



I-30 EAST TEXAS CORRIDOR STUDY

WORKING GROUP

MOUNT PLEASANT CIVIC CENTER

Kick-off Meeting

March 23, 2016

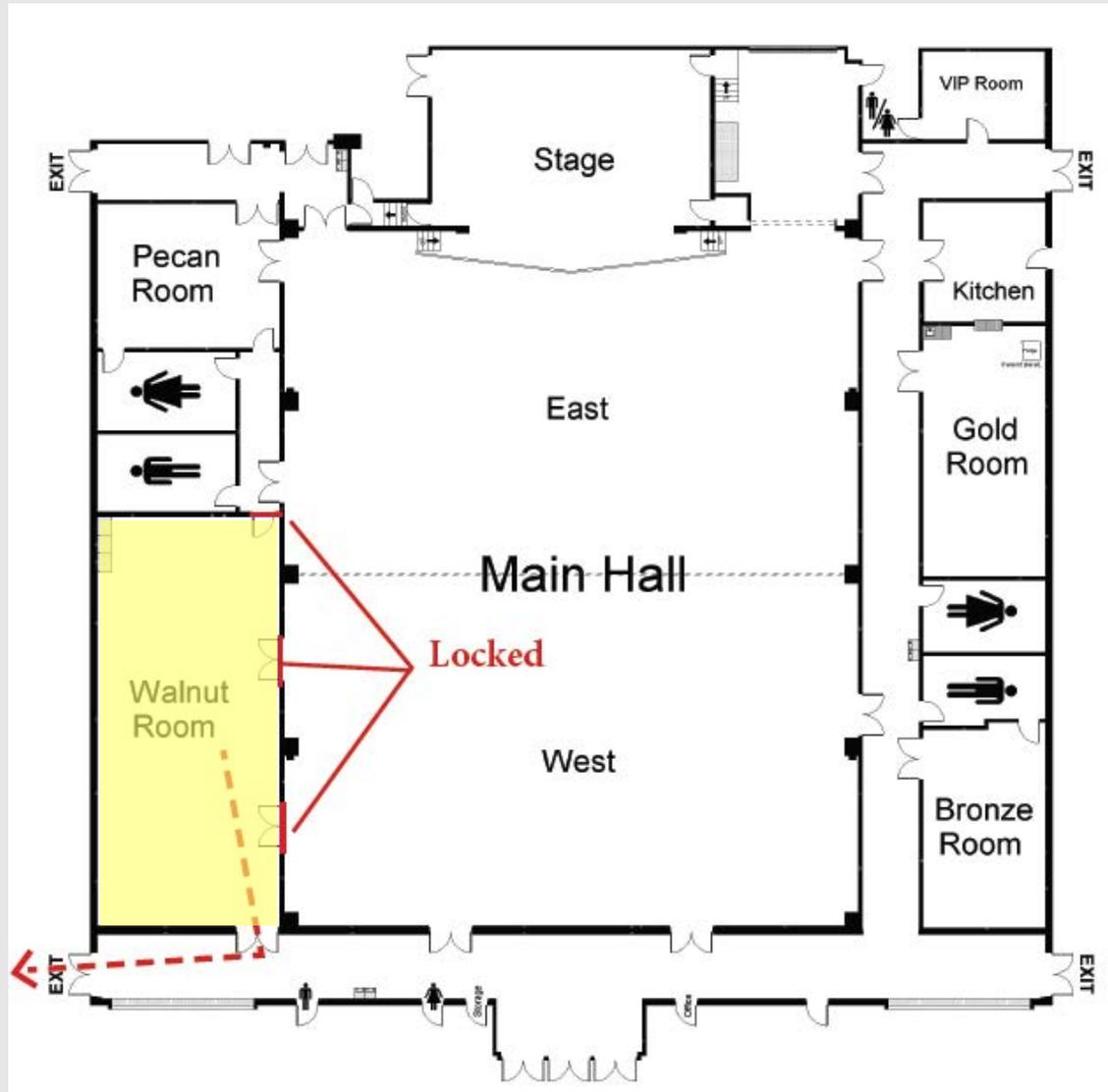
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Emergency vehicles on the road

