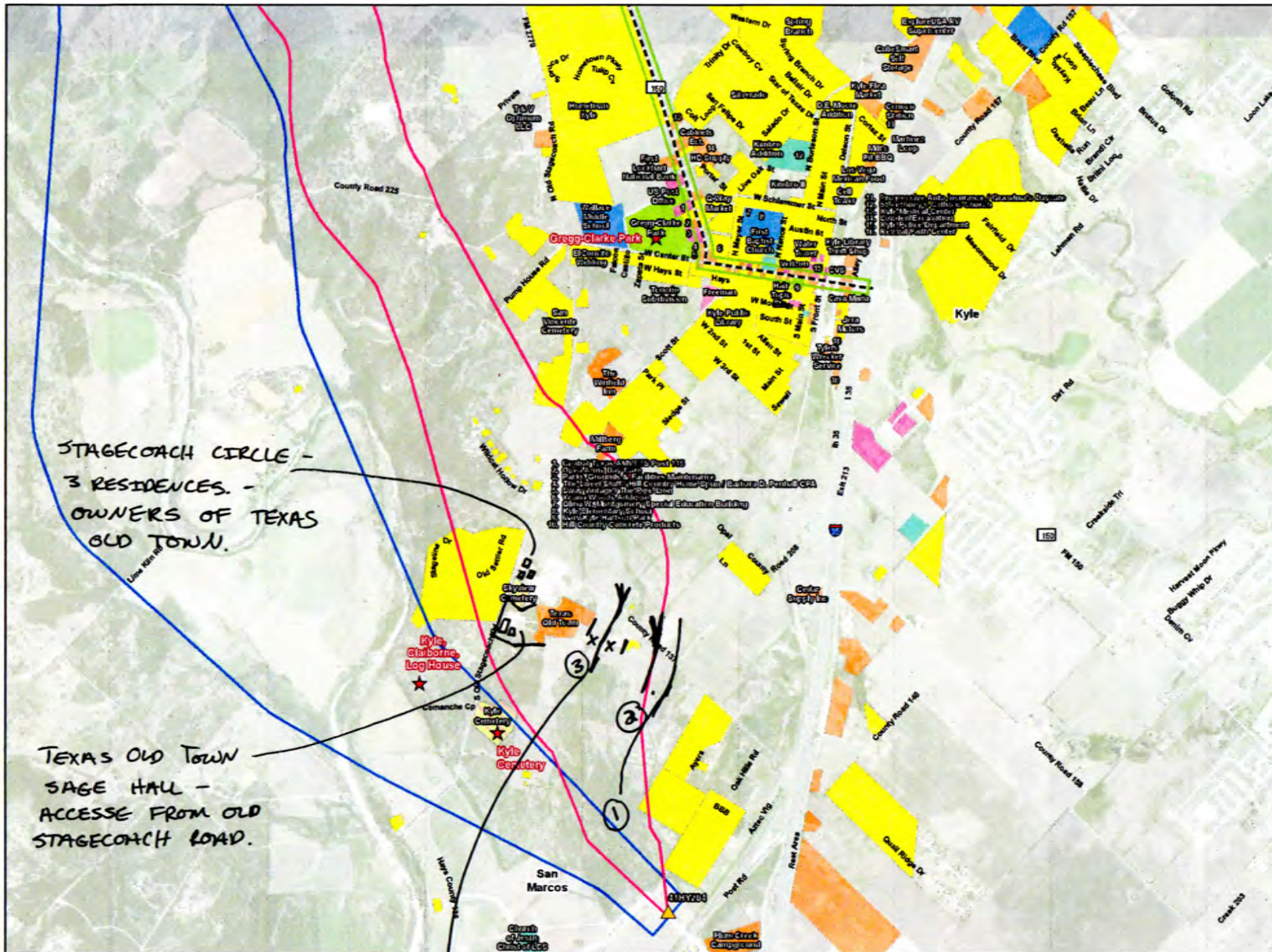
1. Texas Old Town extends all the way to Old Stagecoach Road. Sage Hall is positioned closely to Old Stagecoach Road.
2. Stagecoach Circle - a small subdivision of 3 residences is not shown/highlighted. The owners of Texas Old Town reside in the residences. One of these residences is where I live.

