

I-35 from US 79 to SH 45 North CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION



Project Overview

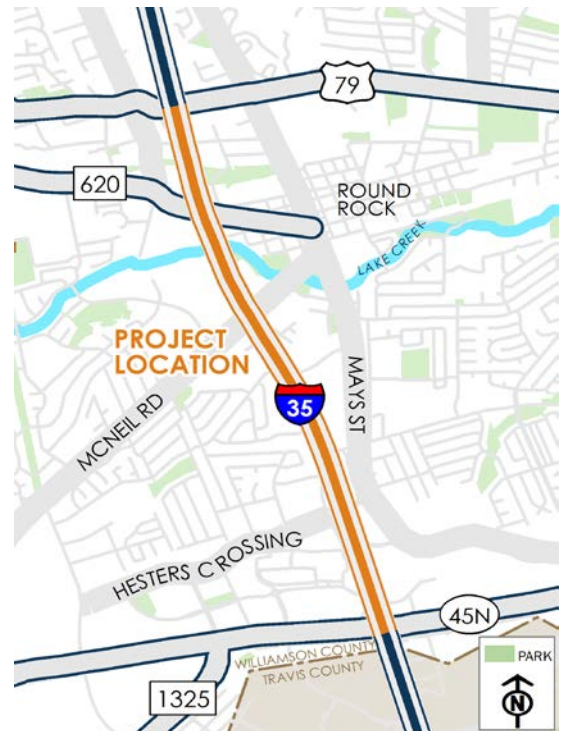
This project will improve safety and mobility along Interstate 35 in Williamson County between US 79 and SH 45 North. The project will address the existing traffic bottleneck north of SH 45N where more than 177,000 vehicles a day use the I-35 mainlanes.

Crews will construct braided ramps (where one ramp crosses over the other) along the northbound I-35 mainlanes between Hester's Crossing and RM 620 to eliminate merging conflicts. In addition, the north and southbound frontage road intersections at I-35 and US 79 will be reconstructed and a third left-turn lane for westbound US 79 will be added.

Construction Phases

Work on this improvement project will take place in three phases.

- **Phase I** work includes:
 - Making improvements to the US 79/I-35 intersection
 - Constructing temporary entrance/exit ramps at RM 620 and Hester's Crossing
 - Constructing elevated entrance/exit ramps between SH 45N and RM 620
- **Phase II** work includes building a tie-in to the new northbound entrance/exit ramps and opening the braided ramps to traffic
- **Phase III** work includes performing final paving operations for the entire project



Benefits

Proposed benefits from the project include:

- Increased mobility and travel speeds, especially during peak periods
- Increased merging distance for the existing SH 45N northbound flyover to I-35
- Increased safety by eliminating the merge/weave conflict between the Hester's Crossing entrance ramp and RM 620 exit ramp



Details

The 2.3-mile project's construction cost is \$28.1 million. Construction was funded by Proposition 1 and is expected to be complete in spring 2019, weather permitting. The contractor for the project is Capital Excavation Company.

For additional information visit: www.My35Construction.org.