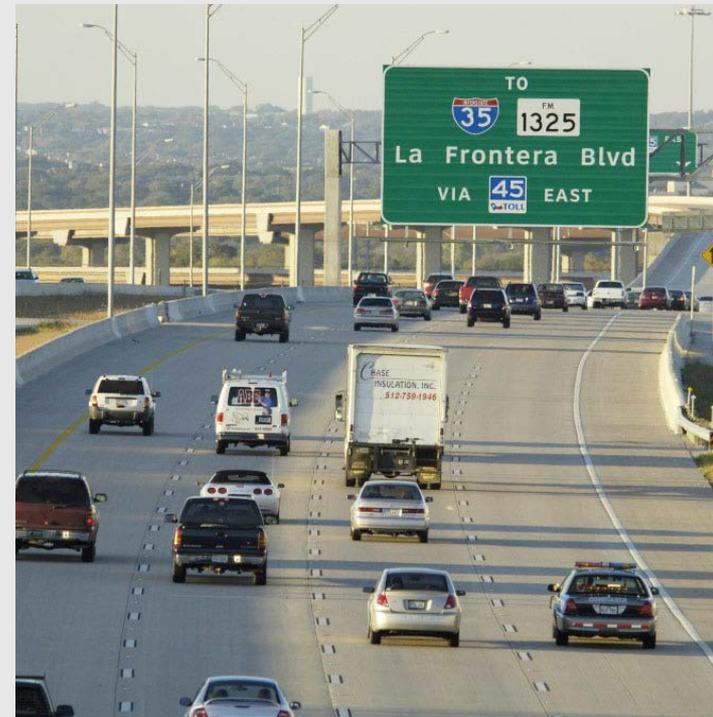




BRYAN DISTRICT BICYCLING AND WALKING HEARING 2015

Improving Bicycling and Walking in the Bryan District



Accommodating people walking and bicycling

On TxDOT Facilities

Need

- Safety, accessibility and convenience while walking and bicycling.

Goal

- Encourage walking and bicycling as desirable transportation modes.

Action

- Provide functional, attractive and well-maintained sidewalks, curb ramps, crosswalks and signals
- Provide on-street and off street bicycle facilities and shared use paths where needed.



Question for discussion:

- How can we best improve our facilities to better accommodate walking and bicycling along and across our major roadways?

Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Planning

TxDOT PLANNING GOALS:

- Organize, coordinate and cooperate with entity partners in the Bryan College Station Area to:
 - Help establish the ten member Bryan - College Station Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Panel.
 - Help the panel develop a plan to improve area transportation facilities for bicycling and walking.
- Support local entities as they develop project nominations for the Transportation Alternative (TAP*) Program.

* *The TAP is a competitive 80/20 federal/local match program with \$52 Million in funds available only for bicycle and pedestrian projects.*

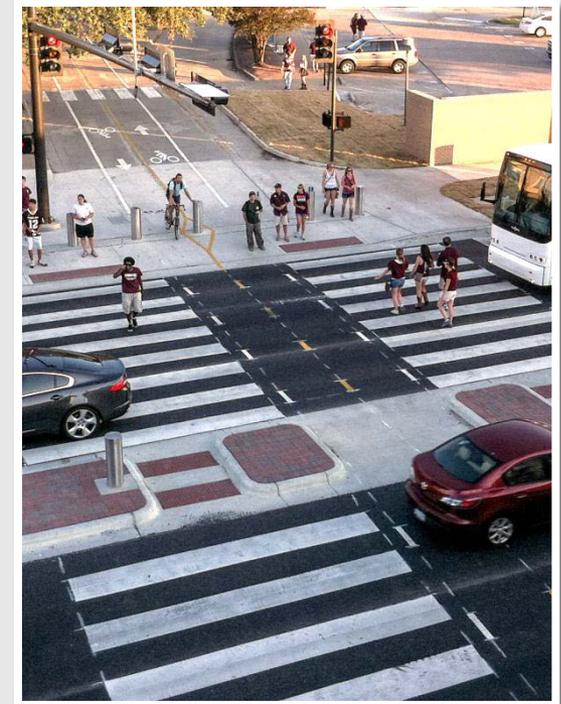
The TAP Program Call came on January 16, 2015 for program years 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

All nominations are due on May 4, 2015.

