



LOOP 1604

PUBLIC HEARING





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FROM: POTRANCO RD (FM 1957)
TO: CULEBRA RD (FM 471)

BEXAR COUNTY

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- PUBLIC HEARING
 - October 8, 2014
 - Open House 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 - Presentation and Hearing 6:00 p.m.



Dolph Briscoe Middle School
4265 Lone Star Pkwy
San Antonio, Texas 78253

Agenda

- Introductions
- Meeting Format
- Project Overview
- Environmental Overview
- Project Schedule and Funding
- Public Comments

Introductions

- Elected Officials Present
- TxDOT Representatives
- Project Team Members

Meeting Format

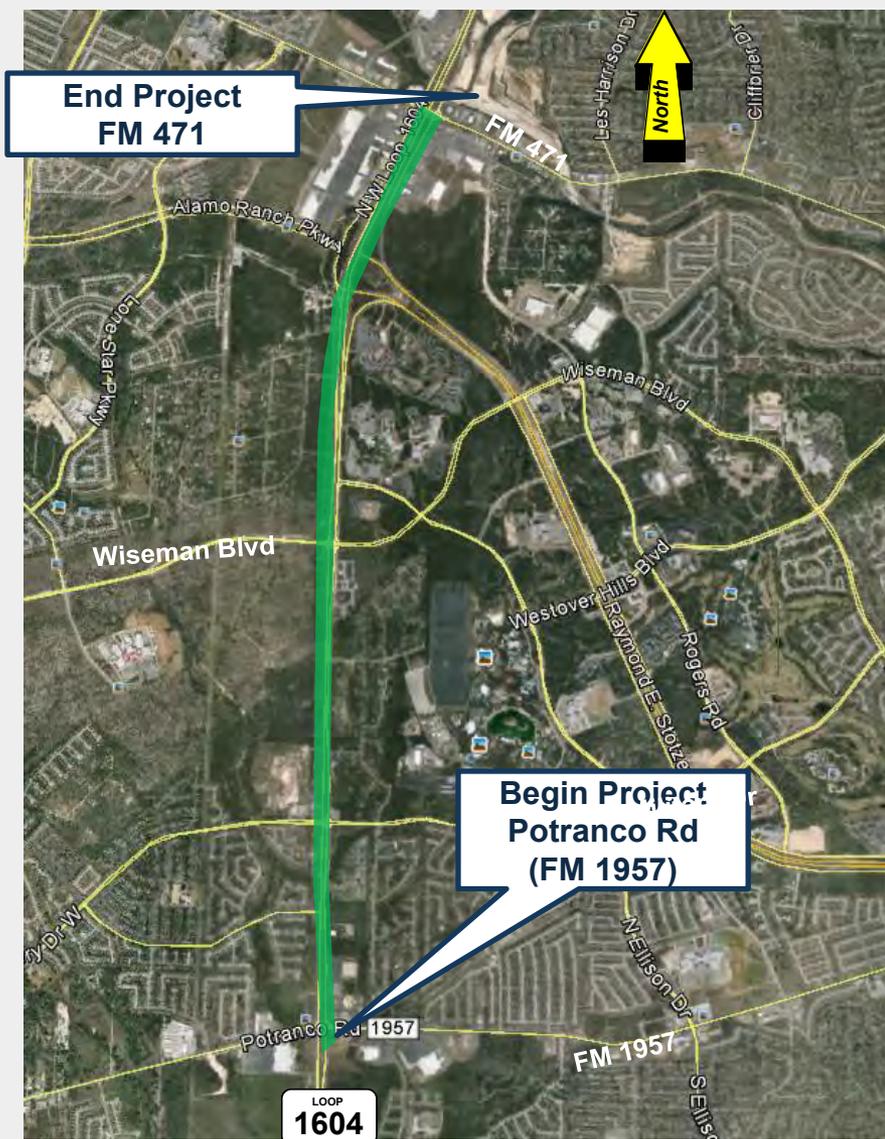
- Purpose of the Public Hearing: To solicit feedback from the community regarding proposed improvements
- Options for Commenting:
 - Verbal comments will commence after presentation
 - Written comments can be placed in the comment box
 - E-Mail comments to: 1604west@gmail.com
 - Fax comments to: 512-533-9101
 - Mail comments to: CD&P
PO Box 5459
Austin, Texas 78763
- Deadline for comments: October 18, 2014
- Public Hearing Report will be posted at www.txdot.gov when analysis is complete