I am opposed to using South Old Stagecoach Road as a section of the SW Kyle Loop because the property constraints are significant between Texas Old Town, Skyview Cemetery and Stagecoach Circle on the east of S. Old Stagecoach Rd and Old Settler's neighborhood on the west side of S. Old Stagecoach Rd. It would seem that there would be a lower impact to businesses & residences if the route for the SW Kyle Loop is east of Texas Old Town. The further east the better since brides choose Texas Old Town for the peace and serenity of a country wedding. A large thoroughfare near Texas Old Town will destroy our business.



For what it is worth, I annotated the order of least impact to permanent residences and businesses based on my observations.

Thank you for your consideration.

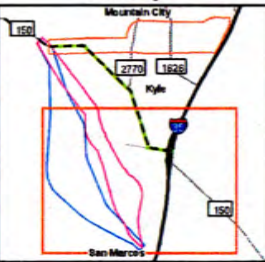
Respectfully,  
Matt Kruzie  
[REDACTED]



**FM 150 WEST ALIGNMENT STUDY**  
**HAYS COUNTY**

Locator Diagram




**Key to Features**

- ★ Historic Sites
- ▲ Archeological Sites
- Existing FM 150
- Corridor A
- Corridor B
- Corridor C
- Corridor D

**Land Use Types**

- Cemetery
- Church
- Commercial
- Park
- Public Facility
- Residential
- School
- Utility



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1 inch = 2,000 feet

**HUMAN ENVIRONMENT CONSTRAINTS**  
**PLATE 1B**

③ HALFWAY BETWEEN SAGE HALL OF TEXAS OLD TOWN & ED BULLOCKS PERSONAL RESIDENCE.

## Improve FM150

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**From:** David Mawson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 15, 2015 10:31 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Comment per 4/14/2015 meeting  
**Attachments:** FM150 realignment\_north.jpg

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Good evening,

I attended the public meeting at the Hays High School cafeteria on 4/14/2015 and listened to the presentation that outlined the choice of Corridor C for further study.

To be fair, I've not been following this from the beginning, so it is very likely that points below have already been addressed, but given the reaction to the choice of Corridor C, I wonder about the value of pushing ahead.

(Of course, there could well be a myriad of factors that are at play which are not all fully laid out in the public presentation or the website, but anyway...)

a) I am curious why the blue triangle "area of study" only goes slightly north of Kohlers Crossing? Why not into the Buda district?

b) Is it correct to assume that a large proportion of traffic congestion in downtown Kyle is a combination of the various traffic lights, compounded by the UPRR? That seems to be what your 2014 presentation suggests...

If so, there are only two existing places to get traffic over UPRR and not be hindered by rail traffic i.e. Yarrington and Kyle Parkway.

c) If there is a "ring road" that is included in a future plan ("Kyle Loop / MAD4"), it seems to me more prudent to build a shorter section to the northwest of Mountain City to connect FM150 and 2770/1626 rather than a larger section southwest of Kyle. Your "2010 Level of Service" map would certainly suggest that these roads would have capacity.

Considering the historical nature of the area and the new building that is occurring in the southwest portion of Kyle, it seems simpler and cheaper to avoid that area, and possibly never touch the southwest.

d) Where is the "Center St" traffic really coming from? Is it originating from the neighborhoods close to Center St., or further afield such as down FM150 towards Driftwood, Wimberly etc.?

e) Of the Center St traffic, how much is going north versus south, and east versus west? One might assume that more traffic is heading to/from Austin than San Marcos/New Braunfels/San Antonio.

If most traffic is originating from close in, other than destinations south of Kyle, why would traffic go down via Corridor C to IH35 in order to go north?