Follow these simple rules:

1. When approached by an emergency vehicle whose lights and siren are activated, the driver of every other vehicle must **yield the right of way**.
2. The driver must immediately **pull over to the right hand** edge or curb of the roadway, parallel to the roadway, and **clear of any intersection**.
3. The driver must **remain stopped** until all emergency vehicles are safely by.
4. When starting up from a stop after emergency vehicles have passed you, look carefully behind you for other vehicles turning back into the roadway.
5. **Following within 200 feet** of a fire truck which is responding to an emergency is **against the law!**



Opening Remarks

Working Group – Introductions



Name	Entity	Region
Judge Brian Lee (Chair)	Titus County	Central
Judge Clay Jenkins	Dallas County	West
Judge David Sweet	Rockwall County	West
Judge John Horn	Hunt County	West
Judge Robert Newsom	Hopkins County	West
David Dreiling, Mayor	City of Greenville	West
Marc Maxwell, City Manager	City of Sulphur Springs	West
Michael Morris	NCTCOG (DFW MPO)	West
E. Delbert Horton	Sulphur River Regional Mobility Authority	West
Colonel Brandon Grubbs, Commander	Red River Army Depot	East
Marshal L. McKellar	Red River Army Depot	East
Scott Norton, Executive Director/CEO	TexAmericas Center	East
Judge Lynda Munkres	Morris County	East
Judge James Carlow	Bowie County	East
Bob Bruggeman, Mayor	City of Texarkana	East
Rea Donna Jones	Texarkana MPO	East
Judge Scott Lee	Franklin County	Central
Troy Sellers	Luminant	Central
Paul Meriwether, Mayor	City of Mount Pleasant	Central
Margaret Sears, Mayor	City of Mount Vernon	Central
Linda Ryan Thomas	North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority	Central/East
Chris Brown	Ark-Tex COG/North East Texas RPO	West/Central/East

Working Group – Provide study inputs and recommendations, represent their local communities throughout the Corridor as well as report to them on study directions and recommendations.

TxDOT – Facilitate the process, provide technical resources and incorporate study findings into ongoing transportation improvement programs.

