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PUBLIC OUTREACH



Summary Report, Public Meeting 1

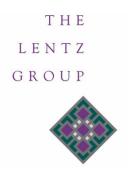
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INTRODUCTION

Waller County is a rapidly growing part of the greater Houston-Galveston region in terms of population and employment. To accommodate this growth, Waller County along with the cities of Brookshire, Hempstead, Katy, Pattison, Prairie View and Waller; the Texas Department of Transportation; and the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) are working together with a team of consultants to identify and analyze transportation issues in Waller County.

The Waller County Transportation Plan is a comprehensive transportation study to determine existing and future transportation needs of Waller County. The study's recommendations will help local governments and policy makers guide transportation investments to improve mobility and access to jobs, homes and services in the area.

PUBLIC MEETING

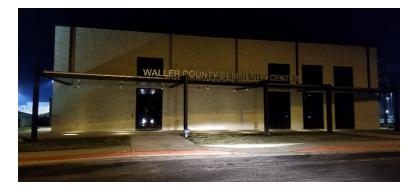
Active engagement with the public is an essential aspect of the study process. Prior to planning the public meetings, a core group of leaders in the community needed to be identified; hence a steering committee was formed. Additionally, stakeholders were researched including businesses, organizations and institutions in and around the project study area and thus multiple focus group meetings were held, which included both the steering committee and stakeholders. These focus group meetings were imperative to collaborate and agree upon a process to successfully execute the public meetings.

Two public meetings were held, one in the south end of the County and one in the north end:

- Tuesday, October 10, 2017
 6-8 p.m.
 Brookshire Convention Center
 4027 5th Street, Brookshire, TX 77423
- Thursday, October 12, 2017 6-8 p.m.
 Waller County Community Center 21274 FM 1098, Prairie View, TX 77445

H-GAC staff, steering committee members, stakeholders, and the consultant team were in attendance, all with printed name tags.







Public attendance on Tuesday evening at the south location was approximately 40 and attendance on Thursday evening at the north location was approximately 35.

Notification

A detailed publicity plan was created to promote the public meetings. A variety of methods was employed to maximize outreach:

- Legal ads ran twice in the Waller Times, once in La Subasta and once in the Houston Chronicle.
- H-GAC sent letters to elected officials.
- Approximately 1,200 postcards were mailed to area businesses.
- Flyers (available in both English and Spanish) were posted and emailed out to the public by the steering committee and stakeholders.
- H-GAC advertised on its Facebook page and Twitter account, website calendar, website project page and in the Vision newsletter.
- H-GAC sent out an e-blast to distribute the public meeting information.
- Posters were placed in the Prairie View A&M University and Colorado Valley Transit buses.
- Press releases were sent to Covering Katy and Guidry News.
- Gail Delaughter story ran multiple times on FM 88.7 and was posted on Houston Public Media website.
- Meeting information was posted on the Citizens Environmental Coalition website.
- Meeting information was advertised through a public service announcement on KPVU FM 91.3 (Prairie View A&M University's radio station).
- Houston TranStar Digital Message Signs were posted on I-10 and US 290 the days of the meetings.
- Numerous promotions were sent to the City of Brookshire, various Chamber of Commerce groups in the study area, HAR.com and Eventbrite.com.





The week prior to the public meetings, follow-up phone calls were made and emails were sent to remind the steering committee and stakeholders to attend the public meetings.

Materials

A variety of items were used to track attendance and inform the public:

- · Sign-in sheets.
- · Project handout.
- Comment forms with specific questions regarding transportation modes, congestion areas, problems, and improvements in both English and Spanish.
- Media kits for members of the press.





Multiple visual tools were implemented to prompt discussion from the public:

- Six exhibit boards showing need and purpose of WCTP, visons and goals, project area existing conditions displayed on easels.
- Three maps laid out on tables with markers and sticky notes available for the public to use, promoting an interactive session to document area of concerns, development, and preferred bike routes.
- A 'Where do you live and work?' board with various colored stickers to denote answers to these two questions.
- Several tables were dedicated to comment forms individuals could sit down to write their thoughts and place them in a private submission box.















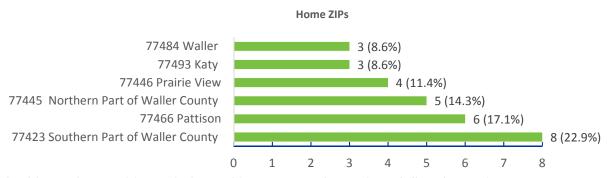
COMMENTS SUMMARY

A total of 43 comment forms were collected. Comments cards received are included in Appendix D. Responses for each question are summarized as following sections.

Zip Code

Home ZIPs

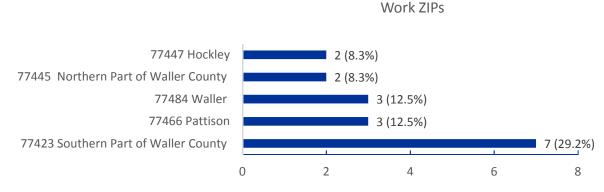
A total of 36 responders provided valid home ZIPs, where 29 responders reside in Waller County and the remaining 7 live in Cypress, Spring and Houston.



(77027, 77077, 77084, 77379, 77429, 77447, and 77450 each listed once.)

Work ZIPs

Of the 25 responders providing work ZIPs, more than 80% have work locations in Waller County and the remaining work in Houston, Hockley and Bryan.



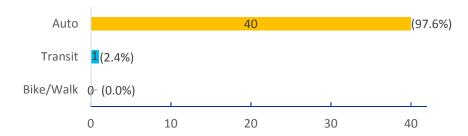
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Comment Card Questions

1. What is your primary mode of transportation?

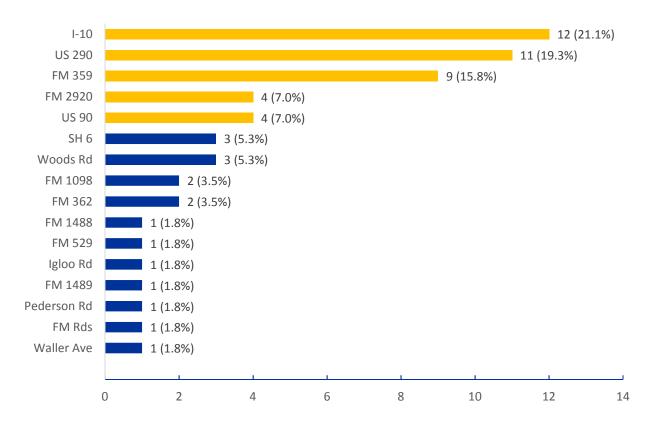
A total of 41 responders answered this question. Most participants reported travel by their own vehicles. Only one participant reported primary travel by transit.



2. Where do you experience the most congestion?

Responders identified the most congested locations to be in the following areas: Along I-10 in Brookshire, US 290 at SH6 in Hempstead and at FM 1098, FM 359 in Pattison, US 90 at Igloo Rd and Pederson Rd, and FM 2920. Certain time frames were also pointed out when major congestion occurs. For example, Waller Avenue is congested during rush hours around 4pm; US 90 is congested at Woods Road during weekends; US 290 at SH 6 is congested during Prairie View A&M University game days. Some intersections along US 90 at Igloo and Pederson Rd were also identified where major congestion occurs.

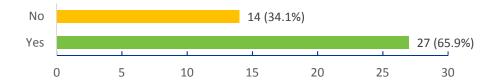




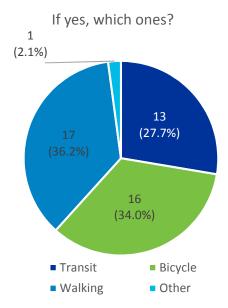
3. Are alternative modes of transportation (i.e. walking, biking) important to you?

A total of 41 responders answered this question. Of the 41 responders, 27 (65%) indicated that alternative modes of transportation were important to their daily life and the three alternative modes (transit, walking and biking) were equally important to them.





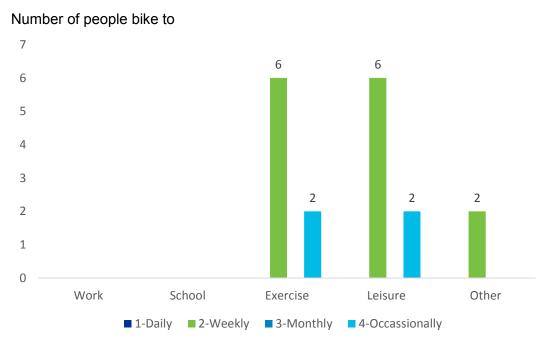




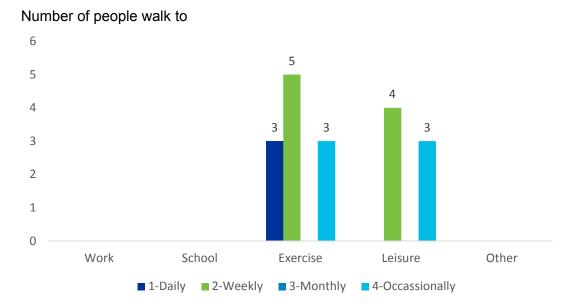


4. How often do you currently bike, walk and/or use transit?

A total of 18 responders answered this question. Among the 18 responders, none of them used biking as a mode to work or school. Instead, the major purpose of biking trips was recreational exercise on a weekly basis.

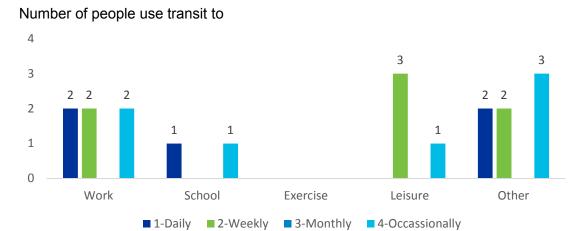


A total of 18 responders indicated walking as an alternative mode. Similar to biking, none of these responders walked to work or school. Instead, the major purpose of walking trips was recreational exercise. Trip frequency varied from daily to occasionally.



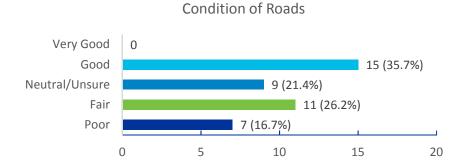


A total of 19 responders indicated public transit as an alternative mode and 40% of these responders took transit to work or school. The remaining 60% of responders used public transit to access recreation centers, stores, parks or doctor offices. Trip frequency varied from daily to occasionally.



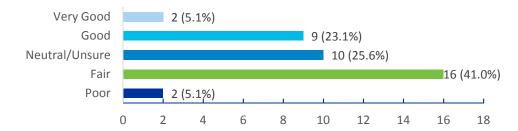
5. How would you rate the following in Waller County?

A total of 42 responders answered this question. Approximately 17% of responders indicated existing roadways within Waller County were in poor condition. More than 60% of responders indicated that sidewalks and bike lanes were either in poor condition or missing. Over 10% of responders considered traffic signals as an issue for Waller County. About 5% of responders considered traffic congestion as a mobility issues for Waller County.

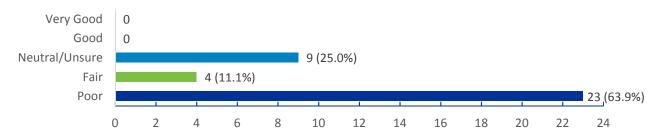




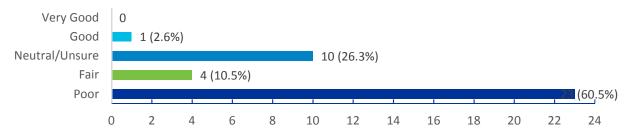
Traffic Congestion



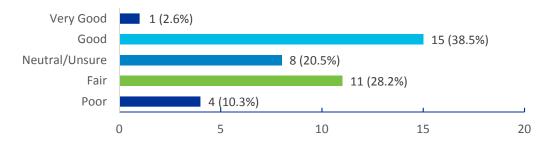
Sidewalks



Bicycle Lanes/Paths



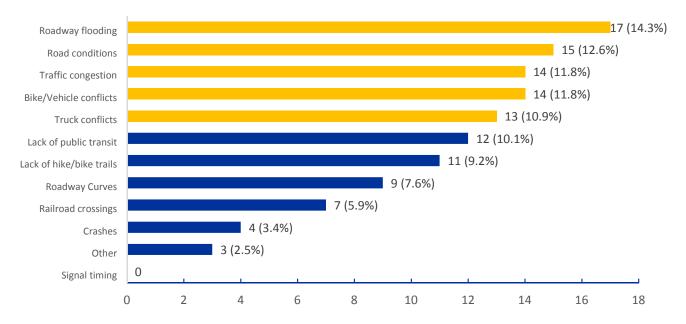
Traffic Signals





6. What do you think are the most serious transportation problems in Waller County?

A total of 119 issues were identified from the responses. The top 5 areas of concern identified were roadway flooding, roadway pavement conditions, traffic congestion, truck conflicts, and bike traffic conflict with auto traffic on roadways.



Transportation problems identified as 'Other':

Road connection	1
No major north/south roadways	1
Residential area traffic due to businesses	1

Locations of transportation problems mentioned:

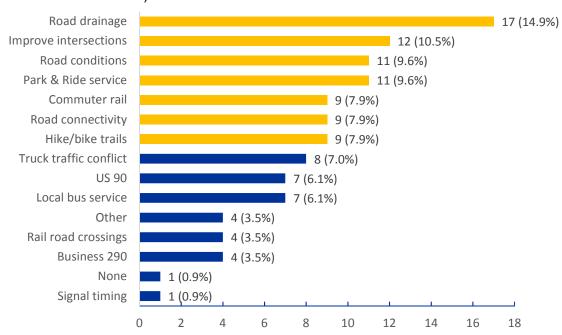
FM 359	7
I-10	3
FM 362	3
US 90	2
FM 1098	2
Waller Ave	1
I 489	1
FM 1458	1
Pederson	1
Berry Ln	1
Hebert Rd	1
Mathis Rd	1
US 290	1



FM 2920...... 1

7. What are three (3) transportation improvements would you like to see addressed?

A total of 114 improvements were identified from the responses. The top 5 improvements identified related to transportation were improvements for roadway drainage, intersections, roadway pavement condition, and public transit service improvement (park and ride service and commuter rail service).



