

WELCOME

FM 102

CSJ: 0027-02-034

Columbus High School Cafeteria

PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday, Jan. 9, 2025

103 Cardinal Lane, Columbus, TX 78934

Available online through Friday, Jan. 24, 2025

- 1 Please sign-in
- 2 Watch a video presentation
- 3 View exhibits
- 4 Ask questions and provide comments

As provided for by 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 450.212, 23 CFR 450.318, and Appendix A to 23 CFR Part 450, the results or decisions of this PEL study may be incorporated into or used as part of the review of one or more projects under the National Environmental Policy Act, otherwise known as NEPA, which would be carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 United States Code (USC) 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 9, 2019, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and TxDOT.

- 1** Inform the public of the planning status and present recommendations.
- 2** Help the public determine potential property impacts.
- 3** Solicit public input before location and design decisions are finalized.
- 4** Document public views and participation to accompany future recommendations.

Stay Informed

Visit the project website to stay connected on updates to the FM 102 project at www.txdot.gov, keyword search "FM 102 from I-10 to 0.66 miles south of FM 949."

If you have any general questions regarding the proposed project, the virtual meeting or the in-person option, please contact Grant Tisdell-Blanch, Project Manager, at 361-293-4328 or email at grant.tisdellblanch@txdot.gov.

Project Background – Location

- **Project Limits:**

From I-10 to
0.66 miles south
of FM 949

- **Length:** 6.4
miles

- **Location:**
Colorado County



Project Background – Need & Purpose

NEED



Enhance safety

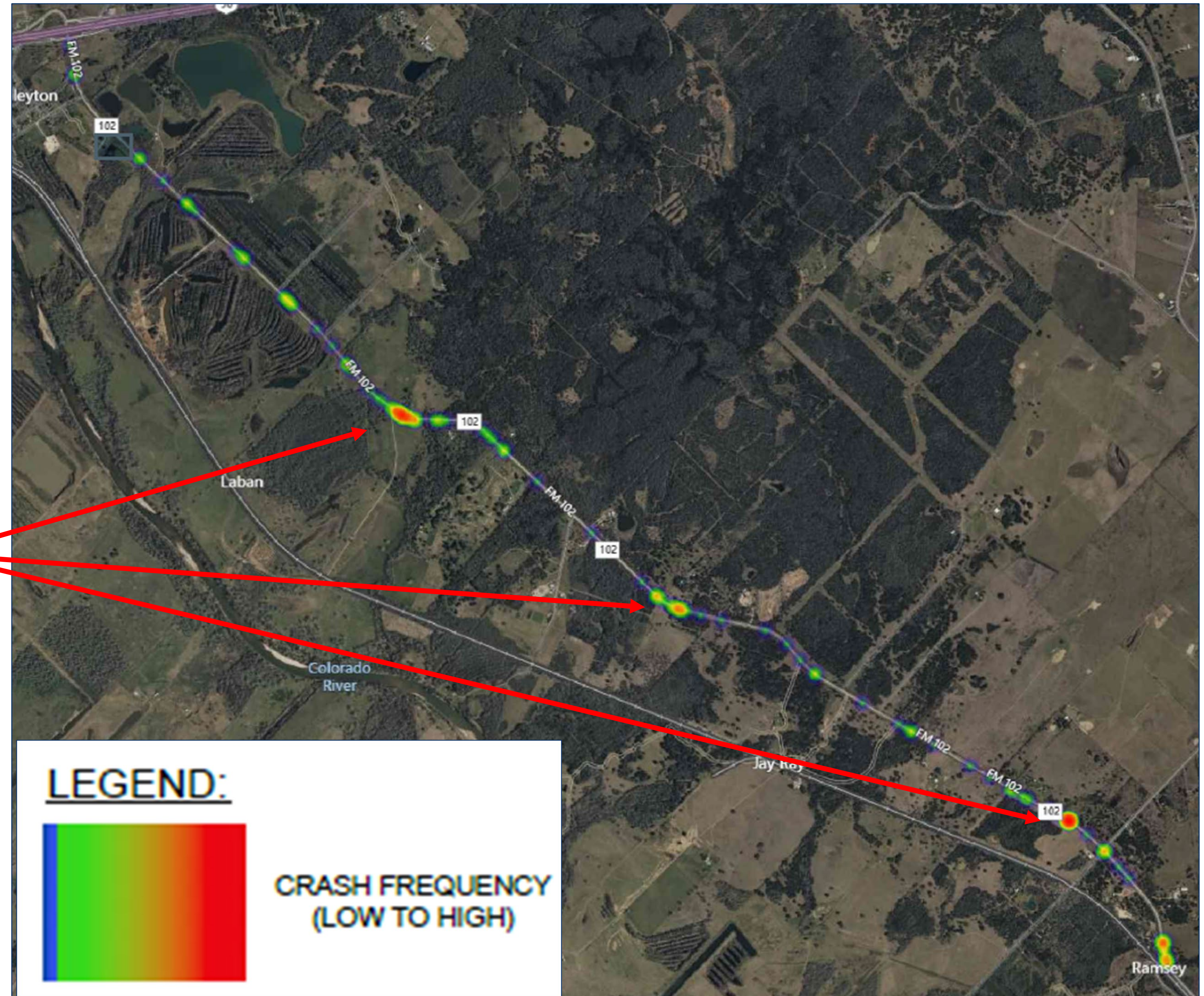
PURPOSE



Bring the roadway
into compliance
with current design
standards

Project Background – Heat Map

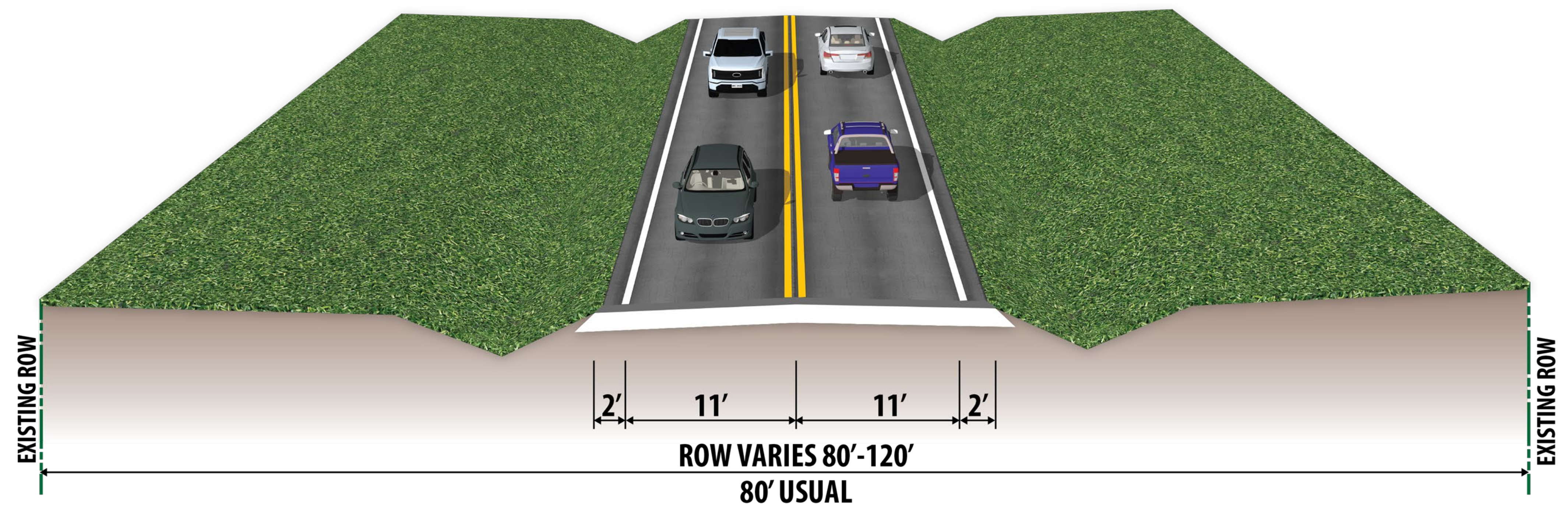
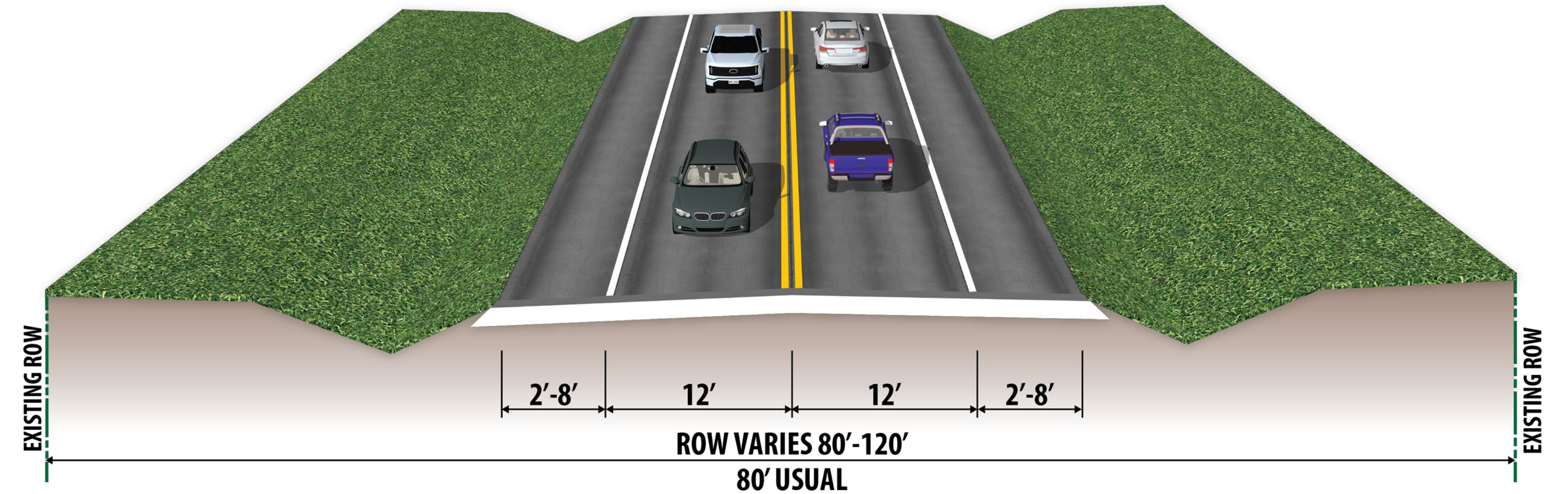
Most of the crashes along the FM 102 corridor over the last 10 years have occurred at the curves.



