



# Historical Resources Survey Report

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## Reconnaissance Survey

**Project Name:** State Highway (SH) 71

**Project Limits:** County Road (CR) 206 to SH 21

**District(s):** Austin District

**County(s):** Bastrop County

**CSJ Number(s):** 0265-03-041

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This historical resources survey report is produced for the purposes of meeting requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Antiquities Code of Texas, and other cultural resource legislation related to environmental clearance as applicable.

## Abstract

The Austin District of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) contracted Blanton & Associates, Inc. (B&A) to conduct a reconnaissance-level historic resources survey for the proposed roadway improvements along State Highway (SH) 71 in Bastrop County, Texas (see **Figures 1** and **2** in **Appendix C**). B&A's survey efforts included an approximately 2.27-mile section on SH 71 from County Road (CR) 206 to SH 21. The proposed project's overall design has been slightly modified since TxDOT approved the October 2018 Research Design. This report reflects the latest design.

The proposed project would require approximately 40 acres of new right-of-way (ROW). The Area of Potential Effect (APE) is the existing ROW at locations where there is no new ROW and no new grade separated structures and 150 feet from proposed new ROW and the new proposed grade separated structure at FM 1209.

B&A reviewed the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) *Texas Historic Sites Atlas* to identify any previously identified historic resources within the 1,300-foot study area of the proposed project. There are no State Antiquities Landmarks (SAL), National Historic Landmarks (NHL), Recorded Texas Historic Landmarks (RTHL), or National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)-listed properties within the 1,300-foot study area. However, the El Camino Real de Los Tejas National Historic Trail, which was designated by the US Congress in 2004, crosses the proposed project's APE.

In November 2018, B&A completed a reconnaissance-level historic resources survey and identified 11 resources at 9 locations (Resource Nos. 1 through 9) constructed in or prior to 1976 within the proposed project's APE. B&A recommends that none of the inventoried resources are eligible for listing on the NRHP either individually or as part of a larger property or historic district.

This report was produced for the purposes of meeting requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the Antiquities Code of Texas (ACT), and other cultural resource legislation related to environmental clearance as applicable, including Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Act.

To supplement the text included in the report, the report includes several appendices that provide maps, graphics, photographs, and other materials, as follows:

- **Appendix A** includes an inventory table of all resources surveyed for the proposed project.
- **Appendix B** includes survey forms (including photographs) for each of the inventoried resources.
- **Appendix C** includes project location maps as **Figures 1** and **2**, study area maps showing 1,300 feet from the project APE as **Figure 3**, and the APE and inventoried resources are included as **Figure 4**.
- **Appendix D** includes overall photographs of the project area (**Photos D1** through **D6**).
- **Appendix E** includes correspondence with the Bastrop County Historical Commission.

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## Project Identification

- **Report Completion Date:** 12/6/2018
- **Date(s) of Fieldwork:** 11/21/2018
- **Survey Type:**  Windshield  Reconnaissance  Intensive
- **Report Version:**  Draft  Final
- **Regulatory Jurisdiction:**  Federal  State
- **TxDOT Contract Number:** 14-6SDP5012
- **District or Districts:** Austin District
- **County or Counties:** Bastrop County
- **Highway or Facility:** SH 71
- **Project Limits:** CR 206 to SH 21
- **Main CSJ Number** 0265-03-041
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## Project Description

- **Project Type:** Road widening, new frontage roads, new grade separated structure over FM 1209, and shared use paths

- **Proposed Project Activities:**

The proposed project's overall design has been slightly modified since TxDOT approved the October 2018 Research Design. This report reflects the latest design.

The proposed improvements would include constructing new frontage roads, a grade-separation over Farm-to-Market (FM) 1209, and shared use paths. The proposed improvements would also widen FM 1209 to include a second travel lane, a right turn lane, and a 14-foot-wide left turn lane in each direction. East/west turnarounds would also be added on either side of the SH 71 and FM 1209 intersection and on the west side of the SH 71 intersection with SH 21.

The existing SH 71 facility consists of two 12-foot-wide travel lanes in each direction with 10-foot-wide outside shoulders and 4-foot-wide inside shoulders. Directions of travel are separated by a grassy depressed median, approximately 68 feet in width. The existing right-of-way (ROW) along SH 71 is approximately 240 feet wide. The existing FM 1209 facility consists of one 12-foot-wide travel lane in each direction. The existing ROW along FM 1209 is approximately 80 feet wide.

The proposed project would add a grade separation at FM 1209 and would maintain access to adjacent properties with frontage roads. Access to FM 1209 would be provided via ramps to the anticipated signalized intersections. If completed, the mainlanes of the SH 71 facility would consist of two 12-foot-wide lanes in each direction with 4-foot-wide inside shoulders and 10- to 22-foot-wide outside shoulders. Directions of travel would be separated by a grassy median that would be approximately 64 feet in width. Each frontage road would consist of two 12-foot-wide travel lanes with 2-foot-wide inside and outside curb and gutter. Ramps would have a 14-foot-wide travel lane with a 4-foot-wide inside shoulder, a 6-foot-wide outside shoulder, and 2-foot-wide curb and gutter on both sides. The proposed improvements to FM 1209 at SH 71 includes the construction of one 12-foot-wide travel lane and a 12-foot-wide left turn lane in each direction. Twenty-four-foot-wide at-grade turnarounds for east to west and west to east bound traffic would be added at the intersection, and an eastbound to westbound turnaround would be added on the west side of the SH 71 intersection with SH 21. A 10-foot-wide shared-use path would also be constructed on each side of SH 71 and FM 1209. Five detention ponds would be added along the north side of SH 71 east of the SH 71 and FM 1209 intersection.

The length of the proposed project is approximately 2.27 miles. It is anticipated that the project would require approximately 40 acres of additional right-of-way.

See **Figures 1 and 2** in **Appendix C** for the proposed project on county and topographic bases, **Figure 3** in **Appendix C** for the study area and area of potential effect on an aerial base map, and **Figure 4** in **Appendix C** for the APE and inventoried resources on an aerial base map.

- **Total Project Length:** Approximately 2.27 miles
- **New Right of Way (ROW):** Approximately 40 acres
- **Permanent Easement Acreage:** None
- **Temporary Easement Acreage:** None
- **Area of Potential Effects (APE):**
  - Existing ROW
  - 150' from Proposed ROW and Easements
  - 300' from Proposed ROW and Easements
  - Custom:

Existing ROW at locations where there is no new ROW and no new grade separated structures; 150 feet from proposed new ROW and the new proposed grade separated structure at FM 1209.

- **Historic-Age Survey Cut-Off Date:** 1976
- **Study Area** 1,300 feet from the APE

## **Section 106 Consulting Parties**

- **Public Involvement Outreach Efforts:**

Per 36 CFR 800.2, TxDOT “should plan consultations appropriate to the scale of the undertaking and the scope of Federal involvement and coordination with other requirements of other statutes, as applicable.” Additionally, consulting parties as

outlined in 36 CFR 800.2 include the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), local government representatives, and other individuals and organizations.

For this proposed undertaking, the consulting parties are those that may have concerns about properties within the APE of the project and TxDOT's compliance with Section 106. These include the Texas SHPO and the Bastrop County Historical Commission (CHC). No Certified Local Government (CLG) communities, local Historic Preservation Offices, or other individuals or organizations were identified near the project area.

As the proposed project develops and during coordination of the project under Section 106, TxDOT will continue consultation with the CHC and initiate consultation with the Texas SHPO if appropriate. Comments received from the CHC and Texas SHPO will be considered in the project planning process. This report recommends that there are no adverse effects to historic properties within the APE. As such, it is recommended that TxDOT will not need to conduct additional effects consultation with the consulting parties.

- **Identification of Section 106 Consulting Parties:**

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- **Section 106 Review Efforts:**

B&A contacted the Bastrop CHC chair, Cindy Wolford, on November 14, 2018, via email to inquire about additional known important historic resources within the APE. B&A has received no response from the Bastrop CHC to date.

- **Summary of Consulting Parties Comments:**

B&A has received no response from the Bastrop CHC to date.

## **Stakeholders**

- **Stakeholder Outreach Efforts:**

TxDOT will conduct stakeholder outreach efforts as appropriate.

- **Identification of Stakeholder Parties:**

B&A is not aware of any anticipated project stakeholders for historic resource-related issues other than the potential Section 106 consulting parties noted above.

- **Summary of Stakeholder Comments:**

TxDOT will conduct stakeholder outreach efforts as appropriate.

## **Project Setting/Study Area**

- **Study Area**

The proposed project follows the existing SH 71 alignment in western Bastrop County, and extends from CR 206 to SH 21 (see **Figures 1, 2, and 3**). The project area consists primarily of non-historic-age commercial properties along SH 71 and non-historic-age residential properties along adjacent roadways. There are several historic-age, post-World War II (post-war) residential and commercial properties scattered throughout the project area.