Transportation improvements identified as 'Other':

36A	1
Flooding on FM 1098	1
Bike lanes	1
Straighten and widen FM 359 and FM 362	1

8. Additional comments regarding transportation in Waller County:

The following are additional comments from respondents:

- Attract people and business and execute road changes
- Mobility for people who don't drive
- Minimize highway/big roads to preserve our unique environment
- A more viable public transportation option
- Dangerous intersection at Morton Road at FM 2855
- Truck traffic on FM 1458 thru San Felipe when weigh station on I-10 is open
- Need to widen and improve Woods Road north of I-10



- Horse riding trails off-road
- Need full interchange at I-10 and Igloo Road
- Make bridges adequate for excessive rain events, so that they do not act as dams
- Make roads north-south more adequate for truck traffic
- FM 359 access to I-10 thru Brookshire
- Needs 36A to complete and survive

Activity Maps Summary

During the public meeting, three activity maps were laid out on tables with markers and sticky notes available for the public to use, promoting an interactive session to document area of concerns, development, and preferred bike routes. The public input regarding future developments, preferred bike routes and transportation needs are summarized below.

Developments

Future developments identified from public input include:

- Gas station at FM 529 and FM 359
- Gas station at US 290 and University Drive
- Gas station at I-10 and FM 1489
- Apartment near PVAM
- 60 acres shopping center near PVAM
- Commercial development along US 290 between FM 1488 and Liendo Parkway
- 500 homes residential development south of FM 1488 near Montgomery County Line
- New county facility at US 90 east of Brookshire
- New market at FM 359 and 7th Street
- New fam wedding venue at Morton Road and Schlipf Road

Figure 1 depicts the locations of these identified developments.



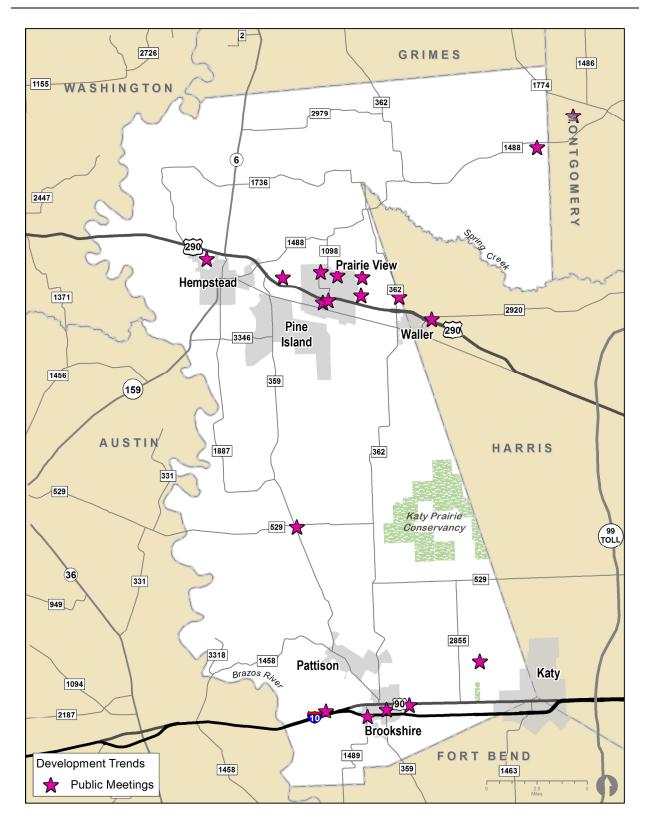


Figure 1: Identified Developments from Public Meeting



Preferred Bike Routes

During the public meeting, the public was encouraged to mark the preferred bike routes on the activity map. Based on the public input, the recommended area for bike routes are depicted in **Figure 2** and listed as follows:

- Neiman Road from FM 1458 to Bozeman Lane;
- Bozeman Lane from Neiman Road to FM 359;
- Buller Road from FM 529 to FM 1458;
- Clapp Road from FM 359 to FM 362;
- Durkin Road from FM 359 to Clapp road;
- Field Store Road from Bunting road to Joseph road;
- FM 1098 around campus;
- FM 1736 from FM 290 to FM 1488;
- FM 362 along the County border;
- Owens Road from University Dr. to FM 362;
- Pederson Road from US 90to Peterson Road;
- University Drive from Owens Road to FM 1098;
- Morrison Road Hebert from Freeman Road to Pattison Road;
- Pattison Road from Morrison Road to Hebert Road:
- Herbert Road from Pattison Road to FM 362;
- James Muse Pkwy from Hempstead Rd to Owens Rd;
- Joseph Road from FM 1488 to FM 362;
- Laneview from FM 1488 to FM 1736;
- SH 159 from SH 6 to West County Line

Identified Transportation Needs

In addition to the bike routes, other transportation needs were also identified from the public during the public meeting. These needs covered various components of the existing transportation network. **Table 1** and **Figure 2** described the identified needs by type and location.



Table 1: Identified Needs from Public Meeting

NEEDS TYPE	Location
Widen, Straighten, Add Shoulders	FM 359; FM 362; FM 1489
Widen	SH 6 from US 290 to north county line; US 290, US 90 and I-10 segments within Waller County
New Facility	Bains Street extension from I-10 to 11th Street; New facility connecting Pattison from 2nd Street to I-10; Reroute FM 529
Drainage Improvement	US 290 at FM 1488; US 290 at University Dr; US 290 at FM 359
Pavement	Barry Lane from lmh of Road to south terminus; Hebert Road from FM 362 to east county Line; Mathis Road from Snake Creek to east county Line
Straighten and Improve	Morton Road at Neuman Rd, FM 1736 from FM 290 to FM 362; Giboney Road from FM 1736 to FM 362
Add Shoulders	FM 1774 segments within Waller County; FM 1887 from FM 3346 FM 359
Reduce Truck Traffic	FM 1458 from FM 359 to west county line; SH 159 from SH 6 to west county line
Bridge Crossing	US 290 FR at Brazos River; I-10 FR at Brazos River
Grade Separation at Rail Road (RR) Crossing	James R Muse Pkwy at RR crossing; FM 362 at RR crossing; FM 359 at RR crossing; Waller Avenue at RR crossing; Cooper Street at RR crossing; Otto Street at RR crossing; Baines Street at RR crossing; Koomey Road at RR crossing;
Intersection Improvement	FM 359 at FM 1458; FM 362 at Royal Road



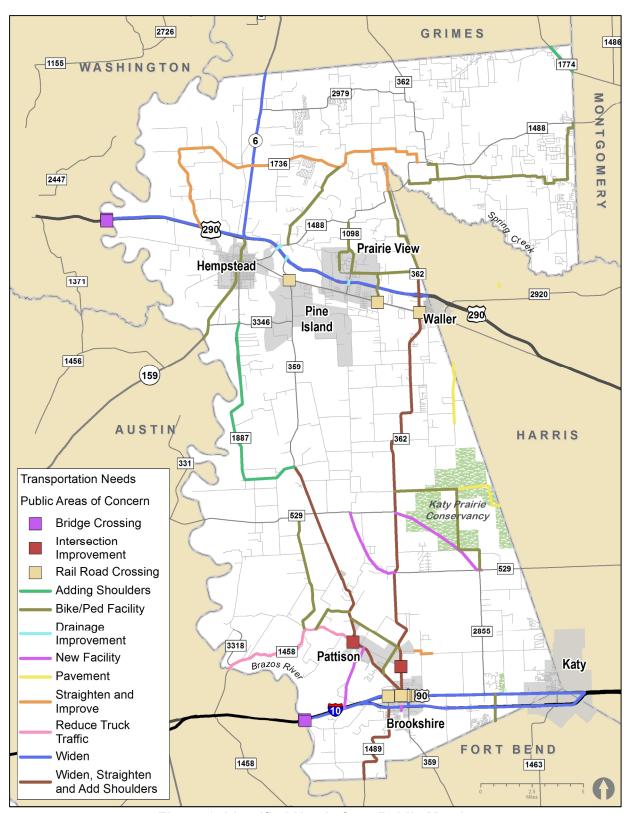


Figure 2: Identified Needs from Public Meeting



APPENDIX A: NOTIFICATIONS





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The meeting is a come and go open house. English and Spanish speakers will be available to gather input and answer questions.

For more information visit: hgacmpo.com/Waller



WHAT IS AN MPO?

A metropolitan planning organization (MPO) is a local decision-making body that is responsible for overseeing the metropolitan transportation planning process. H-GAC is designated by the State of Texas as the region's MPO for transportation planning in Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, and Waller Counties.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

WHO?

H-GAC; TxDOT; Waller County; Cities of Brookshire, Hempstead, Katy, Pattison. Prairie View, and Waller

WHAT?

Public Meetings for the Waller County Transportation Plan

WHEN & WHERE? TUESDAY, OCT 10, 2017

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IDEJA QUE SE ESCUCHE TU VOZ!

Acompáñanos en una reunión pública y coméntanos tus necesidades de transporte inmediatas y futuras de carretera, transito, ciclismo y peatonal.

El Condado de Waller es una parte de la región de Houston - Galveston que está en rápido crecimiento en términos de población y empleo. Para acomodar este crecimiento, el Condado de Waller, junto con las ciudades de Brookshire, Hempstead, Katy, Pattison, Prairie View, Waller, y el Departamento de Transporte de Texas y H-GAC están colaborando para identificar y analizar necesidades de movilidad actuales y futuros.

El estudio de 18 meses va a producir un plan de transporte que recomendara proyectos para mejorar la movilidad y el acceso a puestos de trabajo, residencias, y servicios – hoy y en el futuro.

Las reuniones son estilo exhibición abierta sin presentación formal. Hablantes de inglés y español estarán disponibles a recibir opiniones y responder a sus preguntas.

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¿OUE ES UN MPO?

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REUNIONES PÚBLICAS

¿QUIEN?

H-GAC; TxDOT; Condado Waller; Ciudades de Brookshire, Hempstead, Katy, Pattison, Prairie View, y Waller

¿OUF?

Reuniones Públicas sobre el Plan de Transporte Condado Waller

¿CUANDO y DONDE?

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Waller County Transportation Plan



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Project Staff

Public Involvement

The Wailer County Transportation Plan will include a vigorous public outreach process that actively engages a wide range of stakeholders in the planning process. The Public involvement Plan (PIP) incorporates a variety of meetings that will ensure that diverse public interests are being served, interested stakeholders are being educated, and that the comments and suggestions from the public reach the study team.

COMMENT ON THE WALLER COUNTY STUDY

Make a comment (https://www.h-gac.com/tag/transportation-public-outreach/comment.aspx?subject=5)

PUBLIC MEETINGS RESCHEDULED TO OCTOBER

- Meeting Flyer (documents/2017-flyer-waller.pdf)
- + Meeting Flyer Spanish (documents/2017-flyer-waller-spanish.pdf)
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NEWS RELEASES

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http://www.hgacmpo.com/waller/Index.html



We had a great turn out Tuesday in Brookshire. Prairie View, we'll see you tonight! Come learn more about the Waller County Trans. Plan.

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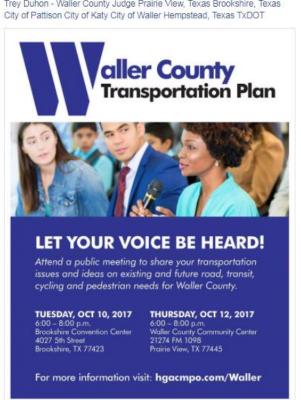
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Transportation Plan public meetings! Come and provide us with your input regarding current and future transportation issues in the county. See you

Trey Duhon - Waller County Judge Prairie View, Texas Brookshire, Texas







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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 19, 2017

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H-GAC will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending H-GAC functions. Requests from persons needing special accommodations should be received by H-GAC staff 24 hours prior to a function. The public meeting will be conducted in English with Spanish translators available. Requests for additional language interpreters or other special communication needs should be made at least two working days prior to a function. Please call 713.993.2471 for

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ABOUT H-GAC
H-GAC is a voluntary association of local governments in the 13-county Gulf Coast Planning Region
—an area of 12,500 square miles and more than six million people. H-GAC is designated by the
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Waller County remains primarily rural but it's becoming home to a lot more people. Between 2010 and 2016 the county's population grew by close to 16% percent. Alan Clark with the Houston-Galveston Area Council says you now have a situation. where a suburban population is having to get around on old tarm-to-market roads.

"They take a lot of turns, to the right, to the left, up and down along the way." explains Clark. "And some of those really need to be widehed. They also need to be straightened*

LEGAC is now seeking input on its Walter County Transportation Plan, which Clark says will serve as a guide for future planning. Along with building new roads, Clark says they also need to find ways to preserve green space.

"Waller County is a lot like our other counties," says Clark. "It experiences significant." flooding at different times. So drainage and flood management along major





roadways is another issue that will be discussed."





And there's also a strong desire to protect Waller County's rural character, especially on the Katy Praine and along the Brazos River

"I don't believe the residents of Walter County want to see those natural assets disappear," says Clark. "In fact I think they are looking for enhancement and protection for those areas."