PROJECT OVERVIEW

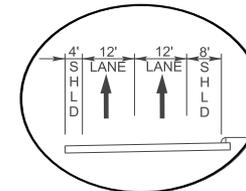
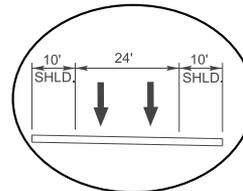
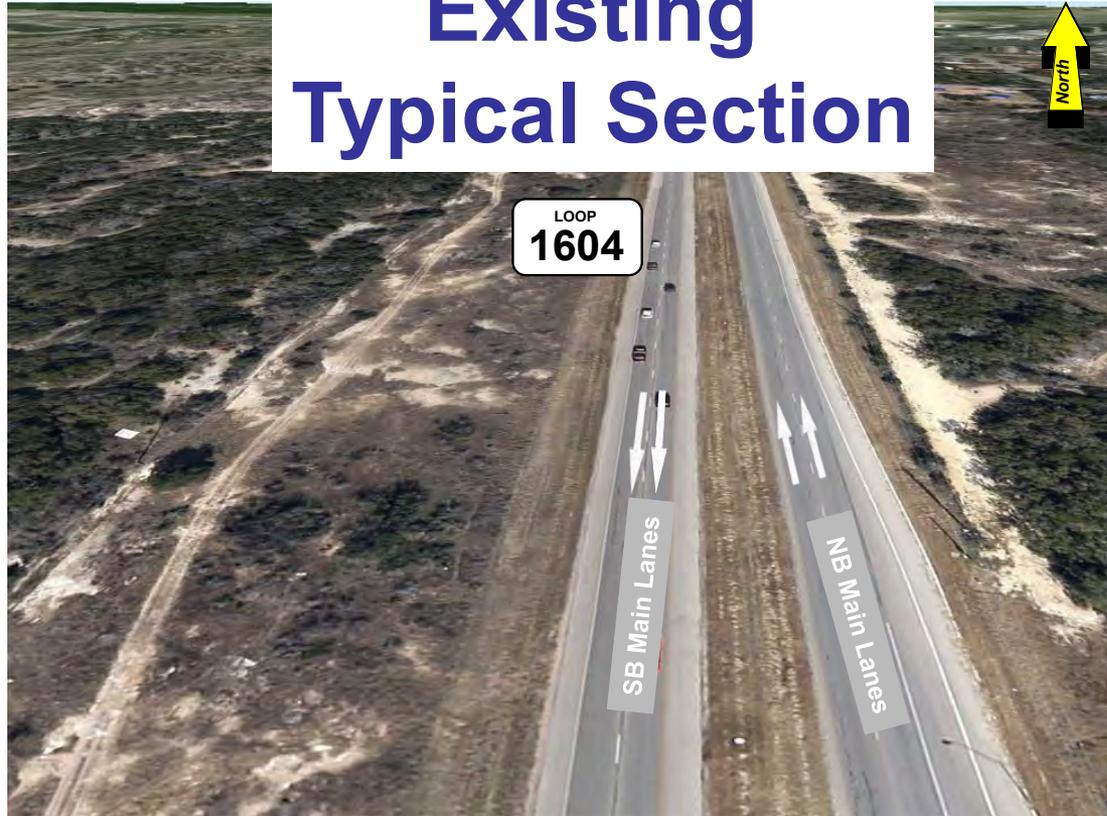
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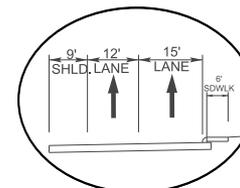
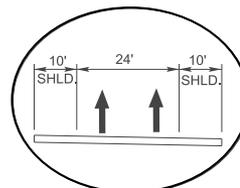
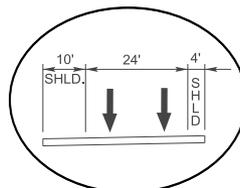