- **Previously Evaluated Historic Resources**

None

- **Previously Designated Historic Properties**

The El Camino Real de Los Tejas National Historic Trail, which was designated by the US Congress in 2004, crosses the proposed project's APE. However, field investigations did not reveal the presence of any standing structures associated with the trail or any indication of the trail alignment within the APE.

- **Previously Designated Historic Districts**

None

- **Historic Land Use**

Located near the small community of Wyldwood, and roughly six miles west of the county seat at Bastrop, the project area was historically rural, consisting of large tracts of pasture and agricultural fields, some remnant woodlands, and scattered residences and agricultural outbuildings. In the 1950s, FM 1209 was constructed, and in the 1970s, SH 71 was widened to a four lane divided highway. These transportation improvements induced residential and commercial growth in the area along SH 71 and adjacent roadways. During this time a majority of the former agricultural properties within the area were converted to domestic or commercial use, and the area continues to largely be a transportation corridor connecting Austin to Bastrop, and eventually Houston. The small community of Wyldwood was established just west of the project area in the 1980s, and the residential community known as The Colony off of Stephen F. Austin Boulevard was established in the early 2000s.

- **Current Land Use and Environment**

The current land use in the study area is a mix of residential, commercial, and religious properties. Development in the area is primarily non-historic-age, although some historic-age, post-war commercial and residential properties are scattered within the APE.

- **Historic Period(s) and Property Types**

The anticipated project letting date is 2021; therefore, the survey cut-off date is 1976, and all pre-1977 resources are considered historic-age. Property types in the study area and in the APE include domestic and commercial.

***Domestic Resources***

Domestic resources are the most common property type within the APE. There are eight inventoried resources within the APE that either currently or historically have a domestic function (Resource Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7A, 7B, and 9). With the exception of Resource No. 1, it appears all the domestic resources were constructed ca. 1970. Evidence of clapboard siding and triangular knee braces on Resource No. 1 suggest it was likely constructed ca. 1940. Review of historic aerial photographs and maps suggest that Resource No. 1 was relocated to its current location, however, sometime between 1967 and 1974. Resource No. 1 also exhibits numerous alterations including replacement siding, windows, doors, and roof and several small additions, Resource Nos. 1, 2, and 3 exhibit no distinct architectural style, and Resource Nos. 4 and 9 exhibit modest Ranch

style features. Three of the domestic resources within the APE (Resource Nos. 5, 7A, and 7B) were not visible from the public ROW, so it is unknown if they have an architectural style. However, based on their construction dates and rooflines, they most likely exhibit no style or the Ranch style.

With the post-war economic boom and increased prosperity of the 1950s through the 1970s, homeowners generally constructed larger Ranch style homes (Resource Nos. 4 and 9) instead of the earlier smaller Minimal Traditional residences. Ranch homes had a more horizontal appearance and rectangular form with lower pitched gable (sometimes with a cross-gable) and hipped roofs, large picture windows, and often attached or integrated carports and garages.

Residential secondary structures such as sheds and garages are typically not considered individually eligible for the NRHP, but rather as contributing resources to NRHP-eligible residences. They are sometimes more modest versions of the form and style of the main residence.

### ***Commercial Resources***

There are four properties within the APE that either historically or currently function as commercial properties (Resource Nos. 6, 8A, 8B, and 9). One of the resources (Resource No. 9) was originally a residence but has since been converted to commercial use. All of the commercial resources were constructed between ca. 1970 and ca. 1975 and are nondescript, architecturally indistinct buildings constructed of common materials. Because commercial resources are ubiquitous to Texas, in order to rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing, the threshold for integrity for this type of resource is high.

#### **▪ Integrity of Historic Setting**

B&A's survey found that existing impacts within the project area that affect the integrity of historic setting include:

- For individual properties:
  - Alterations to historic-age buildings such as replacement windows, doors, siding, and non-historic-age additions
  - Construction of non-historic-age buildings on a property
  - Relocating historic-age buildings after their potential period of significance
- For an overall potential historic district
  - Numerous alterations to and current conditions of historic-age buildings and structures within the potential historic district
  - Introduction of non-historic-age resources, particularly in areas where previous domestic agricultural resources were present during the period of significance

- Large intrusions on the landscape including new large complexes of non-historic-age buildings
- Conversion of former agricultural properties to domestic or commercial use.

## Survey Methods

### ▪ Methodological Description

Since the proposed project requires approximately 40 acres of new ROW, the proposed project has the potential to adversely affect historic properties. Because the project meets Appendix 6 of the Section 106 PA among FHWA, TxDOT, the Texas SHPO, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, a reconnaissance-level historic resources survey is required to identify and evaluate historic properties within the APE and determine potential effects to historic properties.

B&A surveyed and documented all buildings and structures constructed in or before 1976, and any potential historic districts on parcels within or partially within the APE. The team identified and surveyed a total of nine properties with 11 historic-age resources. The identified resources include domestic and commercial resources. These properties and resources are mapped on **Figure 4** in **Appendix C**. B&A documented and evaluated only those historic-age buildings that are within or partially within the APE of the project.

During field survey, B&A took at least two photographs of each resource, including the primary façade and a side elevation. In cases where vegetation, fencing, lack of access at the time of the survey, distance from the public ROW, or safety concerns limited or prohibited photographic documentation, B&A provided the best view available from the public ROW. B&A noted any photo documentation limitations on the survey forms in **Appendix B**.

B&A consulted HistoricAerials.com, which has aerial photography from 1967, 1995, 2004, 2008, 2010, 2012, and 2014 and topographic maps from 1950, 1972, 1982, 2012, and 2016. The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has aerial photography from 1953, 1967, 1974, 1978, and 1982. B&A's estimated dates of construction for the historic-age (and non-historic-age) resources are based on review of this aerial photography, topographic maps, background research, and field investigations.

All photographs of the project area are included as **Photos D1** through **D6** in **Appendix D**.

- **Comments on Methods**

B&A completed the historic resources survey in accordance with TxDOT Environmental Affairs Division's (ENV) instruction, the *October 2017 Documentation Standard and Report Template for Preparing an Historic Resources Survey Report*.

## **Survey Results**

- **Project Area Description**

The proposed project is located in western Bastrop County, roughly 2.45 miles east of the small community of Wyldwood (established in the 1980s). The project area consists primarily of non-historic-age residential and commercial development along SH 71 and the adjacent cross streets, with several scattered historic-age, post-war resources within the APE.

- **Literature Review**

B&A conducted the literature review in accordance with the TxDOT-approved Research Design and examined available reports, studies, maps, and other data pertinent to the survey area. This task commenced with an investigation of the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) *Texas Historic Sites Atlas* and the National Register Information System (NRIS) website.

Before, during, and after the completion of fieldwork, B&A historians conducted research of published and unpublished materials, aerial photographs, maps, and vertical files. Although B&A reviewed dozens of sources, the most applicable information utilized in this historic resources survey report (HRSR) is listed below by repository or online source:

Dolph Briscoe Center for American History at the University of Texas at Austin

- *A History of Central Texas*
- *History of Bastrop County, Texas During Reconstruction*
- *First Settlers of Bastrop and Travis Counties, Texas*
- *Bastrop County 1691-1900*
- Vertical Subject Files on Bastrop County, Texas

Austin History Center

- Vertical Subject Files on Central Texas Cities and Towns

## TxDOT

- *Agricultural Theme Study of Central Texas*
- Highway Designation Files for SH 71, FM 1209, and US 290
- TxDOT's Historic Properties and Districts Map Database and Historic Bridges of Texas Database

## Bastrop Public Library

- *Sandyland Farmers: Life in the Countryside Before Camp Swift, 1920-1942*
- *In the Shadow of Lost Pines: A History of Bastrop County and its People*
- *Bastrop County Historical Commission Sesquicentennial Project: Cultural Resource Investigations Along the Colorado River, Bastrop County, Texas*

## Online Sources

- THC *Texas Historic Sites Atlas* website
- Historic and current maps gathered from HistoricAerials.com, the Texas State Library and Archives Commission Map Collection, the University of Texas Perry-Castañeda Library's Map Collection, and the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)
- HistoricAerials.com images
  - Aerial photographs from 1967, 1995, 2004, 2008, 2010, 2012, and 2014
  - Topographic maps from 1950, 1972, 1982, 2012, and 2016
- University of Texas Perry-Castañeda Library's Map Collection
  - Bastrop, Texas USGS topographic map from 1899, 1948
- Texas Highway Department (THD) county highway maps from 1936 (revised to 1940) and 1958 (revised to 1961)
- USGS aerial photography from 1953, 1967, 1974, 1978, and 1982
- Google.com aerial photography from 1995 to 2018
- National Park Service Bulletins
  - *How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation*
  - *How to Complete the National Register Registration Form*
- U.S. Historical Agricultural Census

## Historical Context Statement

### **Areas of Significance:** Transportation

The TxDOT approved October 2018 Research Design determined that Transportation was the most appropriate theme for the study area. Historically, the area was largely rural, with scattered agricultural properties and large swaths of undeveloped land. An early roadway through the area connecting Austin to Bastrop is evident on an 1895 topographic map, suggesting the project area was historically a major transportation corridor. Within the historic-age period, there has never been a community within the study area, and due to transportation improvements and the decline of agriculture in the mid-twentieth century, there are no extant agricultural properties within the APE. The construction of FM 1209 and the expansion of SH 71 in the 1950s through 1970s induced growth within the project area, and the residential and commercial development along SH 71 and the adjacent roadways is a result of these transportation improvements. The study area has historically, and continues to be, primarily a transportation corridor connecting Austin to Bastrop, and eventually Houston.