There's a couple of informational meetings where Walter County residents can comment on the plan. The first is October 10 at the Brookshire Convention Center. The second is October 12 at the Waller County Community Center in Praine View. Both meetings have an open-house formal and they're from 6 00-8 00 PM

Waller County Transportation Plan Public Meeting



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October 12, 2017 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm America/Chicago Timezone

WHERE:

Waller County Community Center Community Center FM 1098, Prairie View, TX 77445 USA

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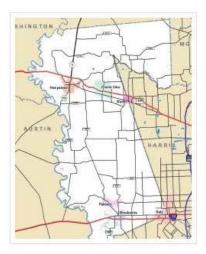
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Brookshire, TX 77423

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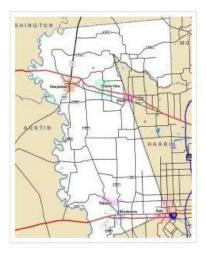
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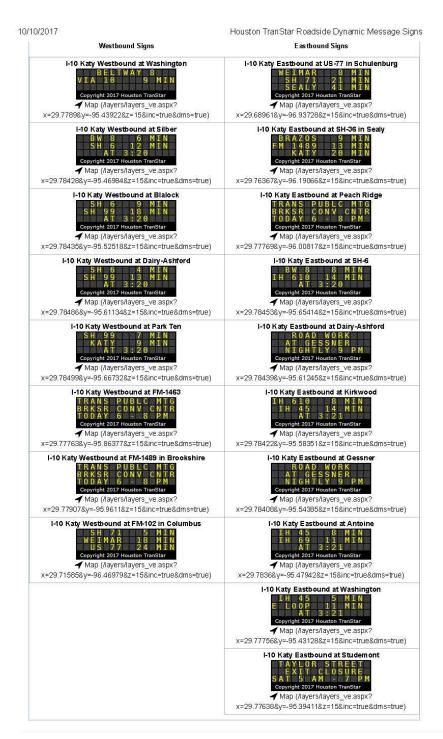
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Waller County, let your voices be heard! Come to a meeting to guide transportation in the county.

You have two options to attend an open house: Tuesday, October 10, 6-8 p.m. at Brookshire Convention Center, 4027 5th Street. Or, Thursday, October 12, 6-8 p.m. at Waller County Community Center, 21274 FM 1098 in Prairie View.

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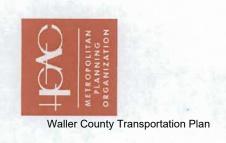
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study to determine existing and future transportation needs of Waller County. The study's recommendations will help local governments and policy makers The Waller County Transportation Plan is a comprehensive transportation guide transportation investments to improve mobility and access to jobs, homes, and services in the area.

WHAT IS A TRANSPORTATION PLAN?

- "Roadmap" for needed transportation improvements
- Considers needs of all users—not just a roadway plan
- Collaborative effort between government entities in study area

WHY DO WE NEED ONE?

- Population and employment in Waller County is continuing to grow
- New developments will attract more residents and commuters to area



THE VISION

The vision of the Waller County Transportation Plan is to enhance safety and mobility for all users while preserving the county's heritage and protecting environmentally sensitive areas.

GOALS

through a combination of physical, operational and regulatory measures. The study will develop short- and long-term transportation strategies

Improve connectivity **OBJECTIVES** Improve access Improve safety Preserve ROW manage and improve transportation Develop innovative approaches to facilities, minimizing delays, and **Enhance Mobility**

Economic Development

Mitigate congestion

Improve reliability

Revise development policies

Mitigate barriers

selectively increasing roadway capacity

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Quality of Life

protecting quality of life and the natural environment through appropriate use of design concepts and mitigation Reflect the County's priorities on techniques.

Project Consensus

governments by identifying projects with significant consensus in Waller County. Strengthen partnerships between local

Preserve county heritage Balance between

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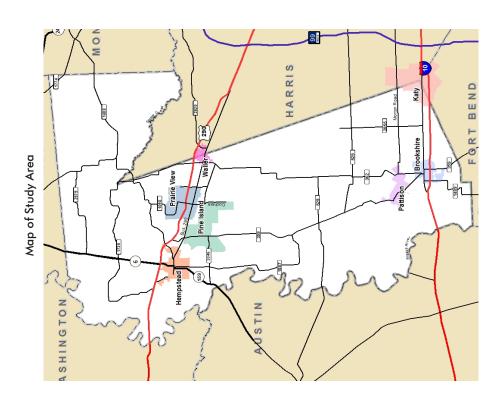
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increased traffic. At this point, the study team has identified the following Waller is rapidly adding residents and jobs, and with this growth comes areas of concern:

- Bicyclist/Vehicle Conflicts **Traffic Congestion**
- **Transit Needs**
- Road Flooding
- N/S and E/W Connectivity Increased Truck Traffic

Roads without Shoulders

Dangerous Curves



Oct Apr-Sep 2017

Develop Alternatives Analyze Alternatives

Public Meeting

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Collect Data

Public Meeting

Modify Alternatives based on Feedback

Public Meeting

based on Feedback Revise Draft Plan

Study Complete

Aug 2018

May

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Finalize Report



Public Meeting 2 Summary Report



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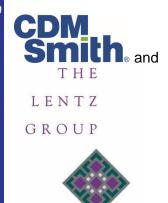
Open House meeting with a brief presentation at 6:30 p.m.

For more information visit: hgacmpo.com/Waller

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July 2018



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INTRODUCTION

Waller County is a rapidly growing part of the greater Houston-Galveston region in terms of population and employment. To accommodate this growth, Waller County along with the cities of Brookshire, Hempstead, Katy, Pattison, Prairie View and Waller, the Texas Department of Transportation, and the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) are working together to develop the Waller County Transportation Plan (WCTP) to meet existing and future transportation needs within Waller county.

Since the first round of public meetings in October 2017, the project team has worked with steering committee and stakeholder groups to develop the draft thoroughfare plan and proposed recommendations. The purpose of Public Meeting #2 was to receive public feedback on:

- the identified transportation needs from previous public involvements efforts to the public; and on
- the proposed 2019 Thoroughfare Plan draft and proposed roadway, transit and hike/bike recommendations.

PUBLIC MEETING 2

Two public meetings were held for the second round of public meetings, one in the south end of the County and one in the north end:

- Tuesday, April 24, 2018
 6-8 p.m.
 Pattison Area Fire Department Fire Station
 2950 FM 359, Brookshire, TX 77423
- Thursday, April 26, 2018
 6-8 p.m.
 Waller County Community Center
 21274 FM 1098, Prairie View, TX 77445





H-GAC staff, steering committee members, and the consultant team were in attendance.

The meetings were well attended with thirty-six (36) in attendance on Tuesday and thirty-one (31) in attendance on Thursday.

Notification

A detailed publicity plan was created to promote the public meetings. A variety of methods was employed to maximize outreach:

- Legal ads ran in the Waller Times.
- H-GAC advertised on its Facebook page and Twitter account, monthly newsletter, website calendar and website project page.
- Waller County advertised on the county website.
- News releases were submitted to community newspapers including The Times Tribune, The Hotline Press, The Katy Rancher, Covering Katy, and Community Impact Newspaper.



- The City of Prairie View distributed 750 meeting notices in utility bills and 640 meeting reminder robocalls.
- Meeting information was sent to Houston Press, Citizens Environmental Coalition, and Eventbrite and Chron for website posts;
- Meeting information was advertised through a public service announcement on KPVU FM 91.3 (Prairie View A&M University's radio station).
- Houston TranStar Dynamic Messaging Signs (DMS) were posted on I-10 the day of the meeting (US 290 cameras and DMS are not functioning during the construction).





- Approximately 1,200 postcards were mailed to area businesses.
- Flyers (available in both English and Spanish) were posted and emailed out to the public by the steering committee and stakeholders.
- H-GAC sent out an e-blast to distribute the public meeting information.
- H-GAC sent letters to elected officials.
- Numerous promotions were sent to the City of Brookshire and various Chamber of Commerce groups in the study area.



- Flyers were sent to local churches for distribution.
- Flyers were left at United Way and Waller County Library for distribution.
- Flyers were emailed to meeting attendees from Public Meeting 1.

The week prior to the public meetings, follow-up phone calls were made and emails were sent to remind the steering committee and stakeholders to attend the public meetings. **Appendix A** detailed the publicities for Public Meeting 2.

Materials

A variety of items were used to track attendance and inform the public:

- Sign-in sheets.
- Project handout in both English and Spanish.
- Comment forms with specific questions to solicit public opinion regarding the proposed thoroughfare plan and recommendations in both English and Spanish.

Sign-in sheets are attached in **Appendix B** and the handouts are attached in **Appendix C**.





A ten-minute presentation was given twice during each meeting to inform the public on transportation needs identified from previous public involvement efforts and the proposed thoroughfare plan and recommendations developed for this study. The video presentation was posted on project website for public access. The presentation slides are attached in **Appendix D**.

In addition to the presentation, multiple exhibits boards (**Appendix E**) were displayed on easels to prompt discussion from the public:



- One exhibit board summarized the identified transportation needs from previous public involvements efforts.
- Four exhibit boards presented the proposed short-term and long-term roadway recommendations, long-term bike/pedestrian recommendations, and proposed long-term transit recommendations.
- One exhibit board presented the explained thoroughfare planning.
- Two exhibit boards presented the 2012
 Thoroughfare Plan and the proposed 2019
 Thoroughfare Plan draft.

Several tables were dedicated to comment forms. Individuals could sit down to write their thoughts and place them in a private submission box. Exterior signages were placed at major roadway access to public meeting locations to guide the public to the meetings. Refreshment, donated by Steering Committee members, were provided at both meetings.



Comments Summary

A total of 25 comments were received. This included nine completed comment cards and 16 comments received through the H-GAC website. Several verbal comments made at the meeting were also addressed. **Appendix F** contains the comment card submittals and comments received through the H-GAC website. **Appendix G** includes a comments summary for these comments.



Summary Report, Public Meeting 2

APPENDIX A: Notifications

English Flyer or Poster





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¡DEJA QUE SE ESCUCHE TU VOZ!

Acompáñanos en una reunión pública y coméntanos sobre las recomendaciones de transporte propuestos para mejorar la movilidad en el condado de Waller hoy y en el futuro.

MARTES, 24 de ABRIL, 2018

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6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Waller County Community Center 21274 FM 1098 Prairie View, TX 77445

Exhibición al público con una breve presentación a las 6:30 p.m.

Para más información visita: hgacmpo.com/Waller

Legal Ads Submitted to The Waller Times

HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL Notice of Public Meeting Waller County Transportation Plan

The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) invites Waller County residents, business owners and elected officials to a public meeting on the transportation improvements recommended for the Waller County Transportation Plan.

Proposed mobility improvements are intended to enhance mobility in Waller County now and in the future.

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The meetings will consist of an open house beginning at 6:00 p.m., with a brief presentation at 6:30 p.m. English and Spanish speakers will be available to gather input and answer questions. For more information, visit www.hgacmpo.com/ Waller.

H-GAC will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending H-GAC functions. Requests from persons needing special accommodations should be received by H-GAC staff 24 hours prior to a function. The public meeting will be conducted in English and requests for language interpreters or other special needs should be made at least two working days prior to a function. Please call 713-993-2471 for assistance.

H-GAC Project Web Page Post

Waller County Transportation Plan



Get Involved Project Staff Background

Public Involvement

The Waller County Transportation Plan will include a vigorous public outreach process that actively engages a wide range of stakeholders in the planning process. The Public Involvement Plan (PIP) incorporates a variety of meetings that will ensure that diverse public interests are being served, interested stakeholders are being educated, and that the comments and suggestions from the public reach the study

COMMENT ON THE WALLER COUNTY STUDY

Make a comment

PUBLIC MEETINGS IN APRIL 2018

· Meeting Flyer

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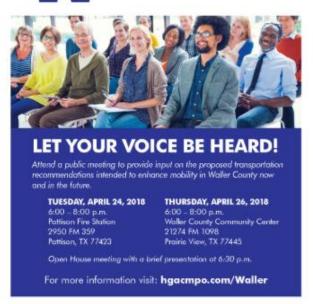
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- Display boards
- Presentation
- Video presentation
- Meeting handout
- Meeting handout-Español

NEWS RELEASES

H-GAC Seeks Public Input for Waller County Transportation Plan







■ PublicComments@h-gac.com

**** 713-627-3200





H-GAC Facebook Post



H-GAC Twitter Post

5/25/2018

HGACmpo on Twitter: "#WallerCounty! Our first Waller County Transportation Plan public meeting will be held tonight @ 6. Come give us...



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Designated by the State of Texas as the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization for transportation planning in the 8 county Houston-Galveston area. #HGACMPO

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H-GAC Vision Newsletter Excerpt

Waller County Public Meetings: Round Two

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Transportation Plan

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News Releases Submitted to Community Newspapers



NEWS RELEASE

Houston-Galveston Area Council Metropolitan Planning Organization 3555 Timmons Lane, Suite 120 Houston, TX 77027-2777

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 17, 2018

Contact: Meagan Coughlin / 713.993.4504 / meagan.coughlin@h-gac.com

H-GAC Seeks Public Input for Waller County Transportation Plan

WALLER COUNTY, TX – The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) invites residents, community leaders, business owners, and elected officials to attend a public meeting on the Waller County Transportation Plan. The first meeting will be held on April 24 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Pattison Fire Station located on 2950 FM 359 in Pattison and the second meeting will be held on April 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Waller County Community Center located on 21274 FM 1098 in Prairie View.

Led by H-GAC, Waller County leaders initiated the transportation study last year to address the rapid growth in the area. The Cities of Brookshire, Hempstead, Katy, Pattison, Prairie View, and Waller along with the Texas Department of Transportation are working together to identify and analyze the transportation issues in Waller County.

