



# Public Meeting Summary Report

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Loop 1604 at FM 2696 (Blanco Rd)

May 2018

San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas

CSJ: 2452-02-117

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT



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# Documentation of Public Meeting

## **Project Location**

Bexar County

## **CSJ #:**

2452-02-117

## **Project Limits**

Loop 1604 at FM 2696 (Blanco Rd)

## **Meeting Location**

San Antonio Shrine Auditorium, Ballroom

901 North Loop 1604 W

San Antonio, Texas 78232

## **Meeting Date and Time**

November-30-2017 , 5:00 to 7:00 PM

## **Presenters**

None

## **Elected Officials in Attendance**

Colt Osburn - City Council District 9

## **Total Number of Attendees (approx.)**

141

## **Total Number of Commenters**

103

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**A. Comment/response matrix**

Comment Number	Commenter Name	Date Received	Source	Comment Topic	Response
1	Timothy J. Kent	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Please add protections for cyclists on the westbound frontage road approaching Blanco road. Need either marked bike lanes or clearly marked designated sidewalk sections	The outside-most lane in each direction of the frontage road will be a wider 14'-wide, lane to accommodate bicyclists. This project is also adding continuous sidewalks along the frontage roads, filling in the gaps in areas which currently don't have sidewalks, so that if a bicyclist were to need to dismount and walk their bicycle, they would have a sidewalk on which to do so. Current bike lanes on Blanco Road will be maintained.
2	Angus Jones	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	The turn-around lane on the access road going east – on its approach to Blanco is much much to short. Even with the new scheme, you should make that turn around lane as long as possible.	Lengthening the u-turn lane pocket will be studied as a short-term solution to help operations at the intersection, however lengthening the u-turn pocket alone will not solve the operational issues at the interchange; more substantial improvements will be needed.
3	Lara McDaniel	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	More work needs to be done to address congestion on feeder roads such as Blanco, itself. Blanco is a nightmare north of 1604. When will you address that madness?	This project focused on improving the operations at the Loop 1604 and FM 2696/Blanco Rd interchange and what was needed to improve operations at this interchange.
4	Laverne Welborn	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	It could work!! Anything to improve how traffic backs up at this intersection is good!	Comment noted
				Any plans to add more nighttime streetlights along 1604? There are many sections along 1604 with no nighttime lighting.	This project only studies Loop 1604 between Huebner Rd and Stone Oak Pkwy, a section that has illumination in the Loop 1604 median. This project is expected to incorporate appropriate lighting for the collector-distributor system as well as under-bridge lighting beneath the proposed bridges associated with this project. Illumination in sections that currently don't have illumination may be added as part of ARMA's Loop 1604 Managed Lane Project.
5	Mil King	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Change the lane designation at 1604 westbound access road to 1) left turn only 2) left or straight 3) right turn only	In response to comments from the Public Meeting, TxDOT is currently studying restriping the outside through-only lane to a shared thru-right lane for the westbound frontage road. This modification will not completely solve the operational problems the westbound right-turn is experiencing.
6	Joyce & Gary Hyde	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Please consider adding another left turn lane (currently there is only one) going south on Huebner at the Blanco/Huebner exit from 1604 W.	See Response #3
				Doing this sooner, rather than later would be immensely helpful to the flow of traffic. The plan to give Huebner its own exit off 1604 sounds helpful although we need relief now!	The timing of the project may change in the future as the timeline is contingent upon environmental approval, identification of funds, and other factors.
7	Sue Logan	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Due to the terrific backup of traffic ion the access road wanting to turn north on Blanco (heading west on the access road), suggest the following interim fix requiring minimal change. "proposal" make the "straight only" lane an "optional" turn lane ----. This would alleviate a lot of the backup by cars trying to maneuver into the turn lane. This should be a minimal fix with minimal cost.	See Response #5

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8	Pete & Loressa Leal	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Please look at temporary solution for west bound exit from 1604 to Blanco Rd. – 2 turning lanes would be most helpful- even if the left of the two lanes is straight and/or turn right.	See Response #5
				Your current peak time is in our opinion is too low. You might want a second look at that.	Traffic volumes shown in the traffic simulation are calibrated to existing traffic conditions including queuing and speeds. Traffic simulations show the improvement resulting from the proposed alternative.
9	Dennis Means	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Looks like a good idea. It will help North/South flow on Blanco Road.	Comment noted
				Exiting Blanco onto 1604 will still be a “jam” unless you are willing to do something about 1604!	This project only addresses one bottleneck, the interchange of Loop 1604 and FM 2696 (Blanco Rd). Improvements to the Loop 1604 mainlanes are currently being pursued separately from this project by the Alamo Regional Mobility Authority (ARMA). The ARMA project is currently awaiting environmental approval.
10	Angus Jones	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Could someone talk to the church official and have them do the “right” thing and give up (sell)? Enough land to make a continuous right turn at Huebner, southbound & 1604 access).	See Response #3
11	Alice & Jack Hufnagle	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Thanks for taking the time to have the open house w/ TxDOT Pape-Dawson Engineers! Very well done. Traffic solutions for this intersection are definitely needed! Well thought-out plans. Good luck with environmental assessment + funding!	Comment noted
				Bike lanes + sidewalks – great to have, but ideally bike lane needs extra space or a berm/median between cars + bikes!	See Response #1
12	Don P. Dixon	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	No bike lanes, walking lanes, too busy.	See Response #1
				Do not fund from criss cross any source before putting available funds in building more non toll lanes on 1604 N. 1604 N non toll is the very top priority in San Antonio and must be done now.	Funding has not yet been identified for the Loop 1604/FM 2696 project. Improvements to the Loop 1604 mainlanes are being pursued separately from this project by the Alamo Regional Mobility Authority (ARMA).
13	Rebekah Stephens	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Thank you for working on the Blanco 1604 interchange. The plan is innovative + will really help with the traffic flow. Good luck	Comment noted

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14	Jonathan Geserick	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Entrance/exit ramps directly to and from Huebner and Stone Oak would alleviate much of the current traffic because the Blanco Road intersection is also used for those roads.	The collector-distributor system alone does provide significant benefit by allowing the Huebner Rd traffic to bypass the Blanco Rd intersections, however a more significant project (such as the proposed DDI configuration) is needed to address operational problems in the future.
				Additionally, the city should study smart stop lights that automatically change based on amounts of traffic and intelligently change rather than simply on a timed schedule.	Signal operations under an adaptive traffic control system would be expected to be only marginally improved during peak traffic periods in comparison to the coordinated operation that is currently in the field.
15	Connie Landry	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	I fully support the proposed plan for 1604/Blanco intersection. I hope it happens without delay.	Comment noted
16	Anonymous Commenter 1	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Liked the animation. Make sure you announce/make readily available videos/animations BEFORE completion so the public will know how it really works. Practice makes perfect. Thank you.	Public meeting materials will be made available on the TxDOT website. Additional educational materials on DDI operation are also widely available online on the TxDOT website and social media pages.
17	Paul Hohman	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	1604 W exit to Blanco Road will still have to merge with traffic going west on 1604 from Stone Oak (Corner Stone)	With the implementation of the ramp braid for the westbound exit to Blanco/Huebner and the westbound entrance ramp from Stone Oak, westbound traffic exiting for Huebner Rd would no longer have to use the exit for Blanco Rd. This will reduce the volume conflicting with the westbound traffic entering the 1604 mainlanes from Stone Oak and improve weaving operations.
				N. Blanco Road traffic into Vineyard Shopping center will be a mess.	This project will be adding an extra lane northbound and will be extending the northbound left-turn lane into the Vineyards Shopping Center.
				Disruption of traffic over Blanco Road on access roads.	Access to and from Blanco Rd should be essentially unchanged by this project. Should problems with access along Blanco Rd arise in the future, additional access management measures could be studied in the future separately from this project.
18	Jeanette Mosley	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	I am in favor of this "DDI" project. I will look forward to reducing my traffic time.	Comment noted

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19	Steven Mills	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	I see and understand the geographic and traffic pattern changes, makes sense. My concerns are, STONE OAK is rapidly becoming a retirement community with elderly drivers. This traffic pattern is NOT an intuitive flow. I am concerned about elderly and inexperienced driver accidents rising due to this change.	The proposed design includes several features, including large overhead signs with lane designations, striping on the pavement to help direct drivers, and concrete barriers to keep traffic separated as much as possible, to help make the design as intuitive as possible. Other locations which have recently constructed Diverging Diamond Interchanges, similar to the proposed design at Loop 1604 and FM 2696 (Blanco Rd), have seen a reduction in both crash frequency and severity since implementation.
				I am for it, but a strong change management communication and awareness will be critical.	TxDOT understands the need for communicating project developments to the public for such a high-traffic location and will continue to publicize new project announcements and developments.
				I don't understand why some basic traffic principles are not applied during peak traffic times. These basic principles are applied throughout the US and Europe.	In response to Items 1-2, these items are policy items that TxDOT does not necessarily have jurisdiction over or would require approval from the state legislature and/or transportation commission (entities outside of TxDOT). We would recommend contacting your elected officials regarding these items. In response to Item 3, this is an enforcement decision made by the San Antonio Police Department; TxDOT cannot enforce traffic violations. Accordingly, we recommend you contact the SAPD regarding this request. Regarding Items 4 and 5, the traffic signals along the Blanco Rd corridor are already coordinated during peak periods and are operated by the City of San Antonio. In a coordinated system, the side streets would not receive a green light until the Blanco Rd signals have received all of their green time; during the peak periods, the side street signals would not turn green as soon as a vehicle approaches unless that vehicle happened to be arriving when the approach was going to receive a green regardless. Regarding Item 6, TxDOT already coordinates with traffic services regarding closures.
20	Julie Stewart	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Love the new revision!	Comment noted
				I'm disappointed with the timeline. I'd love to see this happen faster.	See Response #6
				My only concern is traffic coming from the HEB parking lot- out on the Blanco side- turning left. Looks like that could be an issue.	Access along FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) is essentially unchanged by this project. While access problems are not anticipated, access could be managed in the future should a problem arise at this location.

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21	Kyle Kennedy	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	For westbound right turn on frontage, have left most stay as one lane (left most) onto Blanco and right most have two lanes to facilitate traffic heading N on Blanco past Madera. This will de-conflict traffic in right most turn lane from having to merge into center Blanco lane to continue north.	In response to public meeting comments, this modification is being studied in further detail.
				The start of the westbound right turn on frontage should be extended back past the bridge instead of where it is today to allow more cars to fill both new right turn lanes.	Lengthening the two right-turn lanes does not add a significant enough benefit to overcome the substantial costs. With the proposed DDI configuration's improved signal operation, the westbound right-turn lanes will be receiving green lights for longer periods of time and more frequently than they do now. This additional green time will allow the turn lanes to discharge significantly quicker than they do now; providing additional queue storage would not be as beneficial under the proposed configuration as the queue will be cleared fairly rapidly. Lengthening the right-turn lanes would be fairly difficult as it would require widening the bridge, reconstructing drainage features in the area, additional right-of-way, and potentially additional environmental clearances; any of which could significantly complicate or stall the project.
22	Larry Lewis	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Appreciate TxDOT allowing Blanco/1604 users to view plans for expansion.	Comment noted. The plans shown at the Public Meeting will also be available on the TxDOT website.
				Two issues to consider. 1604 Access road east to west primarily turning right onto Blanco: Choke point exists at 4 lanes to 3 lanes, breaking up traffic. (Those 3 lanes feed into 5 lanes!)	In the existing configuration, the frontage road has two lanes traveling west from Stone Oak Pkwy and adds a third lane from the westbound exit ramp to Blanco Rd. The westbound entrance ramp from Stone Oak Pkwy to the Loop 1604 mainlanes is split directly off of the inside lane. In the existing configuration, there is never a point where the frontage road is reduced from 4-lanes to 3-lanes. The proposed DDI configuration will improve operations on the frontage road by providing an auxiliary lane to ease weaving conditions between traffic exiting 1604 for Blanco and traffic entering 1604 from Stone Oak, and by constructing a dedicated collector-distributor system to allow traffic headed for Huebner Road to bypass the Blanco Rd intersection.
				Add to north side of access road at fourth lane over bridge. Permit TWO lanes to turn right onto Blanco.	See Response #21
23	Blanco Woods HOA Director	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Make a model of the Blanco/1604 intersection so we can walk it before we drive it in a car. This could avoid many accidents.	TxDOT has created informational graphics and media to help explain the concept to drivers, some of which were available at the public meeting. TxDOT has prepared and distributed similar materials prior to the opening of a diverging diamond in Round Rock, Texas.
				The HOV lane proposed on 281 N. of 1604 should be a toll lane Texas folks do not carpool very well. HOV's are not used hardly at all in Houston either.	The US 281 project was partially funded by Proposition 7 funds, which cannot be used to fund tolled projects.

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24	Rudy Garza	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Design looks good/innovative.	Comment noted
				Would be good to understand how 2-year construction period will impact traffic flow once project is ready to proceed.	Details on the traffic control plan will be determined at a later date closer to detailed design of the interchange.
				Maybe another open house prior to start of construction?	Another opportunity for public involvement will be offered prior to construction of this project. The public will be informed as soon as the schedule determined.
				Thank You! Much needed traffic relief project!	Comment noted
25	Linda Jeffords	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	I own a home that backs up to Blanco. My backyard is a fence with a rock wall owned by the homeowner's association of Blanco Bluffs. Your representatives did not know how much this project will encroach on or approach my wall.	All improvements on FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) in front of the Blanco Bluffs subdivision are expected to be completely contained within existing TxDOT Right-of-Way. If the wall is located outside of TxDOT right-of-way, it is not expected to be impacted.
				It is a noise and privacy issue, as well as a safety issue. Buses that travel Blanco can carry passengers with the ability to look directly into my family room.	A noise analysis of the project will be conducted prior to construction of the project. Any impacts requiring mitigation would be addressed at that time. If the issue is in regards to the location of a VIA bus stop or bus operations in relation to your house, we recommend contacting VIA Metropolitan Transit to see what can be done.
				What will this road widening do?	The improvements between Talavera and W Blanco Rd would add one additional lane in both the northbound and southbound directions while reconstructing the current bicycle lanes and sidewalks.
				I want to specifically know where the road bed will end with respect to my wall.	Typically in the section of FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) in front of the Blanco Bluffs subdivision, the edge of pavement on Blanco Rd will be approximately 14' inside the TxDOT right-of-way boundary.
26	Shawn C. Dinsmore	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Please start sooner. The congestion is already terrible. If we wait until 2021 to even start the project, it's going to be complete gridlock down there.	See Response #6
27	Mike Gabel	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	The improvements look good. Good planning, well thought-out.	Comment noted.
28	Mark Heniser	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Is there any chance of immediate making two (2) right turns from 1604 service road west onto Blanco north now? Currently this is the only section of the existing intersection with only one turn (north onto Blanco from 1604 west)	See Response #5
29	Todd Spears	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	I'm a business owner on the south side of 1604 currently with traffic exiting Blanco both ways. The saving grace of the proposal is the moving of the Stone Oak Parkway/Voight exit more to the west. This is ACTUALLY EXCELLENT for my business.	Reversing the ramps on Loop 1604 between Blanco Rd and Stone Oak Pkwy will help operations at the Loop 1604 at Blanco interchange by providing vehicles with a longer distance to get in the correct lane before entering the Loop 1604 mainlanes, and help operations on the Loop 1604 mainlanes by removing a weaving segment between the eastbound entrance ramp from Blanco Rd and the eastbound exit ramp to Stone Oak Pkwy.
30	Roy Willis	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Love the diverging diamond intersection design!	Comment noted
31	Theresa Edwards	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Can you start earlier?	See Response #6

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32	Gloria Autrey	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Can you please begin this sooner? It looks like a great concept!	See Response #6
33	Kathleen Fagan	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Please extend Blanco Rd beyond Old Blanco Rd to facilitate the exiting of my subdivision Canyon Creek Bluffs. Traffic heading south bound Blanco tends to travel at 60 mph and we currently have a blind intersection from the last time TxDOT widened Blanco Rd.	See Response #3
34	Ben Carroll	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Need help entering and exiting the Vineyard subdivision via Blanco. With the widening project of Blanco 5 years ago, median was installed just north of Vineyard (Blanco Rd) entrance. This median created a dangerous left turn scenario for residents exiting Vineyard subdivision. Please consider helping alleviate this dangerous exit.	This project focused on the Loop 1604 and FM 2696/Blanco Rd interchange and the area around it that would need to be modified in order to move more vehicles through this interchange. We recommend contact the City of San Antonio through their 311 system regarding any maintenance for areas outside the project study limits.
35	C. Settles	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Two issues not addressed: West bound frontage road for right turn on Blanco going north currently backs up all the way to water tank service road. Does not become 2 right turn lanes soon enough to relieve congestion at Blanco.	See Response #21
				South bound traffic on Blanco need relief from several miles back north of Huebner. It can currently take 30-40 minutes to transit the 2 or 3 miles going south to 1604. Apartments and more residential going in along Blanco.	Southbound at Blanco and 1604 improved dramatically during AM peak. During the AM peak, the southbound travel times from Huebner through Loop 1604 are expected to be reduced from 5 minutes and 36 seconds to 2 minutes and 51 seconds. This project focused on the Loop 1604 and FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) interchange; we are not able to address all of the bottlenecks within the entire Blanco Rd corridor with this one study.
36	Michael Schlatter	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	There are some simple + inexpensive things that could be done now at the westbound 1604 + Huebner intersection. Presently, there are three lanes. The left lane can be used to go straight or turn left. The middle lane is straight only. The right lane is right only. I recommend making the left lane a left only and the middle lane left or straight. The right lane remains right only. Most cars at the intersection turn left or do a U-turn. Very few go straight.	See Response #3

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37	Lorie Courchesne	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Widening Blanco to three lanes through the intersection is great. However, going north on Blanco and cutting the lanes back to two is going to cause some back log. That's what happened before the widened it to Huebner.	Widening all the way to Huebner or Wilderness Oak would require significant additional amounts of right-of-way and would add substantial cost to the project. Both of these issues could potentially derail the project, or at least lengthen the timeline required to complete the project.
				We need to have the project to widen Blanco all the way through Wilderness Oak at a minimum.	See Response #3
38	Anonymous Commenter 2	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Prefer a buffered or protected bike lane where feasible. Outer lane no wider than 12ft.	Buffered or protected bike lanes throughout the project would require additional right-of-way and would add substantial cost to the project. A wider than usual 14' outside lane is proposed to accommodate bicyclists.
				Blanco – bike lane improvements and separation from high speed (>40 mph) is preferred.	Providing a buffered or protected bike lane along Blanco Road is not plausible for this project unless significant amounts of additional right-of-way are acquired. This additional right-of-way would also likely impact homes and business along the corridor as parking spaces, walls, fences, and other features would likely need to be torn down to build a buffer for the bike lane.
				1604 – Preferred lower speed on frontage road no greater than 45 mph.	The speed limits are established based on the 85th percentile speed of vehicles observed on a roadway and cannot be established prior to project implementation. Speed limits may be reevaluated after project completion, but they would not be preemptively lowered as part of this project.
				Prefer a landscaped buffer for people on sidewalk.	Providing a landscaped buffer or barrier between the roadway and the sidewalk would require additional right-of-way and add significant cost to the project. Acquiring this additional right-of-way may also cause significant impacts to business and homes abutting the corridor.
39	Gloria A. Guerrero	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Will there be better traffic light coordination so that traffic flows at constant rate?	The traffic signals along the FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) corridor will continue to be coordinated. Improving intersection operations within the corridor should help to improve progression by reducing queuing within the corridor.
				Will the speed limit be reduced to keep joggers and people who ride bikes will be safer?	See Response #38
				Sidewalks should have rails every 25 feet with a five foot opening to protect pedestrians from an out of control vehicle.	Providing railing between the roadway and the sidewalk would add significant cost to the project and would not be consistent with conditions found in the area. The railing would also pose a safety hazard for bicyclists within the corridor, particularly along Blanco Rd where the dedicated bike lane is adjacent to the sidewalk.

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40	Debbie Freno	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	We have concerns that traffic flow will be affected further up Blanco Road (specifically around the Blanco/Huebner intersection).	Operations at the Blanco Rd and Huebner Rd intersection were examined as part of this study to ensure that the Loop 1604 project would not create a significant problem at the Huebner Rd intersection (in addition to the problems that are already there). While improving operations at the Loop 1604 and Blanco Rd interchange will allow vehicles to more easily reach the Huebner Rd, the operations of northbound Blanco Rd at Huebner Rd are not expected to be substantial worse than they would be without the Loop 1604 project. The Loop 1604 at Blanco Rd project is not expected to have an impact on the operations of Blanco Rd north of Huebner Rd.
				With this project we are afraid that the number of vehicles going up/down Blanco will only increase. Furthermore, no one is going at the posed 45 mph speed limit. Please keep in mind that this project will not only affect the Blanco/1604 area but also those of us approximately one mile up the road.	See Response #38
41	Terry Larison	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	On Blanco Rd from Loop 1604 to Wilderness Oak. The center medians between N.B. and S.B. traffic lanes. The beginning point of the medians is about one foot in width. Hard to see at night, many cars have hit and blown tires + rims. You can see the damaged concrete curbs. Some have (1) small white marker pole about 3' high + still hard to see at night. Street lights hardly help out there. I had two tires + rims totaled from the medium island curb shoulders.	See Response #34
42	Cyndi Tourtellot	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Need to improve marking for center median on Blanco Rd north of 1604 just past Huebner going north bound. The road curves and with minimal lighting can hit the medians. Simple solution is to paint the curb with reflective paint + put reflective bolts on the road. Previous small reflective poles have been knocked down. You can easily see tire marks + chipped concrete where cars have hit the median.	See Response #34
43	Pascual Delgado	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Huebner Road exit/entrance may see dangerous merging or exit maneuvers with increased speed of cars utilizing lower through lanes from 1604. Please take into consideration.	Weaving operations for the Huebner Road entrance and exit ramps were studied as part of this design. Issues are not expected, however should the need arise additional access management measures could be implemented after completion of the project.
				Thank you for taking the time to show us the design and taking our questions.	Comment noted

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44	James R. Witthauer	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Excellent presentation. Came away informed and pleased with the logical, thoughtful design for alleviating a major headache for my daily commute from north Blanco Rd to Fort Sam Houston.	Comment noted
45	David Fritsche	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Please re-stripe the west bound service road to allow two right turn lanes onto Blanco. This would allow two lanes to turn onto northbound Blanco.	See Response #5
46	Ron Buchalski	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	This DDI design looks like it will do a good job of addressing the traffic congestion issue at LP 1604/Blanco.	Comment noted
				One concern I have is that all right turns, with the exception of 1604 WB to Blanco NB, are only a single lane wide. I think that there is sufficient right turn traffic from Blanco SB to 1604 WB to justify a second lane.	With the implementation of the proposed DDI configuration, each approach will operate more efficiently as each approach will get a greater percentage of time when the traffic signal controlling it is green. The need for additional right-turn lanes has been studied. It was found that single right-turn lanes would operate adequately with the proposed improvements, even under higher traffic conditions.
				Also, I understand that this is outside the project area, but having Blanco NB narrow from 3 lanes to 2 lanes so close to 1604 will result in significant backups because traffic will flow better through the interchange.	The transition from 3-lanes to 2-lanes was studied in detail as part of this project. We do not anticipate this transition causing significant backups in the corridor. This project only focused on the Loop 1604 and Blanco Rd interchange. Extending the third lane further north past Madera Parkway would help operations, but would add significant costs and require additional right-of-way.
47	Harold L. Dillashaw	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Get the city to adjust their signal lights' timing or you're going to continue to have problems.	These signals are operated by the City of San Antonio. We recommend contacting the City of San Antonio's 311 program regarding signal timing adjustments. It should be noted that signal timing modifications alone cannot solve the operational problems within the project corridor.
				Don't paint the bridges.	Final aesthetic details for this project have not been determined at this time. However, it is expected that the improvements will be designed to TxDOT's Hill Country Design Theme, similar to the Loop 1604/US 281 interchange nearby.
				Put up plenty of signs!	The proposed design will include a significant number of signs. In addition to the small signs typically included at interchanges to provide guidance, the proposed design will also include large overhead signs to show lane designations and help get drivers in the proper lane. In addition to signage, the proposed design will include striping on the pavement. All work of these elements will together to guide drivers to the appropriate lanes.
				Message boards are needed. If you don't put boards up at lease put the conduit + pall boxes in so when its needed you've got it.	This project is not expected to be making any modifications to the Loop 1604 mainlanes, and accordingly does not include any Dynamic Message Signs.
48	Anonymous Commenter 3	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	Obviously not interested in comments. You're here to justify what you are doing.	The public meeting was held to gather feedback from the community and the drivers that drive through the area everyday and experience the congestion and operations within the corridor first-hand. Changes will be made to the concept and schematic based on feedback from the public at this public meeting.