If most traffic is originating from further afield, why not push it over to 1626 for north/south access, and onto 2770/132/133 for east/west access? unfortunately Your "Level of Service" maps doesn't cover capacity of these roads.

f) The traffic accident data certainly speaks to the need to make safety improvements, but I wonder if other changes could be instituted that did not involve a full FM150 realignment (e.g., turning lanes on existing FM150 and reduction of speed limits - currently 55 mph on portion Rebel, and 50 mph on the upper portion of 2770. And how do these crash figures compare to other urban areas?

In conclusion, I would register opposition to all of the 4 presented Corridor options, and suggest a look at a corridor to the northwest of Mountain City. That might achieve the desired safety and minimize the disruption to the quiet(er) nature of Kyle.

Sincerely,  
David Mawson.



## Improve FM150

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**From:** Bianca21 [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 27, 2015 8:46 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Select option 1

My concerns is that I have two small children and dogs and if they run out they could get hit by the highway. There is several bicycle riders on old stagecoach rd already as it is. Looking at the map option 1 should be selected and not option 2, it is very dangerous for pedestrians walking, jogging, and cycling on old stagecoach rd. The realignment would hinder them completed and cause more accidents. Please let option 2 on old stagecoach rd not be a option, thank you.

Bianca. M

Sent from my iPhone

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Russell Moore [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 18, 2015 9:16 AM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Future Growth

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

I was impressed with your presentation last night, and am glad you are taking a long-range view as to growth rather than a quick-fix solution that does not look to future needs. I understand that Austin is growing at the rate of 100 new arrivals daily, and it will not take long for them to find that living in Austin can be extremely expensive, and like myself, will start looking for a more reasonable solution such as Hays County.

You can not please everyone, but stick to your best plan for future growth. In time the same people that are cursing you now will be praising you for being visionaries.

Cordially,

Russell Moore  
[REDACTED]

## Improve FM150

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 27, 2015 9:47 PM  
**To:** INFO@IMPROVEFM150.COM  
**Subject:** FM 150 ALIGNMENT STUDY

### FM 150 WEST ALIGNMENT STUDY

#### CORRIDOR EVALUATION REPORT

APRIL 2015

#### COMMENTS:

- Traffic study did not provide actual count. It would be helpful if 24-hrs. of accurate count for each direction be provided for each hour of the day and week. Also, was there any study provided for FM 150 at Michaelis' corner?
- When will FM 150 north of Hays City to RR 12 be made 4 lane divided?
- Is it assumed that X percentage of traffic east from northwest at re-route point will enter FM 150 South/re-route?
- Is there an assumption that some traffic will begin to take Stagecoach South to enter re-routed FM 150 at current Roland Lane? How was Stagecoach determined to be near capacity?
- I do not think any of these corridors (A, B, C, or D) are appropriate.
  - A. The preliminary design will likely result in Austin MoPac South being extended to intersect FM 150 at or near Hays City north turn.
  - B. No design provided as to how traffic will be split/merge west of FM 2770 on FM 150
- Water or lack thereof will likely reduce rate of development in the future. Those selling to Hays County and/or others will have "gold" or "not for sale at any price." For the Taxpayers of Kyle, Buda, and Hays County, Kyle Parkway appears to be better proposed to intersect with FM 2270, 1626 and 967 (Truck Bypass) and I-35. Also, current recommendation to extend I-45 proposed off MoPac south onto FM 1626 will have a significant impact when completed.

#### ROUTE AND OTHER ROUTES REJECTED

- The area east of the Blanco River is a rather narrow strip of real estate between FM 150 and Stagecoach to justify a divided high speed 4-lane highway. Feral hogs, deer and other wildlife will be endangered with these changes in auto traffic.
- Part of Blanco River will also likely incur damage from excessive runoff.
- Traffic on Stagecoach with its current speed limits will have problems as well as rural use of CR 225.

Lastly, I am a present owner of the property whose family has held this land since 1848 with very little being developed for residential living. The Corridor "C" option takes aim at my grandfather's and father's property and residence which was built 95 years ago and lived in by five generations of my family.