The purpose of the public meetings are to present and receive feedback from the public on the proposed transportation recommendations developed for the Waller County Transportation. The meetings are an open house event with a brief presentation at 6:30 p.m.

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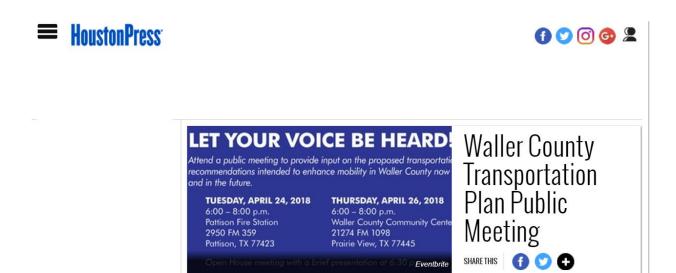
For more information about H-GAC's Waller County Transportation Plan, visit hgacmpo.com/waller. Comments from the public may also be emailed to PublicComments@h-gac.com or submitted via telephone by calling toll free at 1.855.363.2516 or mailed to Transportation Public Information, Houston-Galveston Area Council, P.O. Box 22777, Houston, TX 77227-2777.

ABOUT H-GAC

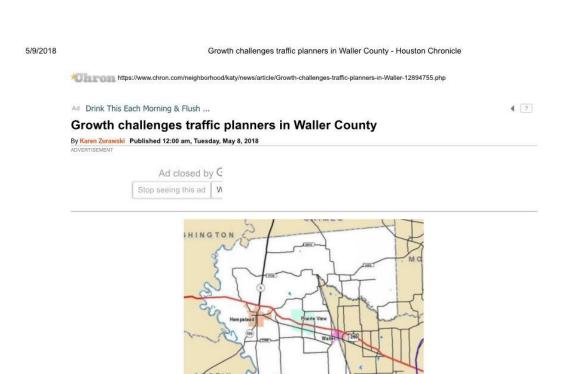
H-GAC is a voluntary association of local governments in the 13-county Gulf Coast Planning Region—an area of 12,500 square miles and more than six million people. H-GAC is designated by the State of Texas as the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization for transportation planning in Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, and Waller counties.

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Houston Press Website Posting



Chron Website Posting



The Houston-Galveston Area Council is partnering with Waller County to create a transportation plan for the county.

If the population of Waller County doubles between now and 2045 as projected, what's the best way to handle the increased traffic?

Carlene Mullins, a senior planner with the Houston-Galveston Area Council, is helping to lead a project team that's looking for answers to that question as part of the Waller County Transportation Plan. The county's population of 49,941 in 2015 is projected to climb to 134,495 by 2045.

That team listened to between 65 and 70 residents express their opinions in late April at two meetings - one held in Pattison and the other in Prairie View. Public comments are being taken online at www.hgacmpo.com/waller through May 11.

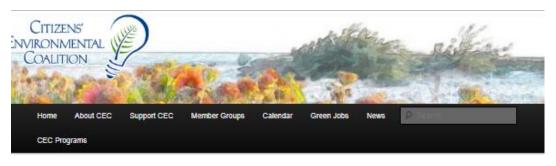
It's the second series of meetings with the first held last October and the third and final scheduled for later this summer before recommendations are finalized.

Among the recommendations, said Mullins, are a commuter rail along the northern part of U.S. 290, buses to circulate among the cities in the

https://www.chron.com/neighborhood/katy/news/article/Growth-challenges-traffic-planners-in-Waller-12894755.php

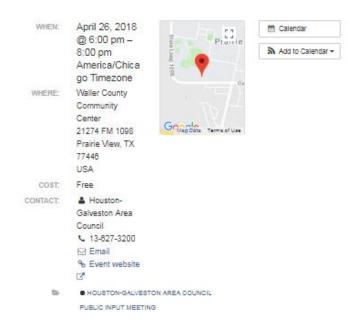
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Citizens Environmental Coalition Website Posting



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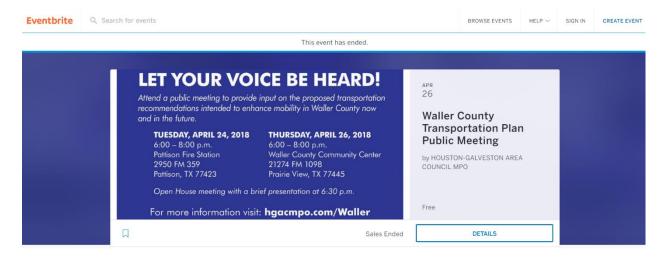


The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H– GAC), has partnered with Waller County, to create a transportation plan for the county. The Waller County Transportation Plan will examine current and future transportation, land use, and socio-economic conditions, both within and surrounding Waller County.

The focus of the plan will be to determine Waller County's future transportation infrastructure needs while preserving the county's environmentally sensitive areas, agricultural land uses and heritage. The project timeframe is 18 months.

The Waller County Transportation Plan will include recommended revisions to the county thoroughfare plan, and the creation of prioritized projects and policies in the form of "implementation workbooks" for each of the participating jurisdictions.

Eventbrite Website Posting



KPVU FM 91.3 (Prairie View A&M University's Radio Station) Public Service Announcement



RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Houston-Galveston Area Council Metropolitan Planning Organization 3555 Timmons Lane, Suite 120 Houston, TX 77027-2777

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 11, 2018

Contact:

Francis Rodriguez / 713-993-2437 / francis.rodriguez@h-gac.com

Public Meetings for Waller County Transportation Plan

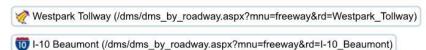
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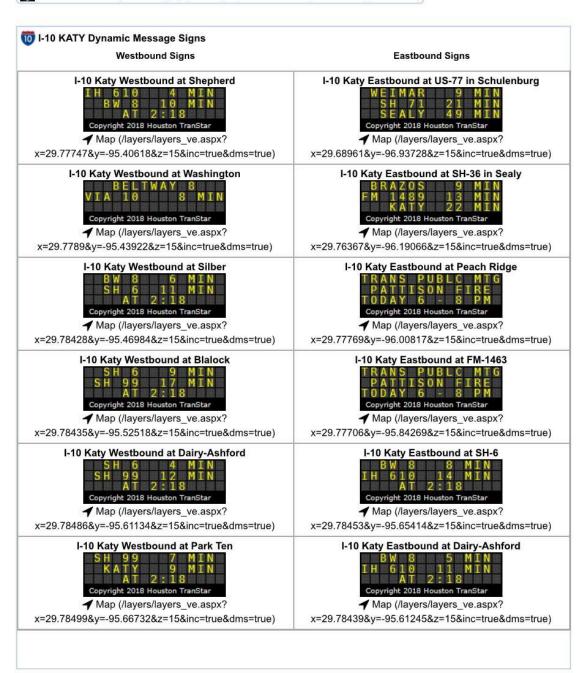
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APPENDIX B: Sign-in Sheets



2950 FM 359, Pattison, TX 77423 (Photos may be taken and used for marketing purposes) Pattison Fire Station Public Meeting

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APPENDIX C: Handouts

English Handouts

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS

2019 WALLER COUNTY THOROUGHFARE PLAN

The Waller County Thoroughfare Plan is a long-range (50 years) plan that identifies the general location and type of roadway facilities that are needed to meet projected long-term growth within the area.

The plan is designed to:

- Preserve adequate rights-of-way
 Guide future investments

Visit hgacmpo.com/Waller

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 Promote regional roadway connectivity
 Promote regional roadway design uniformity Inform the public

WALLER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Roadways

- 13 grade separations (bridges, RR crossings)
 33 intersection modifications (some include signal installation)
 7 signal installations
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 220 miles of roadway modifications including
- widening and straightening

 2 miles of access management treatment

 36 miles of new roads

H-GAC: Carlene Mullins and Stephan Gage Consultant: CDM Smith

PROJECT TEAM

STEERING COMMITTEE

Hike/Bike

Waller County Hike/Bike Study
 Multi-use paths along US 90, Old Houston Highway, existing easements, Brazos River and

Katy Prairie Conservancy

Iransit

- Bus Service: Local, intra-county
 Park-and-ride bus service

 - Commuter rail service

Next Steps

- Receive and review public comments (comment period each May 11, 2018)
 Finalize recommendations
 Public Meeting (late summer) present final

MORE INFORMATION

Presented materials will be posted on the website.

hgacmpo.com/Waller PublicComments@h-gac.com H-GAC Transportation Department

Waller County Transportation Plan P.O. Box 22777 Houston, TX 77227



Thoroughfare Plan and proposed Walter County Transportation Plan, both presented at this meeting. Below are highlights of the meeting. Aller County, along with the Cities of Brookshire, Hempsteed, Kary, Patison, Prairie View, and Waller, with the Texas Department of Transportation and the Houston-Galiveston Area Council (H-GAC), worked together to develop the proposed 2019 Waller County

Map of Study Area

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VISION

The vision of the Waller County Transportation Plan is to enhance safety and mobility for all users while preserving the county's heritage and protecting environmentally sensitive areas.

WHAT IS A TRANSPORTATION PLAN?

- A "roadmap" for needed transportation
- improvements

 Considers needs of all users (not just a roadway plan)

 Collaborative effort between government
 - entities in study area

MAJOR BARRIERS Brazos River

ISSUES

Mayor Joe Garcia, City of Pathison Mayor Steve Nagy, City of Prins Island Mayor David Allen, City of Prairie View John Isam, City of Waller Claudia Wicks, Colorado Valley Transit

Kim Branch, City of Brookshire
Mayor Michael Wolfe, City of Hempst
Jennifer Ostlind, City of Houston
Mayor Chuck Brawner, City of Katy

Waller is rapidly adding residents and jobs. With this growth comes increased traffic. The following are major issues that were identified:

Floodplain/Werlands
 Katy Prairie Conservancy
 Golf Courses
 Railroads
 Industrial Sites

Cemeteries

- Congested Areas Transit Needs
 - Road Flooding Truck Traffic

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MAJOR TRAFFIC GENERATORS

Texas Renaissance Festival
 Prairie View A&M

Amazon

- Road Conditions
- Cyclist/Vehicle Conflicts
 - Dangerous Curves Narrow Roads

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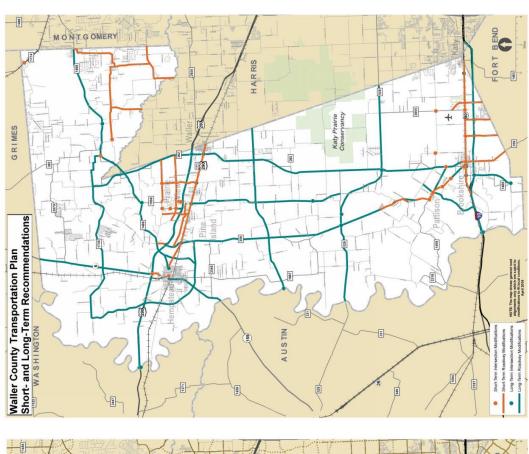
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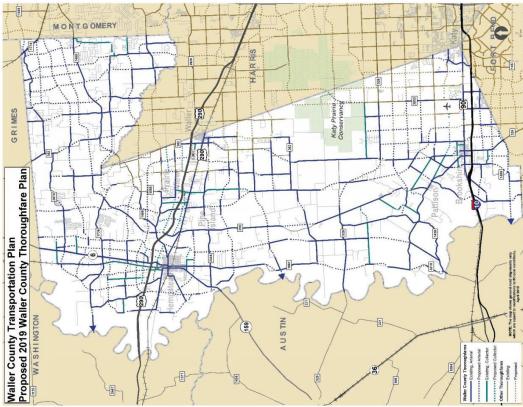




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Spanish Handouts

RECOMENDACIONES PROPUESTAS

2019 PLAN DE VÍAS PÚBLICAS DEL CONDADO DE WALLER

general y tipo de carreteras necesarias para cumplir con el crecimiento proyectado en el área. Designado a: Es un plan a largo plazo que identifica la ubicación

- Preservar los derechos de paso adecuados
- Guiar inversiones futuras Promover la conectividad vial regional Promover la uniformidad del diseño vial regional
 - Informar al público

PLAN DE TRANSPORTE DEL CONDADO **DE WALLER**

Carreteras

- 13 Separaciones de grado (puentes, cruces de
- 33 Modificaciones a intersecciones (algunas incluyen instalación de semáforo) 7 Instalaciones de semáforos
- 220 Millas de modificaciones a carreteras que incluye
 - ensanchamiento y enderezamiento 22 Millas de tratamientos de gestión de accesos
 - 36 Millas de carreteras nuevas

Bicicleta y Peatonal

- Estudio de Bicicleta del Condado de Waller
 Rutas multiuso a lo largo de US 90, Old Houston Highway, servidumbres existentes, Rio Brazos, y

Transporte Público

Conservación Katy Prairie

- Servicio de Autobús: local, dentro del condado Servicio de aparcamiento y acceso al transporte público
 - Servicio de tren de pasajeros

Proximós Pasos

- Recibir y revisar los comentarios públicos (periodo de comentarios termina el 11 de Mayo, 2018)
- Reunión Pública (final de verano) presentar

Finalizar recomendaciones

Los materiales presentados serán publicados en la página web. Página web:

MÁS INFORMACIÓN

documentos finales

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COMENTARIOS TERMINA

portation Plan

11 DE MAYO 2018

| Condado de Waller junto con las ciudades de Brockstine, Harnspised, Karly, Patison, Prairie View y Waller, el Departamento de Transporte de Texas (TxDOT), y el Concilio del área

de Houston y Galvesion (H-GAC) han trabajado junhos para desarrallar las recomendaciones propuestas del transporte presentados en esta reunión. A continuación se muestran los aspectos reunión. A continuación se muestran los aspectos

más destacados de la reunión.