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49	Judy & Dick Gilby	11/30/2017	Public Meeting	We are encouraged by the planned improvements to 1604 + Blanco.	Comment noted
				Not addressed by this proposal is the need for stop light on Blanco (south of 1604) between Talavera + Mission Ridge. I live in Blanco Woods subdivision. A light here would be about ½ way + would pulse the traffic.	This project focused on improving the operations at the Loop 1604 and FM 2696/Blanco Rd interchange and what was needed to improve operations at this interchange. As a potential traffic signal at this location would be operated by the City of San Antonio, we recommend contacting the City of San Antonio regarding this request. Through the City of San Antonio's 311 program, requests for new traffic signals may be submitted.
50	John Sullivan	11/29/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
51	Lisa Cervantes	11/29/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
52	Todd Spears	11/30/2017	Email	I was at your meeting tonight and love the proposal. Is there a way I can get a copy of the image or a link to it or the video?	All public meeting materials will be made available on the TxDOT website.
53	Douglas Rich	12/1/2017	Email	While the plan looks like a good idea, the initial concern is the construction start date of 2021 and the being completed in 2023.	The construction start date could come sooner depending on the upon the environmental review process, the identification of funds for the project, and other factors.
				In the meantime, a temporary solution needs to be created to assist with traffic flow until the construction is completed. My suggestion would be to create double turn lanes on the westbound turn lanes from the 1604 access road to turn northbound on Blanco.	See Response #6
				The estimated times posted at the meeting during peak travel times for this turn was 7 minutes. I would suspect in the worst conditions this can easily exceed 10 minutes just to make the one turn from 1604 to Blanco, just by creating double turn lanes with markings identifying this could help alleviate traffic flow until construction is completed.	See Response #5
				Thank you for the informational meeting and thank you for seeking further input for the local residents and businesses that will be affected by the construction and design.	Comment noted
54	Janel Sterbentz	12/1/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
55	Joshua Perry	12/1/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1

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56	Alston Cox	12/2/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
57	Craig Pearson	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
58	Miguel Garza	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
59	Lester Rosebrock	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
60	Kathleen Curry	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
61	Zach Weiss	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
62	Michael Forsyth	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
63	Colonel Larry Lewis	12/3/2017	Email	<p>I'm looking at your schematics for the Loop 1604/FM 2696 (Blanco Rd), I see there are either five or six lanes (too small picture to tell which) approaching the intersection on the access road from east to west that either turnaround, turn left, straight or turn right. The plan as revealed will greatly enhance traffic movement at the intersection with one glaring exception: Because the east to west access road to the intersection as a major choke point of four lanes squeezing down to three lanes (across bridge) then up to five or six turning/ straight lanes.</p>	<p>While there are fewer lanes crossing the bridge than there are at the intersection, the existing bridge is not the choke point on the frontage road, the traffic signal at the intersection of the westbound frontage road and Blanco Rd is. A traffic signal interrupts this flow of traffic. Based on the existing signal timings at the westbound frontage road intersection, the westbound approach has a green light only green 35% of the time during the evening rush hour; the other 65% of the time, the light is red. Accordingly, you will only be able get about 525 vehicles per hour per lane at the signal. The theoretical capacity of the 3-lane section over the bridge is around 4,500 vehicles per hour, while the theoretical capacity of the traffic signal with the existing 4 approach lanes is between 2,100 and 2,800 vehicles per hour. The location with the lower traffic capacity is at the intersection and not at the bridge. Accordingly, improving the intersection was the higher priority as the bridge section is able to move more vehicles than the intersection approach.</p>
				<p>You could engineer 10 lanes turning or straight but it wouldn't matter because of the simple existence of the choke point of squeezing westbound access road to three lanes. (What "should" have been done a few years ago when they added the entry lane to Loop 1604 west for the access lane was to back the entry lane up 200-300 feet and EXPAND the three lanes to FOUR lanes, thus facilitating traffic leading now up to five lanes.... Could that still be considered? There was no way to expand the lanes on the bridge to the north because of all the water work equipment in place; but a fourth lane could have easily been added on the south side of the access road.)</p>	<p>See Response #21</p>

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64	Austin Newton	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
65	Will Schiek	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
66	Adam Portmann	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
67	Joseph Riggs	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
68	Eduardo Macias	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
69	Jonathan Flores	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
70	Dan Cancilla	12/3/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
71	Michael Wheeler	12/4/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
72	Diana Rabago	12/4/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
73	Jon Roan	12/4/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
74	Benjamin Perez	12/4/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
75	Edward Cain	12/4/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
76	Patricia Contreras	12/5/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
77	Marco Paredes	12/5/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
78	Jon Moreno	12/5/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
79	Maria Mappin	12/6/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1
80	Richard Ryan Garcia	12/12/2017	Email	Please ensure there are safe bike facilities installed for the 1604/Blanco project.	See Response #1

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81	Terry Burns	12/15/2017	Email	<p>"We support the principles of smart streets and vision zero. These principles indicated that your proposals require more attention to bicycle and pedestrian travel thought this intersection."</p>	<p>Bicycle and pedestrian accommodation has been a primary consideration throughout the planning process. This project will improve pedestrian facilities in the corridor by constructing sidewalks along the Loop 1604 frontage roads where there currently are none. The project will also provide a barrier separated pedestrian facility that allows pedestrians to cross from the between the northbound and southbound lanes of Blanco Rd. Bicyclists will be provided comparable facilities to what they have currently. A 14' outside lane which can accommodate bicyclists will be provided. It should be noted that in the section referred to in the comment that no lanes on northbound or southbound Blanco feed directly into this inside lane. A bicyclist would essentially be able to use their bike lane to get onto the bridge and to the point where this lane opens up, move over into this inside lane unimpeded, and essentially have this lane to themselves until they reach the dedicated bike lane on the far side of the interchange.</p>
				<p>"We support the principles of prioritizing people over vehicles, and transit over passenger (largely solo person) vehicles"</p>	<p>VIA Metropolitan Transit has been involved in the planning of this project and has provided feedback on the proposed design. Improving intersection operations and providing a collector distributor system for frontage road through vehicles (including VIA Metropolitan Transit's busses) is expected to dramatically improve travel times for through vehicles. TxDOT has been working with VIA throughout the planning process for this project to ensure that the project addresses the needs of mass transit in the corridor.</p>
				<p>"Essential that the diverging diamond interchange proposal at Loop 1604 and Blanco Rd be considered within the larger context of ways to reduce both travel time and vehicle volume through this intersection.</p>	<p>Improvements in travel times and reductions in driver delay would not be short-term in nature. The existing configuration is already failing during the AM and PM peak periods; the operations will only continue to get worse as traffic volumes increase over time. Implementation of the proposed DDI improvements would significantly improve traffic operations within the corridor. Delay is expected to be reduced by 86% during the 2037 AM Peak and 92% during the 2037 PM Peak by implementing the proposed DDI configuration with the higher future traffic volumes and congestion. Travel time reductions are expected to increase as traffic in the region grows and congestion increases due to improved interchange operations, with the improvement in expected travel time for northbound Blanco Rd going from 5 minutes during the 2017 PM peak to 12 minutes and 6 seconds during the 2037 PM peak. Improving the operations at the intersections also improves the operations for transit using these facilities as their travel time, delay, stops, and fuel consumption are all dramatically improved.</p>

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82	Chris Goya	12/15/2017	Email	<p>Commenter is concerned with access and safety near and around the DDI.</p> <p>"Good luck with this project and with no delays."</p>	<p>Regarding concerns over through movements. During the evening peak, travel times from the HEB driveway near Taco Cabana to the Loop 1604 eastbound mainlanes are expected to be reduced by approximately 5 minutes with today's volumes because of a reduction in congestion and queuing. This improvement would only increase over time as traffic volumes continue to grow and congestion increases. While travel distance may be further, with the proposed configuration you would not be stopping as often or stuck in traffic for as long as you would be with the current configuration. Regarding the Loop 1604 mainlane improvements, the Alamo Regional Mobility Authority (ARMA) is proposing a project that will add lanes to the Loop 1604 mainlanes. Regarding the Loop 1604 at US 281 interchange, the remaining direct-connector ramps will be constructed as part of the US 281 project that is already under construction.</p> <p>Comment noted</p>
83	Angus Jones	11/30/2017	Court Reporter	<p>"I just want to say that 1604 and Blanco is an example of misuse of taxpayer money by not doing a simple thing in the first place and not fixing it now."</p> <p>"the eastbound approach lane to Blanco after you get off the ramp of 1604 has a turnaround lane where you can go back to the west and go over to Target or go back to Huebner or whatever. That lane is about 15 feet long, but TxDOT owns the grass behind it all the way down for probably three-quarters of a mile. If they would just pour asphalt in that property, which is already owned by TxDOT, it would create a turnaround lane almost a mile long and alleviate tons of traffic that does not want to sit in the eastbound lane."</p>	<p>The operations at the Loop 1604 and FM 2696/Blanco Rd interchange are currently failing during the AM and PM peaks due to the high traffic volumes approaching the intersection. Making relatively minor operational improvements may make operations slightly better in the short-term, but they will not fix the issues at the intersection. More substantial improvements, such as the proposed DDI configuration, are needed to provide adequate capacity moving forward.</p> <p>Lengthening the u-turn lane pocket will be studied as a short-term solution to help operations at the intersection, however lengthening the u-turn pocket alone will not solve the operational issues at the interchange. The u-turn pocket is blocked by queues from the eastbound left and through movements; unless the operations for these movements are improved, the problem with the u-turn pocket being blocked will persist, even with a lengthened turn pocket. With the triple left turns and improved operation in the proposed configuration, the length of the proposed turn pocket for the u-turn is not expected to be blocked frequently.</p>
84	Diana Tison	11/30/2017	Court Reporter	<p>It's with regard to the westbound lanes of the frontage that come up to Blanco Road. Why not have two turn lanes on the right-hand side, one that can turn left or go straight -- or turn right or go straight?</p>	<p>See Response #5</p>
85	Timothy James Kent	11/30/2017	Court Reporter	<p>I'd really like to see designated bike lanes along the full stretch, if possible; but, if not, then there is a section where we're going up the hill.</p>	<p>See Response #1</p>

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86	David Fritsche	11/30/2017	Court Reporter	“Currently there is only one turn lane to turn right off the frontage road onto Blanco northbound.” “what I am suggesting is that TxDOT stripe the right turn lane for a direct right turn onto the right lane of Blanco going north and stripe a right turn in through lane next to it so that two lanes are striped to turn right and some of the through traffic can go straight or turn right so there is two lanes turning.”	See Response #5
87	Dolores Duderstadt	11/30/2017	Court Reporter	“I just want to say thank you for having this open house and for preparing everything. It is a major step, and it's going to affect a lot of people and a lot of businesses. And so I've been assured that the businesses will have access, which is good. That's a concern.”	Access along FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) is essentially unchanged by this project. It is expected that throughout all major phases of construction that the existing number of lanes for every movement will be maintained. Accordingly, traffic operations are expected to remain roughly at the levels that they are now throughout a majority of construction.
				Thank you for setting all of this up and thinking about the future, and I appreciate it.	Comment noted
88	Tanya Campen	11/30/2017	Court Reporter	I think what we would say is we're excited about the project. It definitely needs to be done. It seems like that the engineers have done a great work, and we trust that. I think our hope is that if we could be done sooner. 2021 seems a little far away with the traffic that we're dealing with now.	See Response #6
				“also looking ahead toward what is that going to do to the light at Target if we're pushing everybody to the light at Target, and everybody has to go in that entrance to get to all of that shopping. I think it's really going to get congested, and Blanco is already kind of a mess.”	This project will be adding an extra lane northbound and will be extending the northbound left-turn lane into the Vineyards Shopping Center. These improvements should significantly improve operations at the Vineyards signal. No additional improvements are expected to be needed, however should the need arise in the future, additional access management measures or operational improvements could be studied.
				“we definitely think that it's needed, and it looks like they're on the right track.”	Comment noted
89	Anonymous Commenter 4	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	If this construction is concurrent with any future US 281 construction, it would be very difficult for Stone Oak people to get out. Don't build them at the same time.	Construction of Phase I of the US 281 project (Loop 1604 to just south of Marshall Rd) is expected to be completed in Fall of 2020. Construction of the improvements associated with the Loop 1604/FM 2696 project isn't anticipated to begin until Fall of 2021, so the projects aren't expected to overlap.
90	Anonymous Commenter 5	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	Want it constructed sooner rather than later.	See Response #6

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91	Anonymous Commenter 6	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	The chokepoint for the intersection is on the WB frontage road, the bridge over Panther Springs creek is only 3 lanes wide – that is the problem. Why spend \$38M when you can spend a couple of million and solve the problem by widening the bridge.	The existing bridge is not the choke point on the frontage road, the traffic signal at the intersection of the westbound frontage road and Blanco Rd is. The flow rate for an uninterrupted travel lane (similar to a lane on the bridge) is typically around 1,500 vehicles per hour per lane. A traffic signal interrupts this flow of traffic. Based on the existing signal timings at the westbound frontage road intersection, the westbound approach has a green light only green 35% of the time during the evening rush hour; the other 65% of the time, the light is red. Accordingly, you will only be able get about 525 vehicles per hour per lane at the signal. The theoretical capacity of the 3-lane section over the bridge is around 4,500 vehicles per hour, while the theoretical capacity of the traffic signal with the existing 4 approach lanes is between 2,100 and 2,800 vehicles per hour. The location with the lower traffic capacity is at the intersection and not at the bridge. Accordingly, improving the intersection was the higher priority as the bridge section was not nearing capacity. Widening the bridge will not solve the problem.
92	Anonymous Commenter 7	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	Why can't you just allow two right-turn lanes on the westbound frontage road, that is all that is needed.	See Response #5
93	Anonymous Commenter 8	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	Some concerns about accidents, wrong way driving.	The proposed design includes several features which will help to improve safety at the intersection. The proposed configuration will include signage (including large overhead signs) and striping to direct drivers into the proper lane and keep them heading in the proper direction. The design will also include physical barriers, such as raised concrete barriers, between the northbound and southbound lanes of Blanco Rd, which will help channelize traffic. The deflection angle between the approaches will also help make the crossover intersections feel like a normal intersection when a driver is approaching. While the design looks unconventional on paper, it drives very similarly to any normal intersection. Accident data collected at other recently implemented DDIs across the country showed reductions in crashes with a 36% reduction seen in Colorado and a 60% reduction seen in Missouri.
94	Anonymous Commenter 9	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	Seems like the construction of several projects will be going on at once (US 281, Blanco Road (northern section), Loop 1604 and Blanco). How to do plan to minimize disruptions in traffic?	See Response #89
95	Anonymous Commenter 10	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	This intersection seems confusing how we will know how to drive through it.	When the project is constructed and opened to the public, several design features will be in place which will help make driving through the interchange fairly intuitive. The project will include large overhead signs to show lane designations, including over Blanco Rd and the proposed collector-distributor, to direct drivers to the correct lane. The project will also include small signs, similar to those that are at the interchange now, to supplement the larger overhead signs and to provide additional guidance for drivers. Striping will also be provided on the pavement to help guide drivers through the intersection.

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96	Anonymous Commenter 11	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	This will promote speeding in front of my neighborhood (Canyon Brook south of Loop 1604). How are we going to get out? Can you put a traffic signal there?	This project is focused on improving the operations at the Loop 1604 and FM 2696/Blanco Rd interchange and what was needed to improve operations at this interchange. TxDOT does not enforce posted speed limits; for a speeding problem on this section of Blanco Rd, we recommend contacting San Antonio Police Department regarding enforcement. A potential traffic signal at this location would be operated by the City of San Antonio, we recommend contacting the City of San Antonio regarding this request. Through the City of San Antonio's 311 program, requests for new traffic signals may be submitted.
97	Anonymous Commenter 12	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	Is this a funded project?	Funding has not yet been identified for this project.
98	Anonymous Commenter 13	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	Need a signal at Blanco/Canyon Brook intersection. Dangerous to pull out and turn left today.	See Response #49
99	Anonymous Commenter 14	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	Why not build bike lanes on 1604 frontage roads?	Adding a dedicated bike lane or a protected/buffered bike lane would require additional right-of-way throughout the length of the project, and add substantial cost.
100	Anonymous Commenter 15	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	The future two westbound right-turn lanes on 1604 frontage, should keep left when they turn: left lane stay left after the turn, right lane feed into the right two lanes after the turn	In response to public meeting comments, this modification is being studied in further detail.
101	Anonymous Commenter 16	11/30/2017	1-on-1 Meeting with project staff	This will solve a lot of problems.	Comment noted
102	Byron Jordan	12/14/2017	Mail	TxDOT should allow two turn lanes from 1604 onto Blanco west bound. That intersection is very wide and even large trucks could make the turn. The traffic gets backed up for a mile during busy traffic hours.	See Response #5
103	Tim H. Yonker	12/14/2017	Mail	Take aerial time lapsed video with drones during peak rush hour for before and after construction to verify effectiveness of the diverging diamond intersection design.	TxDOT has developed traffic simulation models of the interchange that have been calibrated to traffic count data and observations collected in the field. These calibrated models were used as the basis to study the effectiveness of the proposed improvements. After construction, TxDOT will monitor the intersection and make adjustments to the traffic signal timing to optimize its operation.



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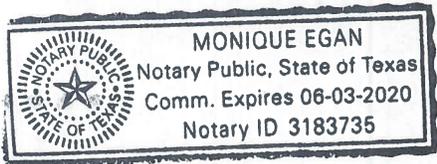
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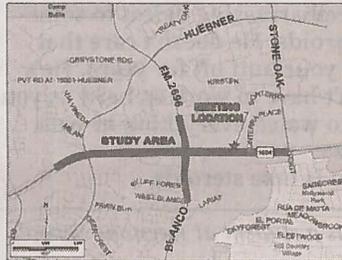
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Loop 1604 at FM 2696 (Blanco Rd)



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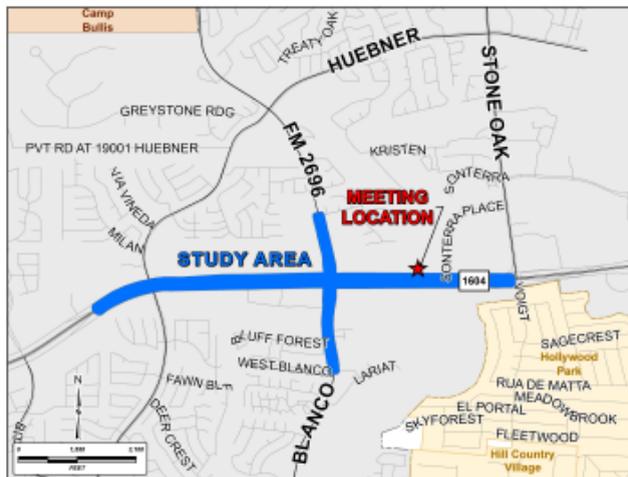
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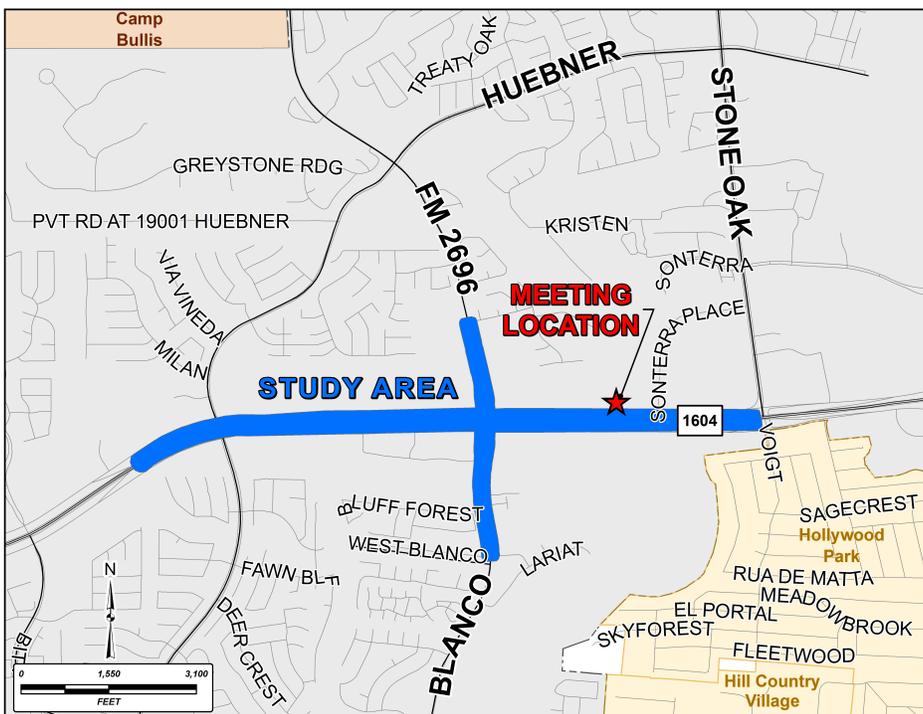
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- implementar carriles colectores de distribución desde Huebner Rd hasta Stone Oak Pkwy
- Reconfiguración de las rampas de entrada y salida
- Instalaciones peatonales y para bicicletas

### Junta Pública

Cualquier persona interesada en el proyecto está invitada a asistir a la reunión pública de puertas abiertas. No habrá una presentación formal, los asistentes pueden ir y venir a su conveniencia. Los asistentes tendrán la oportunidad de ver los esquemas de las mejoras propuestas, visitar con los miembros del equipo, hacer preguntas y compartir sus comentarios sobre el proyecto.