Source: TxDOT Crash Records Information System (CRIS), 2013-2022

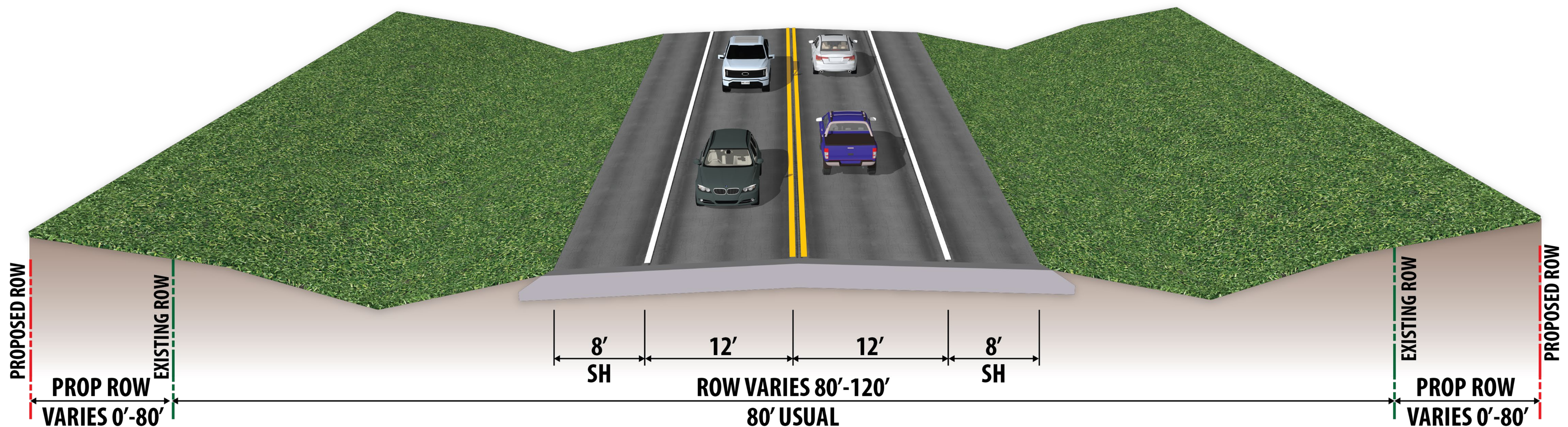
Project Background – Existing Typical Section

- One 11- to 12-foot-wide travel lane in each direction
- 2- to 8-foot-wide shoulders
- Right-of-way (ROW) widths from 80 to 120 feet
- Roadway mostly at-grade and crosses several water bodies and floodplains
- Lacks a median, curb and gutters, and sidewalks



Project Background – Proposed Typical Section


- Maintain the existing two-lane footprint
- Widen the shoulders and rehabilitate existing curves
- Add a slope ditch along both sides of FM 102 to accommodate drainage
- Replace and improve culverts



National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



Some of the social, economic, and environmental resources being studied:



Water Resources



Historical & Cultural Resources



Hazardous Materials Review



Social and Community Resources



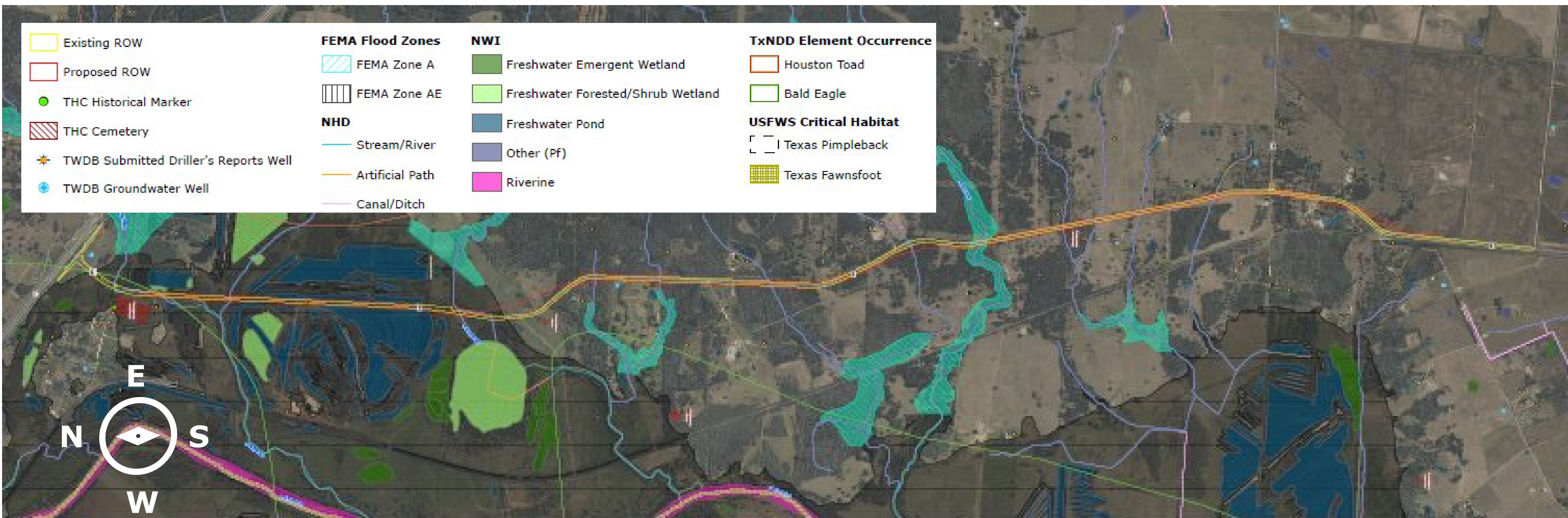
Species Analysis Review



Prior to December 16, 2014, the Federal Highway Administration, or FHWA, reviewed and approved documents prepared under the National Environmental Policy Act, known as NEPA; however, on December 16, 2014 TxDOT assumed responsibility from FHWA through a Memorandum of Understanding to review and approve certain assigned NEPA environmental documents. This Memorandum of Understanding between TxDOT and FHWA was updated on December 9, 2019.


Environmental Constraints

TxDOT is analyzing the preliminary environmental constraints within the project area. As the proposed project is further refined, the environmental process will continue along with in-depth analyses and field studies to assess potential impacts.



Right of Way (ROW)


The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require an additional **48.58 acres** of right of way and displace one residential structure and no commercial structures. Relocation assistance is available for any displaced property owner.




**THE STATE OF TEXAS
LANDOWNER'S BILL OF RIGHTS**

This Landowner's Bill of Rights applies to any attempt to condemn your property. The contents of this Bill of Rights are set out by the Texas Legislature in Texas Government Code section 402.031 and chapter 21 of the Texas Property Code. Any entity exercising eminent domain authority must provide a copy of this Bill of Rights to you.


1. You are entitled to receive adequate compensation if your property is condemned.
2. Your property can only be condemned for a public use.
3. Your property can only be condemned by a governmental entity or private entity authorized by law to do so.
4. The entity that wants to acquire your property must notify you that it intends to condemn your property.
5. The entity proposing to acquire your property must provide you with a written appraisal from a certified appraiser detailing the adequate compensation you are owed for your property.
6. The condemning entity must make a bona fide offer to buy the property before it files a lawsuit to condemn the property—meaning the condemning entity must make a good faith offer that conforms with chapter 21 of the Texas Property Code.
7. You may hire an appraiser or other professional to determine the value of your property or to assist you in any condemnation proceeding.
8. You may hire an attorney to negotiate with the condemning entity and to represent you in any legal proceedings involving the condemnation.
9. Before your property is condemned, you are entitled to a hearing before a court-appointed panel of three special commissioners. The special commissioners must determine the amount of compensation the condemning entity owes for condemning your property. The commissioners must also determine what compensation, if any, you are entitled to receive for any reduction in value of your remaining property.
10. If you are unsatisfied with the compensation awarded by the special commissioners, or if you question whether the condemnation of your property was proper, you have the right to a trial by a judge or jury. You may also appeal the trial court's judgment if you are unsatisfied with the result.



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**STATE
PURCHASE
OF
RIGHT OF WAY**



Right of Way Division

Anticipated Project Timeline



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2023-24

Data Analysis;
Conceptual
Alignments



Early 2025

Right-of-Way
(ROW)
appraisals;
Public Meeting



Mid-2025

Refine Design;
Anticipated
Environmental
decision



2026-27

ROW & Utilities



2027

Letting



2028*

Final Design &
Construction

Timeline is approximate and subject to change

Advancement to right-of-way acquisition, utility adjustments, final design, and construction is contingent upon the results of the environmental process and funding availability.

**TxDOT.gov | Keyword(s):
"FM 102 from I-10 to 0.66 miles south of FM 949"**

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How to comment



Comment Form

In-person at the public meeting or online by visiting www.txdot.gov, keyword search "FM 102 from I-10 to 0.66 miles south of FM 949"



Mail

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Email

Submit a comment to: grant.tisdellblanch@txdot.gov

**Please submit or
postmark
comments by:**

Friday

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