VISIÓN

Visite hgacmpo.com/Waller



EQUIPO DEL PROYECTO

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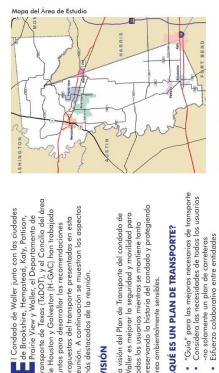
EQUÉ ES UN PLAN DE TRANSPORTE?

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BARRERAS PRINCIPALES

gubernamentales del área de estudio

PROBLEMAS

- Rio Brazos
- Llanura de Inundación/Humedales
 Conservación Katy Prairie
 - Campos de Golf Sitios Industriales

principales fueron identificados por el comité directivo,

comité de partes interesadas, y el público: Necesidades del Transporte Público

Áreas Congestionadas

El Condado de Waller está rápidamente agregando residentes y empleos, y con este crecimiento viene aumento de tráfico. Los siguientes problemas

- Cementerios
- Aeropuertos

GENERADORES PRINCIPALES DE TRÁFICO

- Festival Texas Renaissance
 Prairie View A&M
 - Amazon

Conectividad Entre el N/S y E/O Coordinar Ordenanzas y Pólizas

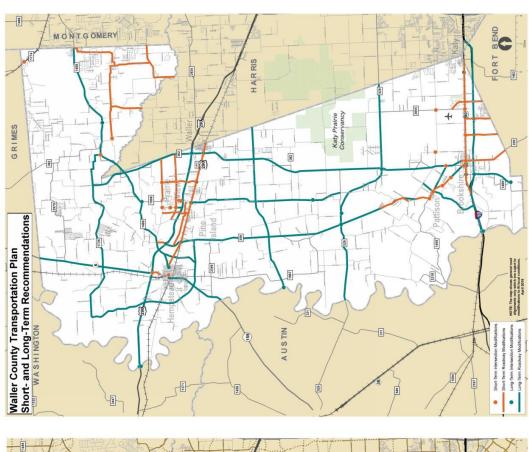
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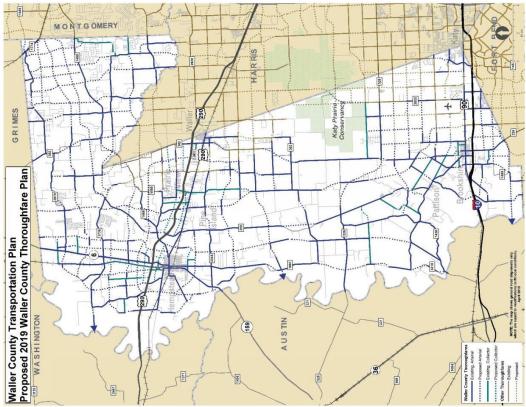
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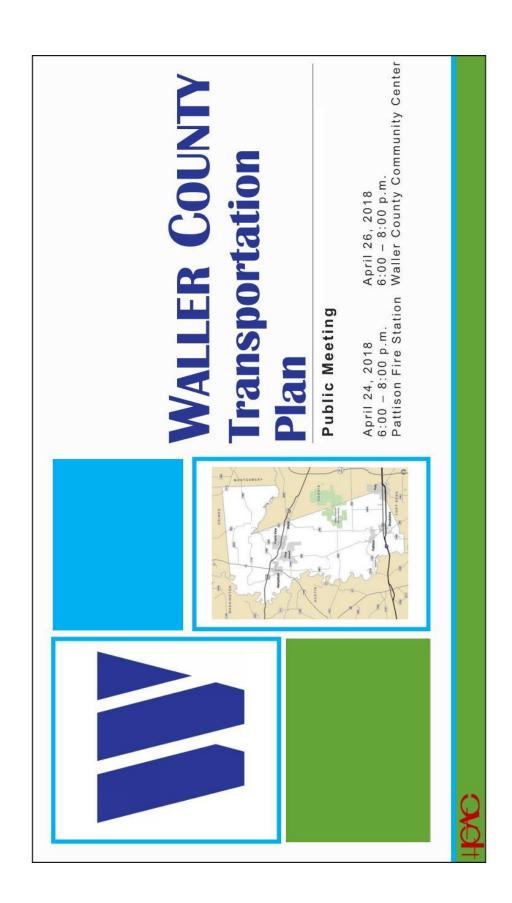






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APPENDIX D: Presentation



AGENDA

- Welcome
 Background
 Identified Issues
 Thoroughfare Plan Update
 Proposed Recommendations
 - Next Steps



WELCOME

- Study Team
- Website <u>www.hgacmpo.com/waller</u>
 - Local Funding Participants





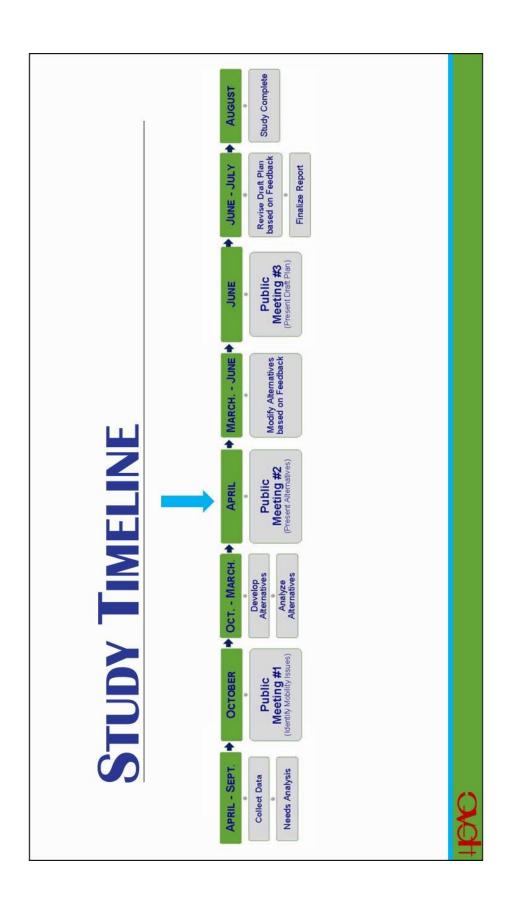
















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THOROUGHFARE PLAN UPDATE

WHAT IS A THOROUGHFARE PLAN?

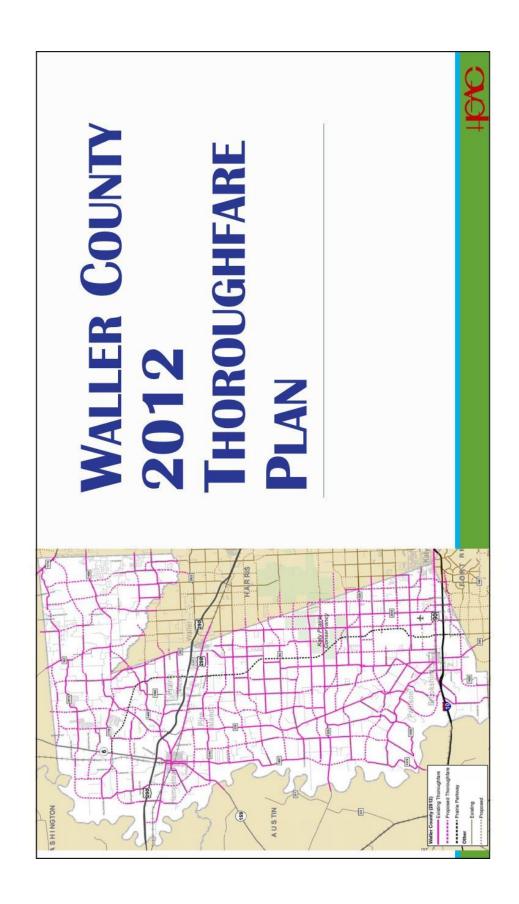
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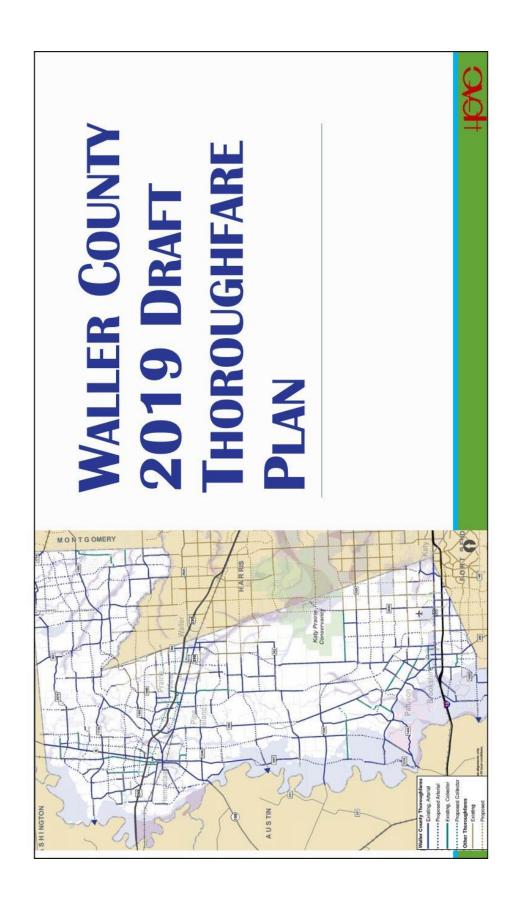
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- Preserves transportation corridors (right-of-way)
 - **Guides future development**
- Promotes connectivity and design uniformity
 - Informs public of future roadway needs
- Requires, through the platting approval process of cities and counties, appropriate dedication of rights-of-way and/or construction of identified thoroughfares by private land owners

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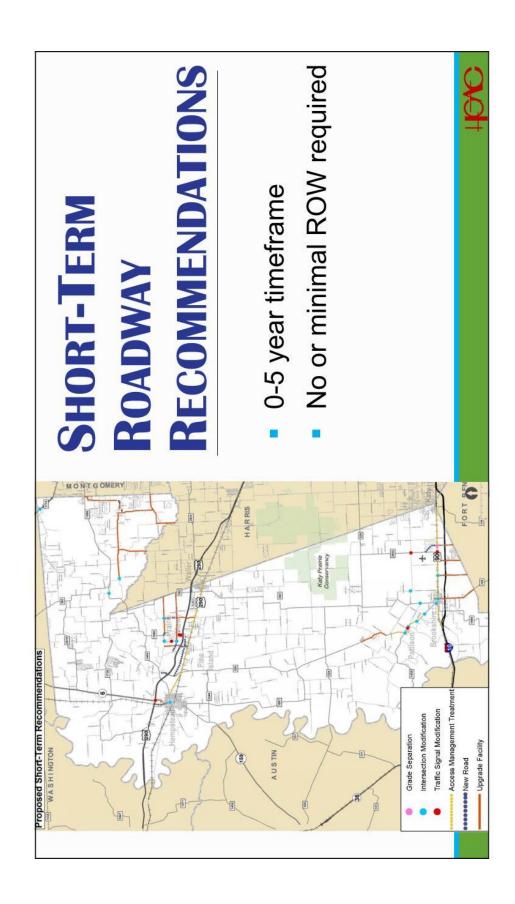
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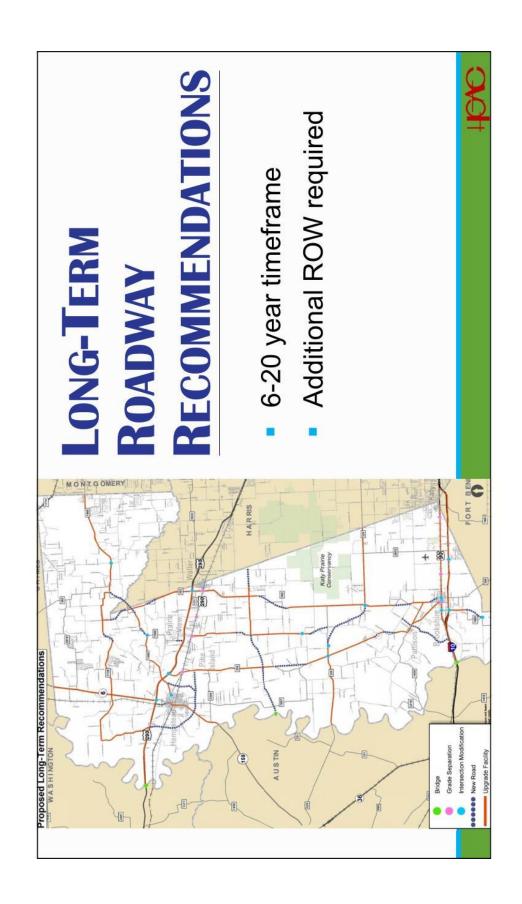