I would urge you to rethink and assist Buda, Kyle, Lehigh and others who have been working on routes to provide traffic a way to move in various directions and permit a majority of commuters to travel north daily.

Scott Nance

Nance Ranch -- Kyle Texas

[REDACTED]

Mountain City, Texas 78610

[REDACTED]

CC Commissioner Mark Jones

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Mary Noel [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 24, 2015 6:12 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** FM150 Alignment Study

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I am very disappointed in the whole farcical process your team went through. It is very obvious that you never intended to explore alternate routes. You just went through the motions so that you could do what you intended to do all along. You could have explored options other than the four that were presented.

From the traffic studies that were done by my neighbor, it was learned that 70 - 75% of the traffic on FM150 turned north at the intersection with 2770 (Jack C. Hays Trail). The remainder went through downtown Kyle, and will continue to do so if you build this road on the corridor you have planned. Why would anyone go south, out of their way, to get to IH35 to go north to get to work during rush hour when they're in a hurry? Or when they're anxious to get home in the evening, why would they go out of their way to get to FM150? They will still be able to cut through Kyle as a shortcut.

I urge you to give this process some additional thought. As it is now, you're planning a road to nowhere, at extremely high cost to taxpayers and heartache to the landowners near the planned route.

"I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me." Phil 4:13  
Mary Noel

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Reagan Peterson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 17, 2015 2:51 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Why not corridor A?

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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This is the most logical option because it helps Austin commuters. Why was it not chosen?

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Charlie Plassmann [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 18, 2015 8:11 AM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Re: Feedback on the ImproveFM150 project.

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Charlie Plassmann wrote:

I hope that, whatever is decided about how to increase additional traffic capacity along the FM150 corridor, the rural flavor of FM 150 between RR12 and the city of Kyle is preserved.

My wife and I live in the Sierra West subdivision, and we really appreciate being able to drive through such scenic and interesting terrain. For example, the double low water crossing of Onion Creek between Sierra West and Driftwood may flood after heavy rains but driving through those crossings makes the ride to and from Austin or Dripping Springs very pleasurable. And driving to Kyle, Buda, or San Marcos along the section of FM 150 between the Hays City Store and Kyle provides us and all other drivers with the opportunity to enjoy driving over rolling hills while being treated to views of wildflowers, ranching scenes, and often wildlife.

However, I would recommend that something be done to make the intersection of FM 150 and FM 3237 near the Hays City Store safer. As it is currently configured, it is very difficult for traffic heading East on FM 3237 to make a left to turn and head North on FM 150 safely, largely because it is very difficult to see Westbound FM 150 vehicles that turn North using the curved section of FM 150 that connects Westbound FM 150 and Northbound FM 150. I believe this is largely due to:

- the slightly higher elevation of this curved section vs that of the straight section between FM 150 and FM 3237;
- the almost 180 degree angle that drivers of vehicles that have turned North on FM 150 after heading West on FM 3237 have to turn their heads to see if any traffic is coming Northbound on the curved section of road at that intersection; and
- the periodic presence of obstructions (tall grass, parked construction equipment, etc) that sometimes block the view of traffic coming North on FM 150.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input via email on this project. Also, thanks to the Hays County Commissioners Court, the Hays County Transportation Department, and to all the Hays County residents who have participated in the ImproveFM150 Project to date for their efforts to achieve two usually mutually exclusive goals: improving traffic flow while maintaining the ambiance of what was once a largely rural region that is now undergoing almost explosive growth.

Charlie Plassmann

## Improve FM150

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**From:** James p [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 27, 2015 9:10 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com

To whom it may concern:

We totally disagree with the fm 150 project as has recently been stated. Your committee asked for a public vote and opinion. And corridor A was chosen. However you have chosen to disregard the voice of the people, and chose corridor C. This is a corridor that comes through our family owned ranch that has been sacred to our family for well over 100 years. This no doubt will elevate the noise, pollution and criminal element in and around our residences. The public meetings that occurred, were no doubt a farce to lead everyone to believe that their thoughts and opinions mattered. We understand the need to deal with the traffic issues that will undoubtedly occur with the the growth of the city of kyle. But uprooting people from there residences, when there is another more favorable and logical option such as corridor A which consists of improving the current 150. Is totally ridiculous.