### Detalles de la Junta

**Fecha:** Jueves 30 de noviembre de 2017

**Hora:** 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

**Lugar:** San Antonio Shrine Auditorium  
901 North Loop 1604 W  
San Antonio, TX 78232

La junta se va a llevar a cabo en inglés. Cualquier persona interesada en asistir con necesidades especiales de comunicación o facilidades, tal como la necesidad de algún intérprete. Se recomienda contactar a Valerie Collins de parte de TxDOT al 210-375-9000 o por correo electrónico a [LP1604-Blanco@pape-dawson.com](mailto:LP1604-Blanco@pape-dawson.com) a más tardar a las 4:00 PM del 28 de noviembre de 2017. Se informa al público que previo aviso se requiere para ciertas facilidades ya que estas pueden tomar tiempo para que TxDOT las pueda arreglar.

### Para Enviar Comentarios

Todos los comentarios deben recibirse o enviarse por correo a más tardar el **viernes 15 de diciembre de 2017** para su inclusión en el resumen de la reunión pública utilizando uno de los siguientes métodos:



- Llene una forma de comentario durante la Junta
- Hablar con el reportero de la corte presente en la Junta
- Enviar sus comentarios escritos a TxDOT a la siguiente dirección física o electrónica:

FM 2696 Public Meeting Comment  
2000 NW Loop 410,  
San Antonio, TX 78213  
[LP1604-Blanco@Pape-Dawson.com](mailto:LP1604-Blanco@Pape-Dawson.com)

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## **D. TxDOT Website Notice**

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## Open House - Loop 1604 at FM 2696/Blanco Rd

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**Where:** San Antonio Shrine Auditorium  
901 North Loop 1604  
San Antonio, TX ([Map](#))

**When:** Thursday, Nov. 30, 2017  
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the open house is to gather public input on the proposed improvements to Loop 1604 at FM 2696 (Blanco Rd), in Bexar County, Texas. The meeting will be an open house format so citizens may come and go at their convenience, and staff will be available to answer questions.

**Description:** Proposed improvements include the following:

- Operational improvements through additional lanes at the interchange
- Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) for Loop 1604 at FM 2696 (Blanco Rd)
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- Ramp reconfiguration
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Special accommodations: TxDOT makes every reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of the public. The open house will be in English, if you have a special communication accommodation or need for an interpreter, a request can be made. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can also be made to accommodate most needs. Please call 210-375-9000 or email LP1604-Blanco@Pape-Dawson.com no later than 4:00 p.m. Nov. 28, 2017. Please be aware that advance notice is requested as some accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

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Comments must be received on or before Dec. 15, 2017 to be a part of the official open house record.

- Downloads:**
- Notice
  - Notice (Español)
  - Presentation
  - Schematic 1
  - Schematic 2
  - Visualization

**Contact:** TxDOT San Antonio District  
2000 NW Loop 410  
San Antonio, TX 78213  
  
(210) 615-1110  
  
Email  
  
Posted Nov. 16, 2017



## **E. Elected Officials List & Notice Letters**

### Elected Officials Database

Salutation	Title	First Name	Last Name	Position	District	Organization	Telephone Number	Mailing Address	City	County	State	Zip
<b>State of Texas</b>												
The Honorable	Governor	Greg	Abbott	Governor		State of Texas	(512) 463-2000	P.O. Box 12428	Austin	Travis	TX	78711
The Honorable	Lieutenant Governor	Dan	Patrick	Lieutenant Governor		State of Texas	(512) 463-0001	P.O. Box 12068	Austin	Travis	TX	78711
<b>U.S. Senate</b>												
The Honorable	Senator	Jon	Cornyn	U.S. Senator		United States Senate	(210) 224-7485	600 Navarro, Suite 210	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78205
The Honorable	Senator	Ted	Cruz	U.S. Senator		United States Senate	(210) 340-2885	9901 IH-10 West, Suite 950	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78230
<b>U.S. Congress</b>												
The Honorable	Congressman	Joaquin	Castro	U.S. Representative	District 20	United States House of Representatives	(210) 348-8216	727 E. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78206
<b>Texas Senate</b>												
The Honorable	Senator	Donna	Campbell	Texas Senator	District 25	Texas State Senate	(210) 979-0013	13750 San Pedro, Suite 250 Commercial Bank Plaza Bldg.	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78232
<b>Texas House of Representatives</b>												
The Honorable	Representative	Diego	Bernal	State Representative	District 123	Texas State Representative	(210) 308-9700	126 W. Rector, Suite 114	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78216
<b>Bexar County</b>												
The Honorable	Judge	Nelson	Wolff	County Judge		Bexar County	(210) 335-2626	101 W. Nueva, 10th Floor, Paul Elizondo Tower	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78205
The Honorable	Commissioner	Kevin	Wolff	County Commissioner	Precinct 3	Bexar County	(210) 335-2613	101 W. Nueva, Suite 1007, 10th Floor, Paul Elizondo Tower	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78205
<b>City of San Antonio</b>												
The Honorable	Mayor	Ron	Nirenberg	San Antonio Mayor		City of San Antonio	(210) 207-7107	P.O. Box 839966	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78283
The Honorable	Councilman	John	Courage	City Council Member	District 9	City of San Antonio	(210) 207-7325	P.O. Box 839966	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78283
		Mike	Frisbie	Director and City Engineer		City of San Antonio	(210) 207-8022	P.O. Box 839966	San Antonio	Bexar	TX	78283



November 20, 2017

The Honorable Greg Abbott  
Governor  
P.O. Box 12428  
Austin, TX 78711

**RE: NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE**  
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Sincerely,

Mario R. Jorge, P.E.  
District Engineer  
TxDOT – San Antonio



November 20, 2017

The Honorable Dan Patrick  
Lieutenant Governor  
P.O. Box 12068  
Austin, TX 78711

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November 20, 2017

The Honorable Jon Cornyn  
U.S. Senator  
600 Navarro, Suite 210  
San Antonio, TX 78205

**RE: NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE**  
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Dear Senator Cornyn:

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November 20, 2017

The Honorable Ted Cruz  
U.S. Senator  
9901 IH-10 West, Suite 950  
San Antonio, TX 78230

**RE: NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE**  
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Dear Senator Cruz:

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District Engineer  
TxDOT – San Antonio



November 20, 2017

The Honorable Joaquin Castro  
U.S. Representative  
727 E. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd  
San Antonio, TX 78206

**RE: NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE**  
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The Honorable Donna Campbell  
Texas Senator  
13750 San Pedro, Suite 250 Commercial Bank Plaza Bldg.  
San Antonio, TX 78232

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November 20, 2017

The Honorable Diego Bernal  
State Representative  
126 W. Rector, Suite 114  
San Antonio, TX 78216

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November 20, 2017

The Honorable Nelson Wolff  
County Judge  
101 W. Nueva, 10th Floor, Paul Elizondo Tower  
San Antonio, TX 78205

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County Commissioner  
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November 20, 2017

The Honorable Ron Nirenberg  
San Antonio Mayor  
P.O. Box 839966  
San Antonio, TX 78283

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November 20, 2017

The Honorable John Courage  
City Council Member  
P.O. Box 839966  
San Antonio, TX 78283

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## **F. Sign-in sheets**



Public Meeting  
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 San Antonio Shrine Auditorium  
 Thursday, November 30, 2017

ELECTED OFFICIALS SIGN-IN SHEET (PLEASE PRINT)			
NAME	AFFILIATION	MAILING ADDRESS	HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE OPEN HOUSE?
Colt Osborn	City Council Dist 9	14560 San Pedro #240, SAT 78232	Josh Dorat, TxDOT PIO

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MEDIA SIGN-IN SHEET (PLEASE PRINT)			
NAME	AFFILIATION	MAILING ADDRESS	HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE OPEN HOUSE?
Face Herick	WDAI / KAGB	4335 NW Loop 410	Email
Edmond Ortiz	Local Community News		Email
Guillermo Sudy	Televisa		

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GENERAL PUBLIC SIGN-IN SHEET (PLEASE PRINT)			
NAME	AFFILIATION	MAILING ADDRESS	HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE OPEN HOUSE?
Linda Milikien	neighbor	1407 Belclaire	signs
Krusty Gregerson	neighbor	2614 Bayhill Cove SATX	Signs
Todd Snelgrove	neighbor	1223 Willow Knoll SATX	Signs
Barbara Scherf	neighbor/property mgr	1826 N Loop 1604 W	signs ✓
Scott Bishop	Neighbor	15150 Blanco Rd	Signs
Ron Buchalski	Neighbor	P.O. Box 691174 SATX 78269	Signs
Vincent Sharp	neighbor	25219 Singing Rain SATX 78260	Signs
Adrian Guria	Hunter's Hill	24750 BLANCO RD. S.A, TX 78260	Mailout
James Fikes	self	P.O. Box 73 Helotes, TX 78023	sign on 1604
Treacy Krause	Forest@StateCode <sup>neighbor</sup>	22821 Citron Circle SATX 78260	Signs, News KSAT
John Pavlousky	neighbor	15903 Wood Lane SATX 78237	Carson news letter

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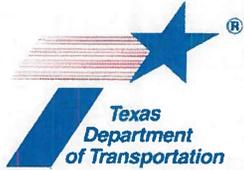


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Don Dixon	RETIRED	206 MORNINGSIDE DR	REAR LARSEN
Sue Logan	RESIDENT	1102 MIDNIGHT DR	signs
Alan Gray	RESIDENT	603 CEREMONIAL RIDGE	signs
MIKE LERCH	RESIDENT	2401 SHINING ARROW 78258	SIGNS / NPR
<del>Colt Osborn</del>	<del>City Council District 9</del>	<del>_____</del>	<del>A/D</del>
Chris Goy		7114 Pebble Creek Dr	News / signs on blanco
BRAD PEEL	RESIDENT	15626 DOREMENEW 78248	
Paul Hohman	RESIDENT	1167 Flagstone 78260	Radio / TV
David Fritsche	u	19228 Trailview	Blanco S Bond Sign
JAMES WITTHAUER	RESIDENT	2632 HACKNEY LN 78260	BLANCO Rd SIGN
BEN CARROLL	RESIDENT		

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NAME	AFFILIATION	MAILING ADDRESS	HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE OPEN HOUSE?
Kyle Kennedy		20106 Standish Rd SA TX 78258	Road signs on Blanco
Kathleen Fagan		17407 Oak Canyon 78248	Road sign @ Internet
LYNDA BARNETT		1014 LATIERRA 78258	EMAIL
Paul Leonard		1322 Blanco Rd	EMAIL.
Gloria Autrey		910 Scenic Stroll	Signs
Cyndi Tomfeld		21922 Somerton Lane	
Larry Dorn		1426 CLEMENTSON DR	Signs
Debbie Freno		19315 Crystal Bk	Signs
David R. Whitworth		18838 Calle Sierra 78258	Sign
William Hollaso		1410 N. Loop 1604 W 78248	..
Opalita Masley		28005 Wooded Acres, SA TX 78260	Signo

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Lila Peirett	PROPERTY OWNER		TV/Road signs
Rebekah Stephens	RESIDENT	1604 Enchanted Way SA TX	Road signs
HAUK + GORJA GARLAND	RESIDENT	1451 BLUFF FOREST	NEIGHBOR
DAVE MARSHALL		POB 460689 78246-0689	SIGNS
MICHAEL SCHLATTER	RESIDENT	17206 FAWN CROSSING DR 78248	EMAIL
MILTON KING	PROPERTY OWNER	17338 FOUNTAIN BLUFF	78248 ROAD SIGNS
Roy Willis	RESIDENT	863 Peg Oak, SA TX 78258	Signs
KAY INCE	RESIDENT	30 IMPERIAL WAY	WIFE
JIM ZIMMERMAN	"	535 SILVER SPRUCE	SIGNS
BRIAN Holloway	RESIDENT	1306 RAIN SONG	SIGNS
MARINA Yocoy	RESIDENT	1307 Belcane	SIGNS

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mark Hewiser	Panther <sup>AT STONE</sup> CREEK OAK	964 Persimmon Gardens	SIGNS
Stephanie Rippe	Blanco Village	4001 W. Green Oaks Blvd Arlington, TX	Manage property affected
Justin Lesgett	Gathering Oak	878 Georg Oaks, Bulverde, 78163	sign
JAMES M. I. KIEU	SENA	1407 BELCLAIRE	SON
Rey Benavides	Clementson Ranch	26419 Grey Horse Run, 78260	Signs
Michael Cuyper		2259 Fawn Mist Ln 78243	Signs
Joan Holman	Timberwood	11607 Flagstone	Signs
Rudy GARZA	Oaks of Sonterra (Commer)	257 Treaty Oak	Signs
Shawn C. Dismore	Verado Creek	907 Oso Negro, 78260	Signs
Tom Sauer		1314 Summerfield 78258	Sign
Rick SALTER	Hollywood PARK	505 EL PORTAL 78232	Did not hear anything wife asked me to come pick up materials

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CODY NEY	LAND OWNER	1107 WEST BLANCO	MAIL
Lara McDaniel	Home owner	20627 View Meadow	HOA/SIGNS
Tom Thomas	Home owner	912 Midnight Dr	Signs
Cindy Delgado	Home Owner	16826 Summer Creek Dr.	Lyle Larson
Brian Purcell			
Guillermo Hoyos	Home Owner	129 Stone Hill Dr	Friend
Ken Elaine Ehler	" "	1403 Lupton Rdg.	Larson
Lyndee Jeffords	Home Owner	17202 Blanco Oaks	Mail
Cathy Richards	"	21619 Bear Ridge	Signs
L. Kirk	"	<del>1135</del> Butte Wood	Electric Signs
Spencer Marty Marcano	Home Owner	218 Road Springs	"

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Leslye Niggin Bottom	Blanco Woods HOA	P.O. Box 460898	signs
Deb Green	Blanco Woods HOA	1413 Brookstone	signs
Lori Courchesne	Clemanson Ranch	1134 Saddle Horse	signs
Louessa Leal	Oaks of Souterra	1314 Stetson Green	"
Pete Leal	"	"	"
Jonathan Geswick	Blanco Bluffs	1311 Brook Bluffs	Signs
ANDREW BEHAINÉ	PARK AT HARDY OAK HOA	164 EAGLE VAIL	signs.
C. SETTLES	TIMBERWOOD PK	1719 SLUMBER PASS	Signs
LARRY & Shirley Lewis	Gardens of Greystone	1414 Melanie Circle	Sign
DAVID A. MANN	Timber Oaks North	1146 FLAGSTONE DR.	Sign
Tom Lanford	Clear Channel Outdoor	3714 N. Pan Am Expressway SAT 78219	email

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GUS HURTADO		347 REGENT CIRCLE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78231	EMAIL
MIKE + CINDY GABEL		24378 BLANCO RD 78260	SIGNS
Maddie Youngs		19414 Desert Oak	SIGNS
STEVEN MILLS		21431 Bear Ridge SA TX 78258	SIGNS
BRIAN HAGGAS		8023 Vantage #1200 SA TX 78230	Sig.
DANTE GARZA		26010 Dancing Bear SA TX 78260	Message Boards
Connie Landry		19207 Grey Bluff Cove SA TX 78258	Signs
Connie Real	HDR Eng.	9553 Chevy Chase Austin TX 78752	Online - TXDOT
Steve & Susan Martin		17107 Blanco Park Cove SA, TX 78248	Signs
Rod EnLow	HOA President	S.A. 78248 17418 Shady Canyon DR	Signs + E-MAIL
Stephen Smith	NCRE	19141 Stonecreek Skelley San Antonio 78254	Notice

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TJ Kent		735 Walder Trail, SA, 78260	signs on roadways
M. BRAGG		706 Leveny Sky	Signs
D. TISON		<del>26976</del> 26976 Blanco Rd	SA 78260
LAVERNE WELBORN		504 SPECHT RD.	SATX 78260
MAX WELBORN		" " "	" "
BILL DORRIS		16809 Brookwood 78248	78248
Alice + Jack Hestegle		18522 Golden Mize SATX 78238	Electronic Signs
ANGUS JONES		18903 Brookwood Fest 78238	FRIEND
Doug Achim		25294 I-10 W SATX 78259	OFFICE
Louis Barrick		1102 Morgans Bend 78258	News
KEVIN NEWMAN		TEXAS MEDICINE	LETTER

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TERRY BURNS			SAW SIGN
Theresa Edwards			Road Sign
Terry Larison			TV
Erica Freno			Read Sign
Clay Smith			Email
Julie Stewart			✓
Carol Whitworth			sign
Dolores Duderstadt		538 Oracle Dr. SA, TX 78260	Road sign
Michael Espen		19206 Helme Rd 78258	
Aaron Bend		78260	Road sign
Bert Denson		211 Sable Falls 78258	Road sign & POA

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DENNIS MAAYS	CCEHOA	107 LARIAT SA. TX 78232	SIGNS
GARY GRIFFITH		1059 Glenwood Loop, Burwood 78163	Signs
John Blum		2412 Elm Hunt 78258	Sign
Joyce & Gary Hyde		2202 Post oak Ct 78248	Sign
TODD SPEARS		24726 BOGEY RIDGE 78260	Sign
Scott Strubler		1007 QUEENS OAK 78258	Sign/LETTER
ROBERT SCHENKEN		425 GARRATY 78209	MAIL
Lydia Jones		1202 Cadley Ct. 78258	Facebook / signs or Blanco
MICHAEL JOHNSON		1307 VIEW TOP 78258	SIGNSONBLANCO

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KEITH HOM		19230 AUTUMN GDN SA 78258	
ANTHONY HUTPLIS		14247 EMERALD HILL DR SAN ANTONIO 78231	
RICHARD T. GILBY		116912 Hidden Oak Way San Antonio, TX 78248	Road
HAROLD S. SILLIKIAN		2555 N E Loop 410 #2211 SA, Texas 78217	TV
EDWARD FRANSON		19407 GARY OAK	SIGNS
KERRA COLLINS		19230 AUTUMN GDN 78258	MPO Newsletter

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Ryan + Tammy Campen		1418 Horizon Cir, SA 78200	bill boards/NPR
Tony + Rebecca Padri		12407 Ashley Place	email
Jeff Van Dyke		15110 Stone Tower S.A 78248	Road sign
Luis A. Meza		1540 W. Britas Rd Apt 2142	Email

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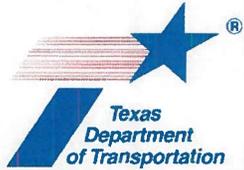


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Tim Yanker	AA PL		internet
JOSEPH P FRENCH JR	Home Owner	19315 CRYSTAL BLF TRKY	SIGN
Hector M	public		PV
Christina Franson	public	19407 Easy Oad	sign

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Douglas Ryle		910 Tiger Lily	Street Sign
Kevin Lipnicky	Half Assoc.	300 E. Souterra SA, TX 78248	News blast

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Valerie Collins	PD
Lea Camarillo	PCF
Steven Cramer	PD
Derek Muelle	PD
GILMER GASTON	PAPE-DAWSON
Brian Allen	Pape-Dawson
MATT ELTZ	PAPE-DAWSON
Courtney Corbell	PD
GRANT WUEBBEN	PAPE-DAWSON
Justin Clark	Pape-Dawson

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Queenie Ye	Pape-Dawson
Melissa Bernal	TxDOT
Kobbe Dey	TxDOT
Scott Nelson	Pape-Dawson
Mark Mosby	TxDOT
Rebecca Fox	TxDOT
CLAYTON RIPPES	TxDOT
Jessi Hayes	TxDOT
Walker Lazo	Pape-Dawson
Warren Brown	PCI
Taylor Hibbens	TxDOT

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<del>Mike</del> Mike Garza	TxDOT
John Bryant	TxDOT
Thomas Gonzalez	TxDOT
Guina Dounson	TxDOT
Laura Lopez	TxDOT
Dolly Garcia	TxDOT
MIKE GARZA	TxDOT
Daniel Cardenas	TxDOT
Brian Witzell	
JENNIFER BEAN	TxDOT
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## **G. Comments received**



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### (PLEASE PRINT)

COMMENTS: Please add protections for cyclists on the Westbound Frontage road approaching Blanco road. Especially for the hill climb section where the speed difference between cyclists will be greatest. Need either marked bike lanes or clearly marked <sup>designated</sup> sidewalk sections (it is my understanding that it is illegal to ride a bicycle on a sidewalk unless it is also designated as shareable for bikes). The currently planned wider outside lanes are nice, but without a designated bike lane motorized vehicles will drift to the right blocking cyclists when traffic is stopped and cyclists will block motorists when traffic is moving. As a cyclist I would feel safer with a designated bike lane because it carves out a protected section for the hill climb where cars will know they can pass me and when traffic is stopped I can continue riding. I could claim the lane without bike lanes, but would prefer not to because ~~for~~ hills I can't accelerate nearly as fast as motor-vehicles. - Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback / suggestions

NAME: Timothy J. Kent (TJ)

ADDRESS: 735 Walder Trail, San Antonio, TX 78260

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: myself - a resident in Stone Oaks and avid cyclist

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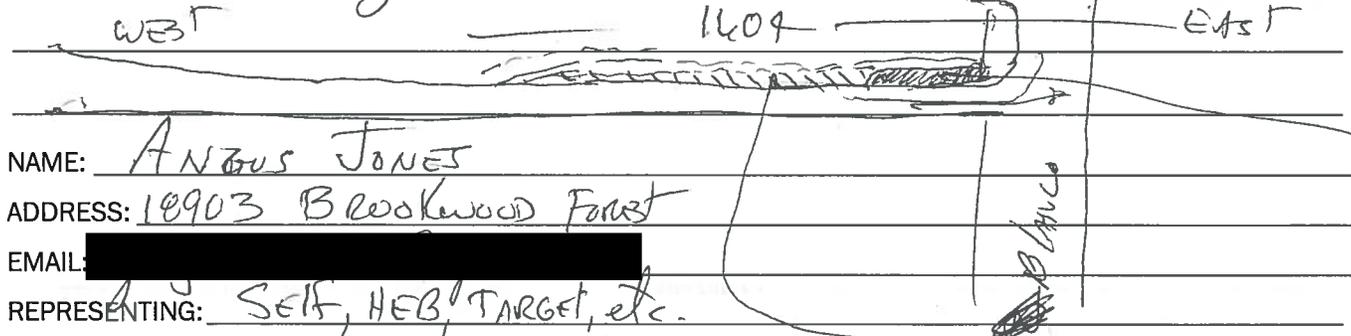
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COMMENTS:

THE TURN AROUND LANE ON ACCESS RD GOING EAST - ON IT'S APPROACH TO BLANCO IS MUCH MUCH TO SHORT. YOU ALREADY OWN THE PROPERTY TO MAKE IT LONGER, EVEN WITH THE NEW SETBACK YOU SHOULD MAKE THAT TURN AROUND LANE AS LONG AS POSSIBLE. [THIS SITUATION IS REPEATED SEVERAL TIMES AROUND 1604. ZACHRY SHOULD KNOW BETTER. I'M SURE HE DOES]



NAME: ANGUS JONES  
ADDRESS: 18903 BROOKWOOD FOREST  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: SELF, HEB, TARGET, etc.

