

# KENDALL GATEWAY STUDY

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The second edition of the newsletter highlights the January 17, 2017 Open House, one of the multiple outreach activities being held to gather public input.

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## OPEN HOUSE: EXPLORATION AND INTERACTION

On January 17th, 2017, 245 citizens, seven elected officials, and three members of the media attended the first Kendall Gateway Study public open house to learn about and provide input regarding the transportation-related vision and goals to relieve congestion in Boerne and Kendall County.

Held at Boerne Middle School South from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., attendees were invited to:

- Provide information about their most frequent daily trips (home, work, school, shopping)
- Share their goals and thoughts for the community
- Give input on why the congestion exists in Kendall County and Boerne
- Offer thoughts on what the study priorities should be
- Contribute feedback on area maps to identify important community and environmental resources; places where transportation issues are experienced; and solutions that should be considered

Representatives from TxDOT, Kendall County, City of Boerne, and the consulting team were available for one-on-one conversations and interactions. A court reporter was present to record verbal comments, and Spanish language interpreters were available. Attendees could also provide written comments on a form as they left the open house or at a later date by mail, email or fax.

The Kendall Gateway Study January 17, 2017 Open House Report will be available online at [txdot.gov](http://txdot.gov), keyword "Kendall Gateway Study."

## Open House on January 17th, 2017

Collaboration with stakeholders, the public, and resource agencies are pivotal for the Kendall Gateway Study. Transparent and continuous communication will help in the identification of issues and their potential solutions.

Visit [txdot.gov](http://txdot.gov), keyword “Kendall Gateway Study” for more information.

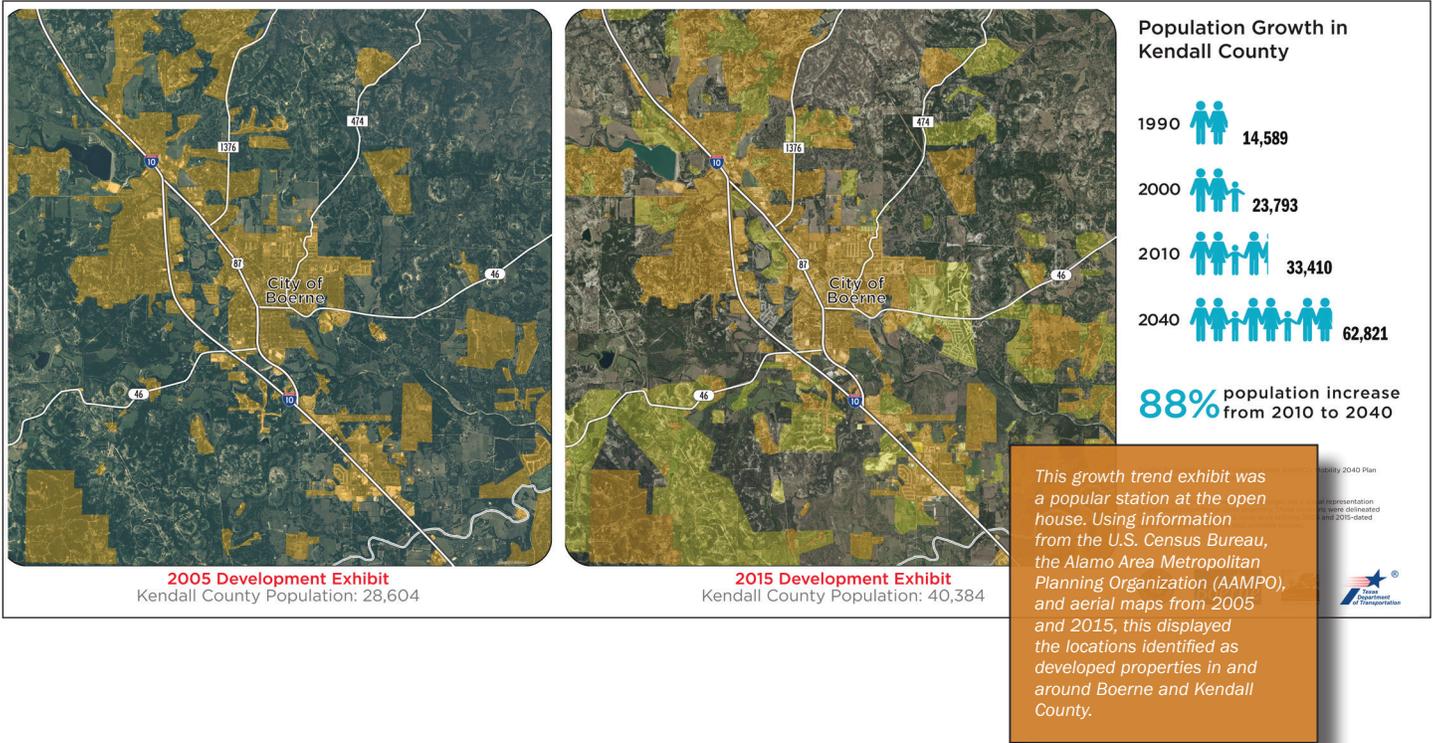
*(Pictured clockwise from the bottom) Over 250 people participated in the first Kendall Gateway Study open house; participants were asked to provide information about their most frequent daily trips; a court reporter was available to record verbal comments; and city, county, and state officials were on hand for one-on-one visits with citizens at the open house.*

**“The construction of an alternate route off Texas 46 is inevitable, given the rapid influx of new residents in the county. The population went from 33,410 in 2010 to an estimated 40,384 in 2015. With the amount of growth that’s coming, we have to be as proactive as we can.”**

— Kendall County Judge Darrel Lux



# Growth Trend: Areas Developed between 2005 and 2015



## One Team: Kendall County, City of Boerne and TxDOT

TxDOT is partnering with Kendall County and the City of Boerne, and is supporting the study with funding, including providing the engineering consultant team. Representatives from Kendall County, the City of Boerne, TxDOT, and the consulting team were on-hand at the event to provide information and address questions about the study from the public.