Amy & James Preuss

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Improve FM150 <info@improvefm150.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 28, 2015 3:14 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Comments - FM 150 Alignment Study

**From:** Frank Pulis [mailto:████████████████████]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 27, 2015 5:36 PM  
**To:** [info@improvefm150.com](mailto:info@improvefm150.com)  
**Subject:** Comments - FM 150 Alignment Study

Thank you for the opportunity to make comments concerning the FM 150 Alignment Study.

Based upon the information provided at the Public Meeting on April 14, 2015, the written Corridor Study Report and other information presented on the Project Website, it appears that Corridor C is the alignment which makes the most sense.

**Frank Pulis**

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Chris Ross [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 18, 2015 8:40 AM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Organic Farm

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Please, when you do the alignment, make sure you do not contaminate the land of Mr. Miller. It is just plain wrong in all areas to contaminate his land to the point that he'll lose his designation. No, he does not know me.

Chris Ross

[REDACTED]

Kyle

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Leslie Tilley [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 25, 2015 3:04 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** FM 150 April 14 Public Meeting

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I attended the April 14, 2015 Public Meeting concerning the improvement of FM 150.. I appreciate all of the time and energy spent in evaluating all possible options and after reviewing all posted information in detail, I agree with your conclusion that Corridor C would be the best option for all parties involved. Thank you for your study and presentation.

## Improve FM150

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**From:** Nancy Whitcome [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 17, 2015 5:53 PM  
**To:** info@improvefm150.com  
**Subject:** Response to April 14th FM 150 West Alignment Meeting

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hello,

I attended the April 14th FM 150 West Alignment meeting at Hays County High School.

Joseph Cantalupo did a marvelous job of communicating the proposed corridors. Corridor C is the best option.

Looping to the west anticipating mammoth growth is very wise. I moved from California to Kyle in 1999 watching the population grow from around 3,000 to approaching 30,000.

I want to thank everyone involved in this west alignment project for maintaining a realistic awareness of the inevitable growth.

Thank you for Corridor C.

Nancy Whitcome [REDACTED]



# FM 150 West Alignment Study

Name: LES CARNES  
Address: [REDACTED]  
City: DRIFTWOOD Zip: 78619-8001  
Email: [REDACTED] Phone: [REDACTED]

Please share your input on the FM 150 West Alignment Study. You may complete this form or email your comments to: [info@improvefm150.com](mailto:info@improvefm150.com)

The need is not sufficient to warrant the cost or destruction to the environment or the character of the center of the county. This will only outstrip the natural resources. The uncontrolled growth will be eventually controlled by the lack of water.

THIS PROJECT IS DOOMING THE  
NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT  
OF HAYS COUNTY.

**PUBLIC COMMENT OPEN HOUSE - April 14, 2015**

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20 BE IT REMEMBERED that at 6:00 P.M., on Tuesday, the  
21 14th day of April, 2015, the above-entitled open house  
22 was held at Hays High School, 4800 Jack C. Hays Trail,  
23 Buda, Texas, and the following proceedings were  
24 reported by Sherri Santman Fisher, Certified Shorthand  
25 Reporter.

**PUBLIC COMMENT OPEN HOUSE - April 14, 2015**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT OPEN HOUSE - April 14, 2015**

1                   COMMENTS BY MIKE DIERS

2                   MR. DIERS: My name is Mike Diers. And  
3 of the presentations tonight, I prefer Corridor C.

4                   And also, 10, 15 years ago, we had a  
5 county group that were advisory on the road conditions  
6 and bridges. And at that time we put an extensive map  
7 together which would alleviate additional traffic  
8 coming between Austin, coming through Hays County, and  
9 dropping into the county below us.