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NONE

NEED TO EXTEND AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE

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P.S. WEST BOUND ACCESS LINES NEEDS (2) LEFT TURN CAPABILITIES WHEN IT REACHES HUBNER - ONLY CHANGE THE SIGN



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COMMENTS: More work needs to be done to address  
congestion on feeder roads such as Blanco,  
itself. Blanco is a NIGHTMARE north of  
1604. When will you address that madness?  
Wilderness Oak/Blanco is rated "F"!!! 1604+  
Blanco is not. Spend our money where it  
makes the biggest impact.

NAME: Lara McDaniel

ADDRESS: 20627 View Meadow

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: Stone Oak Meadows

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COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

IT COULD WORK!! ANYTHING TO IMPROVE HOW TRAFFIC BACKS UP AT THIS INTERSECTION IS GOOD! ANY PLANS TO ADD MORE NIGHTTIME STREET LIGHTS ALONG 1604? THERE ARE MANY SECTIONS ALONG 1604 WITH NO NIGHTTIME LIGHTING.

NAME: LAVERNE WELBORN  
ADDRESS: 504 SPECHT RD, SATX 78260  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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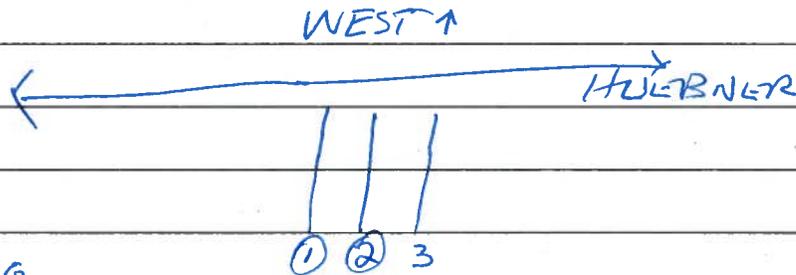
COMMENTS: CHANGE THE LANE DESIGNATION @ 1604 WEST

BOUND ACCESS ROAD TO

1) LEFT TURN ONLY

2) LEFT OR STRAIGHT

3) RIGHT TURN ONLY



NAME: MILT KING

ADDRESS: 17338 FOUNTAIN BLUFF, SA, TX 78248

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMENTS:

Please consider adding another left turn lane (currently there's only one) going south on Huebner at the Blanco/Huebner exit from 1604W. Doing this sooner, rather than later would be immensely helpful to the flow of traffic.

The plan to give Huebner its own exit off 1604 would be helpful although we need relief now!

NAME: Joyce & Gary Hyde  
ADDRESS: 2202 Post Oak Court, SAT 78248  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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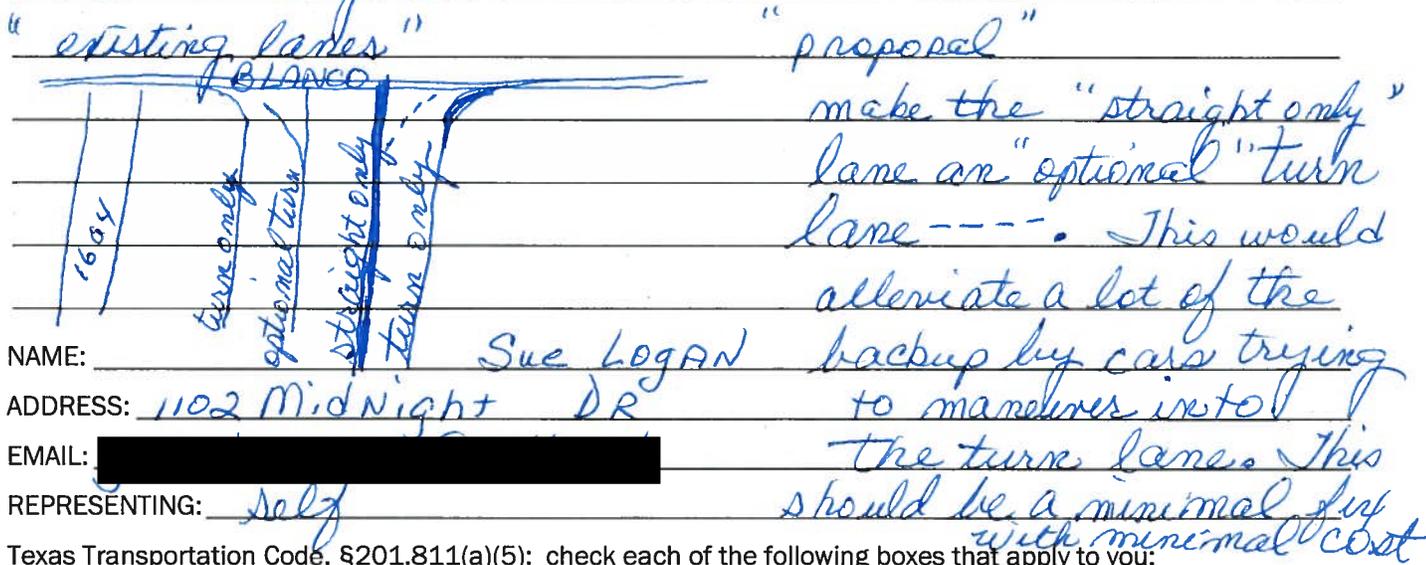
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COMMENTS: *Due to the terrific backup of traffic on the access road wanting to turn north on Blanco (heading west on the access road), suggest the following interim fix requiring minimal change.*



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COMMENTS: Please look @ temp. solution for West Bound exit from 1604 to Blanco Rd. - 2 turning lanes would be most helpful- even if the left of the two lanes is straight and/or turn Right.

Your current peak time is in our opinion is too low. You might want a second look at that.

NAME: Pete & Loressa Leal

ADDRESS: 1314 Stetson Green

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: self

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COMMENTS:

LOOKS LIKE A GOOD IDEA. IT WILL HELP  
~~THE~~ NORTH/SOUTH FLOW ON BLANCO ROAD.  
BUT, EXITING BLANCO ONTO 1604 WILL STILL  
BE A "JAM" UNLESS YOU ARE WILLING TO DO  
SOMETHING ABOUT 1604

NAME: DENNIS MEANS

ADDRESS: 107 LARIAT

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: CANYON CREEK ESTATE HOA

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COMMENTS:

1604 Access Road → WEST

Could someone talk to the church official AND have them do the "RIGHT" thing AND give up (sell)? enough land to make a continuous RT TURN AT HUERNER, southbound ? 1604 Access

↑ LUTHERAN Church

↑ HWY 2696 Southbound

↑ south

NAME: ANGUS JONES

ADDRESS: 18903 Brookwood Forest 78258

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: the country north of 1604

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COMMENTS: Thanks for taking time to have the open house w/ TXDOT +  
Pape-Dawson Engineers! Very well done.

Traffic solutions for this intersection are definitely needed!  
Well thought-out plans. Good luck with environmental assessment +  
FUNDING!

Re: Bike Lanes + sidewalks - GREAT to have, but ideally bike  
lane needs extra space or a berm/median between cars + bikes!

NAME: Alice + Jack Hufnagle

ADDRESS: 18522 Golden Maize, SA TX 78258 (Rogers Ranch)

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: self

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COMMENTS:

NO BIKE LANES - WALKING LANES, TOO  
DO NOT FUND FROM CRISS  
13054  
CRISS  
ANY SOURCE BEFORE  
PUTTING AVAILABLE FUNDS  
IN BUILDING MORE NON TOLL  
LANES ON 1604 N

1604 N NON TOLL IS THE  
VERY TOP PRIORITY IN  
SAN ANTONIO AND MUST BE  
DONE NOW.

NAME:

DON P DIXON

ADDRESS:

206 MORNINGSIDE DR. SAT 78209

EMAIL:

NA

REPRESENTING:

SECT

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COMMENTS:

*Thank you for working on the  
Blanco 1604 interchange! The  
plan is innovative + will really  
help with the traffic flow.  
Good Luck*

NAME: *Rebekah Stephens*  
ADDRESS: *1606 Enchanted Way*  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
REPRESENTING: *myself ☺*

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COMMENTS: ~~Blanco Road~~ Entrance/Exit ramps directly to and from Huebner and Stone Oak would alleviate much of the current traffic because the Blanco Road intersection is also used for those roads. Additionally, the city should study smart stop lights that automatically change based on amount of traffic and intelligently change rather than simply on a timed schedule.

NAME: Jonathan Geserick  
ADDRESS: 1311 Brook Bluff, San Antonio TX 78248  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMENTS: I fully support the proposed plan for 1604/Blanco intersection. I hope it happens without delay. Currently between 4:00-7:00 p.m. It takes 20 minutes to go 1 mile. It takes 20 minutes for me to exit 1604 to Blanco and then to my home near Huebner and Blanco. It doesn't matter which side of 1604 I exit from.

NAME: Connie Landry

ADDRESS: 19207 Grey Bluff Cove, San Antonio 78258

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: myself

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COMMENTS: Liked the animation. Make sure you announce/  
make readily available videos/animations BEFORE  
completion so the public will know how it really  
works. Practice makes perfect.  
-Thank you

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMENTS: ① Loop 1604 w exit to Blanco Road will still have to merge with traffic going west on 1604 from Stone oak (Corner Stone)

② N. Blanco Road traffic into Vineyard Shopping center will be a mess.

③ Disruption of traffic over Blanco Road on access roads

NAME: Paul Hohman

ADDRESS:

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: Home owner

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COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

*I am in favor of this "DDI" project. I will look forward to reducing my traffic time.*

NAME: *Jeanette Mosley*

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

REPRESENTING: *Live in the area*

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COMMENTS: I see and understand the geographic and traffic pattern changes, Make sense. My concerns are, STONEOAK is rapidly becoming a retirement community with elderly drivers. This traffic pattern is NOT an intuitive flow. I am concerned about elderly and inexperience driver accidents rising due to this change. I am for it, but a strong change management communication and awareness will be critical

NAME: STEVEN MILLS

ADDRESS: 21431 Bear Ridge SA TX 78258

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: local resident

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COMMENTS:

*Please the new vision! Am disappointed with the timeline. I'd love to see this happen faster.*  
*My only concern is traffic coming from the HEB parking lot - out on the Blanco side - turning ~~right~~ left. Looks like that could be an issue.*

NAME:

*Julio Stewart*

ADDRESS:

*13101 Hunters Wood SA TX 78230*

EMAIL:

[Redacted]

REPRESENTING:

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COMMENTS: For westbound right turn on frontage, have leftmost stay as  
one lane (leftmost) onto Blanco and rightmost have two lanes to facilitate  
traffic holding Non Blanco past Madera. This will de-conflict traffic in  
rightmost turn lane from having to merge into center Blanco lane to  
continue North.

The start of the westbound right turn on frontage should be extended back past  
the bridge instead of where it is today to allow more cars to fill both new  
right turn lanes.

NAME: Kyle Kennedy

ADDRESS: 20106 Standish Rd, SA, TX, 78258

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: self

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COMMENTS:

Appreciate TxDOT allowing Blanco/1604 users to  
view plans for expansion.

Two issues to consider

1604 Access Road East to West primarily turning right on  
Blanco.

Choke point exists of 4 lanes to 3 lanes, backing  
up traffic. (These 3 lanes feed into 5 lanes!)

1. Add to north side of access road a fourth lane over  
bridge. 2. Permit two lanes to turn right into Blanco

NAME:

LARRY LEWIS

ADDRESS:

1414 McManie Circle San Antonio, TX 78258

EMAIL:

REPRESENTING:

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COMMENTS:

1) Make a model of the Blanco/1604 intersection so we can walk it before we drive it in a car. This could avoid many accidents.

2) The HOV lane proposed on 281 N. of 1604 should be a toll lane. TEXAS folks do not car pool very well. HOV's are not used hardly at all in Houston either.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

REPRESENTING:

Jo Green 1413 Brookstone

Blanco Woods HOA - Director

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COMMENTS:

Design looks good / circumatue.  
Would be good to understand how  
2 year construction period will impact  
traffic flows once project is ready  
to proceed. Maybe another open  
road prior to start of construction.  
Thank You! Much needed traffic  
relief project!

NAME: Rudy GARZA  
ADDRESS: 757 Treaty DAK  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: myself (OAKS of Sonterra Resident)

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COMMENTS: I own a home that backs up to Blanco. My backyard is fenced with a rock wall owned by the homeowners association of Blanco Bluffs. Your representatives did not know how much this <sup>project</sup> will encroach or approach my wall. It is a noise and privacy issue, as well as a safety issue. Buses that travel Blanco can carry passengers with the ability to look directly into my family room. What will this road widening do? I want to specifically know where the road bed will end with respect to my wall. Please respond.

NAME: LINDA JEFFORDS

ADDRESS: 17202 Blanco Oaks

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: myself - homeowner

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COMMENTS: Please start sooner. The congestion is already terrible.  
If we wait till 2021 to even start the project it's going to be complete  
gridlock down there.

NAME: Shawn C. Dinsmore  
ADDRESS: 907 Oss Negro, San Antonio, TX 78260  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: Neighborhood Commuter

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COMMENTS: THE IMPROVEMENTS LOOK GOOD.  
GOOD PLANNING, WELL THOUGHT OUT.

NAME: MIKE GABEL

ADDRESS: 24378 BLANCO RD 78260

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMENTS:

IS THERE ANY CHANCE OF IMMEDIATE  
MAKING TWO (2) RIGHT TURNS FROM  
1604 SERVICE ROAD WEST ONTO BLANCO NORTH  
NOW?  
CURRENTLY THIS IS THE ONLY SECTION OF  
THE EXISTING INTERSECTION WITH ONLY ONE  
TURN (NORTH ONTO BLANCO FROM 1604 WEST)

NAME:

MARK HEWISER

ADDRESS:

964 PERSIAN GARDEN SAN ANTONIO TX 78260

EMAIL:

[REDACTED]

REPRESENTING:

PANTHER CREEK HOA

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COMMENTS: I'm A BUSINESS OWNER ON THE SOUTH SIDE  
OF 1604 CURRENTLY WITH TRAFFIC EXITING BLANCO BOTH  
WAYS. THE SAVING GRACE OF THE PROPOSAL IS THE  
MOVING OF THE STONE OAK PARKWAY / VOIGHT EXIT  
MORE TO THE WEST. THIS IS ACTUALLY  
EXCELLENT FOR MY BUSINESS.

NAME: TODD SPEARS  
ADDRESS: 24726 BOGEY RIDGE SATX 78260  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: SHARKEY'S CUTS FOR KIDS

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COMMENTS: love the Diverging Diamond Intersection design!

NAME: Roy Willis  
ADDRESS: 863 Peg Oak, SA TX 78258  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: SAME

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COMMENTS:

*Can you start earlier?*

*Like the idea of Hubner Exit (westbound) and Stone Oak (Eastbound) will go under the bridge and not have to go through lights at Blanco intersection. This should alleviate alot of traffic.*

NAME:

*Theresa Edwards*

ADDRESS:

*1826 Slumber Pass*

EMAIL:

[REDACTED]

REPRESENTING:

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COMMENTS: With widening of 1604 hopefully beginning in 2018 and the Blanco Rd. project beginning in 2021 we will have to endure 5+ years of construction. By 2021 there will be a 300 unit apt. complex @ Blanco + Wilderness Oak plus 100+ acres of new homes off of Bergfeld. Can you please begin this sooner ??? It looks like a great concept!

NAME: Gloria Artrey  
ADDRESS: 910 Scenic Stroll SAT 78260  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: me

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COMMENTS:

Please extend Blanco Rd beyond Old Blanco Rd to facilitate the exiting of my subdivision Canyon Creek Bluffs. Traffic headed south bound Blanco tends to travel at 60mph and we currently have a blind intersection from the last time TxDOT widened Blanco Rd.

NAME:

Kathleen Fagan

ADDRESS:

17407 Oak Canyon 78248

EMAIL:

[Redacted]

REPRESENTING:

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COMMENTS:

NEED HELP ENTERING & EXITING VINEYARD  
SUBDIVISION VIA BLANCO. WITH THE  
WIDENING PROJECT OF BLANCO 5 YRS  
AGO, MEDIAN WAS INSTALLED JUST NORTH  
OF VINEYARD (BLANCO RD) ENTRANCE.

THIS MEDIAN CREATED A DANGEROUS  
LEFT TURN SCENARIO FOR RESIDENTS  
EXITING VINEYARD SUBDIVISION. PLEASE

NAME:

CONSIDER HELPING ALLEVIATE THIS DANGEROUS  
EXIT.

ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

REPRESENTING:

BEN CARROLL 1115 BELCLAIRE, SA, TX 78258

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COMMENTS: TWO ISSUES NOT ADDRESSED

① WEST BOUND FRONTAGE ROAD FOR RIGHT TURN ON BLANCO GOING NORTH CURRENTLY BACKS UP ALL THE WAY BACK TO WATER TANK SERVICE ROAD. DOES NOT BECOME 2 RIGHT TURN LANES SOON ENOUGH TO RELIEVE CONGESTION AT BLANCO -

② SOUTH BOUND TRAFFIC ON BLANCO NEED RELIEF FROM SEVERAL MILES BACK NORTH FROM HUEBNER. IT CAN CURRENTLY TAKE 30-40 MINUTES TO TRANSIT THE 2 OR 3 MILES GOING SOUTH TO 1604. APARTMENTS AND MORE RESIDENTIAL GOING IN ALONG BLANCO

NAME: C. SETTLES

ADDRESS: ~~1719~~ 1719 SLUMBER PASS, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78260

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: SELF - LIVE IN TIMBERWOOD PARK

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COMMENTS: THERE ARE SOME SIMPLE + INEXPENSIVE THINGS  
THAT COULD BE DONE NOW AT THE WESTBOUND 1604  
+ HUEBNER INTERSECTION. PRESENTLY, THERE ARE THREE  
LANES. THE LEFT LANE CAN BE USED TO GO STRAIGHT OR  
TURN LEFT. THE MIDDLE LANE IS STRAIGHT ONLY. THE  
RIGHT LANE IS RIGHT ONLY. I RECOMMEND MAKING  
THE LEFT LANE A LEFT ONLY AND THE MIDDLE LANE  
LEFT OR STRAIGHT. THE RIGHT LANE REMAINS RIGHT ONLY  
MOST CARS AT THE INTERSECTION TURN LEFT OR DO A U-TURN.

NAME: MICHAEL SCHLATTER VERY FEW GO STRAIGHT.

ADDRESS: 17206 FAWN CROSSING DR., 78248

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: MYSELF

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COMMENTS: Widening Blanco to three lanes thru the  
intersection is great. However, going North on Blanco  
and cutting the lanes back to two is going to cause  
some back log. That's what happened before the widened  
it to Huebner. We need to have the project to widen  
Blanco all the way through Wilderness oak at a  
minimum.

NAME: Lori Gourchosne  
ADDRESS: 1134 Saddle Horse  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
REPRESENTING: myself

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### FORMULARIO DE COMENTARIOS

Gracias por asistir a la Junta Abierta al Público de esta noche. Por favor deposite el formulario con sus comentarios en el buzón, entréguela a uno de los representantes del proyecto, envíelo por correo electrónico al [LP1604-Blanco@Pape-Dawson.com](mailto:LP1604-Blanco@Pape-Dawson.com), o envíelo por correo postal a la dirección indicada. Los comentarios por escrito deberán ser sellados por la oficina de correos a más tardar del viernes, 15 de diciembre de 2017 para ser incluidos en el reporte oficial de la junta abierta al público. Gracias por sus comentarios.

#### (UTILIZE LETRA DE MOLDE)

COMENTARIOS: Prefer a buffered or protected bike lane  
where feasible. Outer lane no wider than 12 ft  
Blanco - bike lane improvements and separation from  
high speed (>40mph) is preferred  
1604 - Preferred lower speed on frontage road  
no greater than 45mph  
Prefer a landscaped buffer for people on sidewalk

NOMBRE: \_\_\_\_\_

DIRECCIÓN: \_\_\_\_\_

CORREO ELECTRÓNICO: \_\_\_\_\_

REPRESENTANDO: \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMENTS:

Will there be better traffic light coordination so that traffic flows at a constant rate. Will the speed limit be reduced to keep joggers and people who ride bikes will be safer. Side walks should have rails every 25 feet with a five feet opening to protect pedestrians from an out of control vehicle.

NAME:

GLORIA A. GUERRERO

ADDRESS:

24754 Blanco Rd. SA, TX 78260-6636

EMAIL:

[REDACTED]

REPRESENTING:

Self

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COMMENTS: We have concerns that traffic flow will be affected further up Blanco Road (specifically around the Blanco/Huebner intersection). When Blanco Rd. was widened, our neighborhood (Greystone Country Estates) moved our entrance further away from the intersection. Due to the extremely heavy volume of traffic on Blanco currently, it is almost impossible to get out of Greystone (or into it, depending on the time of day). The vehicles block our entrance & the traffic signals do not help with congestion. With this project we are afraid that the

NAME: Debbie Freno number of vehicles going

ADDRESS: 19315 Crystal Bluff 78258 up/down Blanco will only

EMAIL: [REDACTED] increase. Furthermore

REPRESENTING: no one is going at the posted

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- in mind that this project will not only affect the Blanco/1604 area but also those of us approx. one mile up the road.*

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*Some thought & solutions need to be given to that area as well!*



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COMMENTS: ON Blanco Rd from Loop 1604 to Witness Oak

The center medians between N.B. AND S.B traffic lanes.  
The beginning point of the medians about one foot in  
width. HARD to see at night, many cars have  
hit and blown tires & rims, you can see the damage  
concrete curbs. Some have (1) small white marker pole  
about 3' high & still hard to see at night. Street lights  
hardly help out there. I had two tires & rims totaled  
from the median island curb shoulders.