Field survey and local research did not indicate that any additional historical themes were appropriate for the area.

**Anticipated Period of Significance:** The potential period of significance for Transportation begins ca. 1958 when FM 1209 was designated, which initiated the area's transition from a rural landscape with scattered agricultural properties and undeveloped land, to denser residential and commercial development associated with the development of the transportation network. The potential period of significance ends in 1976 (the survey cut-off date) because research did not identify a demarcating event.

## Historical Context:

### *Transportation (ca. 1958 to ca. 1976)*

The proposed project area was historically rural, and during the first half of the twentieth century, western Bastrop County consisted of scattered family farms and ranches with clusters of small development and large swaths of undeveloped land. In 1920, a farm depression devastated area farmers, and many abandoned their land and moved to urban centers for work. The Great Depression and massive flooding along the Colorado River in the 1930s furthered the flight to larger cities, and the designation of United States Highway (US) 290 in 1935 to connect Austin to Garfield and Bastrop did little to buoy the local economy. The population of the town of Bastrop stagnated, and the area's smaller towns experienced large population losses.<sup>1</sup>

The post-World War II era saw a boom in housing construction throughout the country, with many residents either constructing entirely new houses or replacing old houses with new styles. Houses constructed in the 1940s through 1970s were typically Minimal Traditional and Ranch style residences. Despite a national trend towards growth during this period, small communities in western Bastrop County remained rural and never fully recovered from the economic impacts of the Great Depression. Bastrop County saw a significant population decline in the 1950s and 1960s, dropping 14 percent to 16,925 by 1960.<sup>2</sup> According to historic aerial photos from the 1950s, the area within the APE consisted primarily of undeveloped woodlands, with some small pockets of cultivated fields and rangeland. Few industries were in operation in Bastrop County outside of brick and tile manufacturing in Elgin.<sup>3</sup>

In 1951, the Texas Highway Department (THD) rerouted US 290 to the north, through the town of Elgin. The THD then designated the old US 290 highway (locally known as Bastrop Highway) as SH 71.<sup>4</sup> In 1958, FM 1209 was completed through the project area, connecting FM 969 near the Colorado River to SH 21 south of SH 71.<sup>5</sup> At that time, the two-lane SH 71 roadway was also straightened and realigned in several locations, although not in the APE.

In the mid-1970s, the THD expanded SH 71 from a two-lane highway, to a four-lane divided highway within the APE. This spurred development in the area, and historic aerial photographs from the time show new buildings were constructed along SH 71, CR 206, FM 1209, and Union Chapel Road.

Due to the rapid expansion of Austin and the Colorado River area in the 1980s, the project area began to experience growth in the latter decades of the twentieth century, and many of the buildings within the APE were constructed during this time, including residential, commercial, and light industrial properties along SH 71, FM 1209, Union Chapel Road, and Stephen F. Austin Boulevard. The city of Bastrop had 3,789 residents by 1980, and that same year Bastrop County had a population of 24,726.<sup>6</sup>

Likely as a result of the large-scale growth of Austin and Central Texas in the late twentieth century, the small community of Wyldwood was founded approximately 2.45 miles west of the project area in the 1980s.<sup>7</sup> According to historic aerial photographs, it appears that the majority of the commercial and residential properties within the APE were constructed or moved to the APE after the establishment of the Wyldwood community. In 1998, the Lower Colorado River Authority opened the McKinney Roughs Nature Park northwest of the APE; it is a 1,140-acre park consisting of hiking trails, summer camps, horseback riding, zip lining, and other outdoor activities.<sup>8</sup> The park is one of the area's main attractions, and contributes to the surrounding area's growth. In the early 2000s, the Hyatt at Lost Pines, a large-scale hotel, resort, and golf course, opened northwest of the project area along the Colorado River, furthering the recreational development of the surrounding area. In 2010, Bastrop County had 74,171 residents.<sup>9</sup>

## National Register Eligibility Recommendations

- Eligible Properties/Districts

None

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<sup>1</sup> Paula Mitchell Marks, "Bastrop County," *Handbook of Texas Online*, <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/hcb03>, accessed October 23, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> "Texas Almanac: Population History of Counties from 1850 to 2010," *Texasalmanac.com*, <https://texasalmanac.com/sites/default/files/images/topics/ctypophistweb2010.pdf>, accessed October 23, 2018.

<sup>3</sup> Marks, "Bastrop County."

<sup>4</sup> Texas Department of Transportation, *Highway Designation File for State Highway No. 71*, <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/tpp/hwy/sh/sh0071.htm>, accessed October 23, 2018, and Texas Department of Transportation, *Highway Designation File for U.S. Highway No. 290*, <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/tpp/hwy/us/us0290.htm>, accessed October 23, 2018.

<sup>5</sup> Texas Department of Transportation, *Highway Designation File for Farm-to-Market 1209*, <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/tpp/hwy/fm1000/fm1209.htm>, accessed October 23, 2018.

<sup>6</sup> Texas Almanac, "Texas Almanac: City Population History from 1850-2000," <https://texasalmanac.com/sites/default/files/images/CityPopHist%20web.pdf>, accessed October 24, 2018 and "Texas Almanac: Population History of Counties from 1850 to 2010."

<sup>7</sup> Laurie E. Jasinski, "Wyldwood, TX," *Handbook of Texas Online*, <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/hjw21>, accessed March 8, 2018.

<sup>8</sup> Lower Colorado River Authority, "LCRA's Recent History, An era of Changes and Challenges," accessed March 8, 2018, <https://www.lcra.org/about/overview/history/Pages/an-era-of-change.aspx> and Lower Colorado River Authority, "McKinney Roughs Nature Park," <https://www.lcra.org/parks/Pages/mckinney-roughs-nature-park.aspx>, accessed March 8, 2018.

<sup>9</sup> Texas Almanac, "Texas Almanac: City Population History from 1850-2000."

- **Ineligible Properties/Districts**

**Domestic Resources**

There are eight inventoried resources within the APE that either currently or historically have a domestic function (Resource Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7A, 7B, and 9). With the exception of Resource No. 1, they were all constructed ca. 1970. Resource No. 1 was moved to the project area around 1970, although it appears to have been constructed ca. 1940. Resource No. 9 currently functions as a business, and therefore, is also discussed separately below in the **Commercial Resources** section.

Under Criterion A, domestic resources in Texas are most commonly evaluated under Community Planning & Development, Architecture, or Agriculture themes. However, there is no historic-age community or planned residential development within the study area with which the domestic resources are associated. Rather, the domestic resources were largely constructed in response to the transportation improvements in the area in the post-war period. As a result, B&A did not include a Community Planning & Development historic context because none of the domestic historic-age resources within the APE would be significant under that theme.

Two of the historic-age domestic resources within the APE (Resource Nos. 2 and 3) exhibit no distinguishing architectural style and two (Resources Nos. 4 and 9) exhibit elements of the Ranch style. The remaining three domestic resources (5, 7A, and 7B) were not visible from the public ROW; however, they likely either do not exhibit a style or exhibit the Ranch style based on their construction dates and forms. The Ranch style is ubiquitous in Texas and nationwide, and thus the threshold for NRHP-eligibility for this type of resource is exceptionally high. Resource Nos. 4 and 9 are only very modest examples of this architectural style, and as a result, B&A did not include a historic context for Architecture. Finally, none of the domestic buildings within the APE are associated with agriculture, and subsequently an Agriculture context was not included in this HRSR.

Based on the factors noted above, the historic-age domestic resources within the APE are most closely associated with the transportation improvements in the area. Under Criterion A, research did not indicate that the residences or outbuildings have any significant association with events outlined in the historic context.

Under Criterion B, research did not indicate that the residences or outbuildings have any significant association with important persons outlined in the historic context.