TxDOT Values

People

Accountability

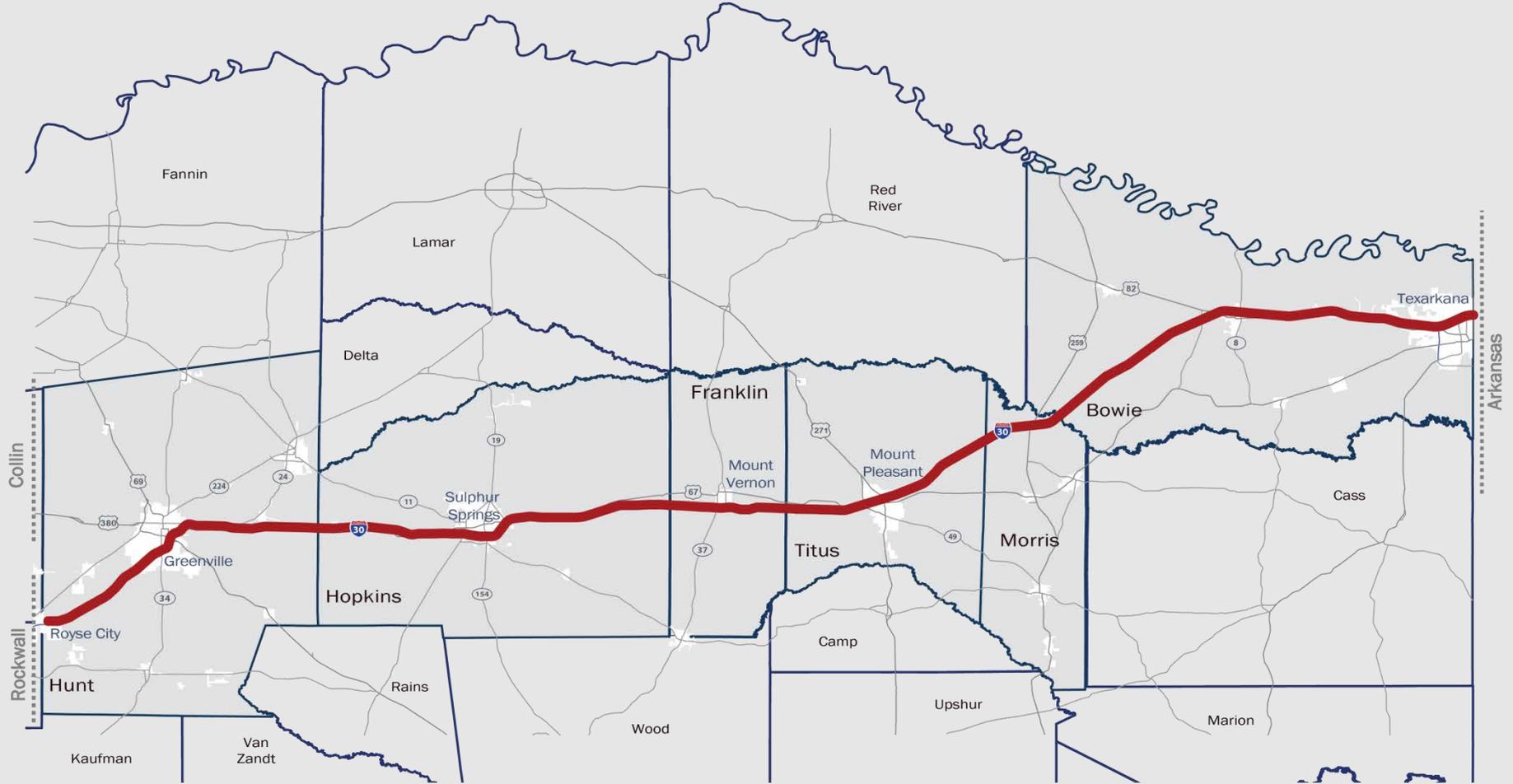
Trust

Honesty

Goals

- ✓ Deliver the right projects
- ✓ Focus on the customer
- ✓ Foster stewardship
- ✓ Optimize system performance
- ✓ Preserve our assets
- ✓ Promote safety
- ✓ Value our employees

Project Location



- Evaluate current and future needs as well as safety issues along the corridor to define viable solutions
- Obtain local input on challenges, safety concerns and long range improvement decisions
 - Collaborate with Working Group throughout study process
 - Support Working Group in outreach to local communities
- **Develop Short, Medium and Long Range programs for improvement of I-30**
 - Improve safety and efficiency of travel throughout I-30 in East Texas
 - Create financially feasible and attainable series of improvements
 - Make I-30 a cutting edge, State-of-The-Art Interstate facility

Study Schedule



I-30 CORRIDOR STUDY

STUDY TIMELINE

	FALL 2015	1 - MAR 2016	2 - MAY 2016	3 - JUN/JUL 2016	4 - AUG/SEPT 2016	5 - FALL 2016
	TECHNICAL ANALYSIS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data collection Coordination efforts Mapping and infographics elaboration 	INITIAL CORRIDOR REVIEW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss current characteristics and improvement plans Develop corridor goals and objectives Discuss Public Outreach Discuss future meetings/locations Preliminary traffic <i>Existing and Forecasted</i> Crash investigations <i>Frequencies and Hotspots</i> <i>Crash Rates and Patterns</i> Existing infrastructure 	POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential long range improvements <i>Upgrade/Expansion</i> <i>Structure Replacements</i> Potential short range improvements <i>Safety</i> <i>Interchange Improvements</i> 	EVALUATION AND PRIORITIZATION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate and prioritize proposed projects 	REVIEW DRAFT PLAN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and refine draft corridor plan 	I-30 FINAL CORRIDOR PLAN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Corridor Plan presentation
WORKING GROUP ROLE		Review Planned Improvements, Define Corridor Goals and Objectives, Identify Needs	Develop Potential Improvements	Prioritize Potential Improvement Projects	Review and Comments on Draft Plan	Final Corridor Plan Release
MEETING LOCATION		Mount Pleasant Civic Center	TBD	TBD	WebEx	WebEx
MEETING TYPE		In-Person	In-Person	In-Person	WebEx	WebEx
KEY RESULT	Briefing Data for Working Group	Working Group Membership, Corridor Goals and Objectives, Corridor Assessment	Long Range and Localized Improvements	Prioritized List of Projects by District	Concurrence on priorities by District, Changes to Draft Plan	Final Corridor Plan and Presentation