NAME: Terry LARISON

ADDRESS: 21922 Somerton Lane - SATX - 78260

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: Retired

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COMMENTS: Need to improve markings for center median  
on Blanco Rd North of 1604 just past Huebner  
going North Bound. The road curves and with  
minimal lighting cars hit the median. Personally,  
my husband hit the median & blew out 2 tires  
both left front & rear.

Simple solution is to paint the curb with reflective  
paint & put reflective bots on the road. Previous  
Small reflective poles have been knocked down. You can easily  
see tire marks & chipped concrete where cars have hit the median

NAME: Cyndi Tourtellot

ADDRESS: 2122 Somerton Lane

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMENTS: Huebner Road exit/entrance may see dangerous  
merging or exit maneuvers ~~with~~ with increased speed of  
cars utilizing lower thru lanes from 1604. Please take  
into consideration.

Thank - you for taking the time to show us the design  
and taking our questions.

NAME: Pascual Delgado

ADDRESS: 16826 Summer Creek SATX 78248

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMENTS: *Excellant presentation. Came away informed and pleased with the logical thoughtful design for alleviating a major headache for my daily commute from north Blanco Rd (Clemmensen Ranch) to Lou Sam Houston.*

NAME: *James R. Withauer*  
ADDRESS: *26322 Hackney Lane*  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
REPRESENTING: *self*

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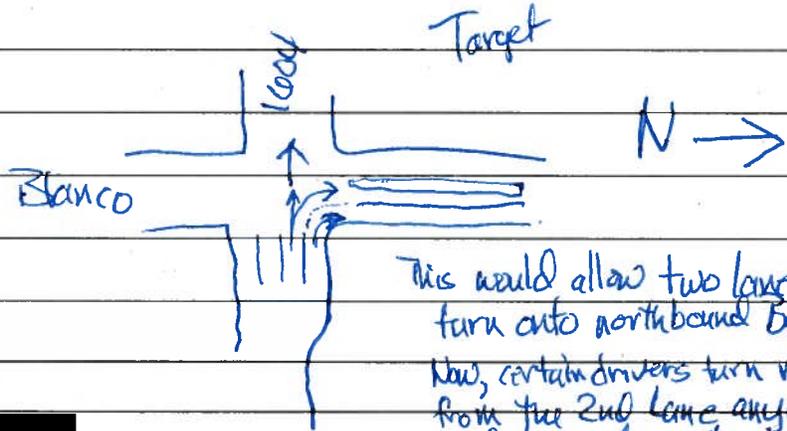
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COMMENTS:

Please Re-Stripe the West bound service road to allow two right turns into Blanco:



This would allow two lanes to turn onto northbound Blanco. Now, certain drivers turn right from the 2nd lane anyway and those of us who might cut through the Target parking lot might not

NAME: David Fitzell  
ADDRESS: 19228 Trailview  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: Self 210 602 4886

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COMMENTS: This DDI design looks like it will do a good job of  
addressing the traffic congestion issue at LP1604/Blanco.  
One concern I have is that all right turns, with the exception  
of 1604 WB to Blanco NB, are only a single lane wide. I think  
that there is sufficient right turn traffic from Blanco SB to  
1604 WB to justify a second lane.

Also, I understand that this is outside of the project area,  
but having Blanco NB narrow from 3 lanes to 2 lanes so  
close to 1604 will result in significant backups because traffic  
will flow better through the interchange

NAME: Bon Buchalski

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 691174, San Antonio, TX 78269

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: self/family

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COMMENTS: Get the City to adjust their signal lights' timing or you're going to continue to have problems.

Don't paint the bridges.

Put up plenty of signs!

Message Boards are needed. If you don't put boards up at lease put the conduit + pull boxes in so when its needed you've got it.

NAME: Harold L. Dillashaw

ADDRESS: 2555 NE Loop 410 #2211

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: Self

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COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

OBSVIOUSLY NOT INTERESTED IN COMMENTS.  
YOU'RE HERE TO JUSTIFY WHAT YOU ARE  
DOING.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### (PLEASE PRINT)

COMMENTS: We are encouraged by the planned  
improvements to 1604 + Blanco. However, the timing is  
very frustrating. Five years for planning completing  
construction does not do much for a very unsafe situation  
Cars trying to get on the 1604 access road out of Sonterra  
Place street + Trader Joes are at high risk for an accident.  
Not addressed by this proposal is the need for stop light on  
Blanco (south of 1604) between Talavera + Mission Ridge.  
The speed limit is 45 mph, however, that is not always done or enforced.

NAME: Judy + Dick Gilky

ADDRESS: 16910 Hidden Oak Woods, SAT 78248

EMAIL: [REDACTED]

REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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I live in Blanco Woods Subdivison. A light here would be about 1/2 way + would pulse the traffic. If I lived N of here, I would be concerned about getting across 6 lanes to go North.



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COMMENTS: Take aerial time-lapsed video with drones during peak rush hour for before and after construction to verify effectiveness of the diverging diamond intersection design.

NAME: Tim H. Yonker  
ADDRESS: 954 Amberstone Dr. San Antonio, Tx, 78258  
EMAIL: [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTING: AAPL

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COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

While waiting until 2021 for project to begin at Blanco-1604. Txdot should allow two turn lanes from 1604 onto Blanco west bound.

That intersection is very wide and even large trucks could make the turn.

The traffic get backed up for a mile during busy traffic hours.

What's interesting is the intersection has THREE sides that currently allow two turn lanes with the width of the intersection the same as it is on Blanco-1604.

Please make that change until we get further relief.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

BYRON JORDAN

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

735 LARI DAWN

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

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**From:** Todd Spears [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 30, 2017 8:06 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** Meeting tonight

Hi all,

I was at your meeting tonight and love the proposal. Is there a way I can a copy of the image or a link to it or the video?

Thank you,

Todd Spears

**From:** Douglas Rich [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 01, 2017 11:36 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** Loop 1604 and Blanco intersection

To whom it may concern,

While the plans look like a good idea, the initial concern is the construction start date of 2021 and being completed in 2023. In the meantime, a temporary solution needs to be created to assist with traffic flow until the construction is completed. My suggestion would be to create double turn lanes on the westbound turn lanes from the 1604 access road to turn northbound on Blanco. The estimated times posted at the meeting during peak times for this turn was 7 minutes. I would suspect in the worst conditions this can easily exceed 10 minutes just to make the one turn from 1604 to Blanco, just by creating a double turn lanes with markings identifying this could help alleviate traffic flow until construction is completed.

Thank you for the informational meeting and thank you for seeking further input for the local residents and businesses that will be affected by the construction and design.

**Douglas H. Rich, MBA, MS-CIS, BSOE, CBET, CRES, LEED-AP**  
Email [REDACTED]

**"Work for a cause, not applause.  
Live to express, not to impress.  
Don't strive to make your presence noticed,  
Just make your absence felt."**

**From:** Janel Sterbentz [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 01, 2017 4:27 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Janel Sterbentz  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joshua Perry [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 01, 2017 5:54 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Joshua Perry  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Alston Cox [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 02, 2017 6:23 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Alston Cox  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Craig Pearson <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 7:53 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Craig Pearson  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Miguel Garza [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 8:14 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
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Miguel Garza  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lester Rosebrock <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 8:20 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Lester Rosebrock  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathleen Curry [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 9:30 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Kathleen Curry  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Zach Weiss [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 10:14 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Zach Weiss  
[REDACTED]

**From:** MICHAEL FORSYTH [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 11:06 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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MICHAEL FORSYTH  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 11:59 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** Choke Point on Loop 1604 Westbound on Access Road at FM2696

In looking at your schematics for the Loop 1604/FM2696(Blanco Rd), I see there are either five or six lanes (too small picture to tell which) approaching the intersection on the access road from east to west that either turnaround, turn left, straight or turn right.

The plan as revealed will greatly enhance traffic movement at that intersection with one glaring exception: Because the east to west access road to the intersection has a major choke point of four lanes squeezing down to three lanes (across bridge) then up to five or six turning/straight lanes.

You could engineer 10 lanes turning or straight but it wouldn't matter because of the simple existence of the choke point of squeezing westbound access road to three lanes.

(What 'should' have been done a few years ago when they added the entry lane to Loop 1604 west from the access lane was to back the entry lane up 200-300 feet and EXPAND the three lanes to FOUR lanes, thus facilitating traffic leading now up to five lanes.....could that still be considered? There was no way to expand the lanes on the bridge to the north because of all the waterwork equipment in place; but a fourth lane could have easily been added on the south side of the access road.)

That may be water under the bridge, but it's a valid instructional "lessons learned" point. Unless, of course, it could still be done as an added project to facilitate traffic movement and eliminate the choke point of three lanes.

Of course the residents of the rapidly expanded population of those driving in and out of Blanco Road appreciate greatly any efforts and solutions to the traffic problem now existing. But unless you eliminate the choke point of only having three lanes, traffic will still back up as there is no or will be no movement of autos any faster than current from the choke point.

Col Larry Lewis  
1414 Melanie Cir  
San Antonio, TX 78258

**From:** Austin Newton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 12:45 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Austin Newton  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Will Schiek [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 12:57 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Will Schiek  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Adam Portmann [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 1:37 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Adam Portmann  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joseph Riggs [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 7:25 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
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Joseph Riggs  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Eduardo Macias [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 8:10 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Eduardo Macias  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jonathan Flores [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 10:31 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Jonathan Flores  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dan Cancilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 03, 2017 11:33 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Dan Cancilla  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michael Wheeler [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 04, 2017 9:07 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Michael Wheeler  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diana Rabago [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 04, 2017 12:54 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Diana Rabago  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jon Roan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 04, 2017 1:34 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Jon Roan  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Benjamin Perez [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 04, 2017 1:41 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
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Benjamin Perez  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** edward cain [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 04, 2017 1:51 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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edward cain  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Patricia Contreras [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 05, 2017 6:42 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Patricia Contreras  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marco Paredes [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 05, 2017 7:53 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Marco Paredes  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jon Moreno [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 05, 2017 9:57 AM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
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Jon Moreno  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Mappin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 06, 2017 5:04 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** I Support Bike Facilities for the 1604/Blanco project

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Maria Mappin  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Chris Goya [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 15, 2017 6:07 PM  
**To:** LP1604-Blanco @PD  
**Subject:** blanco and 1604 new proposal

I went to your presentation at the Shriner building. Very informing and I am glad you had this. Your presentation looks great. I don't see any improvements...but as a driver, I do see some problems.

1. There will be no straight thru blanco lane. My comment is mainly on the HEB side. I saw on the future map, if you want to go east towards 281 from HEB/Lowes, you would have to 1) exit by Pet Barn 2) drive thru the parking lot of HEB and Lowes to exit the farthest point of the lot to the access road to enter the bypass (blanco) road. 3) turn on Blanco and do a illegal turnaround on Blanco 4) do 2 turnarounds. Turn around at Blanco then do another turnaround at Huebner. More gas spent to just go thru a intersection. gas prices are ok now. Wait til later. Confusing point, but hopefully you all understand what I am getting at. I don't like going to Lowes because I have to drive thru the front of the Heb building. People going to and from their cars. More drivers (going towards 281) are going to drive to the last exit by Lowes, and the drivers are going to get impatient with the HEB and Lowes pedestrians...I see more accidental run overs on pedestrians. More cars going thru more pedestrians is a accident waiting to happen.

2. San Antonio is notorious for wrong way drivers (DWI or DUI...I don't know who I am sending this to) . So if a person leaves Cover 3 or the other Fish dinning place and misses the bypass entrance or stops in at HEB for some things, this person might forget new intersection and crashes into something. I know this is a low percentage accident, but I don't want to explain what happened to the victim what happened.

Same thing with the other side...I see a lot of people going west on the access road to get to I-10 thru Blanco. I see more drivers driving thru Target and all the rest of the retail establishments just to get to the access road on the other side of Blanco. Maybe the more traffic going thru these retail stores stops more customers, not me. I avoid places I can not get into or out of a place.

I hope this was helpful. I don't. I believe you have the knowledge of the pros and cons on this project well before you announced the project. I think you want to hear the opinion on the drivers around this intersection.

Even though you think email is bad for you. It is not. I think traffic is only going to get worse...you are doing something about it. Doing nothing is the worse. I'm just telling you what the cons are of mine and only mine. Cons are great. I saw the other displays, you cut down the time dramatically.

I hope you get started soon. Also hope no delays.

Also if you can, tell txdot to expand 1604 to 8 lanes ( 4 east, 4 west). They have the room. Are they regulating how many cars are going on the highway to not bottleneck certain intersections Just like how traveling east bound on 1604 to 281.

Going to SA has an easy ramp to 281. Going toward Johnson city, you have to go thru a traffic stop. Is this the reason...to regulate how many cars are going north?

Again, Good luck in this project and with no delays.

Christopher Goya

## TXDOT LOOP 1604 AT FM 2696 (BLANCO RD) COMMENTS

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LP1604-Blanco@Pape-Dawson.com

Dear Sirs:

I write as Chair of the Alamo Group of the Sierra Club.

I attended the Thursday November 30, 2017, Public Meeting at San Antonio Shrine Auditorium. I discussed the "Diverging Diamond" proposal for this intersection with Pape-Dawson staff, and reviewed findings with the Alamo Group Executive Committee. The Alamo Group appreciates the opportunity to provide public comment as follows:

- 1) We support the principles of **Smart Streets** and **Vision Zero**. Therefore, we believe that EVERY new project to redo streets in San Antonio MUST include Smart Streets and Vision Zero planning. These principles indicate that your proposals require more attention to bicycle and pedestrian travel through this intersection. One of the graphics shows bikes IN traffic, not even in a bike lane crossing the DDI. There needs to be provision for **BARRIER** separated SAFE bike and pedestrian paths on these streets and through this intersection. The added cost for this MUST be included in this and all future projects. Additionally, traffic control signals and systems MUST include proper ways to ELIMINATE vehicle vs. bike and pedestrian interaction, an interaction the biker and pedestrian always loses. Signals must be available for pedestrians and bikes to cross ALL turning lanes safely. The argument that "there is none" or almost no bike and pedestrian traffic currently should NOT be used to predict the same future. The future design should ENABLE safe pedestrian and bicycle travel through this intersection, making this a viable option that people will start to and increasingly use. I quote from fhwa ddi "But early consideration and provision for pedestrian and bicycle movements should be a priority consideration for any DDI, and should be accounted for in even early design concepts."
- 2) We support the principle of prioritizing people over vehicles, and transit over passenger (largely solo person) vehicles. Technologies for smart traffic management are rapidly developing. I see no mention of how transit vehicles use this intersection. I presume buses and other transit are to go with the flow of traffic. This is unsatisfactory and unacceptable. There MUST be provision made to prioritize transit. This could include physically separate transit lanes. It could also include means to activate barriers of separation only during times of peak demand and congestion. The result must be a clear travel advantage to transit.
- 3) It is unclear from the presentation the projection of benefit. The timeline of construction and the cost are high. These are important factors to consider. It is well known that all highway expansion efforts result in travel time reductions that are at best only temporary, sometimes less even than the disruption time created by the construction itself. It is therefore essential that the diverging diamond interchange proposal at Loop 1604 and Blanco Rd be considered within the larger context of ways to reduce both travel time AND vehicle volume through this intersection. Only then will the travel experience in this location be improved for people long term.

Thank you for taking our comments.

Sincerely,

Terry Burns, M.D.  
Chair, Alamo Sierra Club  
(Not a TxDOT employee, Not doing business with TxDOT, Not having monetary benefit).

# Additional Steps to Improve Traffic

**Mills, Steven**

**Subject:** FW: TxDOT Open House Loop1604 and Blanco Nov 30, 2017 at San Antonio Shrine Auditorium

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I don't understand why some basic traffic principles are not applied during peak traffic times. These basic principles are applied throughout the US and Europe.

1. During rush hour traffic periods, all large trucks with more than two axles should remain in the far right lane.
2. During rush hour traffic periods, no wide loads will be allowed.
3. During rush hour traffic periods, the police should weigh the negative impact to traffic and additional accidents that may be caused, against the need to pull someone over for a minor speeding or traffic violation.
4. During rush hour traffic periods, all lights should be sync'ed or use an intelligent systems like <https://phys.org/news/2010-09-ways-traffic.html>
5. Side road lights should NOT HAVE PRIORITY over primary road traffic. Example, as soon as someone from Stone Valley exits their gate, the light immediately changes in their favor without waiting?
6. Support the use of social traffic apps by reporting accidents, road closures etc.

Steven Mills  
21431 Bear Ridge  
San Antonio, Texas 78258

1                   ANGUS JONES: I just want to say that 1604 and  
2 Blanco is an example of misuse of taxpayer money by not  
3 doing a simple thing in the first place and not fixing it  
4 now. For example, the eastbound approach lane to Blanco  
5 after you get off the ramp of 1604 has a turnaround lane  
6 where you can go back to the west and go over to Target or  
7 go back to Huebner or whatever. That lane is about 15 feet  
8 long, but TxDOT owns the grass behind it all the way down  
9 for probably three-quarters of a mile. If they would just  
10 pour asphalt in that property, which is already owned by  
11 TxDOT, it would create a turnaround lane almost a mile long  
12 and alleviate tons of traffic that does not want to sit in  
13 the eastbound lane. And this situation is repeated around  
14 1604 in the intersections.

15                   DIANA TISON: It's with regard to the  
16 westbound lanes of the frontage that come up to Blanco Road.  
17 Why not have two turn lanes on the right-hand side, one that  
18 can turn left or go straight -- or turn right or go  
19 straight? It would keep this from backing up so much. I  
20 hope they get to get out early and discover what it's like.  
21 They'll be sitting there waiting because they don't let you  
22 out. There is no courtesy here. They're all anxious to get  
23 home. His reply was, well, because there is only two lanes  
24 on Blanco Road. Well, go down Stone Oak or come across on  
25 Sonterra. There is two there and it works good, keeps it

1 moving on that road. He says, well, the big trucks need the  
2 room to turn. Well, they need room to turn on every one.  
3 It's up to the people in the vehicles to be courteous and  
4 give them a break to turn. I don't like that answer either.  
5 It's just so obvious to me when I go on other roads -- you  
6 know, other roads around where that's the way they're marked  
7 so you can turn from either lane. The only problem will be  
8 the adjustment period because people will need to get used  
9 to it, because what happens now is you're over here and  
10 you're waiting, you're turning, inching up, and people are  
11 zooming that way and getting over and it backs up further,  
12 you know, and it's crazy, bad tempers. Gives me road rage  
13 every time I have to do it because I know they're going to  
14 hit my scooter rig. They just don't pay attention. They're  
15 busy doing this; I have to get this e-mail or this text.

16                   TIMOTHY JAMES KENT: I'd really like to see  
17 designated bike lanes along the full stretch, if possible;  
18 but, if not, then there is a section where we're going up  
19 the hill. It's on the westbound access lane as you're  
20 approaching Blanco. And so the problem if we don't have  
21 protected bike lanes for cyclists going there is even with a  
22 wider lane if there is not a space that's designated for  
23 bikes, cars making a right-hand turn are quite likely to  
24 pull over to the right-hand side of the lane, and the  
25 problem for cyclists is we can't accelerate as quickly as

1 vehicles; so when you're in stop and go traffic, you're in  
2 the lane with the vehicles; they pull up, accelerate and the  
3 cyclists are sitting there obviously slowing down the rest  
4 of the traffic; whereas, if we have a clearly separated  
5 lane, it allows us to get out of the way so that vehicles  
6 know that they can pass us safely. And then when traffic is  
7 stopped, cyclists can continue to making progress up the  
8 hill. And so my preference is actually for a designated  
9 bike lane rather than a section of the sidewalk that's  
10 marked just because of some of the difficulties with ramps  
11 or other things on the sidewalk, which are areas, depending  
12 on the bike you have, you're likely to catch a tire and fall  
13 or have some other injury that way.

14                   DAVID FRITSCHE: My name is David Fritsche. I  
15 live north of 1604 off of Blanco, only about a half mile,  
16 and my commute takes me on the westbound frontage road in  
17 front of Alzafar Shrine Temple to make a right turn to go  
18 north on Blanco Road. Currently there is only one turn lane  
19 to turn right off the frontage road onto Blanco northbound.  
20 I spoke to Richard De La Cruz, who is a TxDOT representative  
21 here at the meeting, and asked him how and who had  
22 jurisdiction with regard to the striping in turn lane. And  
23 what I am suggesting is that TxDOT stripe the right turn  
24 lane for a direct right turn onto the right lane of Blanco  
25 going north and stripe a right turn in through lane next to

1 it so that two lanes are striped to turn right and some of  
2 the through traffic can go straight or turn right so there  
3 is two lanes turning. You have this at Babcock and you have  
4 it at Jones-Maltsberger. And some people are doing it  
5 anyway already, which is dangerous. A lot of times, as  
6 you're aware, the westbound traffic to turn right on Blanco  
7 is backed up beyond Trader Joe's to the east and many people  
8 going through the traffic light at Blanco and cut through  
9 the Target parking lot to go back to Blanco Road. And even  
10 though one of the representatives here thought it would be  
11 minimal, for those of us who live off of Blanco north and  
12 commute that direction, it would save some of us some time  
13 and alleviate some of the congestion. If I am not clear,  
14 please feel free to call me on cell, 210-602-4886. I forgot  
15 to mention that I know of a person who lives over near the  
16 Babcock two-lane turn, and she reports that they have  
17 recently obtained a two-lane turn, and it is a fantastic  
18 improvement to their commute, and I think it would be a  
19 fantastic improvement to our commute on Blanco.

20 DOLORES DUDERSTADT: I just want to say thank  
21 you for having this open house and for preparing everything.  
22 It is a major step, and it's going to affect a lot of people  
23 and a lot of businesses. And so I've been assured that the  
24 businesses will have access, which is good. That's a  
25 concern. And that the traffic situation should not be any

1 worse than it is now. They're not going to have everything  
2 bottlenecked down to one lane. We should have the same  
3 amount of access to the roads, at least that's the  
4 understanding I've been given that we have now. And they  
5 did tell me that things would be moved around, and I  
6 understand that. That's only expected during construction.  
7 But just you've got to keep it smooth because it's horrible.  
8 It's horrible traffic on Blanco Road in the mornings. I  
9 live out in Timberwood Park, and it took me over 20 minutes  
10 to get from Old Blanco Road to Wilderness Oak. Now, I don't  
11 normally travel. I'm retired, so I -- so that was really  
12 unusual I thought; and then I talked to my neighbors, and  
13 it's not unusual. I thought we had a wreck or something,  
14 but they said that's pretty normal for the mornings. Thank  
15 you for setting all of this up and thinking about the  
16 future, and I appreciate it.