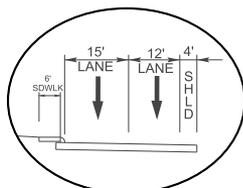
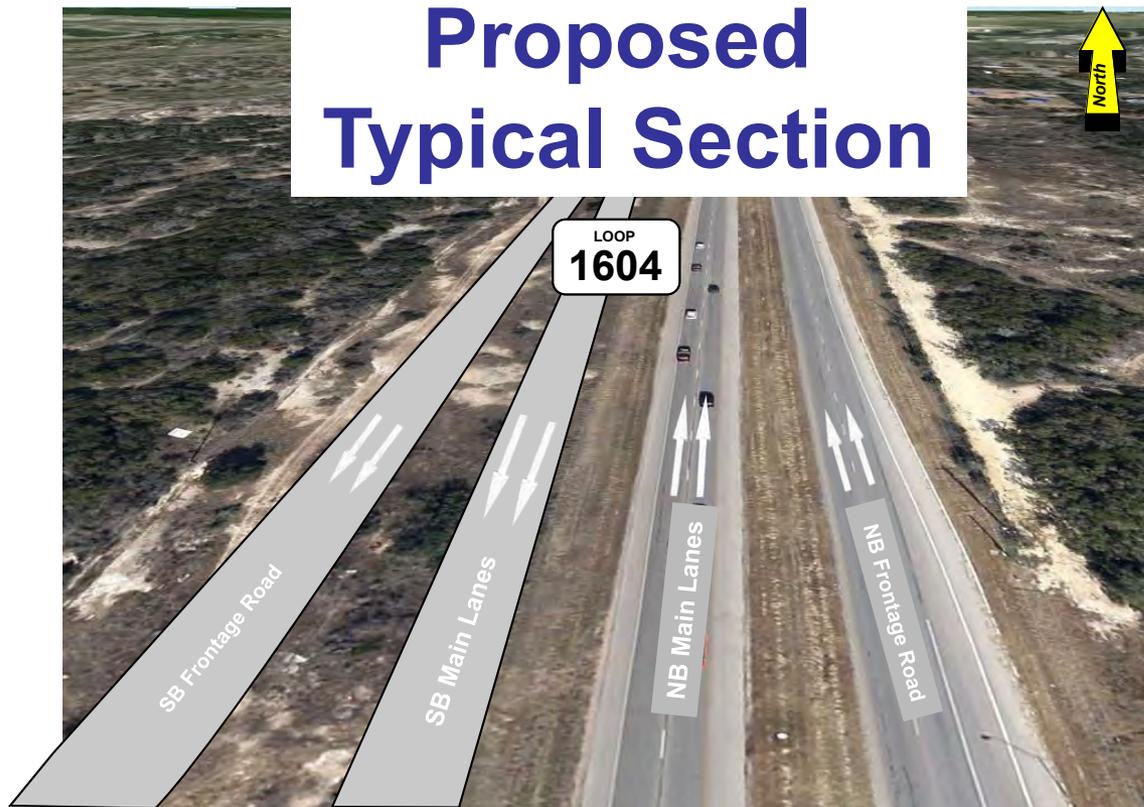
- Expand Loop 1604 from a 4-lane Divided Facility to a 4-lane Expressway
- Provide continuous frontage roads
- Provide new overpasses at Wiseman Blvd, Military Dr, & Potranco Rd (FM 1957)
- Project length approximately 4.1 miles