Planned and Programmed Improvements

Paris District ~\$223m

Planned

\$ 184 m 5 projects

Programmed

\$ 39 m 3 projects

~ \$250 million

Approximate Cost for
Currently Planned Projects

Atlanta District ~\$27 m

Planned

\$ 5 m 1 project

Programmed

\$ 18.2 m 5 projects

Under Construction

\$ 3.7 m 2 projects

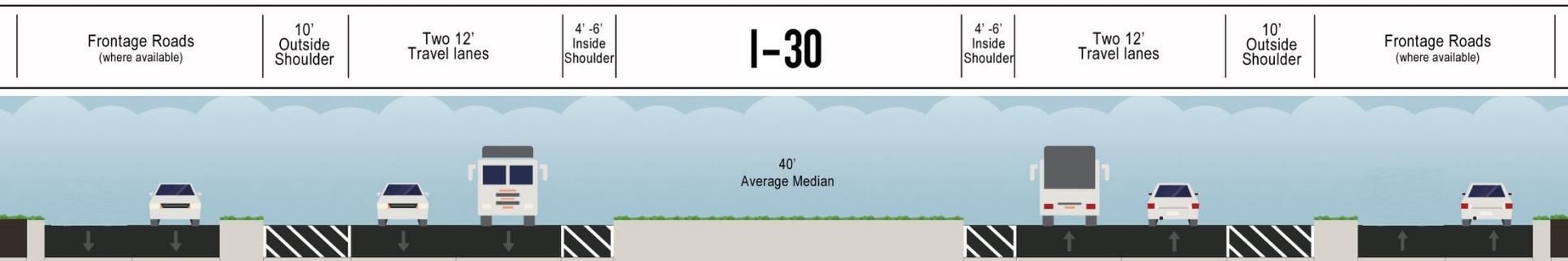


Source: TxDOT Project Tracker. Accessed 02/29/2016

Current Characteristics



I-30 Main Lanes
AVG ROW 357'