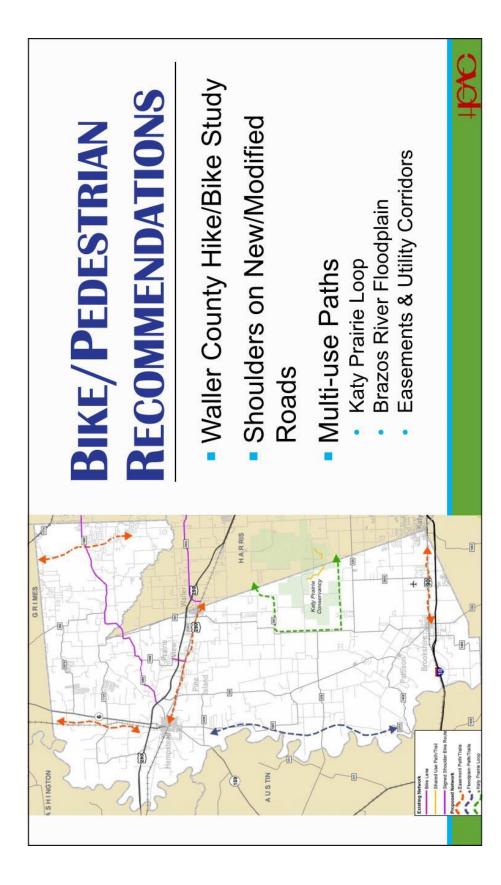


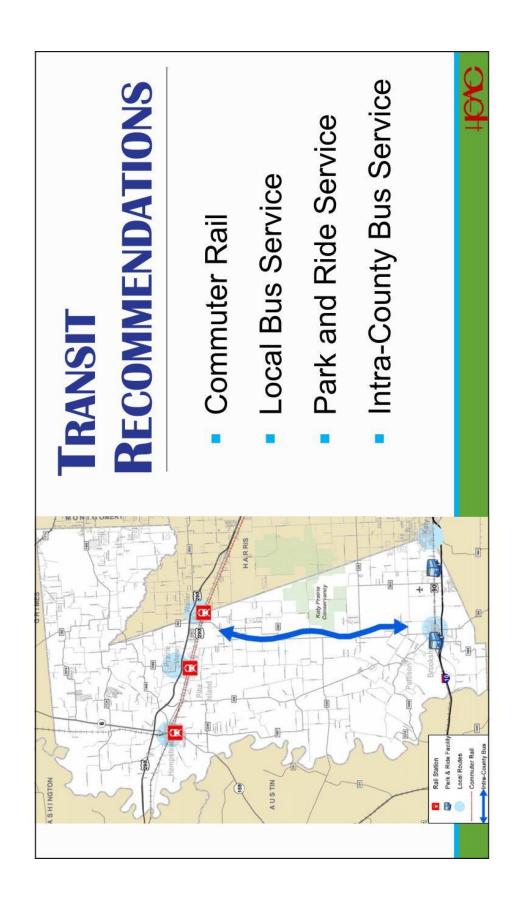


PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS Long-Term - Roadway - Bike/Pedestrian - Transit Short-Term - Roadway











NEXT STEPS

Receive and review public comments (Comment period ends 5/11/18)

Finalize recommendations

 Public Meeting - Summer 2018 (Present final recommendations)





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APPENDIX E: Exhibit Boards



Welcome Public Meeting

April 2018

















IDENTIFIED NEEDS

Major Issues	Steering Committee	Stakeholders	Public
Traffic Congestion	×	×	×
Transit Needs	×	×	×
Increased Truck Traffic	×	×	×
Cyclist/Vehicle Conflicts	×	×	×
Dangerous Road Curves	×	×	×
Road Flooding		×	×
Roads without Shoulders	×	×	×
Road Conditions			×
North/South Connectivity	×	×	×
East/West Connectivity	×	×	×
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Thoroughfare Plan

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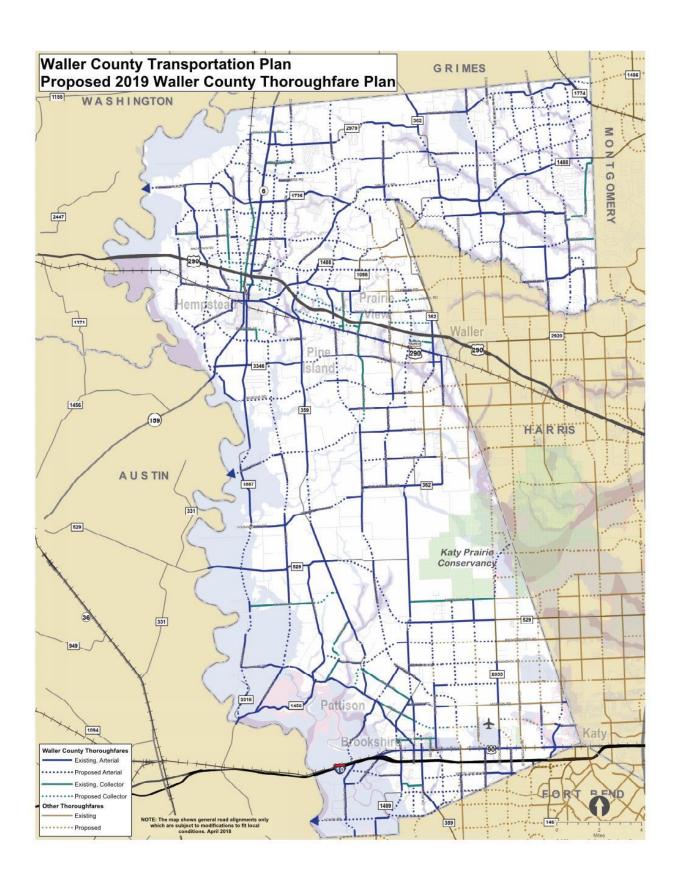
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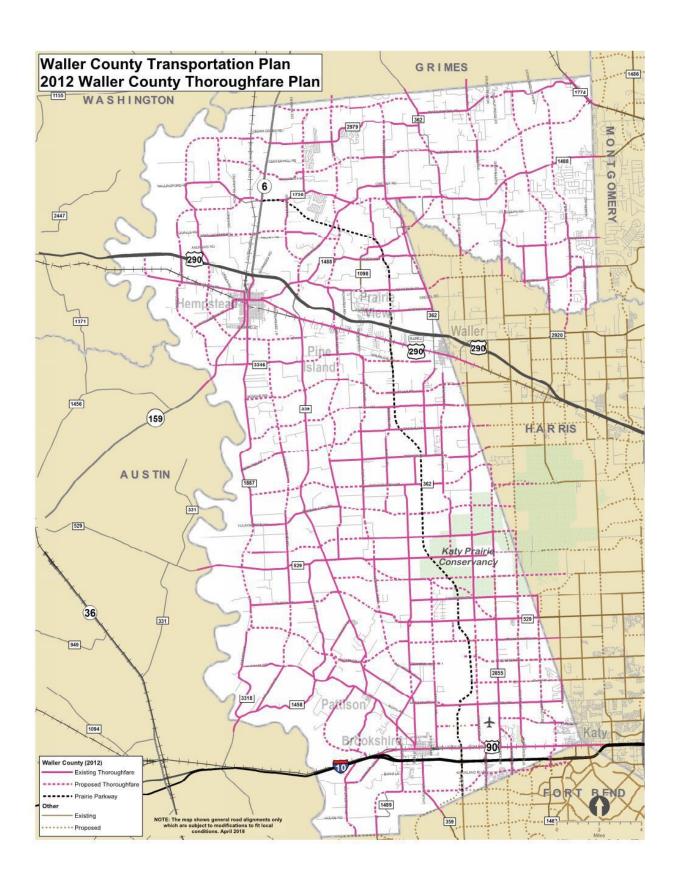
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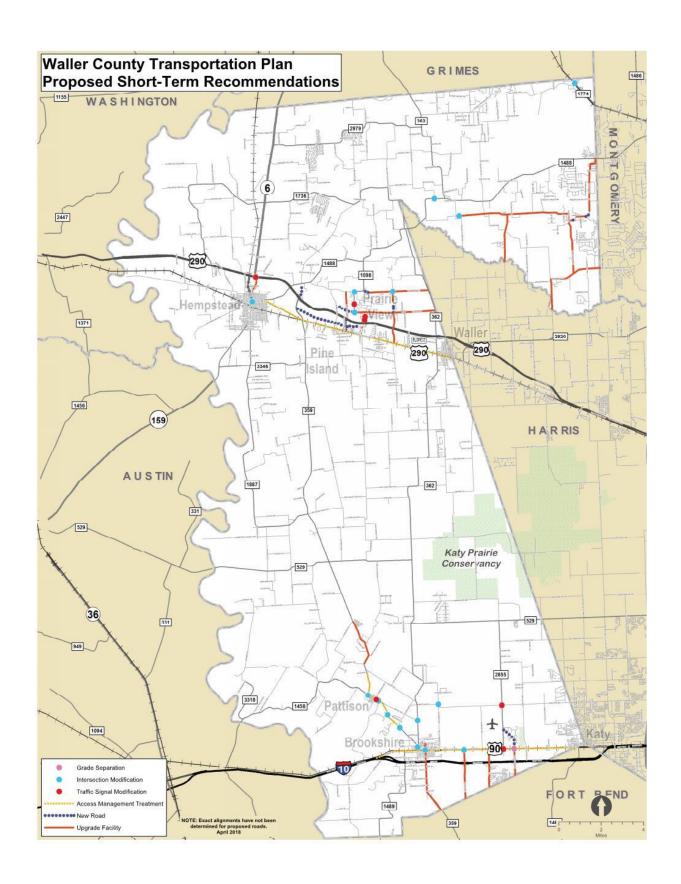
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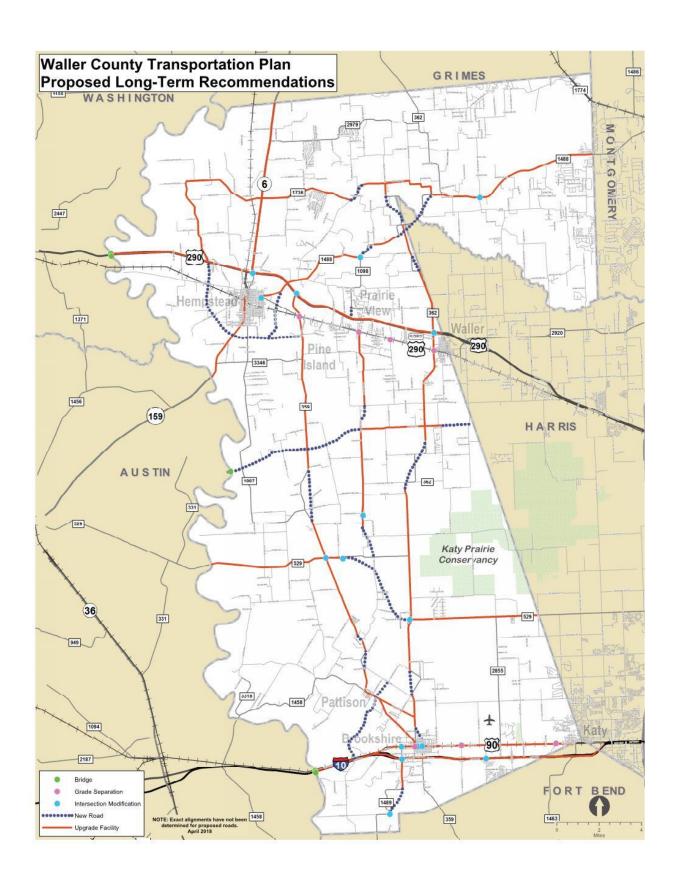


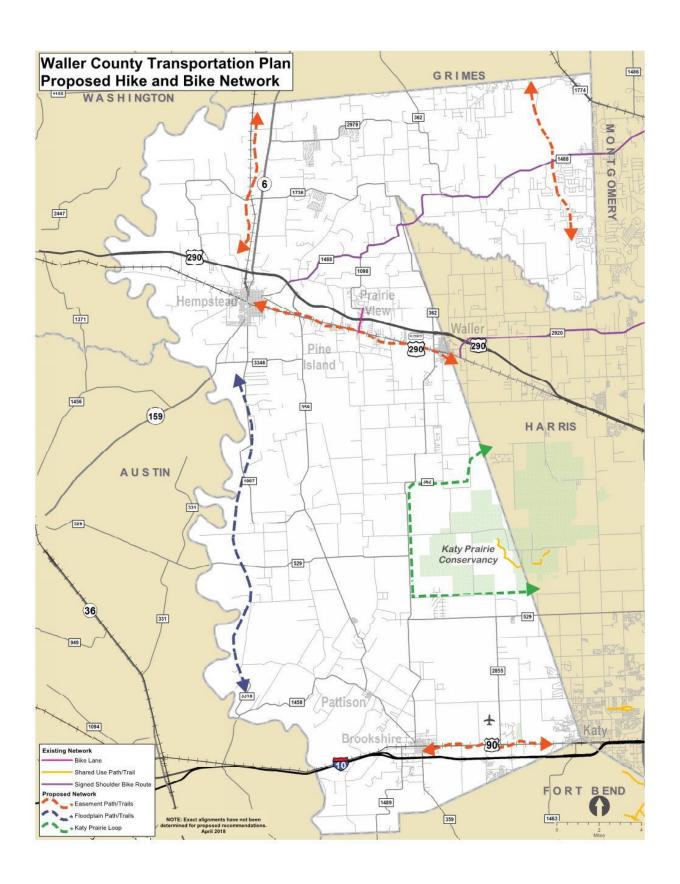


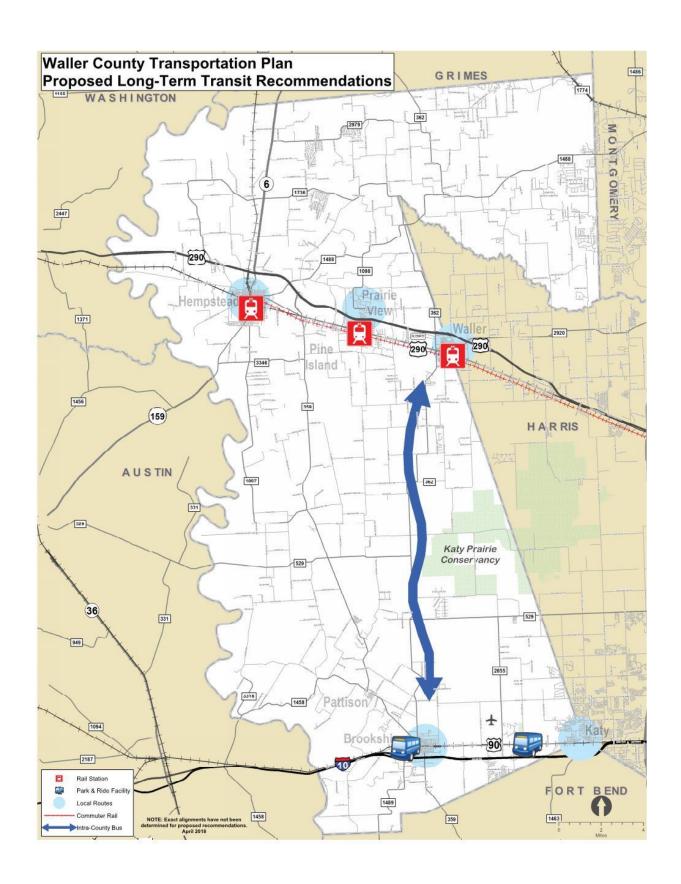














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APPENDIX G: Comments Summary