10                  The original map, one of them, was given  
11 to the county judge at that time who was supposed to  
12 keep it, and it disappeared. And I made another copy  
13 for a commissioner, one who never loses anything but  
14 can't find it. And so there's one copy left. I have  
15 it because I was the chairman of that committee. And  
16 nobody has offered to look at it and I've offered  
17 everybody a chance to look at it.

18                  And there was a bunch of us people that  
19 put that together. We put in a lot of time and  
20 effort. And it would even parallel somewhat what  
21 they're doing here.

22                  So if anybody is interested or gives a  
23 crap, have them call me, [REDACTED].

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1 COMMENTS BY TIM MILLER

2 MR. MILLER: My name is Tim Miller. I  
3 have 12 questions.

4 How much air quality deposition will  
5 occur in the first two years? Who will monitor this on  
6 my property daily?

7 No. 2, what is the projected air quality  
8 deposition for the 10 years after buildout?

9 No. 3, have you contacted TECQ?

10 No. 4, have you contacted the State of  
11 Texas Health Department? A State Health Department  
12 worker already said that you need to prove that you  
13 will not -- you will protect and maintain my level,  
14 certified organic, of air quality and rainwater system  
15 at the current levels because I'm a source of food  
16 production to the public.

17 No. 5, plume effect.

18 6, PAC Center, Hays CISD, has a pond and  
19 also at 1626 road project is a farm. Both sources are  
20 now polluted. That landowner has just about gone out  
21 of business. In a conversation, he has customers sign  
22 a paper holding him not responsible for health-related  
23 problems because of the closeness of this new road.

24 No. 7, how will you protect the integrity  
25 of my certified organic farm?

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1           No. 8, adjacent property has  
2 interconnected terraces where water runoff from the  
3 highway will enter these terraces and pollute my  
4 property. How will this be changed due to existing  
5 homes located nearby? The accumulation of debris,  
6 chemicals, vehicle emissions affect water quality by  
7 runoff. How will you protect me?

8           No. 9, has the State of Texas, Hays  
9 County, and K Friese used Lindar mapping for this  
10 projected route? How can I access that data?

11           No. 10, State Representative Jason Isaac  
12 is on the energy, environmental, and agricultural task  
13 force of the American Legislative Exchange Council.  
14 Have you contacted him with this situation of vehicle  
15 emissions polluting a certified organic farm?

16           No. 11, EPA, quote, "PAH, PCB,  
17 pesticides, and atmospheric deposition, if consumed by  
18 humans, organisms that are exposed to these toxins can  
19 pose a risk to human health. Known risks are  
20 inhalation, touch, and ingestion."

21           I will have daily exposure to these three  
22 ways of obtaining known carcinogens. How will you  
23 prove this will not occur on my property?

24           No. 12, in order for this highway to  
25 proceed, how will the ameliorate damages be worked

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1 COMMENTS BY LINDA RODRIGUEZ

2 MS. RODRIGUEZ: My name is Linda  
3 Rodriguez. I live in Blanco River Crossing, which is a  
4 little subdivision. It's an older subdivision on  
5 Stagecoach just south of Kyle heading into Blanco Vista  
6 and into the Blanco River Crossing that's there and  
7 south into San Marcos. So I live on that back road.

8 And on that back road is at least one  
9 historical cemetery, that it was mentioned in the past  
10 that they were going to try to avoid any disruption, of  
11 course, of that cemetery. We have some of the founders  
12 of the City of Kyle and Hays County buried in that  
13 cemetery. There's also another cemetery on that road  
14 that may not be historical, but it's been there quite a  
15 long time. And so I'd like the planners to take notice  
16 of those cemeteries as they have mentioned they were  
17 going to do.

18 And also I'm very concerned about the  
19 organic farm that Tim Miller, who spoke tonight, owns.  
20 And he is off of Opal Lane and so he would be on the  
21 sort of northern edge of this Corridor C. He's won  
22 awards for his organic farming, one of the very few in  
23 the county that are certifiably organic, and I would  
24 hate to see his farm be impacted by the road and the  
25 right-of-way that's going to be necessary to build this

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1 road. I think that's it.

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