Under Criterion C, none of the domestic resources rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP eligibility. Resource Nos. 1, 2 and 3 do not exhibit any distinct architectural style, and Resource Nos. 4 and 9 exhibit modest Ranch style features. However, as noted above, this is a common architectural style in the area and in Texas and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP eligibility. Three of the

domestic resources within the APE (Resource Nos. 5, 7A, and 7B) were not visible from the public ROW, so it is unknown if they have an architectural style. However, based on their construction dates and rooflines, they most likely do not exhibit a style or exhibit the Ranch style. Additionally, domestic outbuildings (Resource No. 7B) are rarely eligible for NRHP listing on their own; rather, they are considered contributing resources to a larger, NRHP-eligible property.

Finally, many of the resources exhibited alterations, including relocation (Resource No. 1); replacement windows, doors, siding, and roof (Resource No. 1); replacement garage doors (Resource No. 4); non-historic-age infill on the property (Resource Nos. 2, 3, and 4); and large additions (Resource No. 7A). As a result, the resources' integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association is compromised. Consequently, B&A recommends that these eight domestic resources are not eligible for NRHP listing under Criterion A, B, or C.

### **Commercial Resource**

There are four properties within the APE that either historically or currently function as commercial properties (Resource Nos. 6, 8A, 8B, and 9). One of the resources (Resource No. 9) was originally a residence but has since been converted to commercial use. All of the commercial resources were constructed between ca. 1970 and 1975.

Under Criterion A, there is no evidence to suggest that any of the commercial resources have significant associations with important events identified in the historic context and the transportation development in Bastrop, or the region.

Under Criterion B, research also did not reveal that the resources have significant associations with important persons identified in the historic context.

Under Criterion C, the resources do not represent a distinct type, period, or method of construction, are not the work of a master, and do not possess high artistic value. Many of them also exhibit alterations, including replacement siding, windows, and doors, and conversion from domestic to commercial use, which compromise their integrity of design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. Subsequently, none of the commercial resources within the APE rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP eligibility.

As a result, B&A recommends that Resource Nos. 6, 8A, 8B, and 9 are not NRHP-eligible as commercial resources under Criterion A, B, or C.

#### **▪ Recommendations for Further Study**

None

## **Determination of Section 106 Effects Recommendations**

- **Direct Effects**

None

- **Indirect, Cumulative or Reasonable Foreseeable Effects**

None

## **U.S. DOT Section 4(f) Applicability Statement**

B&A does not recommend further work be completed in association with compliance activities under Section 4(f) of the U.S. DOT Act.

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## **Appendix A: Tabular Inventory of Surveyed Properties**

| Resource No. | Address/ Location  | Function/ Sub-function       | Architectural Style | Date(s)  | Integrity/Comments   | NRHP Eligibility                        |
|--------------|--|------------------------------|---------------------|----------|--|---|
| 1            | 107 Colorado Circle,<br>Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.130185/<br>Long: -97.445438 | Domestic/<br>Single dwelling | No style            | Ca. 1940 | Historic aerial photographs indicate the residence was likely moved to its current location ca. 1970. There is a non-historic-age projecting shed roof, screened front porch addition on the southwest elevation, and a small gable roof porch on the northwest elevation. Additional alterations appear to include replacement roof, windows and doors. | Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C |
| 2            | 453 Union Chapel Road, Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.128646/<br>Long: -97.445934  | Domestic/<br>Single dwelling | No style            | Ca. 1970 | There are several non-historic-age outbuildings and a pool located on the property. Alterations appear limited to a replacement roof.  | Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C |
| 3            | 427 Union Chapel Road, Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.127030/<br>Long: -97.444623  | Domestic/<br>Single dwelling | No style            | Ca. 1970 | There are two non-historic-age outbuildings on the property. Alterations were not discernable.   | Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C |
| 4            | 1648 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.129054/<br>Long: -97.442428        | Domestic/<br>Single dwelling | Ranch               | Ca. 1970 | The two-bay garage on the east end of the residence may have been altered, and the garage doors have been replaced. There are also several non-historic-age buildings on the property.   | Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C |
| 5            | 1604 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.127832/<br>Long: -97.439295        | Domestic/<br>Single dwelling | Unknown             | Ca. 1970 | Alterations were not discernable.  | Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C |
| 6            | 1577 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.124242/<br>Long: -97.437346        | Commerce/<br>Business        | No style            | Ca. 1975 | Alterations were not discernable.  | Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C |

| Resource No. | Address/ Location  | Function/ Sub-function   | Architectural Style | Date(s)  | Integrity/Comments  | NRHP Eligibility                           |
|--------------|--|--|---------------------|----------|---|--|
| 7A           | 306 FM 1209,<br>Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.124889/<br>Long: -97.432834     | Domestic/<br>Single dwelling   | Unknown             | Ca. 1970 | Additions on the east, west, and south elevations.  | Not eligible under<br>Criterion A, B, or C |
| 7B           | 306 FM 1209,<br>Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.125043/<br>Long: -97.433026     | Domestic/<br>Secondary<br>structure  | No style            | Ca. 1970 | Alterations were not discernable.   | Not eligible under<br>Criterion A, B, or C |
| 8A           | 1494 West SH 71,<br>Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.122088/<br>Long: -97.431523 | Commerce/<br>Business  | No style            | Ca. 1975 | There are several additions on the south and east elevations. Additional alterations include replacement doors, windows, and possibly siding.                     | Not eligible under<br>Criterion A, B, or C |
| 8B           | 1494 West SH 71,<br>Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.122119/<br>Long: -97.431216 | Commerce/<br>Business  | No style            | Ca. 1975 | There is a small shed roof addition on the southeast elevation and a rear (northeast) shed roof addition with a smaller overhead door on its southeast elevation. | Not eligible under<br>Criterion A, B, or C |
| 9            | 1465 West SH 71,<br>Bastrop County, Texas<br>Lat: 30.119957/<br>Long: -97.430029 | Domestic/<br>Single dwelling<br>(originally) –<br>Commerce/<br>Business<br>(currently) | Ranch<br>(Modest)   | Ca. 1970 | A large side gable corrugated metal outbuilding is located directly southeast of Resource No. 9, although they do not appear to be connected.                     | Not eligible under<br>Criterion A, B, or C |

## **Appendix B: Survey Forms for All Surveyed Properties**

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 1

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 107 Colorado Circle, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.130185/Longitude: -97.445438

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1940

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This side gable residence features replacement asbestos and decorative stone siding and single and paired one-over-one windows. Several details, including a portion of previous clapboard siding that is visible on the southeast elevation, and the overhanging eaves with triangular knee braces, suggest the building was constructed ca. 1940. However, historic aerial photographs indicate the residence was likely moved to its current location ca. 1970. There is a non-historic-age projecting shed roof, screened front porch addition on the southwest elevation and a small gable roof porch on the northwest elevation. Additional alterations appear to include replacement roof, windows and doors. There is a non-historic-age garage north of Resource No. 1. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, alterations have compromised its integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.



Facing northeast

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 1

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 107 Colorado Circle, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.130185/Longitude: -97.445438

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1940

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This side gable residence features replacement asbestos and decorative stone siding and single and paired one-over-one windows. Several details, including a portion of previous clapboard siding that is visible on the southeast elevation, and the overhanging eaves with triangular knee braces, suggest the building was constructed ca. 1940. However, historic aerial photographs indicate the residence was likely moved to its current location ca. 1970. There is a non-historic-age projecting shed roof, screened front porch addition on the southwest elevation and a small gable roof porch on the northwest elevation. Additional alterations appear to include replacement roof, windows and doors. There is a non-historic-age garage north of Resource No. 1. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, alterations have compromised its integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.



Facing northwest (note the original clapboard siding and triangular knee braces at right)

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 1

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 107 Colorado Circle, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.130185/Longitude: -97.445438

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1940

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This side gable residence features replacement asbestos and decorative stone siding and single and paired one-over-one windows. Several details, including a portion of previous clapboard siding that is visible on the southeast elevation, and the overhanging eaves with triangular knee braces, suggest the building was constructed ca. 1940. However, historic aerial photographs indicate the residence was likely moved to its current location ca. 1970. There is a non-historic-age projecting shed roof, screened front porch addition on the southwest elevation and a small gable roof porch on the northwest elevation. Additional alterations appear to include replacement roof, windows and doors. There is a non-historic-age garage north of Resource No. 1. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, alterations have compromised its integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.



Facing northeast

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 1

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 107 Colorado Circle, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.130185/Longitude: -97.445438

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1940

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This side gable residence features replacement asbestos and decorative stone siding and single and paired one-over-one windows. Several details, including a portion of previous clapboard siding that is visible on the southeast elevation, and the overhanging eaves with triangular knee braces, suggest the building was constructed ca. 1940. However, historic aerial photographs indicate the residence was likely moved to its current location ca. 1970. There is a non-historic-age projecting shed roof, screened front porch addition on the southwest elevation and a small gable roof porch on the northwest elevation. Additional alterations appear to include replacement roof, windows and doors. There is a non-historic-age garage north of Resource No. 1. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, alterations have compromised its integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.