Jonathan Bean, TxDOT's Director of Transportation, Planning and Development (right) visits with an attendee at the January 17th Open House.



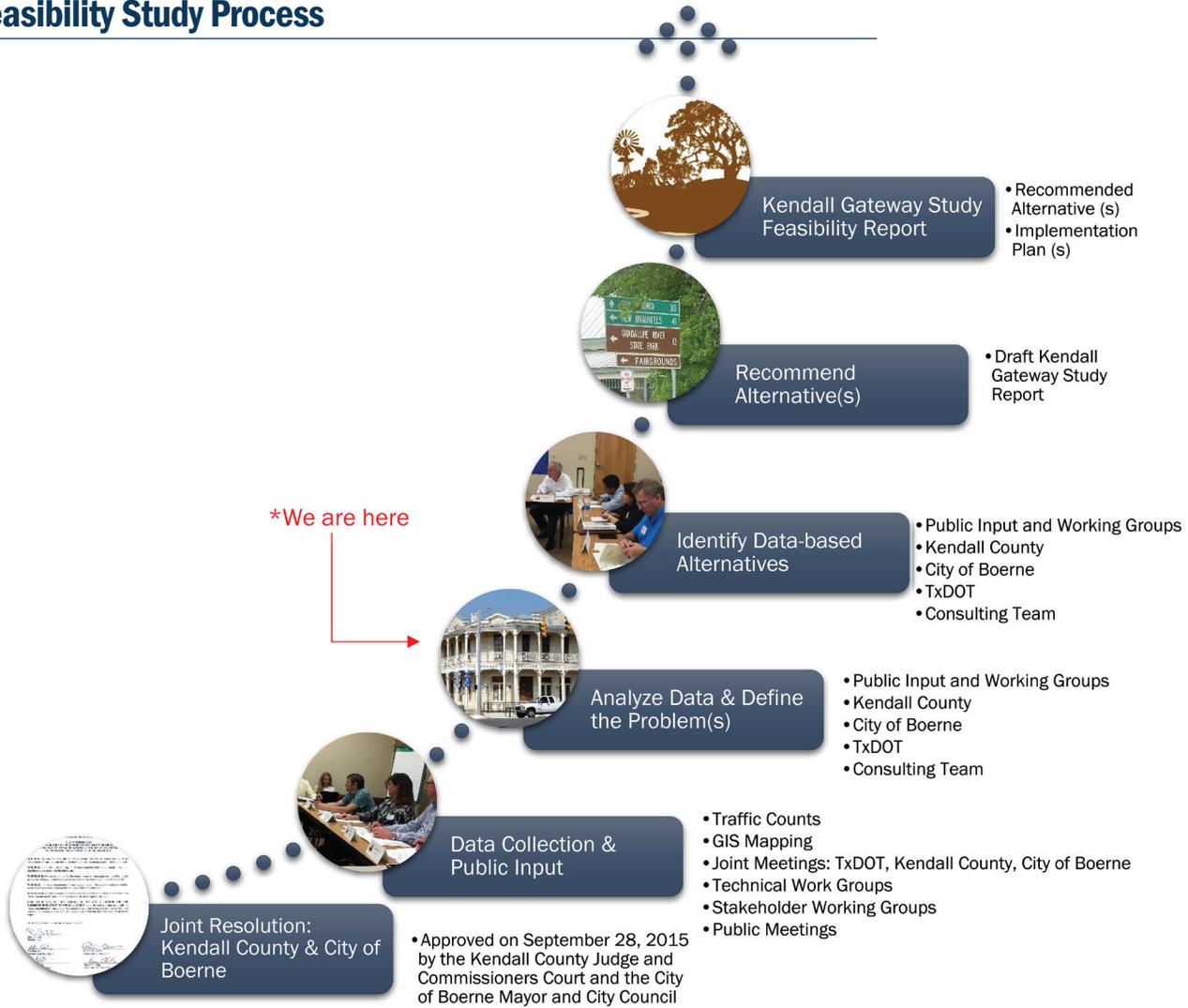
Kendall County Commissioner Richard Elkins (right) visited with attendees who were asked to make written comments on maps to give feedback about community resources, environmental resources, places where there are transportation issues, and suggested solutions.



Laura Talley, City of Boerne Planning and Community Development Director (left) visits with Open House attendees to get feedback on community and environmental resources that should be considered in the study, as well as transportation issues and possible solutions.



# Feasibility Study Process



## Next Steps

The Kendall Gateway Study, expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2018, will include a number of meetings, data collection and analyses, and, recommendations. The next steps are as follows:

- Analyze traffic data
- Draft the Purpose and Need statement
- Develop a screening matrix for engineering and environmental constraints
- Develop, evaluate, and refine potential solutions

Please feel free to submit comments to [KendallGateway@pozcam.com](mailto:KendallGateway@pozcam.com) at any time. Visit [txdot.gov](http://txdot.gov), keyword "Kendall Gateway Study" for more information.

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