LENGTH
144
miles

SPEED
LIMIT
75

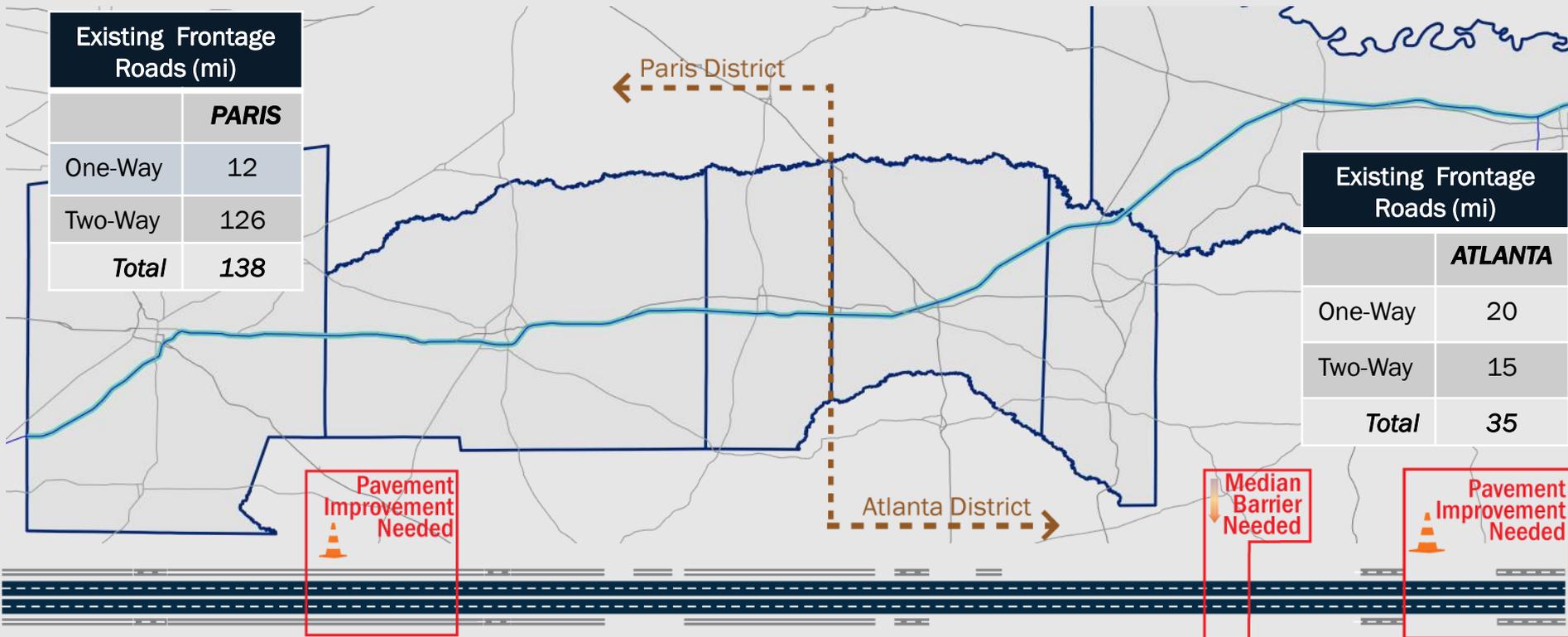
60% of ROW CONSTRAINED

**83% BARRIER PROTECTED
MEDIANS**

BARRIER PROTECTED MEDIANS

- Paris : Concrete Barrier
- Atlanta : Cable Barrier

Current Characteristics




LOW RATED BRIDGES

Paris District = 11 Structures
Atlanta District = 17 Structures



LOW CLEARANCE BRIDGES

Paris District = 32 Structures
Atlanta District = 35 Structures

2013 Traffic Counts

Level of Service Measures quality of traffic service on the main lanes.



A-B

C-D

E-F

2014 Census Estimates



TRAFFIC COUNT



Freight Traffic Flows



Distribution Center or Industrial Park

TxDOT Truck Flowband Values 2013



Safety Analysis (2010-2014)