Non-historic-age garage, facing northeast

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 2

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 453 Union Chapel Road, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.128646/Longitude: -97.445934

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1970

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This resource was partially obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW and vegetation. The residence appears to be a cross gable residence with stone and vertical wood siding, single and paired aluminum windows, and a projecting shed roof front porch on the north elevation. There are several non-historic-age outbuildings located southeast of Resource No. 2 and a non-historic-age pool east of Resource No. 2. Although alterations appear limited to a replacement roof, research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Facing northwest

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 2  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 453 Union Chapel Road, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.128646/Longitude: -97.445934  
Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling  
Construction Date: ca. 1970  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was partially obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW and vegetation. The residence appears to be a cross gable residence with stone and vertical wood siding, single and paired aluminum windows, and a projecting shed roof front porch on the north elevation. There are several non-historic-age outbuildings located southeast of Resource No. 2 and a non-historic-age pool east of Resource No. 2. Although alterations appear limited to a replacement roof, research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Facing south

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 3

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 427 Union Chapel Road, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.127030/Longitude: -97.444623

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1970

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This resource was partially obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, vegetation, and fencing. Bastrop CAD lists the construction date as 1931, however historic aerial photographs indicate there was no residence on the property in 1967, and field survey suggests the residence was not constructed until ca. 1970. The residence appears to be pyramidal roof, two-story residence with full-width two-story front porch supported by square wood columns. A single-story gable wing extends from the north elevation. The residence features horizontal wood siding and single and paired one-over-one aluminum windows. There are two non-historic-age outbuildings on the property west of Resource No. 3. Although alterations were not discernable, research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Facing southwest

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 3

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 427 Union Chapel Road, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.127030/Longitude: -97.444623

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1970

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This resource was partially obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, vegetation, and fencing. Bastrop CAD lists the construction date as 1931, however historic aerial photographs indicate there was no residence on the property in 1967, and field survey suggests the residence was not constructed until ca. 1970. The residence appears to be pyramidal roof, two-story residence with full-width two-story front porch supported by square wood columns. A single-story gable wing extends from the north elevation. The residence features horizontal wood siding and single and paired one-over-one aluminum windows. There are two non-historic-age outbuildings on the property west of Resource No. 3. Although alterations were not discernable, research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Facing south

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 3

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 427 Union Chapel Road, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.127030/Longitude: -97.444623

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1970

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This resource was partially obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, vegetation, and fencing. Bastrop CAD lists the construction date as 1931, however historic aerial photographs indicate there was no residence on the property in 1967, and field survey suggests the residence was not constructed until ca. 1970. The residence appears to be pyramidal roof, two-story residence with full-width two-story front porch supported by square wood columns. A single-story gable wing extends from the north elevation. The residence features horizontal wood siding and single and paired one-over-one aluminum windows. There are two non-historic-age outbuildings on the property west of Resource No. 3. Although alterations were not discernable, research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Non-historic-age outbuildings located west of Resource No. 3

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 4  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 1648 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.129054/Longitude: -97.442428  
Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling  
Construction Date: ca. 1970  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was partially obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW and vegetation. The Ranch style residence appears to be a side gable residence with integrated two-bay garage, stone siding, stone wall partially enclosing a front courtyard leading to the main entrance, and arched details on the stone wall and picture window. Historic aerial photographs indicate that the two-bay garage on the east end of the residence may have been altered, and the garage doors have been replaced. There is also a non-historic-age shed and two non-historic-age manufactured homes on the property. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Facing north

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 4  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 1648 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.129054/Longitude: -97.442428  
Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling  
Construction Date: ca. 1970  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was partially obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW and vegetation. The Ranch style residence appears to be a side gable residence with integrated two-bay garage, stone siding, stone wall partially enclosing a front courtyard leading to the main entrance, and arched details on the stone wall and picture window. Historic aerial photographs indicate that the two-bay garage on the east end of the residence may have been altered, and the garage doors have been replaced. There is also a non-historic-age shed and two non-historic-age manufactured homes on the property. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Facing northeast

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 4

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 1648 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.129054/Longitude: -97.442428

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1970

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This resource was partially obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW and vegetation. The Ranch style residence appears to be a side gable residence with integrated two-bay garage, stone siding, stone wall partially enclosing a front courtyard leading to the main entrance, and arched details on the stone wall and picture window. Historic aerial photographs indicate that the two-bay garage on the east end of the residence may have been altered, and the garage doors have been replaced. There is also a non-historic-age shed and two non-historic-age manufactured homes on the property. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Overview of property showing Resource No. 4 (center), non-historic-age shed (left), manufactured home (behind shed), and manufactured home (right), facing north

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 5  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 1604 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.127832/Longitude: -97.439295  
Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling  
Construction Date: ca. 1970  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was completely obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, fencing, and vegetation. As a result, photodocumentation was not possible. The building appears to be a side gable residence with projecting gable element on the north elevation. There are two non-historic-age buildings, including a residence and outbuilding, on the parcel just south of Resource No. 5. Alterations were not discernable. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and based on its construction date and form, it is not likely to be architecturally significant.



Aerial view of Resource No. 5, courtesy of Google Earth (2016)

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 5  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 1604 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.127832/Longitude: -97.439295  
Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling  
Construction Date: ca. 1970  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was completely obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, fencing, and vegetation. As a result, photodocumentation was not possible. The building appears to be a side gable residence with projecting gable element on the north elevation. There are two non-historic-age buildings, including a residence and outbuilding, on the parcel just south of Resource No. 5. Alterations were not discernable. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and based on its construction date and form, it is not likely to be architecturally significant.



View of Resource No. 5 and non-historic-age residence and outbuilding showing parcel boundaries (in red), courtesy of Google Earth

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 5

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 1604 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.127832/Longitude: -97.439295

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling

Construction Date: ca. 1970

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: This resource was completely obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, fencing, and vegetation. As a result, photodocumentation was not possible. The building appears to be a side gable residence with projecting gable element on the north elevation. There are two non-historic-age buildings, including a residence and outbuilding, on the parcel just south of Resource No. 5. Alterations were not discernable. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and based on its construction date and form, it is not likely to be architecturally significant.



Entrance gate to Resource No. 5, facing north

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 6  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 1577 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.124242/Longitude: -97.437346  
Function/Sub-function: Commerce/Business  
Construction Date: ca. 1975  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was setback from the public ROW and partially obscured by a fence, limiting photodocumentation. The resource is a gabled concrete commercial building with some decorative concrete banding, grouped fixed windows, and an overhead door on the north elevation. A smaller projecting gable section on the west elevation serves as an office. Although alterations were not discernable, research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Facing south

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 6  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 1577 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.124242/Longitude: -97.437346  
Function/Sub-function: Commerce/Business  
Construction Date: ca. 1975  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was setback from the public ROW and partially obscured by a fence, limiting photodocumentation. The resource is a gabled concrete commercial building with some decorative concrete banding, grouped fixed windows, and an overhead door on the north elevation. A smaller projecting gable section on the west elevation serves as an office. Although alterations were not discernable, research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