17 TANYA CAMPEN: I think what we would say is  
18 we're excited about the project. It definitely needs to be  
19 done. It seems like that the engineers have done a great  
20 work, and we trust that. I think our hope is that if we  
21 could be done sooner. 2021 seems a little far away with the  
22 traffic that we're dealing with now. And then also looking  
23 ahead toward what is that going to do to the light at Target  
24 if we're pushing everybody to the light at Target, and  
25 everybody has to go in that entrance to get to all of that

1 shopping. I think it's really going to get congested, and  
2 Blanco is already kind of a mess. I'm not sure how else to  
3 say that. It's very, very congested, and so I'm a little  
4 nervous about what this all is going to do to Blanco. But  
5 we definitely think that it's needed, and it looks like  
6 they're on the right track.

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## **H. Fact Sheets**

# Diverging Diamond Intersections

## FACT SHEET



### Diverging Diamond Intersections

A diverging diamond intersection, or DDI, is a new, innovative design that addresses congestion by allowing vehicles to travel more quickly through an intersection. DDIs are particularly effective at locations that have a high volume of left-turn traffic. A DDI increases traffic flow by temporarily shifting traffic to the left side of the road, allowing through-traffic and left-turning traffic to proceed through the intersection simultaneously. This eliminates the need for left-turn arrows. The intersection design increases safety by reducing the number of potential conflict points between cross-traffic and left-turn movements.

### Driving in a Diverging Diamond Intersection

While driving through a diverging diamond intersection is different, it is not difficult to understand and navigate once you get used to it. Also, it's proven to have reduced crashes by 50 percent in some areas. A DDI creates a diamond-shaped pattern in the intersection and temporarily shifts traffic to the left side of the roadway prior to entering the intersection.

How it works:

- Two phase traffic signals are installed at the roadway crossover points.
- Once on the left side of the road, drivers can freely turn left, rather than waiting for oncoming traffic to clear or for a left-turn signal. Or, drivers can continue straight and will switch back to the right side of the roadway once they've cleared the intersection.
- U-turn lanes are also included in a DDI, making left-turns from the cross-streets safer and more efficient.
- Through-traffic on the frontage road bypasses the intersection via a collector-distributor lane, or frontage road bypass lane, and proceeds straight through the cross-street intersection, allowing drivers to avoid the traffic signal.



### Advantages of a Diverging Diamond Intersection

A DDI enhances safety and mobility by reducing potential crash points at intersections and by allowing more cars to move through an intersection. This means a reduction in delays and travel time. Other benefits include:

- Motorists are able to bypass the intersection without stopping at a traffic signal
- Improved travel time because additional "green time" at traffic signals allow more vehicles to pass through the intersection
- Additional sidewalks will increase safety and better accommodate pedestrians and bicyclists
- Relatively low cost improvement

# Collector-Distributor Roads

## FACT SHEET



### What is a Collector-Distributor Road?

A collector-distributor road is a type of road that parallels and connects the main travel lanes of a highway and frontage roads or entrance ramps. Collector-distributor roads are found at intersections and, in the case of an intersection with a traffic signal, allow motorists to bypass the signal by driving under the intersecting road, much like an underpass. A collector-distributor is similar to an exit ramp, but is typically longer than an exit ramp, and has the advantage of allowing drivers to bypass traffic signals at intersections.



### Benefits of a Collector-Distributor Road

In addition to allowing drivers to bypass traffic signals at intersections, collector-distributor roads also enhance safety by allowing more distance for vehicles to merge and move over to access entrance ramps to other roadways, businesses, and other destinations along high-speed roads. Collector-distributor roads also:

- Improve traffic flow by allowing vehicles to bypass traffic signals
- Improve traffic speed by increasing the distance between high-speed main lanes and lower speed frontage road traffic
- Enhance safety by providing a place for exiting traffic to wait to access cross streets, rather than backing up onto high-speed main lanes

### Existing Collector-Distributor Roads

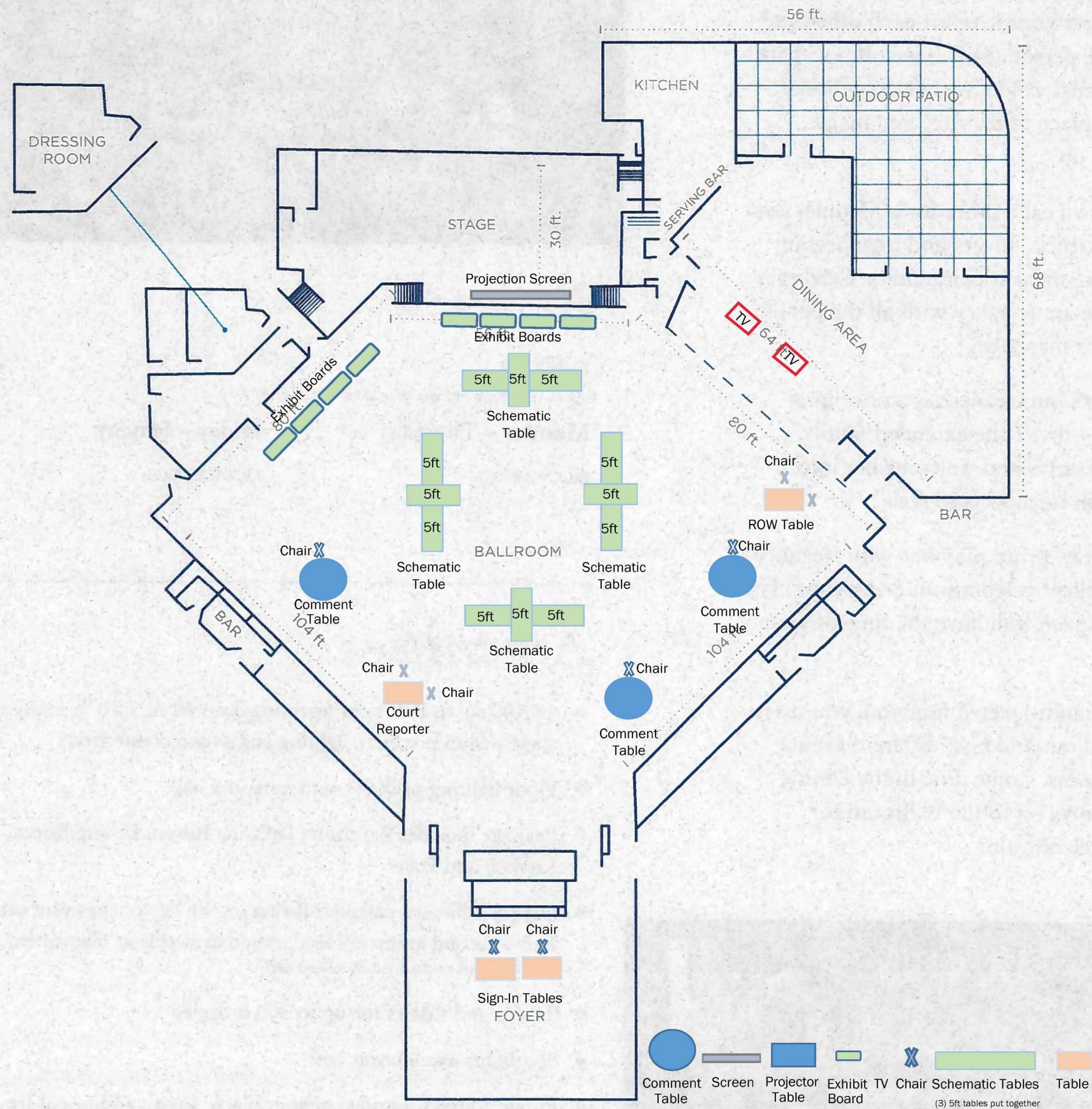
Several collector-distributor roads are already in use in the San Antonio area. Collector-distributor roads can be found at:

- I-410 at Starcrest Drive
- I-10 at Medical Drive
- US 281 at Isom Road

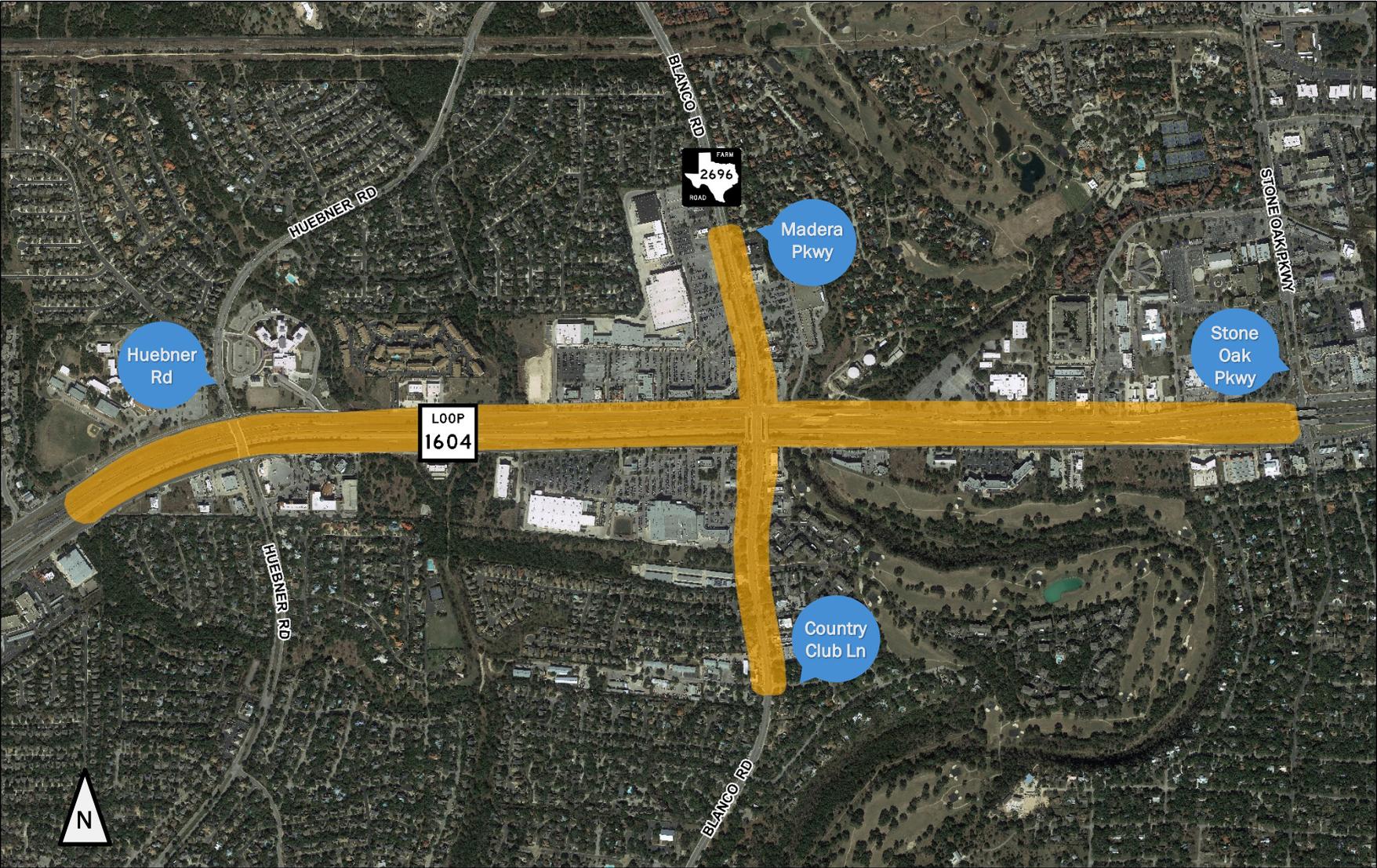


## I. Exhibit Boards

# ROOM LAYOUT



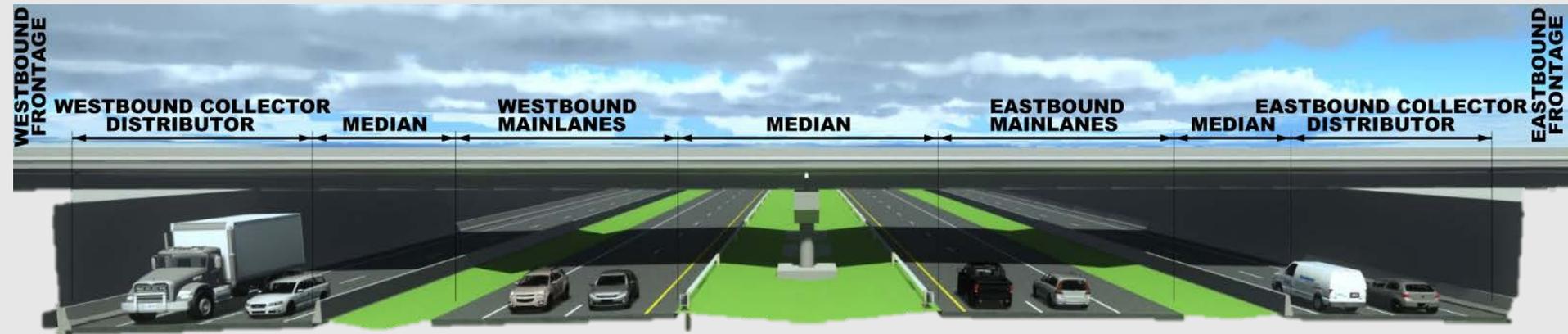
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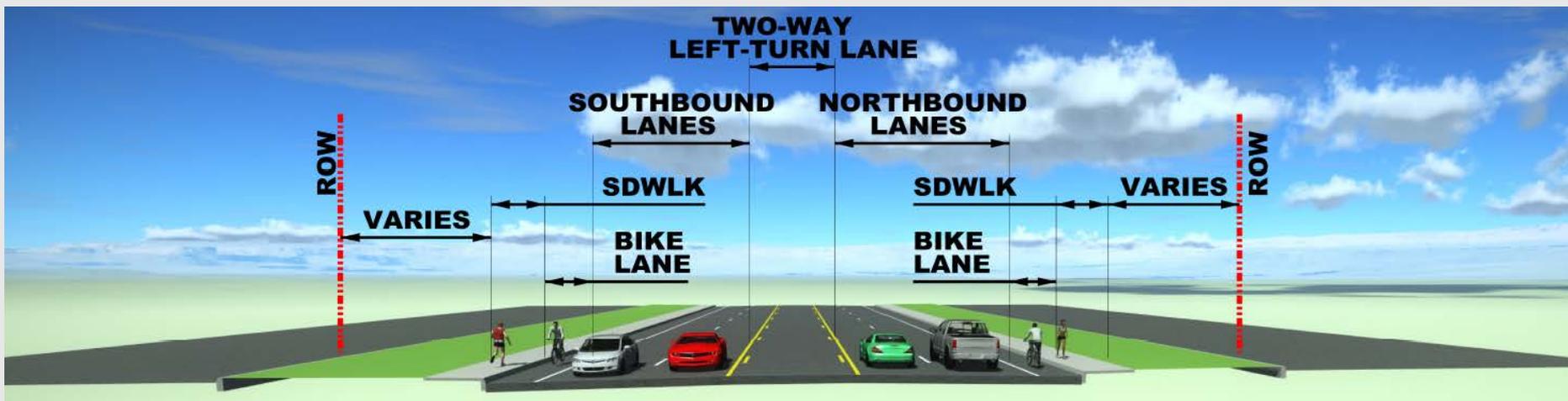


Loop 1604  
Existing Typical Section

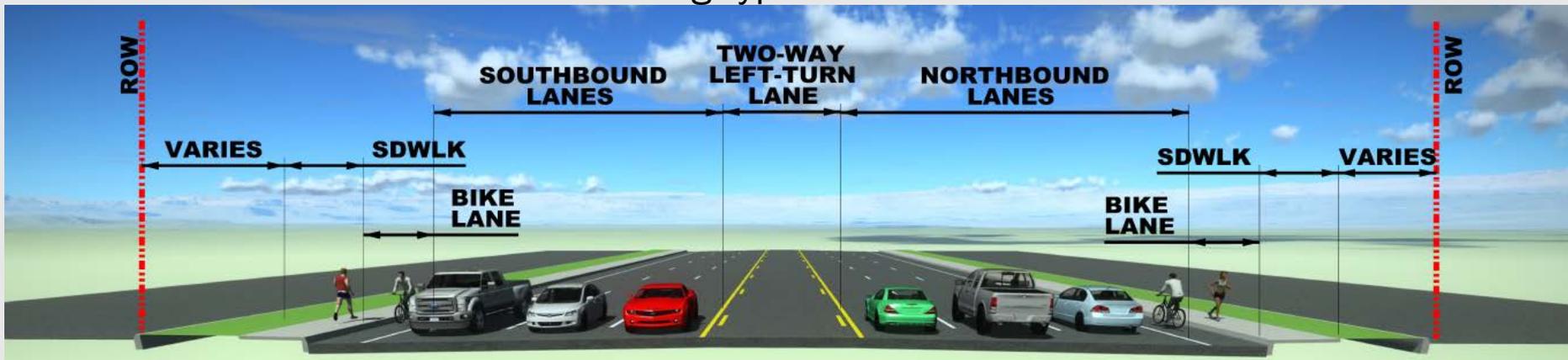


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# FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) Typical Sections

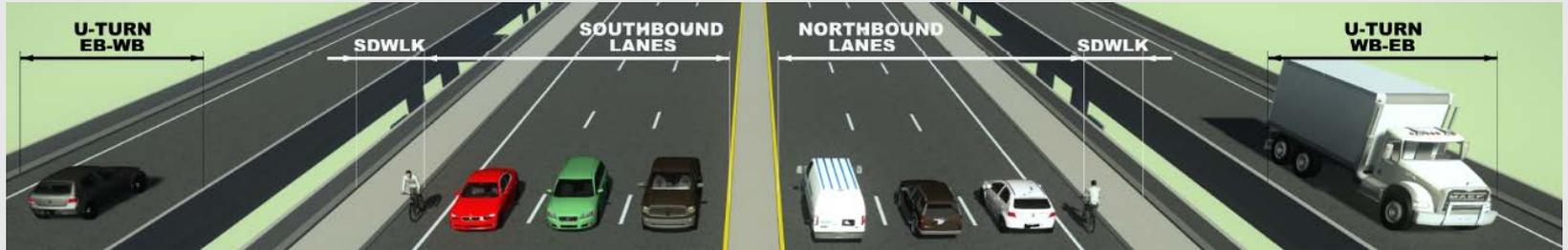


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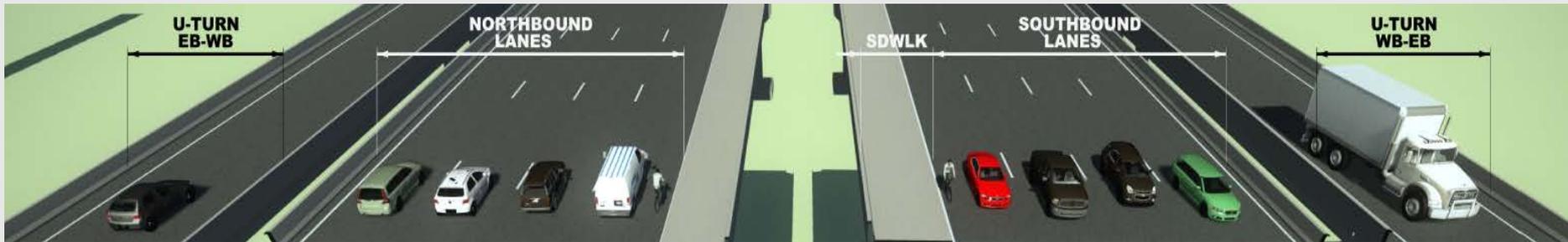


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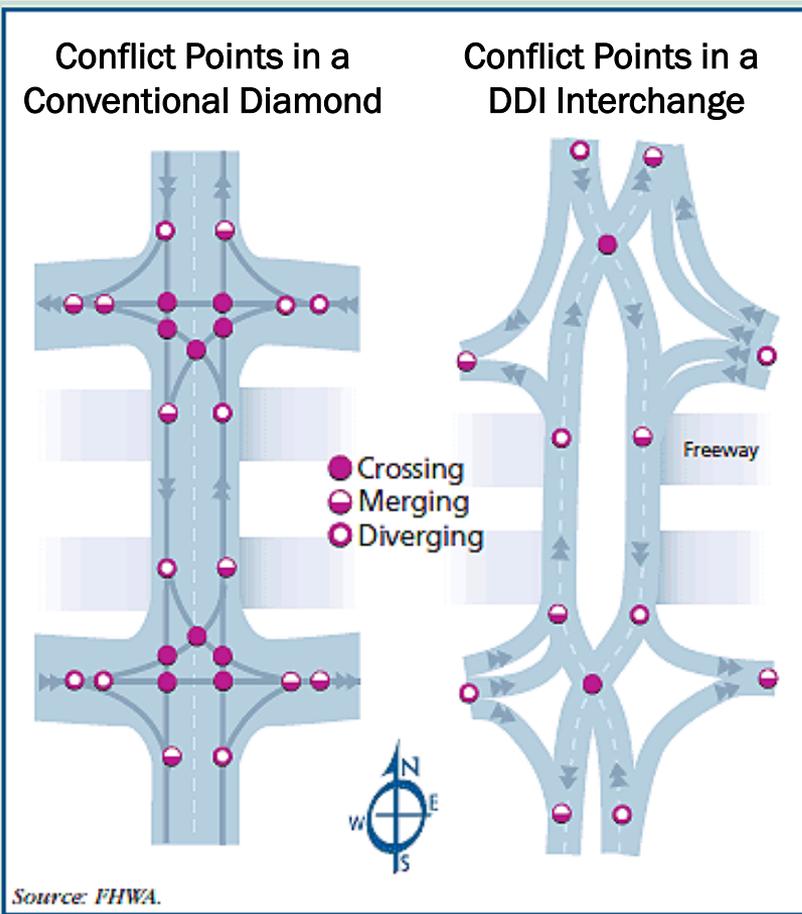


FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) Bridge  
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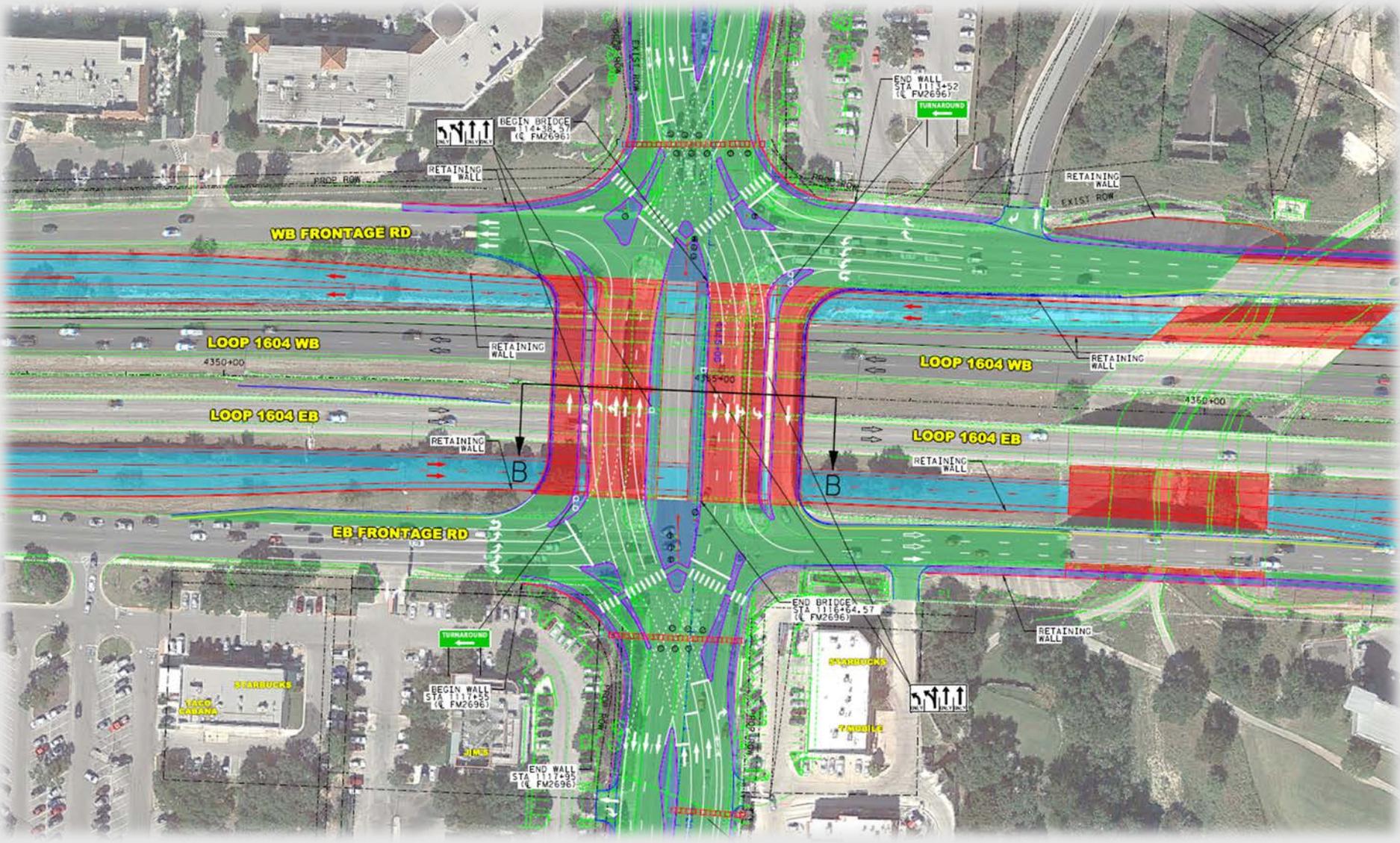
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# CRASH DATA – BLANCO RD

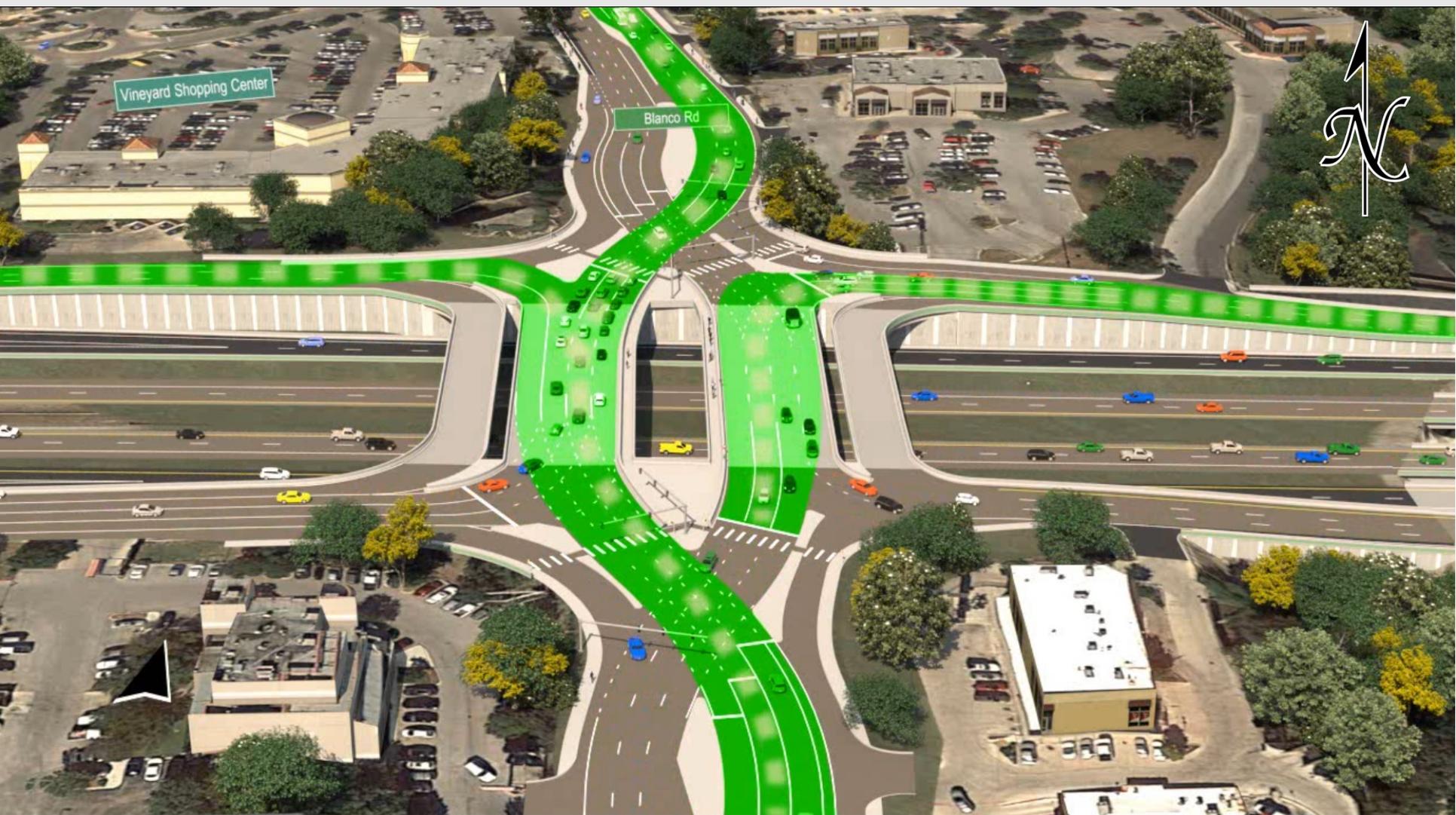


- Average of 25 crashes per year on FM 2696 (Blanco Rd)
- Average of 29 crashes per year on Loop 1604 Frontage Roads
- **Crash Rates on both are higher than Statewide Average**
- DDI reduces conflict points
- Safety Improvement
  - Reduction in conflict points
  - Observed crash reductions
    - 60% in Missouri
    - 36% in Colorado

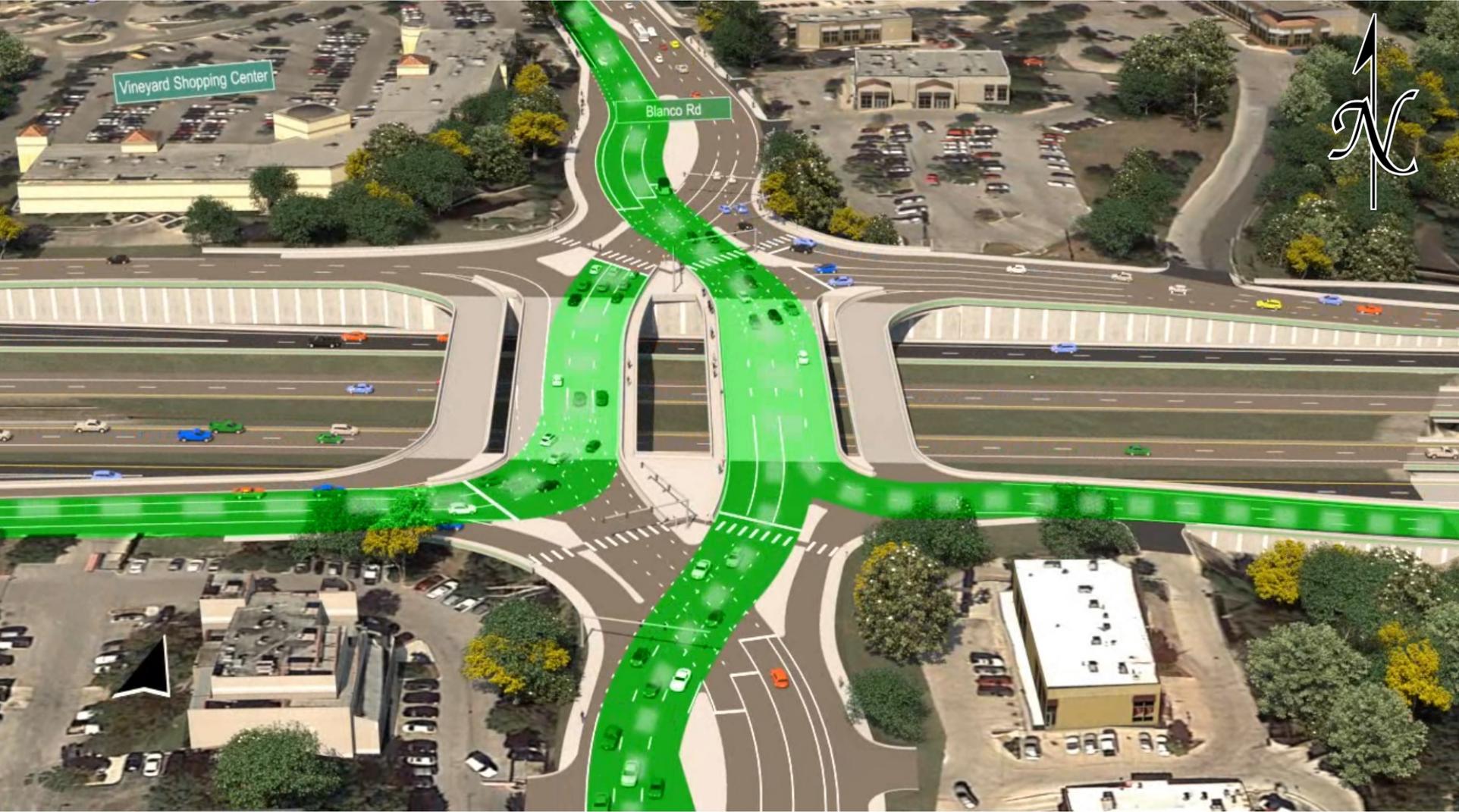
# DIVERGING DIAMOND INTERCHANGE (DDI)



# DIVERGING DIAMOND INTERCHANGE (DDI) NORTHBOUND



# DIVERGING DIAMOND INTERCHANGE (DDI) SOUTHBOUND



# DDI IMPLEMENTATIONS

I-35 at RM 1431 – Round Rock, TX

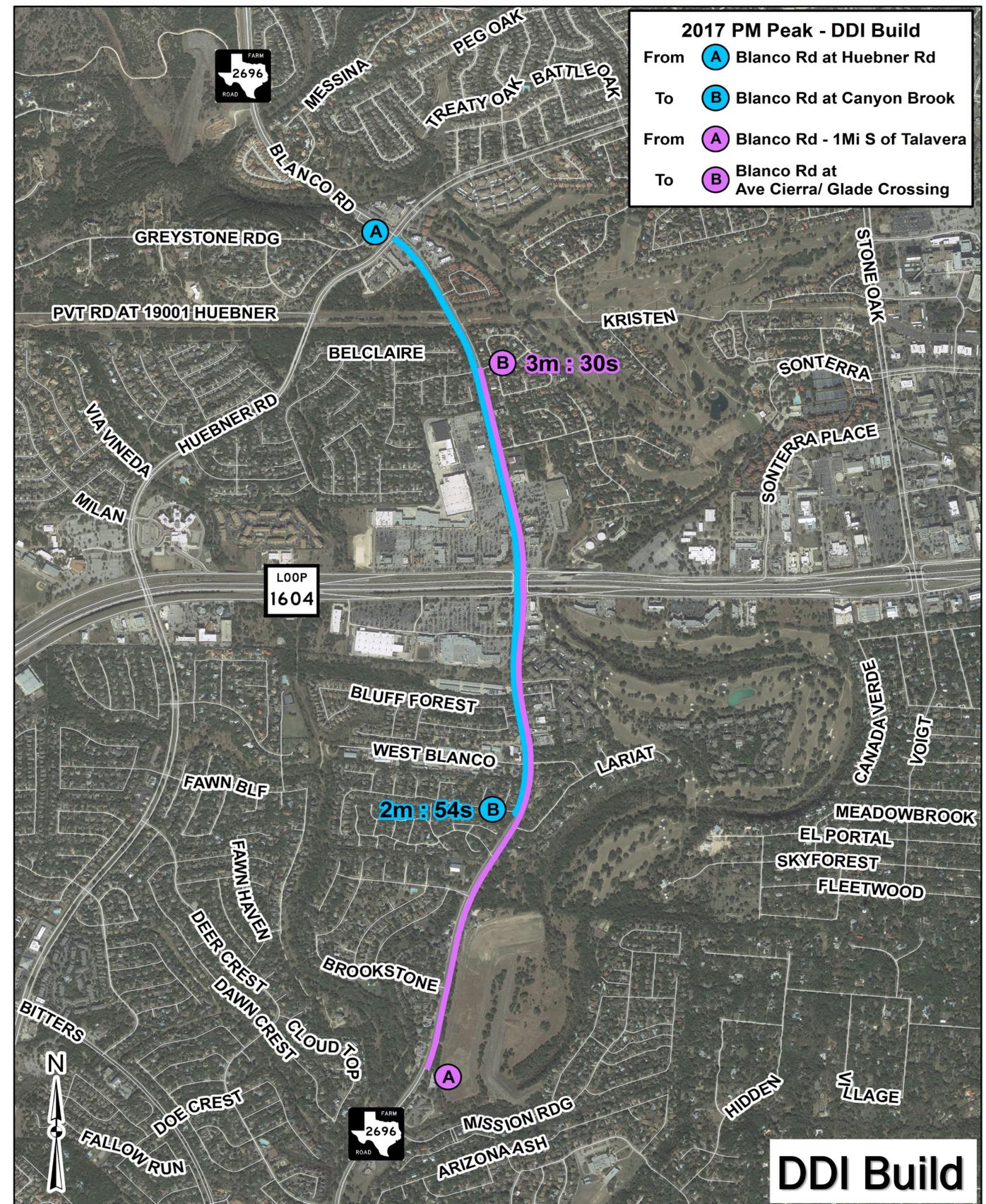
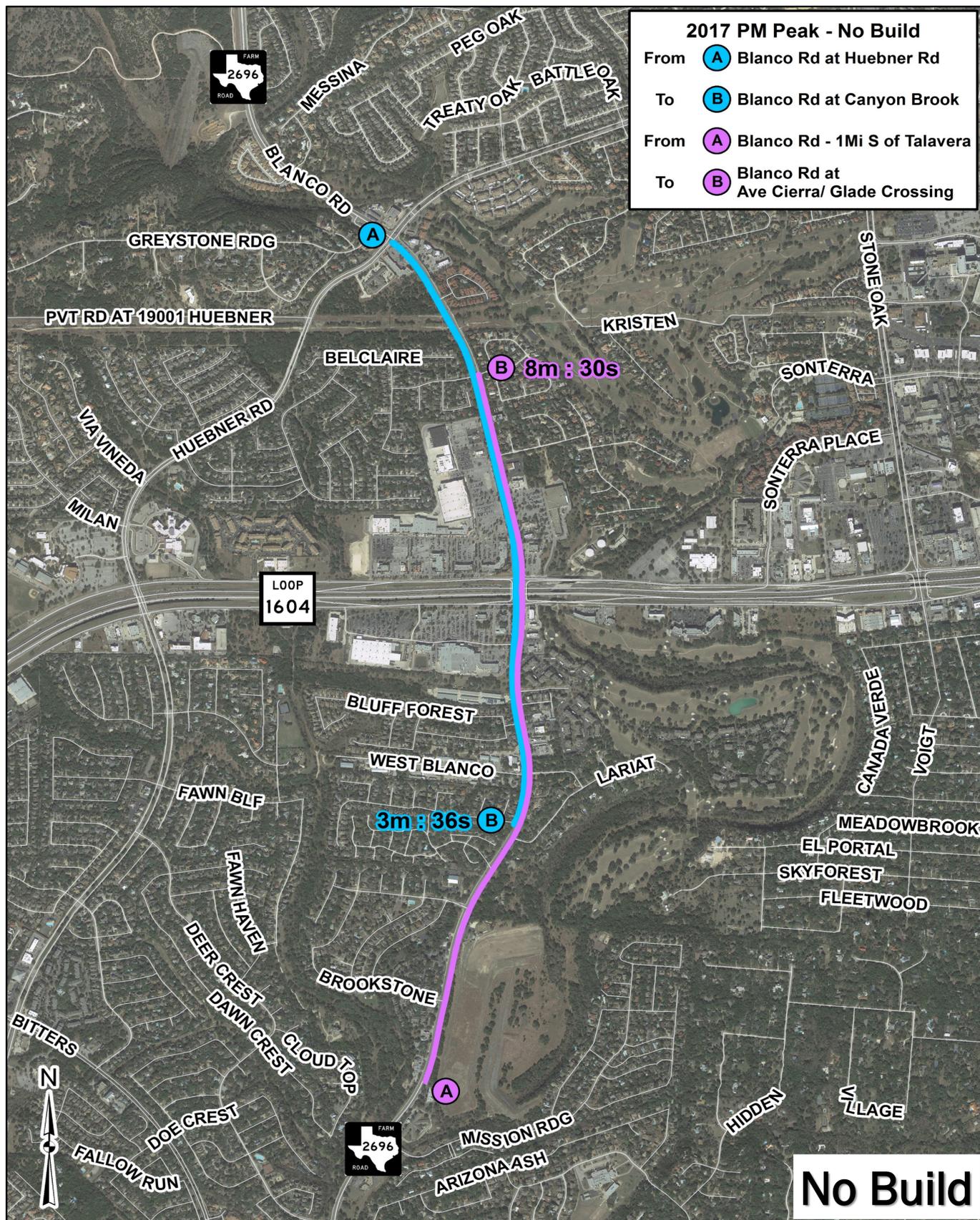


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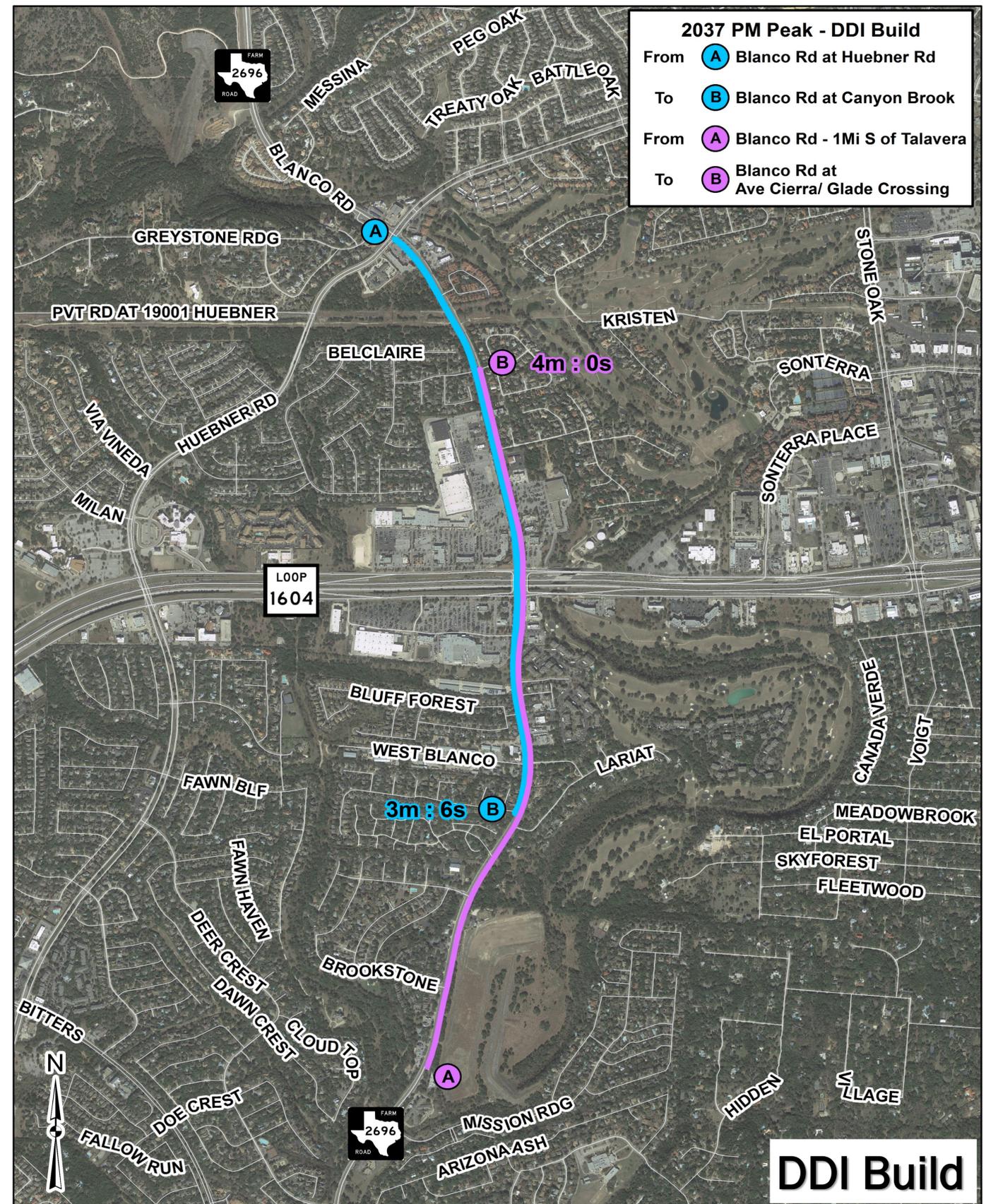
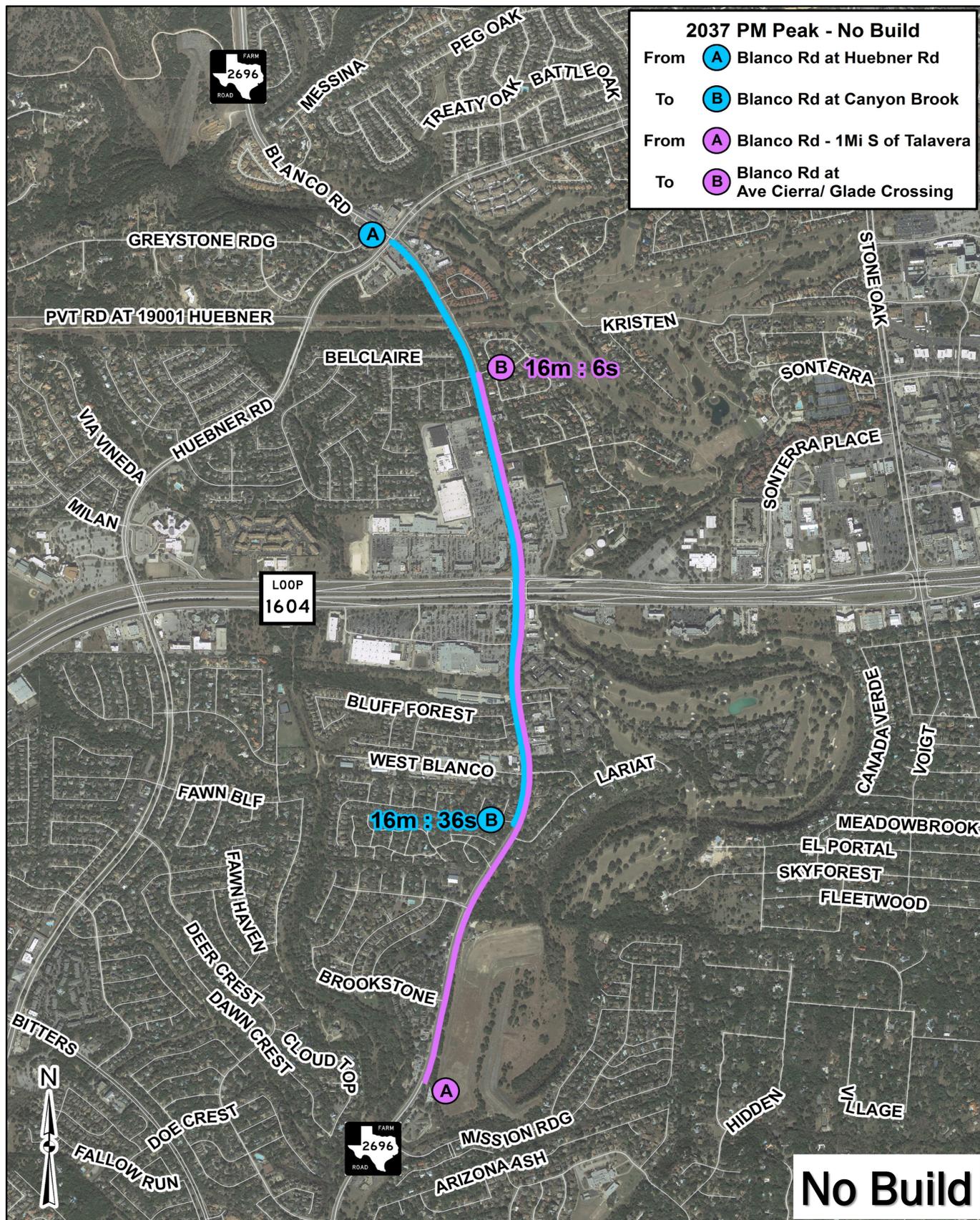