CORRIDOR	LENGTH	144 mi
	CRASHES	3,422

76
FATAL
CRASHES

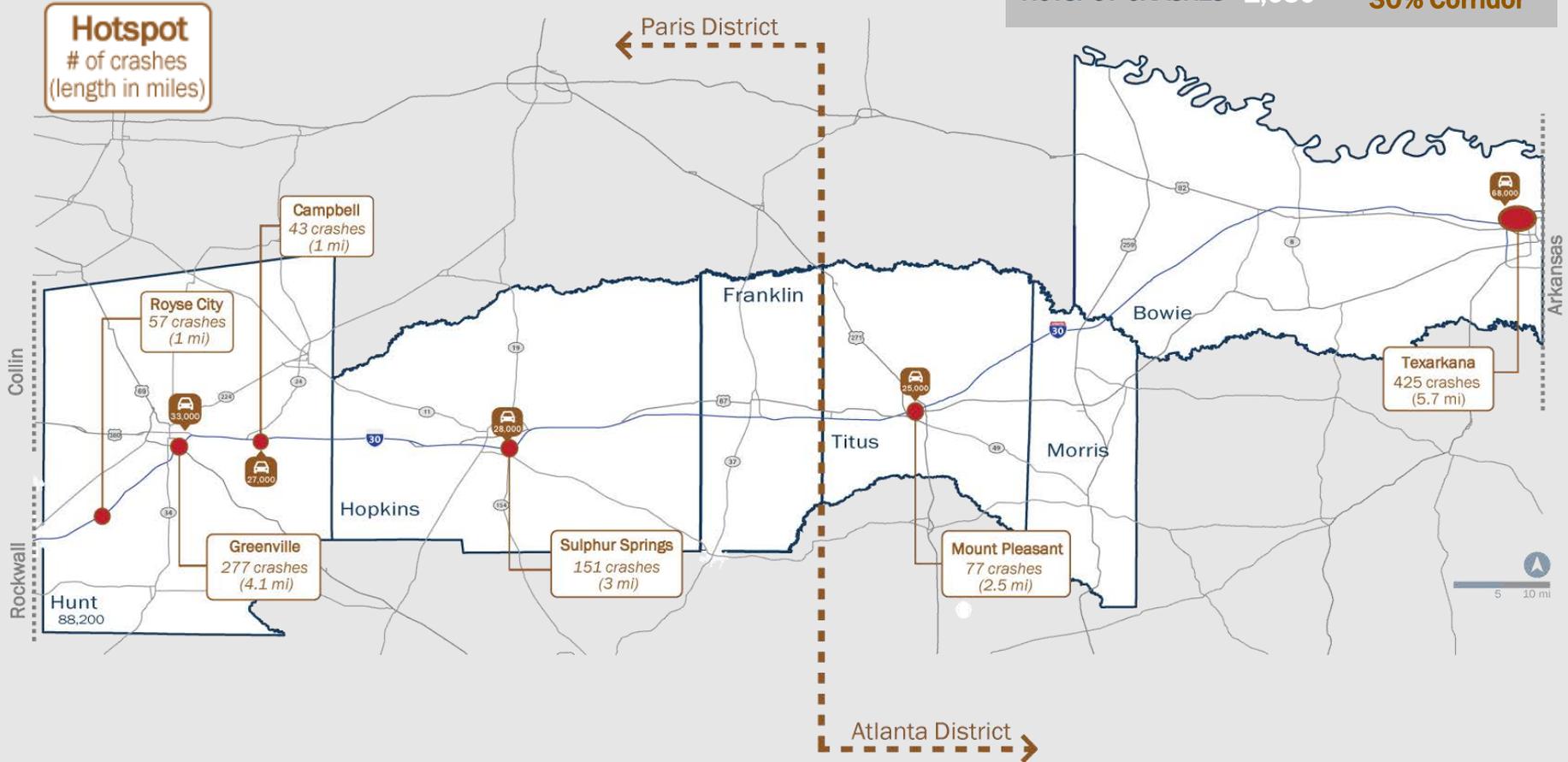
32%
INJURY INDUCING
CRASHES



Safety Analysis

2010-2014

HOTSPOT LENGTH	17.2 mi	12% Corridor
HOTSPOT CRASHES	1,030	30% Corridor



___ **Goal: Maintain a safe system**

RELATED TOPICS

- Reduce high crash locations
- Improve frontage road continuity and create one-way frontage roads
- Improve signage
- Other

___ **Goal: Improve mobility along I-30**

RELATED TOPICS

- Improve pavement
- Improve trucking movements
- Reduce bottlenecks and congestion
- Other

___ **Goal: Connect communities**

RELATED TOPICS

- Improve connectivity to the Interstate
- Facilitate economic activity
- Propose alternatives to private automobile for intercity travel
- Other

___ **Goal: Realize identified solutions**

RELATED TOPICS

- Prioritize improvements that complement local development plans
- Consider alternative funding strategies and/or partnerships
- Implement the most cost-effective improvements
- Other