		Comment Type	Katy Prairie	Thoroughfare Plan, Transit	NA	Katy Prairie	Thoroughfare Plan	NA
		Others	¥					
	Comments Summary by Question	7. Please share any other comments regarding the Proposed Waller County Transportation Plan.	It is crucial that the roads crossing Katy Prairie Conservancy (KPC) lands near the Waller/Harris county line be eliminated. It is essential that KPC land not be fragmented. KPC has worked long and hard to piece together approximately 20,000 acres of protected open space, and fragmenting it would significantly compromise the value of these lands to wildlife (smaller tracts do not support wildlife anywhere near as much as large, contiguous tracts) and to people who want to enjoy the resource (noise, air pollution). So please delete northward expansion of FM 2855. Open space is a precious resource that cannot be replaced once lost. There are countless examples of communities that wish they had the foresight to incorporate tracts of open space in their growth. If Waller Co. permanently excludes new roads from KPC lands, people years from now will praise that foresignt. If you don't, people will mount the loss and condemn the shortsightedness of that decision. Please don't fall into the trap of degrading an irreplaceable resource simply because some folks don't want to drive a few minutes more. KPC has provided more detailed comments on a number of issues, and I fully support those comments.	Confirm that Clapp/Morton could be secondary thoroughfare to avoid 110 congestion at Brookshire. But needs to be straighter and wider. What about flooding? Bus and transit won't be successful unless they actually drop people off at a location they can access further transportation.		Our family stands with the Katy Prairie Conservancy in support of contiguous and undisturbed prairie lands. We request that all efforts to leave the land untouched be made.	N-S thoughfare improvement and plans need to be at or east of Katy-Hockley Road or west of FM 362	Need more info to make intelligent decision. I agree we need to do something, but there are too many variables.
		6. Do you support the proposed transit improvements?	wes, Mass transit is I important.		Yes	ON	No, I have concerns I about preserving the Fintegrity of the Katy Prairie Conservancy Lands.	
ent cards.		4. Do you support the proposed bicycle and pedestrian improvements?	Yes		Yes	ON	Yes	See #2 (Not enough concrete info to concrete info to concrete info to support or disagree support or disagree with)
The following presents a summary of comments received on written comment cards.		3. Do you support the proposed transportation ler recommendations intended to improve mobility and safety in Waller County?	As long as they don't gragment impacts to wetlands and avoid impacts to wetlands and appears that the modification of FM 529 at FM 8C2 is (smoothing the turns) crosses bottomlands - this should be avoided	No, Not as written. For safety there should be a bike lane off the road. Possibly from Katy up through the Prairie Conservancy and across 529. Bikers do not follow road rules.	Yes	No	Yes, Near term plans.	See #2 (Not enough concrete info to support or disagree with)
received o		2. Do you support the proposed 2019 Waller County Thoroughfare Plan?	No; The northward extension of FM 2855 and all new roads crossing KPC land must be deleted - see comments on item 7 on the backside of this page.		Yes	NO	I support planning. I support short term proposals.	Not enough concrete info to support or disagree with
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	2. Do you support the proposed 2019 Waller County Thoroughfare Plan?	No, Waller County should draw a line around Katy Prairie and declare it off limits to future road expansion - then people will know what to expect and choose or not choose to build or develop based on that.	Too much emphasis on 290 and 110. Take care of existing tax payers now and improve our road. Riley Road, Newman.	
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Comment Summary	Let me first state that I am not a Waller County property owner. My comments relate to three parcels of Waller County property owned by my wife, Ruth Smith, and her two sisters, Wanda White and Claudette Stone. The three individually-owned contiguous parcels total 355 acres. The property is located on Highway 529 beginning at the intersection of Bonner Road and Highway 529 and proceeding eastward approximately 1.1 miles to what is shown on County plats as an "Unnamed Ditch", formerly named Blinka Road.	My wife provided separate comments on the economic impact of the proposed diagonal roadway that extends from the south end of Cochran Road (where it turns eastward) to the north end of Adams Flat Road (where it intersects with Highway 529).	lenthusiastically support her comments and I am also concerned about the cost to taxpayers of new diagonal roadways compared to the use of existing north-south configurations where possible. I agree with those who question the need for this extension in its entirety since Highways 362 and 359 are already available.	If, however, Council planners determine more north-south capacity is required I recommend an alternative route connecting the south end of Cochran road (where it turns eastward). This connection disturbs a minimum amount of property by using a straight-line route, impacts fewer property owners, will reduce right-of-way costs compared to the proposed diagonal route, and results in a direct route intersecting Highway 529 about 1/3 mile west of Adams Flat Road.	l appreciate the opportunity to comment on this plan.	Property 911 Address 35148: My property begins with an eastern boundary approximately 2 miles west of 362 and 529. According to Waller County Road and Bridge, Waller County took approximately 1.2 acres of ingress to my property which was at the time Blinka Road to provide an unnamed ditch. The next parcel of land to the west is owned by my sister, Wanda White. Her property has a gate that is to the north of 529 at Adams Flat Road. The county now wants to take approximately 20 acres of her land to straighten Bonner Road. Continuing to the west is the property owned by my sister, Claudette Stone. Claudette's property includes approximately 1/2 acre that was given to the county to straighten the curve at Bonner Road and 529. This encroachment on family land would result in the loss of pasture for approximately 10 cows. While I understand this is a plan to provide roads for future growth in Waller County, the direct immediate impact will be a loss of retirement income. Additionally, marooning 20 acres of grazing land through Wanda White's property by designating a north-south road to straighten Bonner Road for future development is unnecessary since currently, within 4 miles distance, North-South roads are already provided by Highways 359, 362 and Schmidt Road. Thank you for the opportunity to submit a comment. Submitted by Ruth Smith, 1402 Wilson Heights Dr, Austin, TX 78746 (911 Property Address in Waller County is 35148)	I believe there should be no major new roads thru the Katy prairie preserve. It needs to remain undeveloped to provide unfragmented wildlife habitat and serve as flood protection for the greater Houston area. The proposed road is also not needed according to traffic projections and would be a waste of taxpayer money. The bird habitat, the recreational opportunities, agriculture are what the Katy prairie provides now, and it should stay that way.	I'm writing to express my interest in protecting the Katy Prairie and avoiding the currently proposed habitat fragmentation (the bisecting of the prairie by Katy Prairie road). The Katy Prairie is immensely important to animals, plants, and humans as we cope with Houston's flooding crisis – but it is also uniquely will nerable. While coastal prairies once covered the Houston area, the Katy Prairie now represents a small fraction of the prairie that once was. The habitat connectivity of the Prairie has already been vastly reduced over decades of development. The animals, plants, and ecosystem itself will be negatively affected should the proposed road be built and the prairie further fragmented. I respectfully ask that H-GAC and Waller County reconsider its Plan as it pertains to the proposed road bisecting the Katy Prairie. Many thanks for your consideration.	Kevin Venden, kdandoo@peoplepc.com Live at 10459 bonner rd. I have lived there 22 years. We have never had an accident on any on any of the corners on chochran road and bonner rd since I have lived there. Straightening or rerouting the road between Cochran and adams flat would be a waste of tax payer money and waste of valuable time that could be spent on repairing existing roads and bridges in Waller county. Further more the straightening of 529 is also waste of resources that could be used in a more advantageous form to improve existing roads and bridges in the county. Thank you, Kevin Venden.
Comment Provided by	Roland Smith, rolandks@austin.rr.com					Ruth Smith, ruthms@austin.rr.com	Olga Beishir, olga beishir@gmail.com	Kristina Meyer, kemey@umich.edu	Kevin Venden, kdandco@peoplepc.c
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9	Kim Shedd, Kshedd@att.net	I am not exactly sure what Waller county is looking at for their transportation needs, but I thought I might at least ask for possibilities to contemplate. I have been going to an oncologist in college station because my insurance. However many counties have transportation to go to doctors visits but you can not get a ride to college station from Hempstead. It is really challenging to get a ride there twice a week since no am not able to drive to these appointments. It would be nice if you could consider this for transportation needs of the county. Thank you for your consideration. Kim Shedd	Transit
	Melody Gott, melodygott@yahoo.com	My grandfather had a vision in 1945 wherein he purchased 355 acres in Waller county. The land he purchased was twofold; one - to be able to provide income to support his family and second - starting a family heritage. The vision my grandfather saw is what my family must preserve to continue his legacy and dream. I am currently not a land owner yet, as the land currently belongs to my mother (2nd generation). I will be a 3rd generation land owner as well as my son's being 4th generation. The land is HUGE to my family and vital to our wellbeing. I would plead with the powers of progress to avoid, at all costs, any type of new roads cutting through any of our family land and our family heritage. The land we own collectively, as a family, is vital to our success. It is our income, it supports us and it is what we live and breath. I sincerely appreciate your considerations and respectfully request our family land remain intact without the modern day progress. Our family depends on this today, tomorrow and 50 years from now.	Thoroughfare Plan
ω	Heather Dial, heather dial@austin.utexas.edu	To whom it may concern: I am writing to express my concern regarding the proposed roadway which will pass directly through property belonging to Ms. Wanda Miller-White. This property of 355 acres was acquired in 1945 by her father, Bennie Miller, and was passed down to Ms. Miller-White as part of her family heritage. She was raised on this property, as were her children and grandchildren. This property is the livelihood of Ms. Miller-White as well as her son, Jimmy White. Her daughter, Melody Gott, is in the process of having a home built on the land. Her grandchildren have begun thinking of how they will maintain the property when it is eventually passed to them. If these roads are widened, they will take approximately 20 acres of this property. Of note, the portion of the property that would be taken would separate graining cattle, the primary source of income for Ms. Miller-White, from their watering hole. Perhaps more importantly, the roads will take part of what Ms. Miller-White has protected, saved and built so that she could leave it to her children and grandchildren. This road (Bonner) is not heavily traveled, and the widening of the road is unnecessary. In light of the fact that this road is rarely traveled, I encourage you to consider the devastation this will bestow upon the Miller-White family. Ms. Miller-White is an active member of her community, works at a local church, and has always been a contributing member to the local economy. It is thus my urgent request that you DO NOT widen the road, taking this family heritage away from a hard-working, agrarian family. Sincerely, Heather Dial, PhD.	Thoroughfare Plan
o	Jackie Craver, jcravermk@aol.com	Thank you for the opportunity to comment. First, 1'd like to request that comments be allowed through May 31st, as many are just learning of the proposed plans. Next, 1 will be commenting on my primary concern - Hwy 359 at Monaville. I live at 12480 Peters Rd - my family owns 140 acres that will be adversely affected by the straightening of 359. This farm/ranch land has been in our family since 1888 - Peters Road is named after my great-grandparents. Straightening the road will bring it across the street from us. His area is all farm/ranch land and should be preserved. The so, union is not to straighten the roads such as 359, but rather enhance the signage for curves (like the arrow so n362 with solar lights), to post better speed limit signs strenging by the straightening by a many speed limit sign, but it's gone), and have law enforcement enforce the speed limit (there are a lot of constable cars sitting at the P3 building in Monaville). I also request that BEFORE such roads become "proposed" and on a map, that an effort to involve property owners be considered. It's not right to make most of the proposed changes and updates without involving those affected. I request the Hwy 359 straightening be taken OFF the proposed map. My phone number is 8328775016. Thank you Comment #2. I'm writing as it relates to several proposed changes, updates or additional new roads. I've submitted my #1 comment with solutions other than spending a lot of money and disrupting farm/ranch land - concerning the straightening of Hwy 359 at Monaville. I'm also concerned about the roads that will bypass Hempstead-which is not good for commerce. The road cross Waller County to Austin County which reads no where - when I asked about that road, the staff said hey find it know what was at that point in Austin County. I'm also concerned about Wilpitz Rd becoming a major land owners, 2 are polo ranches, which will cause major problems. When I asked about that road, the staff been contacted, I was told no - and they didn't even know w	Thoroughfare Plan, Recommendations from needs based plan
10	Ben Gott, bgott1988@gmail.com	To whom it may concern: My name is Ben Gott and I am writing to you in regard to 355 acres of land that my great grandfather, Bennie Miller, acquired in 1945. My great grandfather left this land to my grandmother, Ms. Wanda Miller-White, as her inheritance. My grandmother was raised on this property, as were my mom and uncle, and my brother and myself. My grandmother and uncle, Jimmy White, depend on the land for their income and livelihood. They have built up a successful cattle rand and supplement that income by selling hay that grows on the land. My mother, Melody Gott, is in the process of having a home built on the land. My brother, Chris Gott, and I have even begun to plan our future use of the land when it is passed down to us by my mother and uncle. If Bonner Road is widened, they will take approximately 20 acres of this property, cuting off the grazing cattle from their water hole. The widening of Bonner Road is widened, they will take approximately 20 acres of this property, cuting off the grazing cattle from their water hole. The widening of the road unnecessary. The cost of building the road itself is not worth it, and when you consider what my family verified it is hard to justify building such a road. It is my heartfelt request that you DO NOT widen the road, taking my family heritage. I really appreciate your consideration. Sincerely, Ben Gott	Thoroughfare Plan