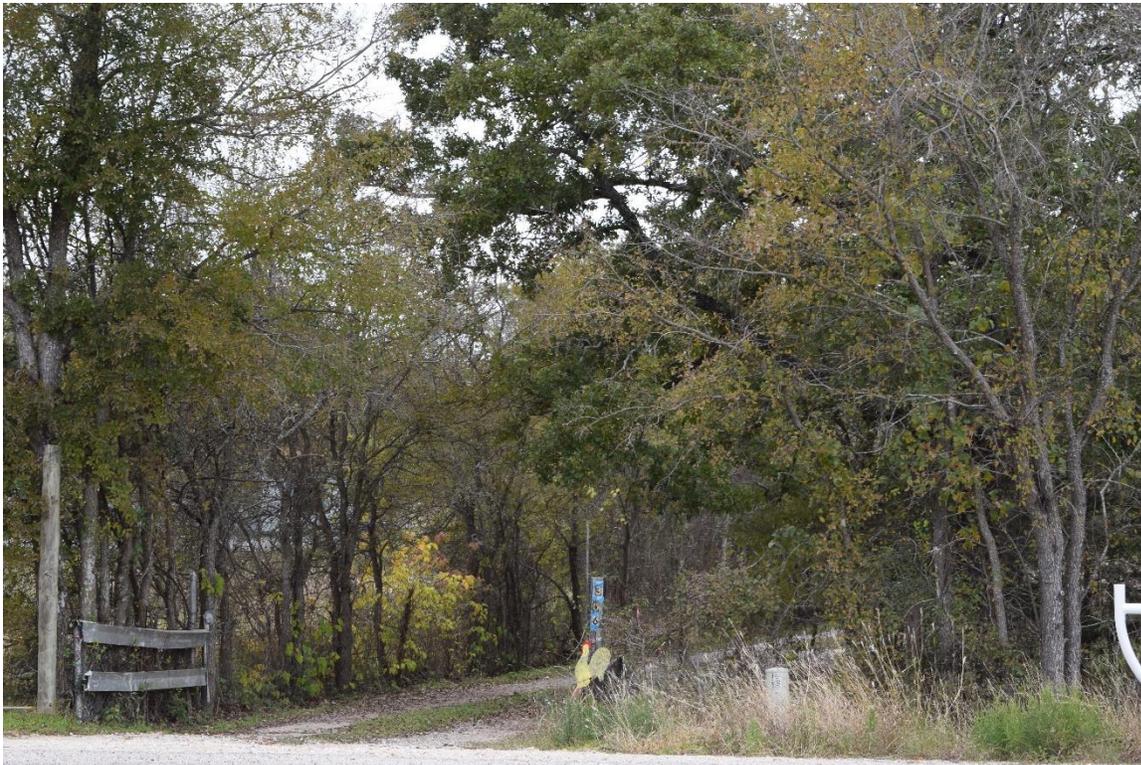
Facing southeast

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 7A  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 306 FM 1209, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.124889/Longitude: -97.432834  
Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling  
Construction Date: ca. 1970  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was completely obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, fencing, and vegetation. As a result, photodocumentation was not possible. The building appears to be a hipped roof residence with several additions on the east, west, and south elevations. There is an historic-age outbuilding (Resource No. 7B) located northwest of the residence. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and based on its construction date and form, it is not likely to be architecturally significant. Furthermore, the additions have likely compromised its integrity of design, materials, and workmanship.



Aerial view of Resource Nos. 7A and 7B, courtesy of Google Earth (2018)

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 7A  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 306 FM 1209, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.124889/Longitude: -97.432834  
Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling  
Construction Date: ca. 1970  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was completely obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, fencing, and vegetation. As a result, photodocumentation was not possible. The building appears to be a hipped roof residence with several additions on the east, west, and south elevations. There is an historic-age outbuilding (Resource No. 7B) located northwest of the residence. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and based on its construction date and form, it is not likely to be architecturally significant. Furthermore, the additions have likely compromised its integrity of design, materials, and workmanship.



Entrance to Resource Nos. 7A and 7B, facing west

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 7B  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 306 FM 1209, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.125043/Longitude: -97.433026  
Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Secondary structure  
Construction Date: ca. 1970  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: This resource was completely obscured from view due to distance from the public ROW, fencing, and vegetation. As a result, photodocumentation was not possible. The building appears to be a corrugated metal outbuilding. Alterations were not discernable. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and based on its construction date and form, it is not likely to be architecturally significant. Furthermore, this resource type is common in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Aerial view of Resource Nos. 7A and 7B, courtesy of Google Earth (2018)

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 8A

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 1494 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.122088/Longitude: -97.431523

Function/Sub-function: Commerce/Business

Construction Date: ca. 1975

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: The resource is a flat roof commercial building constructed partially of concrete block with some plywood siding. It may serve as an office for the adjacent auto shop (Resource No. 8B). Bastrop CAD lists the construction date as 1965, however the building does not appear on a 1967 or 1974 aerial. There are several additions on the south and east elevations. Additional alterations include replacement doors, windows, and possibly siding. There is a non-historic-age corrugated metal storage building located on the property southeast of Resource Nos. 8A and 8B. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is utilitarian building that is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing. Finally, alterations have compromised the building's integrity of design, materials, and workmanship.



Facing northeast

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 8A

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 1494 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.122088/Longitude: -97.431523

Function/Sub-function: Commerce/Business

Construction Date: ca. 1975

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: The resource is a flat roof commercial building constructed partially of concrete block with some plywood siding. It may serve as an office for the adjacent auto shop (Resource No. 8B). Bastrop CAD lists the construction date as 1965, however the building does not appear on a 1967 or 1974 aerial. There are several additions on the south and east elevations. Additional alterations include replacement doors, windows, and possibly siding. There is a non-historic-age corrugated metal storage building located on the property southeast of Resource Nos. 8A and 8B. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is utilitarian building that is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing. Finally, alterations have compromised the building's integrity of design, materials, and workmanship.



Facing north

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 8B  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 1494 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.122119/Longitude: -97.431216  
Function/Sub-function: Commerce/Business  
Construction Date: ca. 1975  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: The resource is a flat roof auto shop constructed of concrete block, with two large overhead doors on the southwest elevation and a small shed roof addition on the southeast elevation. There is also a rear (northeast) shed roof addition with a smaller overhead door on its southeast elevation. There is a non-historic-age corrugated metal storage building located on the property southeast of Resource Nos. 8A and 8B. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is utilitarian building that is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Facing northeast

Survey Date: November 2018  
Resource No: 8B  
Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas  
Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)  
Address, Lat/Long: 1494 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.122119/Longitude: -97.431216  
Function/Sub-function: Commerce/Business  
Construction Date: ca. 1975  
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C  
Integrity/Comments: The resource is a flat roof auto shop constructed of concrete block, with two large overhead doors on the west elevation, a large overhead door on the south elevation, and a small shed roof addition on the south elevation. There is also a rear (north) shed roof addition with a smaller overhead door on its south elevation. There is a non-historic-age corrugated metal storage building located on the property southeast of Resource Nos. 8A and 8B. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is utilitarian building that is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing.



Resource No. 8A (left) and Resource No. 8B (right), facing north

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 9

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 1465 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.119957/Longitude: -97.430029

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling (originally) - Commerce/Business (currently)

Construction Date: ca. 1970

NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

Integrity/Comments: The resource was partially obscured from view by fencing. The resource is a former residence that now operates as a business. Resource No. 9 is a modest Ranch style, side gable building with stone and vertical wood siding, paired two-over-two aluminum windows, a single-bay, integrated garage with overhead door on the north elevation, and a replacement corrugated metal roof. A large side gable corrugated metal outbuilding is located directly southeast of Resource No. 9, although they do not appear to be connected. There is also a non-historic-age front gable shed located southwest of Resource No. 9. Research did not reveal that the building is associated with important events or people identified in the historic context, and it is not architecturally significant. Furthermore, it is a common resource type in Texas and the area and does not rise to the level of significance necessary for NRHP listing. Finally, its conversion to commercial use, and the construction of the adjacent, large, corrugated metal building, have compromised the resource's integrity of setting, feeling, and association.



Facing southwest, note non-historic-age buildings at left and right

Survey Date: November 2018

Resource No: 9

Project Location: Bastrop County, Texas

Project Name and CSJ: SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 (CSJ: 0265-03-041)

Address, Lat/Long: 1465 West SH 71, Bastrop County, Texas  
Latitude: 30.119957/Longitude: -97.430029

Function/Sub-function: Domestic/Single dwelling (originally) - Commerce/Business (currently)