Break

Group Exercise



FACTS
THINGS I KNOW TO
BE TRUE ABOUT THE
CORRIDOR

CONCERNS

THINGS I WORRY
ABOUT OR SHOULD BE
FIXED ALONG THE
CORRIDOR

VISION

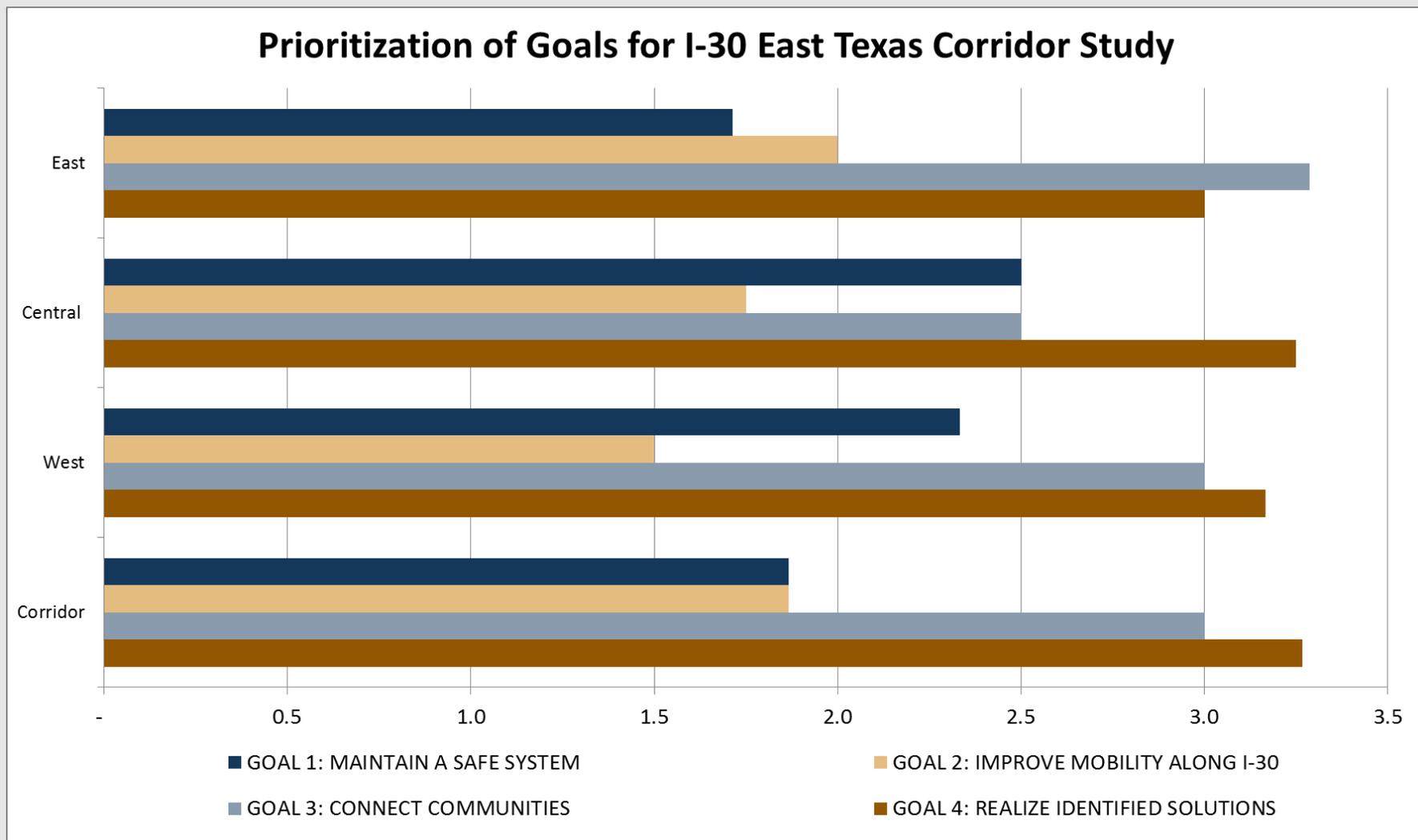
THINGS I WOULD LIKE
FROM / ALONG THE
CORRIDOR

Location

WILD CARDS

ANY OTHER COMMENT
OR IDEA

Review of Corridor Goals & Objectives



TRADITIONAL MEDIA

Icons representing traditional media: a television, a telephone, a newspaper labeled 'NEWS', a globe with 'LIVE' text, and a radio.

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

City Councils
MPOs Meetings
Lions Club

Icons representing community presentations: a play button on a screen and a group of three people.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Farmers Market
Elementary School
City Hall
Festivals

Icons representing community events: a farmers market, an elementary school, a city hall, and a festival.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Icons representing social media and digital tools: Twitter, Facebook, SMS, YouTube, a laptop for 'Virtual Open House', Prezi, and SurveyMonkey.

WEBSITES

TxDOT Project and Studies

<http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/statewide/i30-east-texas-corridor.html>

BROCHURES & HANDOUTS

Icons representing brochures and handouts: a folded brochure, a document with a pencil, a checklist, and an open book.

COMMENT CARDS

Icons representing comment cards: a checklist, a document with a pencil, and two people with speech bubbles.

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MAY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day Holiday	31				

Questions..?

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