Existing Typical Section



Typical Section

Proposed Typical Section



Overpasses At Potranco Rd., Military Drive W. & Wiseman Blvd.

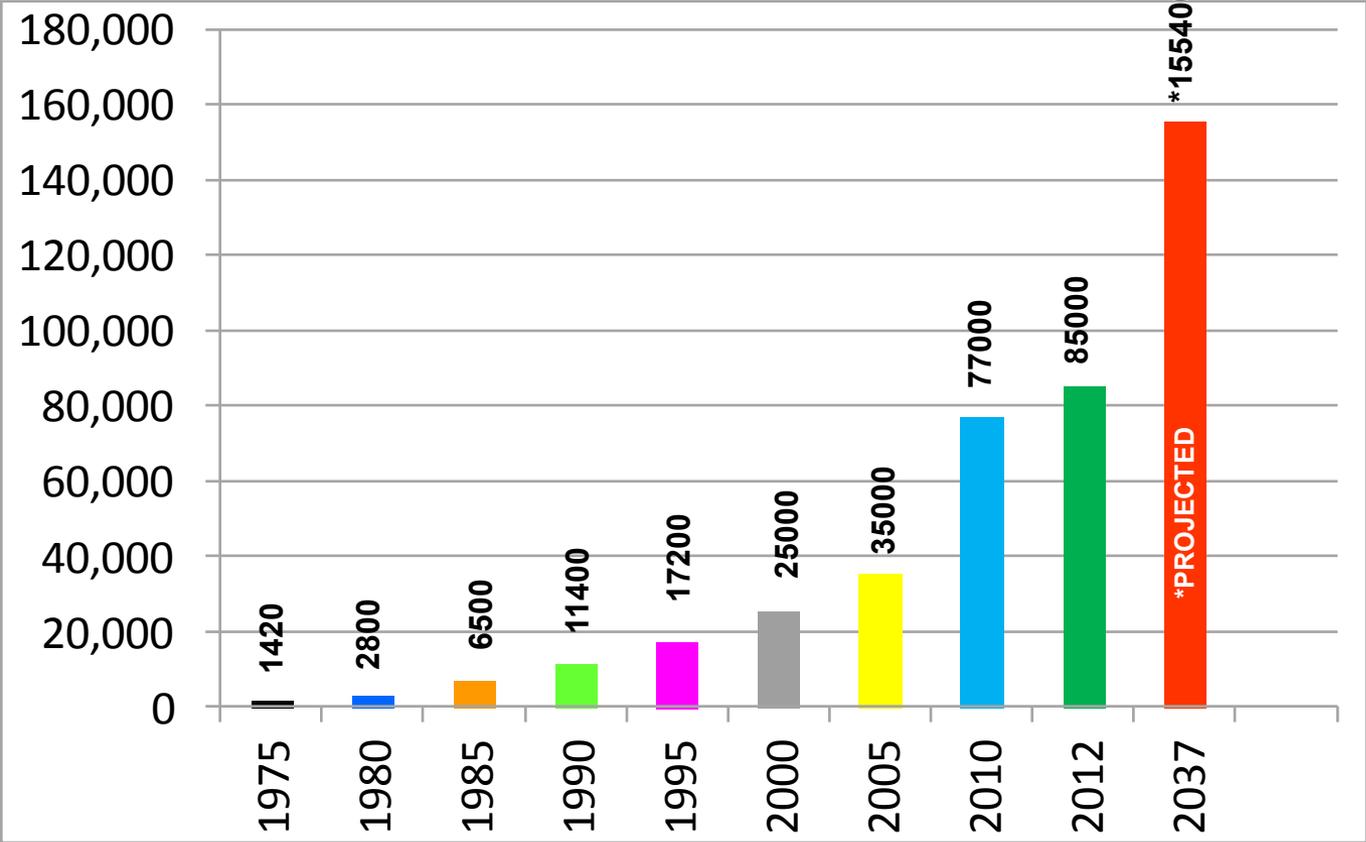
Need

- High traffic counts and projections for increasing traffic volumes in the future on this section of Loop 1604
- Crash rate on this section of Loop 1604 exceeds the statewide average for similar facilities
 - 35% of the crashes within the project limits between 2008 and 2012 were intersection-related

Purpose

- Improve mobility and maintain safety for the traveling public
 - New grade separations would increase mobility and limit the interaction of high-volume traffic traveling along Loop 1604 and turning traffic from Potranco Rd, Military Dr and Wiseman Blvd.

Projected Traffic



Loop 1604 (Potranco To Culebra) – Average Daily Traffic

- Project was included in the \$825 Million 5- Year Mobility Plan announced in January 2014
- Collaborative effort between agencies:
 - VIA/ATD
 - TxDOT
 - Bexar County
 - City of San Antonio
 - Alamo Regional Mobility Authority
 - Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization



ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW

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Environmental Assessment

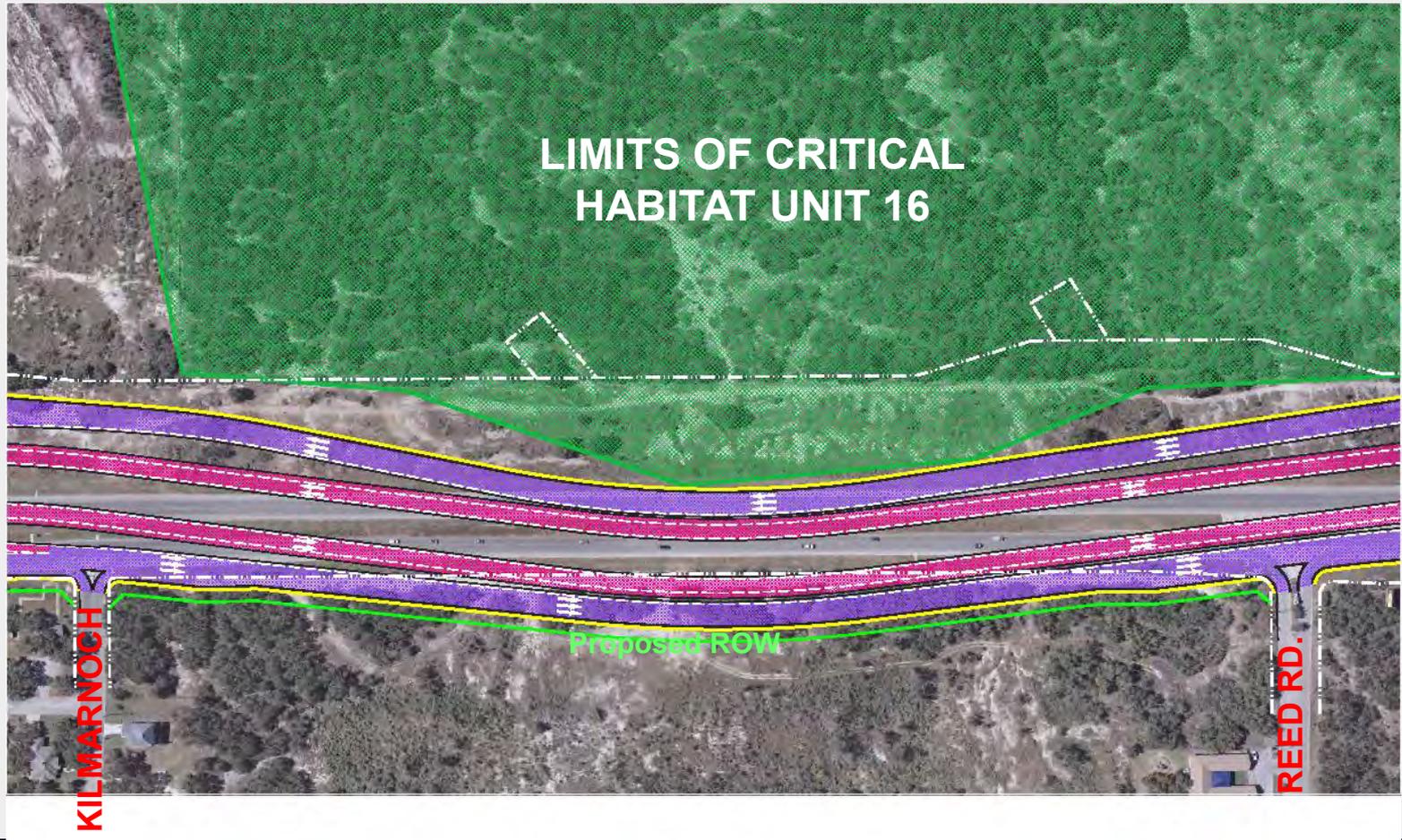
Document includes an assessment of impacts to the natural and human environment including potential impacts to:

- Community Impacts
- Noise
- Air
- Vegetation
- Threatened and Endangered Species
- Streams and Wetlands
- Cultural Resources
- Hazardous Materials



Environmental Assessment

- Approximately 3.7 acres of additional ROW needed with no displacements



Environmental Assessment

- No disproportionately high and adverse effects on minority or low-income populations
- Air Quality Analysis
- Cultural resource (historical and archeological)



Environmental Assessment

- Traffic Noise Analysis resulted in a determination to complete a noise impact walls analysis
 - Require a noise workshop in the future before moving forward





Large live oak at northern end of the project area, west of Loop 1604, looking south

- No anticipated impacts to wetlands
- Portions of the proposed project are located within a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designated 100-year floodplain
 - The hydraulic design for this project would meet current FEMA and TxDOT design criteria
- Measures would be included to control stormwater runoff

Environmental Assessment

- Coordination with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
- No adverse effects on potential habitat for federally listed endangered species including:
 - Black-capped Vireo
 - Golden-cheeked Warbler
 - Karst invertebrates



Interior of karst feature during survey

- Project plans and the draft environmental document are available for viewing:
 - Public Hearing
 - Project website at www.txdot.gov
 - San Antonio TxDOT District office from 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday:

TxDOT San Antonio District Office

Attn: Brian Witherell

4615 NW Loop 410

San Antonio, TX 78229

Environmental Clearance late 2014

Current Let Date: Early 2015

Anticipate Construction Completion 2018



Project is locally funded

**Current Total Project Cost:
\$98 Million**



Provide Your Comments

Options for Commenting

1. Make a verbal comment
2. Give comment card to TxDOT staff tonight
3. Provide comments to onsite court reporter
4. Fax comments to: (512) 533-9101, Attn: Albert Castro
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Verbal Comments





3:00 Minutes For Each Speaker

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***Thank You for Your
Participation!***