Improvements to On-system walking and bicycling facilities

TxDOT PROJECTS COMPLETED LAST YEAR:

- TAMU Campus Wellborn Underpasses
- Sidewalks on Texas Avenue by City of Bryan
- Assorted Safe Routes to School projects
- Wellborn Road and FM 2818 Overpass
- Villa Maria widening and new sidewalks *Between Kent Street and SH 6*
- University Drive in Northgate, *with Bicycle and Pedestrian Crosswalks at College Main*
- Calvert downtown curb ramps
- University Drive sidewalks by City of College Station *East of Texas Ave.*



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TxDOT PROJECTS COMPLETED THIS YEAR:

- FM 60 East of SH 6- *First bike lanes in BCS! And continuous sidewalks*
- FM 2818 /FM 1179 Overpass- *Pedestrian facilities and bicycle lanes under bridge*
- SH 47 / HSC Parkway Overpass- *Pedestrian facilities and bicycle lanes under bridge*



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CURRENT TxDOT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS :

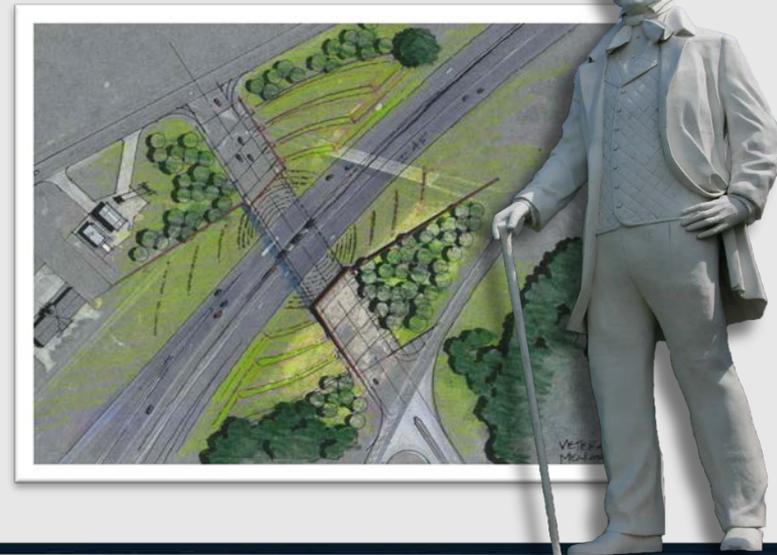
- Earl Rudder Freeway X-Ramps- *Eliminating dropped frontage road lanes!*
- 2014 Curb Ramp Project- *Accessible curb ramps in all ten counties*
- SH 105 Brazos River Bridge- *With 10 foot wide shoulders*
- SH 6 in Navasota Frontage Roads and underpass improvements at US 190 and SH 105- *New sidewalks under bridges*
- FM 60 Snook Relief Route- *With 10 foot wide shoulders*



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TxDOT DESIGN PROJECTS UNDER DEVELOPMENT

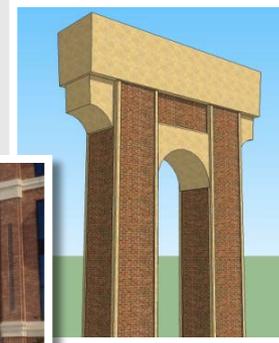
- Burleson County Governor's Community Achievement Award Project in Caldwell- *includes sidewalk and curb ramp improvements along SH 21 and Loop 83.*
- FM 60- *Wide sidewalk/side path from Lincoln to SH 6, New sidewalks and medians between Texas Ave and Tarrow*
- More Earl Rudder Freeway X-Ramps- *No more dropped frontage road lanes!*
- FM 60 from Wellborn West to FM 2818- *Sidewalks and crosswalks*
- IH 45 bridges from Montgomery County to North of Huntsville- *New and replaced bridges with bicycle and pedestrian facilities*



Improvements to On-system walking and bicycling facilities

UN-FUNDED PROJECTS CURRENTLY UNDER DESIGN DEVELOPMENT:

- Wellborn / George Bush Interchange- *Shared Use Paths with pedestrian bridges are planned.*
- Proposed TAP project nominations sponsored by cities- *Details will be provided in City presentations:*
 - SH 308 South College Drive- *Shared Use Path along East side and sidewalk along West side*
 - FM 1687 Sandy Point Road- *Sidewalks from jail to SH 21*
 - SH 6 Earl Rudder Freeway- *Sidewalk on East side from Booneville to Old Reliance.*
 - BS6-R Texas Avenue- *Sidewalk Improvements*
 - FM 158 Booneville Rd.- *Pedestrian Lighting*



Discussion Question

How can we best improve our facilities to better accommodate walking and bicycling along and across our major roadways?