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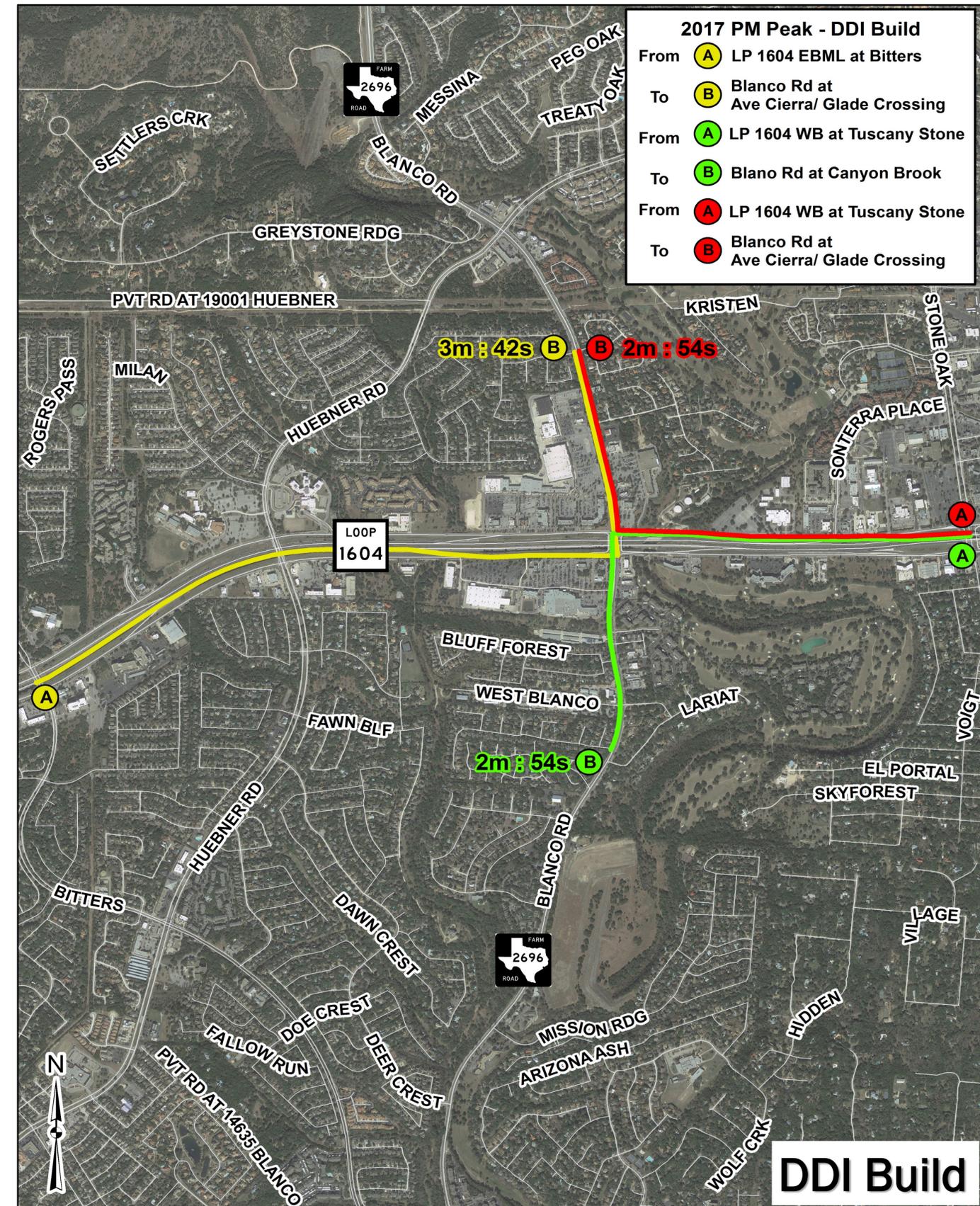
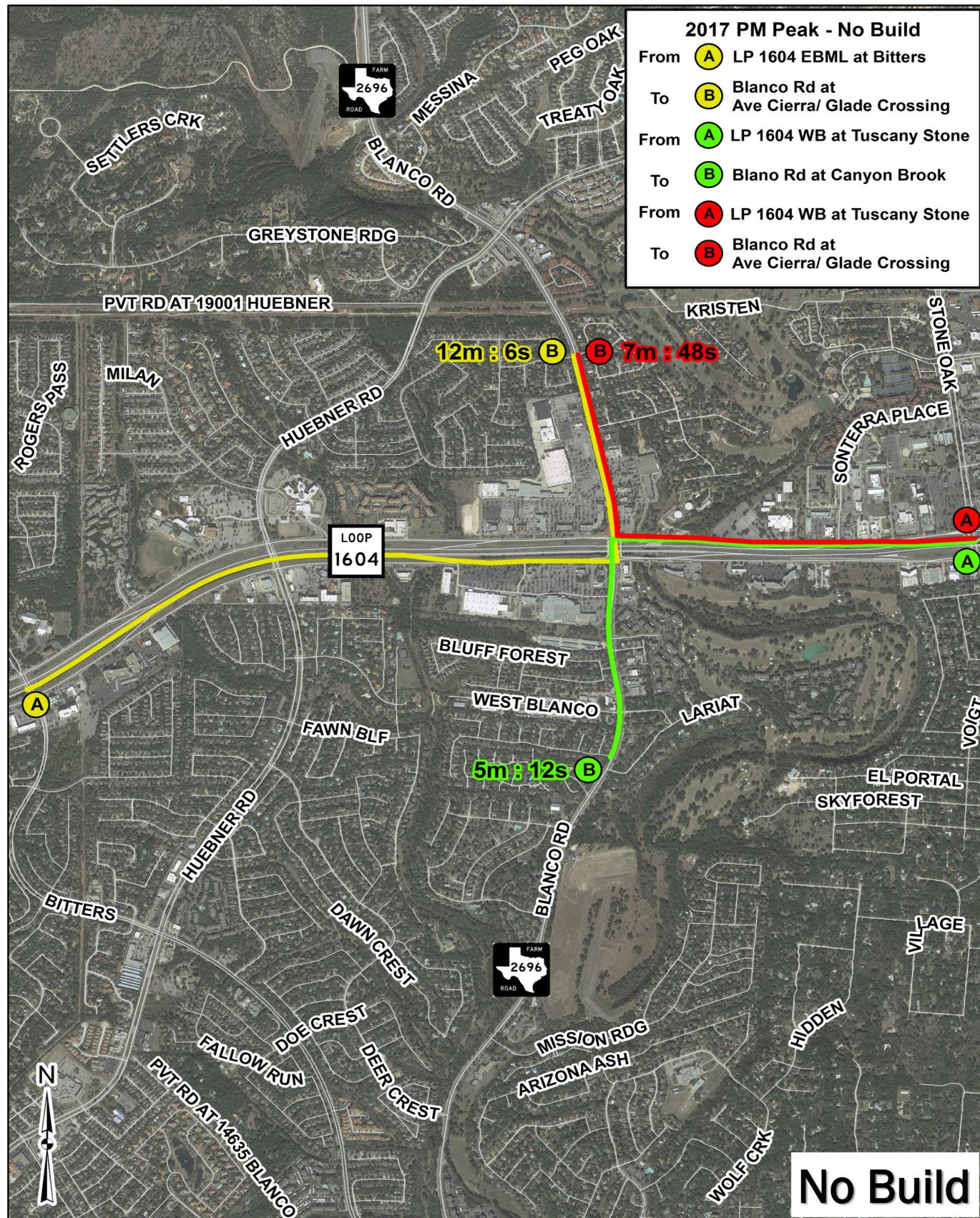
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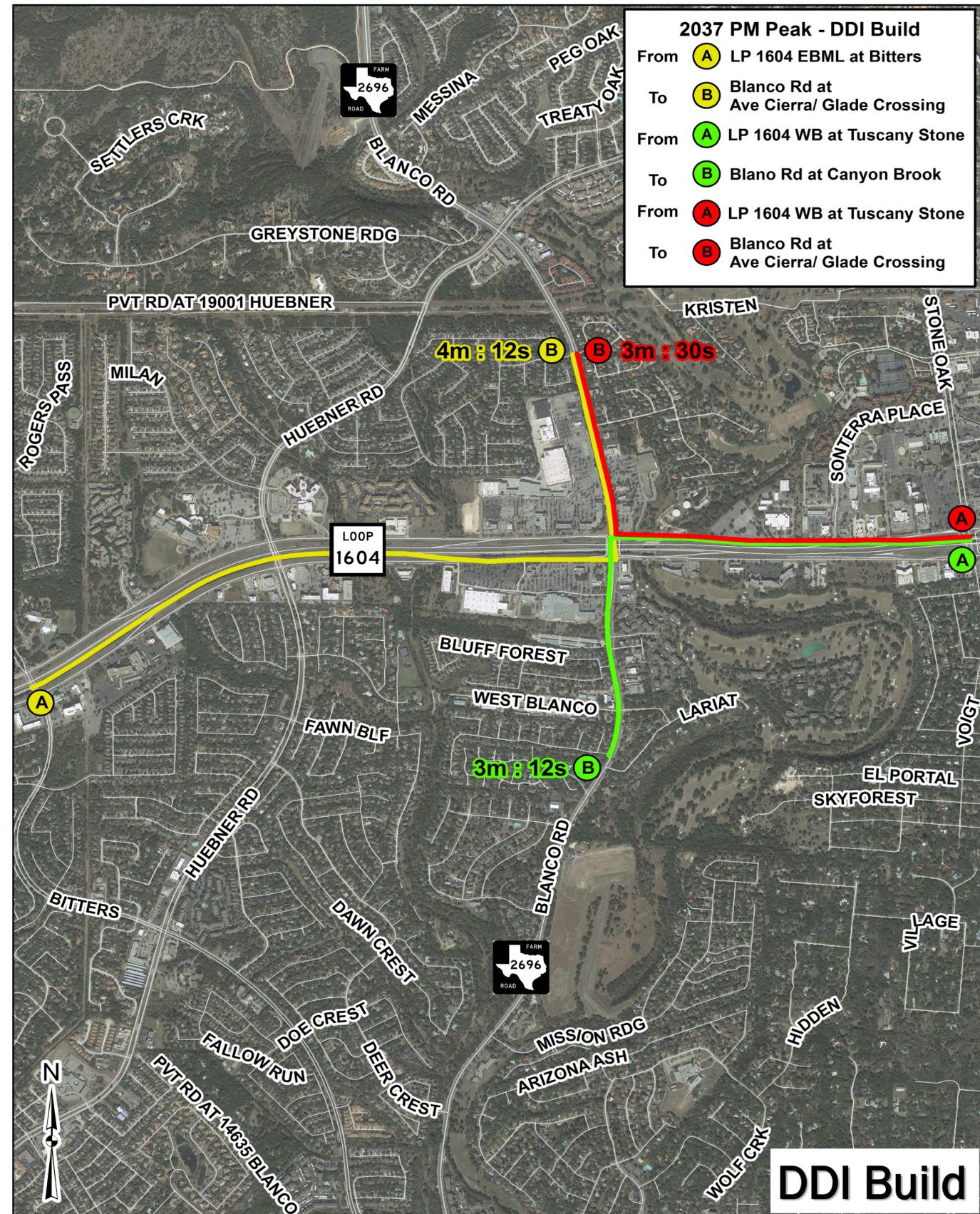
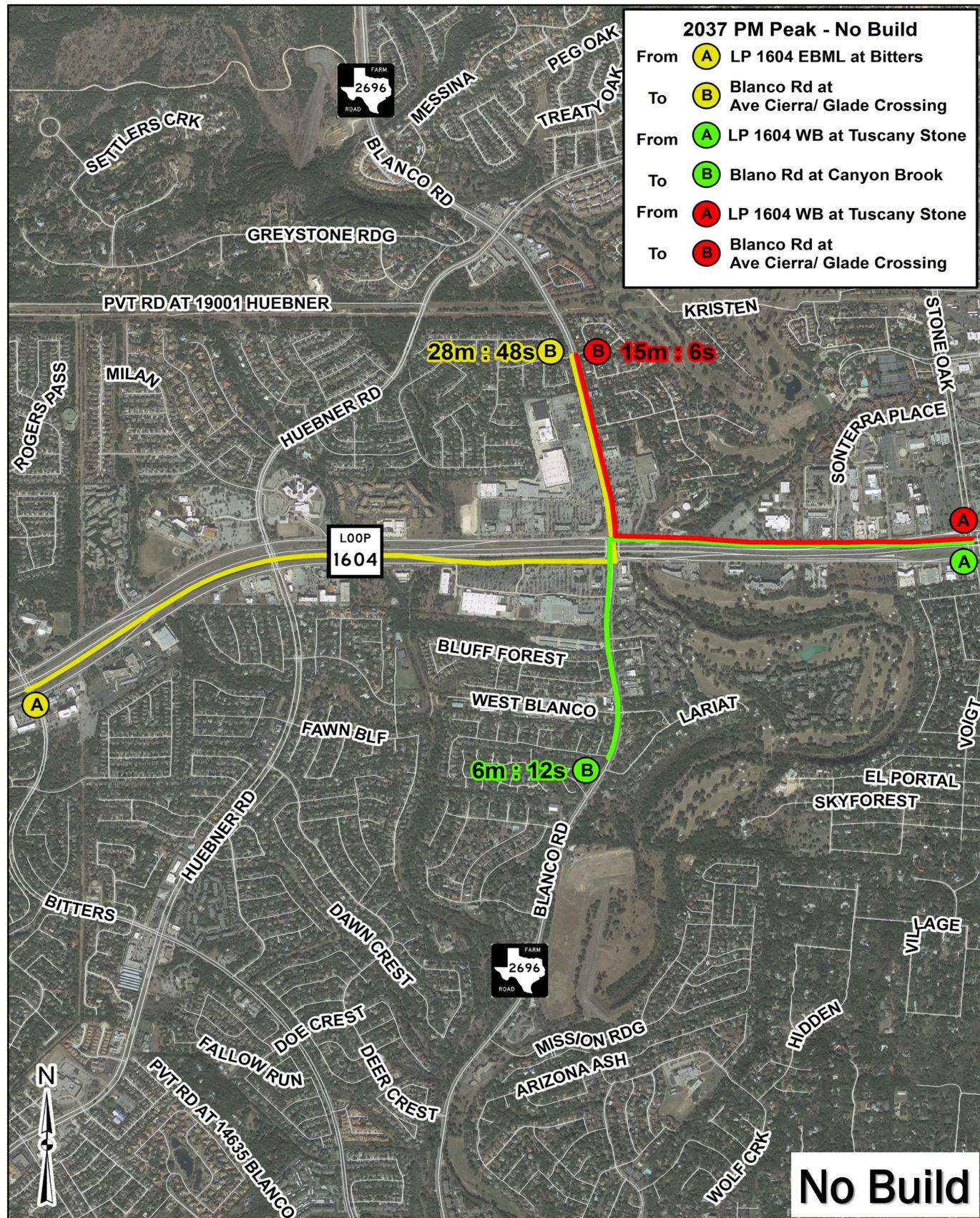
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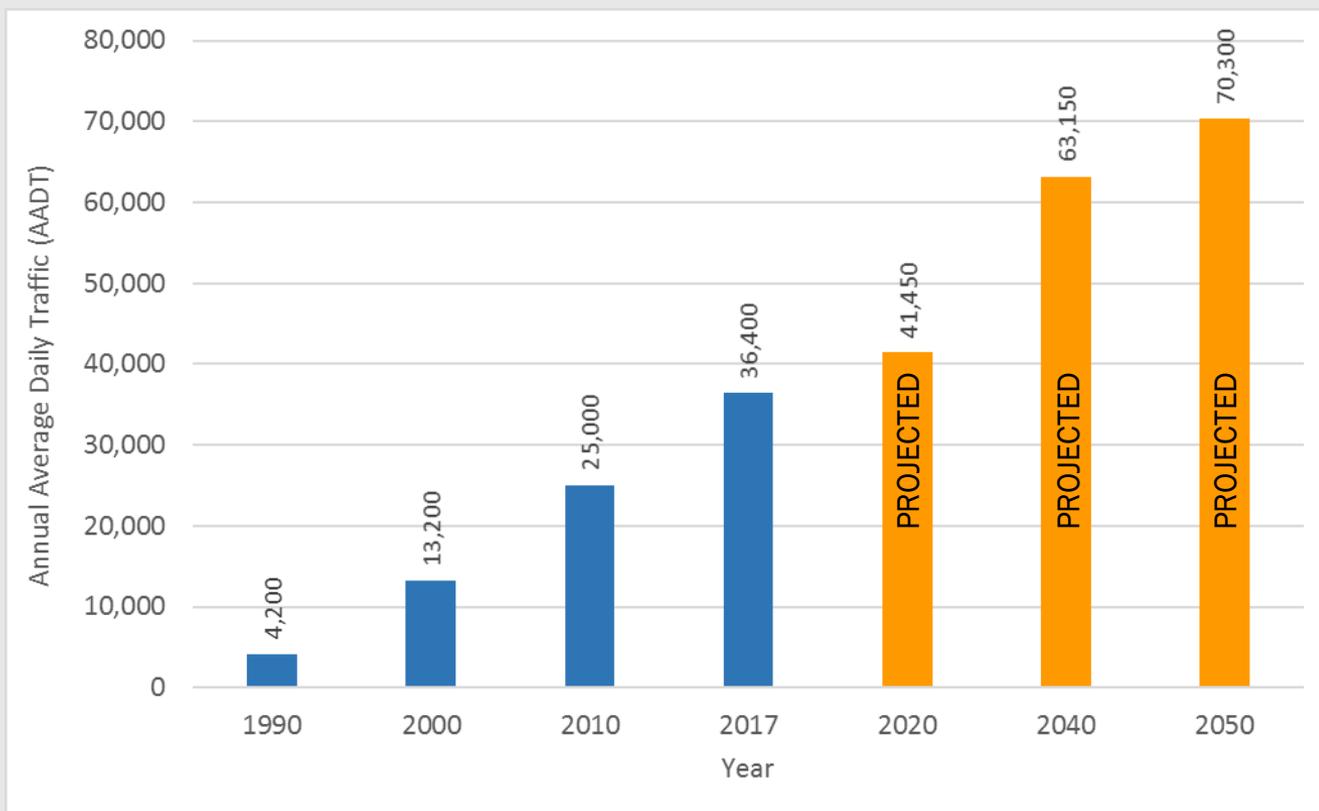
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# TRAFFIC PROJECTION – FM 2696 (Blanco Rd)

## YEARLY AADT COUNTS – Blanco Rd – North of LP 1604





## **J. Public Meeting Photos**



**Photo 1.** Sign at the entrance to the San Antonio Shrine Auditorium.



**Photo 2.** Meeting attendees viewing exhibit boards and schematics.



**Photo 3.** Meeting attendees viewing the project video animation.



**Photo 4.** Meeting attendees discussing the schematic with staff.



**Photo 5.** View of project boards at the open house.



**Photo 6.** View of attendee submitting a comment.



**K. Description of Project Modifications  
Resulting from the Public Meeting**

## **Project Modifications Resulting from the Public Meeting**

- 1) Public comments received at the Loop 1604 at FM 2696 (Blanco Rd) public meeting showed interest in adding an additional right turn lane along the westbound frontage road at Blanco Rd to alleviate traffic.
  - a. Based on comments received from the public meeting, Pape-Dawson Engineers investigated adding a second right turn lane on the WBFR at Blanco Rd as a short-term improvement. Preliminary findings were sent to TxDOT who is looking to install it as a restriping project. The proposed DDI will have two right turn lanes at WBFR and Blanco intersection. TxDOT plans to restripe the existing interchange to allow for a second right turn lane without changing the proposed project schematic.