Construction Date: ca. 1970

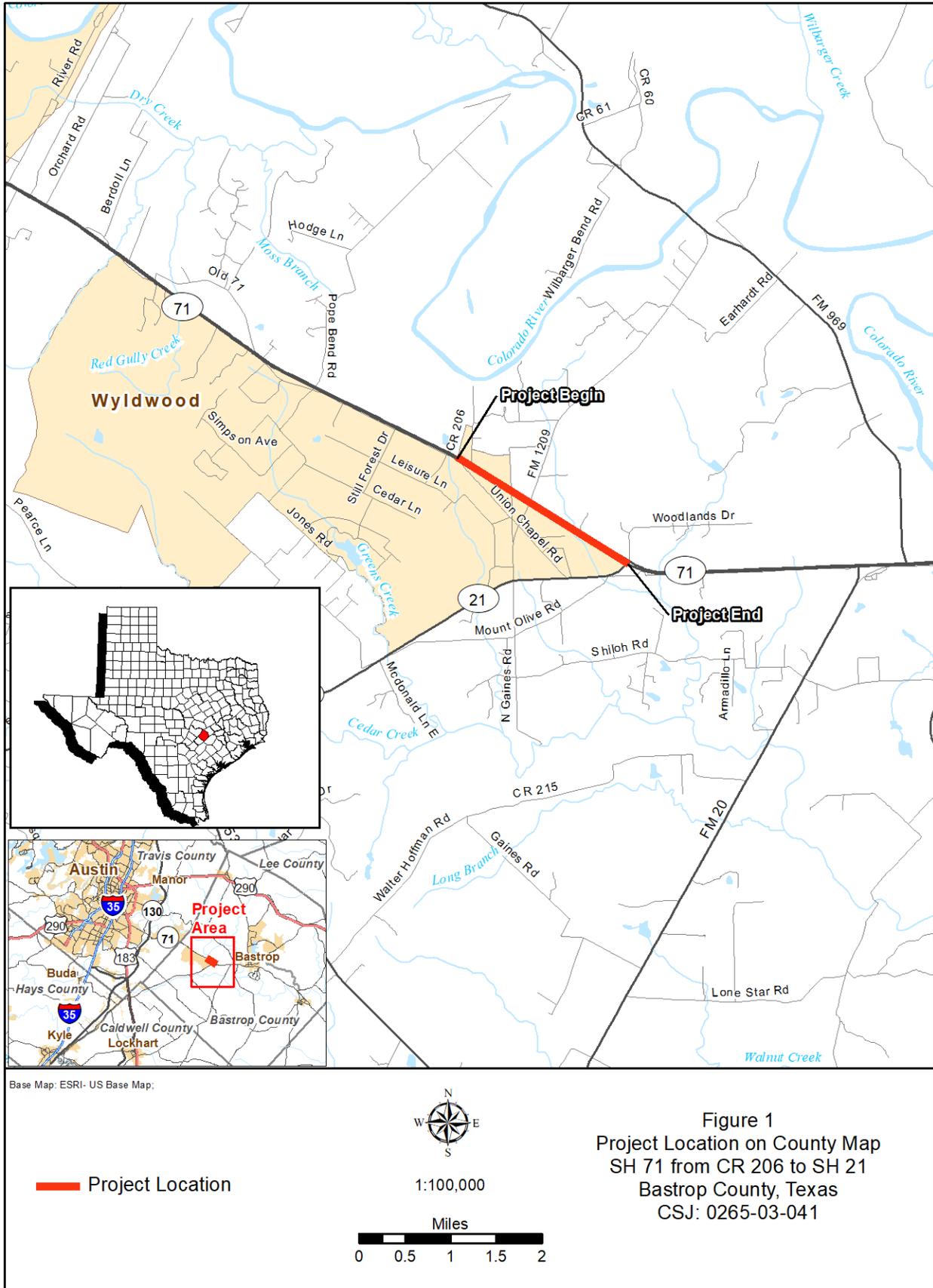
NRHP Eligibility: Not eligible under Criterion A, B, or C

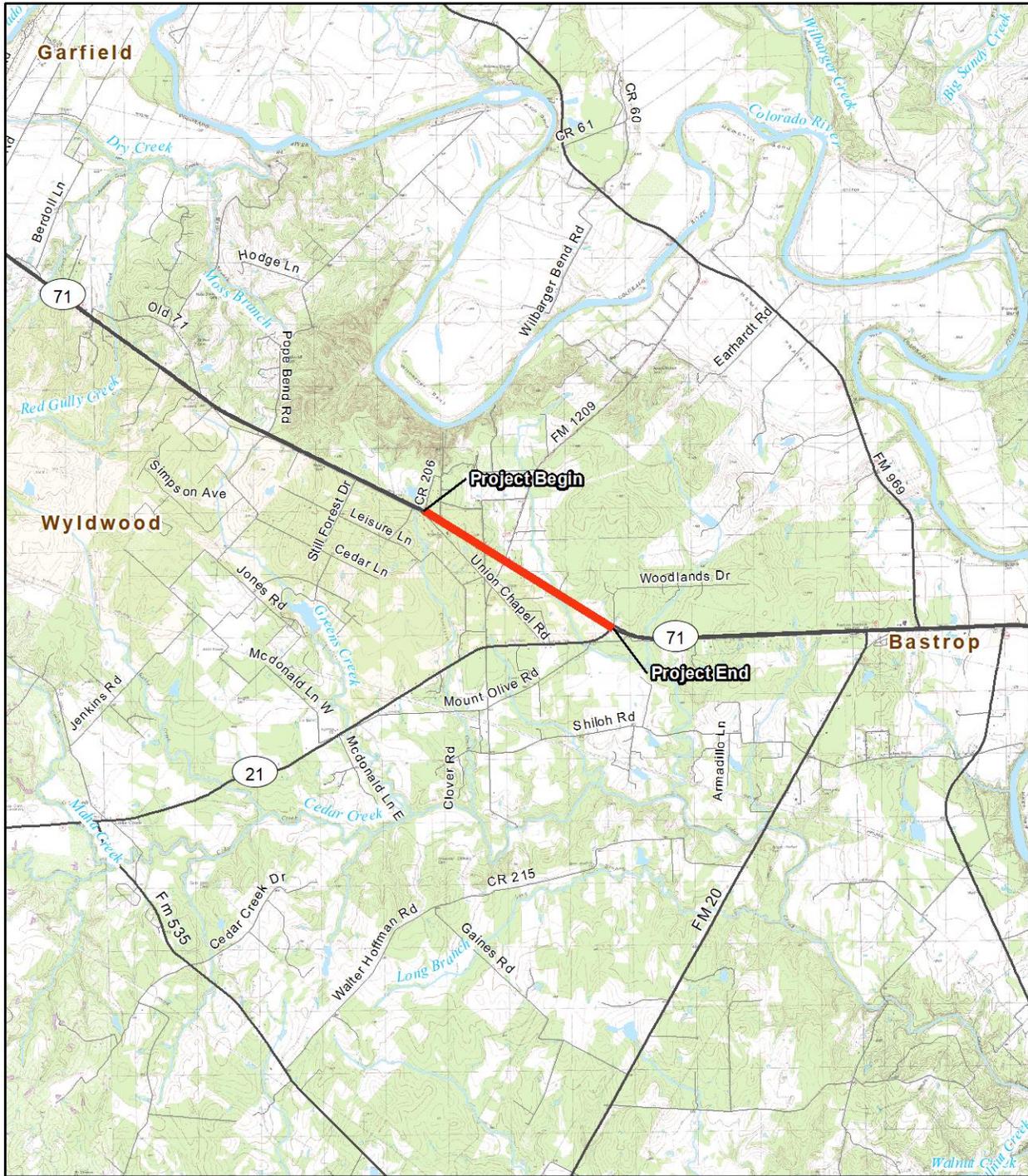
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Facing south

## Appendix C: Figures





Base Map: 7.5' USGS topographic quadrangle:  
 Webberville, Texas  
 (1987, Map ID No. 30097-B5)  
 Utley, Texas  
 (1982, Map ID No. 30097-B4)  
 Bastrop SW, Texas  
 (1982, Map ID No. 30097-A4)  
 Lytton Springs, Texas  
 (1968, Map ID No. 30097-A5)

 Project Location

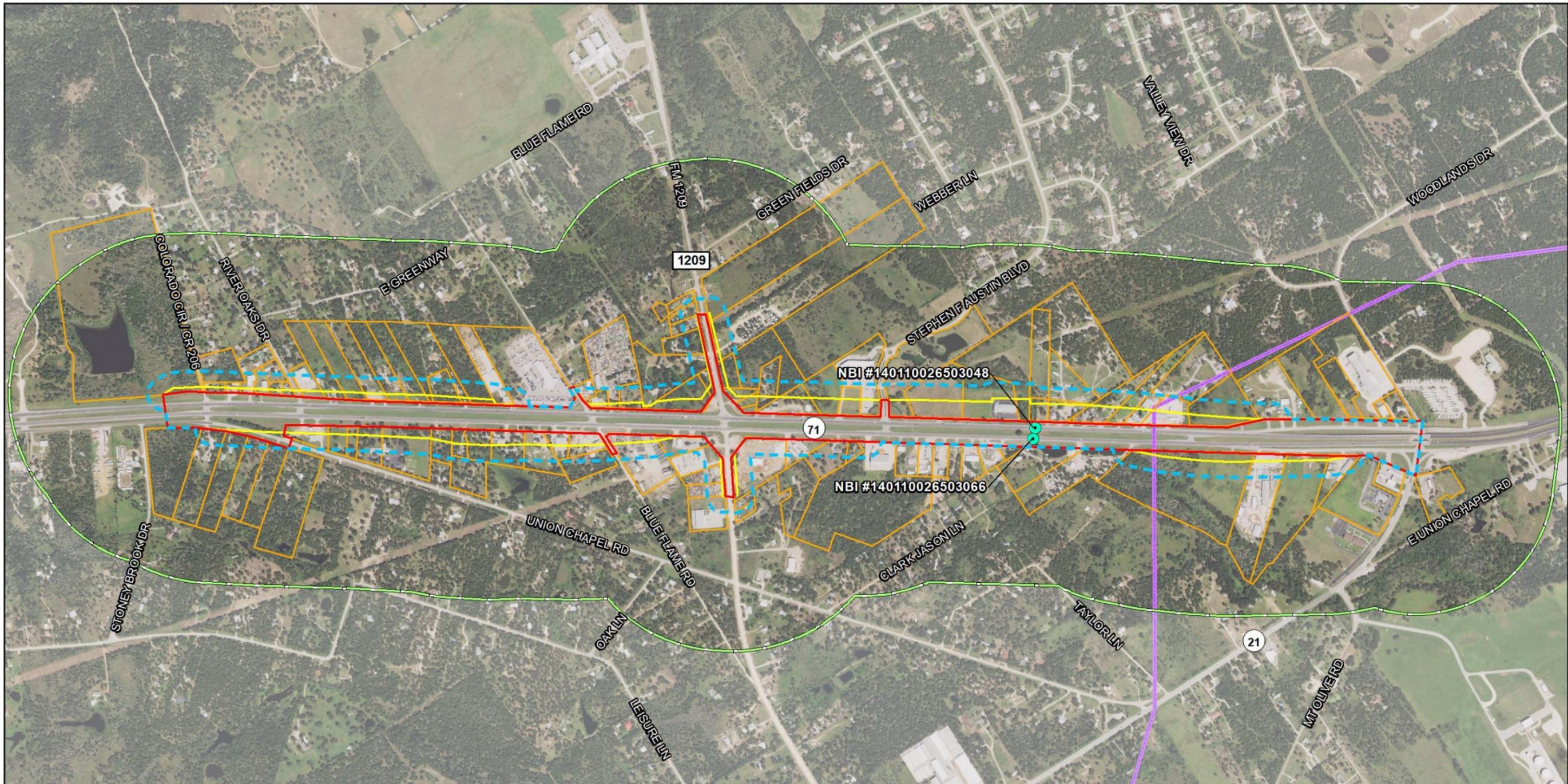


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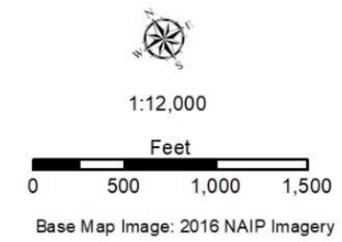
Figure 2  
 Project Location on Topographic Map  
 SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21  
 Bastrop County, Texas  
 CSJ: 0265-03-041



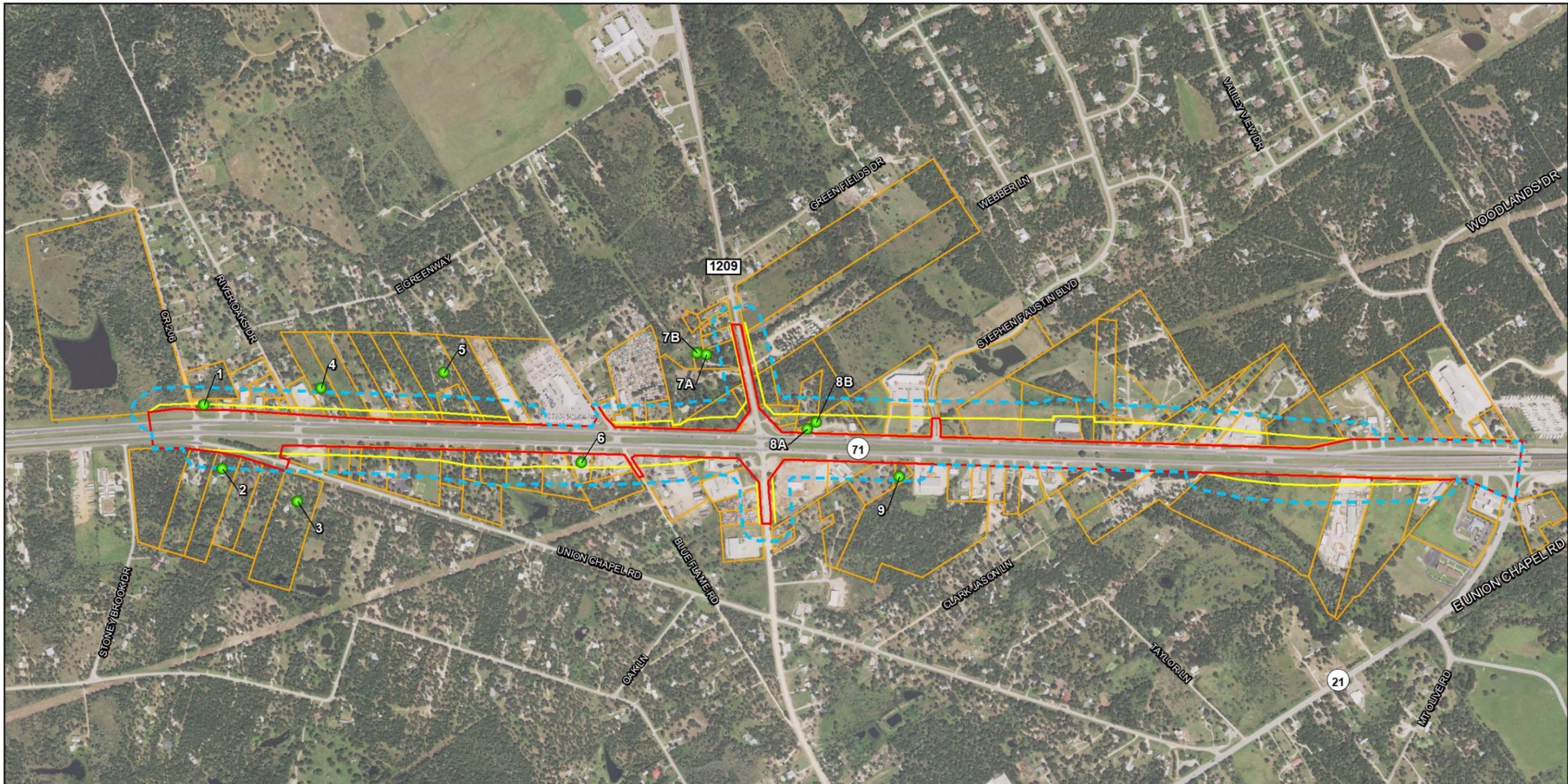
- Existing Right-of-way
- Proposed Right-of-way
- Area of Potential Effect (Variable)
- Study Area (0.25-mile)
- Parcels within the APE
- El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail

● Historic-age Bridge

Note: According to the Texas Historical Commission's Historic Sites Atlas, there are no standing structures designated as State Antiquities Landmarks, buildings designated as Recorded Texas Historic Landmarks, properties designated National Historic Landmarks, or properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) within the study area. In addition, according to TxDOT's database of previously determined NRHP-eligible resources, there are no historic properties or districts within the APE or study area. According to TxDOT's database of historic bridges, there are no historically significant bridges in the APE or study area.



**Figure 3**  
**Study Area and Area of Potential Effect**  
**on Aerial Imagery**  
**SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21**  
**Bastrop County, Texas**  
**CSJ: 0265-03-041**



- Inventoried Resource #
- Existing Right-of-way
- Proposed Right-of-way
- Area of Potential Effect (Variable)
- Parcels within the APE

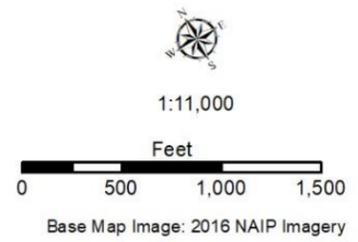


Figure 4  
 Inventoried Resources  
 SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21  
 Bastrop County, Texas  
 CSJ: 0265-03-041

## **Appendix D: Project Area Photographs**

*(from west to east)*



Photo D1: View of existing SH 71 facility and overall project area, including non-historic-age infill, from CR 206 (proposed project's western terminus), facing southeast



Photo D2: View along Union Chapel Road from its western terminus at SH 71 and CR 206, facing southeast



Photo D3: View of SH 71 at FM 1209 and adjacent land uses, facing southeast



Photo D4: Representative view of existing SH 71 facility and overall project area, including non-historic-age infill, from just southeast of FM 1209, facing southeast



Photo D5: Representative view of existing SH 71 facility and overall project area, including non-historic-age infill, from roughly 0.6 mile northwest of SH 21, facing northwest



Photo D6: View of existing SH 71 facility at SH 21 (proposed project's eastern terminus), facing northwest

# Appendix E: Consulting Party Comments

## Rebecca Wallisch

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**From:** Rebecca Wallisch  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 14, 2018 9:10 AM  
**To:** 'cindyewolford@aol.com'  
**Subject:** Potential historic resources along SH 71 in Bastrop County, Texas  
**Attachments:** Fig1\_Project\_Location.png

Good morning Ms. Wolford,

I am a consultant working on a TxDOT project located along SH 71 from CR 206 to SH 21 in Bastrop County, Texas. I am contacting you as the Bastrop County Historical Commission Chair to see if you have any information regarding pre-1977 resources along SH 71, Union Chapel Road, or FM 1209 in this area. To help orient you with the location of the project, attached is a map of the project area. Any insight you or your organization may have regarding the pre-1977 buildings or other historic resources along the project alignment is greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much,

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