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11	Charles Tiner, dgtiner@hotmail.com	There are a couple of roads out this way that could be tied into easily and would not disrupt good farm and cattle land. Also this area is the home to a katy lot of wildlife, that along with us, the residents in this area, like so much because it is so quiet and peaceful. Wee are here because we like this rural plan small town atmosphere. Let's please keep it that way. They are some things that are more important than roads such as food and just plain happiness.	Katy Prairie, Thoroughfare Plan
12	James (Jimmy) White, jimmywhitedwcattle@gmail.com	My family ranch is on the North side of FM 529 @ Adams Flat Road. Physical address - 10720 Bonner Road & entrance to the house & barn. Proposed connection of Cochran Rd to Adams Flat will take up a large part of our small ranch preventing cattle from grazing and water source. North/South Highway 362 is 1.8 miles from Adams Flat. Highway 359 is 2 miles from Adams Flat. A better solution would be to widen and straighten 362 & 359 to carry more traffic. An East/West road connecting 362 & 359 together in Northern Waller County would result in an East/West traffic thoroughfare with 529 East/West thoroughfare through Mid Waller County.	Thoroughfare Plan
13	Chris Gott, chrisjgott319@gmail.com	vriting in defense of 355 acres of land that my great grandfather, Bennie Miller, acquired in 1945, I spent most of my childhood learning about the land under the guidance of my grandmother and building up our cattle ranch and hay business. I currently work on the land to help my family and not he first steps of having a home built on the property. My brother, Ben Gott, and I have even ssed down to us by my mother and unde. Several years ago, my father unexpectedly passed away. I, we held his funeral at the ranch, and scattered his ashes at a pond located a few hundred feet riral site is located on this land. I urge you not to take that away from us. The widening of Bonner disturb my father's final resting place. If Bonner Road is widened, that would take approximately cattle from their water hole. The widening of Bonner Road is widened, that would take approximately attitue to come. Bonner Road is not a heavily trafficked road, making the widening of the road widen Bonner road. Please do not take my family heritage and fathers memorial site away from Chris Gott.	Thoroughfare Plan
14	Ambyr Lostracco, ambyr_erin@yahoo.com	rroperty which will be impacted by the proposed framework for north-south roads in er, Bennie Miller, in 1945. So far, the land has remained intact in the family for seventy- rd me. Ultimately the land will then be passed on to my two daughters. The intent is to ate the block of land to accommodate urban sprawl across the prairie lands of Waller wu for the opportunity to submit comments to the council. Ambyr Lostracco, Austin,	Thoroughfare Plan
15	Wanda White, whitewanda94@yahoo.com	Cow/calf operation will be affected by the connection of Cochran Road south to Adams Flat Road. It appears the new roadway will come through the pasture on the West cutting off part of the grazing and separating the cattle from water. The pasture is vital for grazing. The cow/calf operation represents my livelihood and retirement. My concern is how to get across the road to the cattle? Overpass? What are some suggestions or alternatives? The proposed roadway will cut off ingress/egress to my homestead by crossing the lane. How can we remedy this? The cost to clear, cover with gravel & maintain the lane has been & is considerable. Further, it is my understanding that the 2019 Proposed Waller County Thoroughfare Plan represents a long-term plan. If my property would ever be sold and/or developed, Waller County would ask seller or buyer for a road easement. I am in agreement for reducing accidents as my entrance gate was destroyed by someone who did not read the road signs (a large reflective arrow) and mangled the iron gate as a Bonner Road curve. It would be most effective if we all followed directions - HalHal Respectfully submitted, Wanda White, 10720 Bonner Road, Pattison, TX 77423.	Thoroughfare Plan
16	Josh Evans, jlevans2001@gmail.com	Regarding the Waller Country Transportation Plan that includes a possible road or highway through the Katy Prairie Preserve, I heartily recommend against it. I, along with my friends and family, have hunted and explored the area for many years, providing much money to the state in the process. The road would decrease habitat for small game and invite noise, lights, and people, rendering the remaining environment unsuitable for small game animals. This would have a devastating effect on guides who use the Katy Prairie Preserve as the majority of their income. If this proposal was fully manimed inside Waller County, I would suggest reviewing the H-GAC traffic projections that show the envisioned road won's start to be necessary until magned inside was suggested by residential developers or commercial interests, please make them aware that it's in the electorate's best interest that we build up and not out. Thanks for your time!	Katy Prairie

The following presents a summary of verbal comments made at the public meeting

Comment Number	Source of Comment	Comment Summary	Comment Type
1	Verbal comments received Long Term: at the public meeting on Widen Mor	Long Term: Widen Morton to 4 lanes,	Recommendations from needs based
	04/24/2018	Widen FM 529 to 4 lanes Widen Durkin	plan
		where hoyal Improve intersection of Durkin and Royal	
2	Verbal comments received Check UPRR long at the public meeting on 04/24/2018	Check UPRR long range plans for SH6, US290 and IH-10 Rail lines	Recommendations from needs based plan



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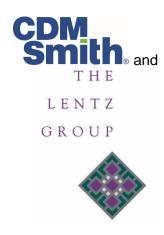
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INTRODUCTION

Waller County is a rapidly growing part of the greater Houston-Galveston region in terms of population and employment. To accommodate this growth, Waller County along with the cities of Brookshire, Hempstead, Katy, Pattison, Prairie View, and Waller; the Texas Department of Transportation; and the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) are working together to develop the Waller County Transportation Plan (WCTP) to meet existing and future transportation needs within Waller County.

After the first and second rounds of public meetings in October 2017 and April 2018, the project team worked with the steering committee and stakeholders, while incorporating public comments, to produce the 2019 Thoroughfare Plan draft and proposed roadway, transit and hike/bike recommendations to present at the third round of public meetings.

PUBLIC MEETING 3

Two public meetings were held, one in the south end of the county and one in the north end:

- Tuesday, August 14, 2018
 5-7 p.m.
 Royal High School Cafeteria
 34499 Royal Road, Pattison, TX 77423
- Thursday, August 16, 2018
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H-GAC staff, steering committee members, stakeholders, and the consultant team were in attendance.

Ninety-five (95) people attended the meeting on Tuesday and seventy-four (74) attended on Thursday.



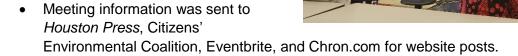




Notification

A detailed publicity plan was created to promote the public meetings. A variety of methods was employed to maximize outreach:

- A legal ad ran in the Waller Times
- H-GAC posted on its Facebook page and Twitter account, website calendar, project website page, and in the Vision newsletter.
- News releases were submitted to community newspapers including The Times Tribune, The Hotline Press, The Katy Rancher, Covering Katy, and Community Impact Newspaper



- Emails and phone calls were made to local homeowners' associations.
- Houston TranStar Dynamic Messaging Signs (DMS) were posted on I-10 the day of the meeting (US 290 DMS were not functioning during the construction).
- Flyers (and social media graphics) were posted and emailed out to the public by the steering committee and stakeholders.
- Posters were hung at the local United Way.
- Posters were hung up in buses via Colorado Valley Transit.
- H-GAC sent out an e-blast to distribute the public meeting information.
- H-GAC sent letters to elected officials.



• Flyers and social media graphics were sent to the Cities, Chamber of Commerce's, local churches, school districts and meeting attendees from Public Meetings 1 and 2.

The week prior to the public meetings, emails were sent to remind the steering committee and stakeholders to attend the public meetings. **Appendix A** provides copies of notifications for Public Meeting 3.

Materials

A variety of items were used to track attendance and inform the public:

- Sign-in sheets.
- Project handouts.
- Comment forms in both English and Spanish with specific questions to solicit public opinion regarding the proposed thoroughfare plan and recommendations.

Sign-in sheets are included in Appendix B and the handouts are in Appendix C.

A 10-minute presentation was given twice during each meeting to inform the public of proposed recommendations based on data collected combined with public feedback. The video presentation was posted on project website for public viewing. The presentation is included in **Appendix D**.

In addition to the presentation, the following exhibit boards (**Appendix E**) were displayed on easels to prompt discussion from the public:

- Summary of transportation needs identified in previous public involvement efforts.
- Study's vision, goals, and objectives.
- What a transportation plan is and why one is needed.
- Proposed short-term roadway recommendations.
- Proposed long-term roadway recommendations.
- Proposed hiking and bicycling recommendations.





- Proposed long-term transit options.
- Proposed 2019 Thoroughfare Plan Draft.

Several tables were dedicated to comment forms. Individuals could sit down to write their thoughts and place them in a private submission box. Signs were placed at major roadway access to public meeting locations to guide the public to the meetings. Donated refreshments were also provided during the public meetings.

Comments Summary

A total of 117 comments were received. This included 10 comment forms submitted at the meetings, and 107 comments received through project email submissions. **Appendix F** includes a comments summary and **Appendix G** details the 117 comments received.







Summary Report, Public Meeting 3

APPENDIX A: Notifications





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Waller County Transportation Plan



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Public Involvement

The Waller County Transportation Plan will include a vigorous public outreach process that actively engages a wide range of stakeholders in the planning process. The Public Involvement Plan (PIP) incorporates a variety of meetings that will ensure that diverse public interests are being served, interested stakeholders are being educated, and that the comments and suggestions from the public reach the study team.

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New Documents

Commissioners Court Presentation, July 2018 (documents/WCTP-Commisioners-Court-7-25-18.pdf)

Public Meeting Documents - April 2018

- Display boards (documents/WCTP-Public Meeting2-Presentation-Boards.pdf)
- Presentation (documents/WCTP-Public Meeting2-Presentation-042418.pdf)
- Video presentation (https://youtu.be/AlbP20m_cfs)
- Meeting handout (documents/WCTP-Public Meeting2-handout-11x17-spread.pdf)
- Meeting handout-Español (documents/WCTP-Public Meeting2-handout-11x17-spread.esp.pdf)

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Houston-Galveston Area Council - Event Calendar - Waller County Transportation Plan Public Meeting



Waller County Transportation Plan Public Meeting

Location

Royal High School, Cafeteria 34499 Royal Road Brookshire , TX 77423

Date & Time

August 14 2018 05:00 PM to 07:00 PM

Contact Information

Francis Rodriguez Francis.rodriguez@gmail.com

713-993-2437

View Location Map
Event Website
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Waller County Transportation Plan Public Meeting

Location

Waller County Community Center 21212 FM 1098 Loop Prairie View , TX 77446

Date & Time

August 16 2018 05:00 PM to 07:00 PM

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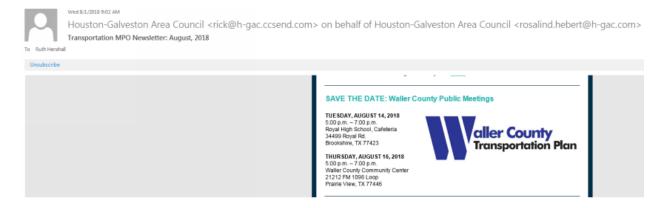
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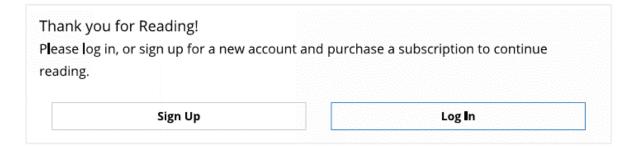
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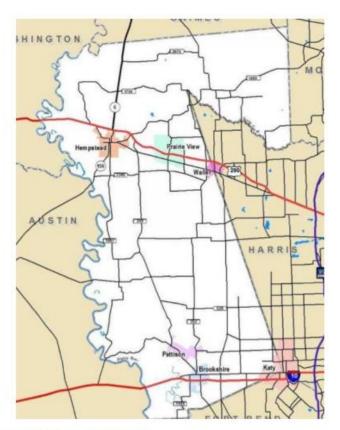


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Visit http://hgacmpo.com/waller/ for more information about the plan. Comments from the public may also be emailed to PublicComments@h-gac.com, by calling 1-855-363-2516, or mailed to Transportation Public Information, Houston-Galveston Area Council, P.O. Box 22777, Houston, TX 77227-2777.

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Aug. 16

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plan hearing

The second of two final public hearings on the Waller County Transportation plan is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, at the Waller County Community Center, 21212 FM 1098 Loop in Prairie View. Email carlene.mullins@h-gac.com or visit http://

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Aug. 17

Free park concert

Smokestack Sons will perform a free concert at 7:45 p.m. Aug. 17 at Central Green Park, 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. Bring picnic and lawn chairs. No alcohol, glass, balls or pets.

Aug. 18

Cinema Under the Stars

LaCenterra at Cinco Ranch, 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd., Katy, will present Cinema Under the Stars from 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18. The featured film will be "The Greatest Showman." Visit www.lacenterra.com/

events for details.

Katy Market Day

Katy Market Day is the third Saturday of the month, March through November, in downtown Katy. The market will open at 10 a.m. Aug. 18 featuring art, antiques, crafts, food trucks and more. Visit www.katy

marketday.com or call 281-391-1993 for information.

Genealogy Databases

Are you interested in learning more about your family's past? The Maud Marks Library is offering a class on its online genealogy databases on Saturday, Aug. 18, at 10 a.m. Seating is extremely limited for this class. Registration required. Call the Maud Marks Library at 281-492-8592 for more information and to register. The library is located at 1815 Westgreen Blvd.

Fall vegetable gardening

Harris County Master Gardeners will bring their Green Thumb Series to Maud Marks Library on Saturday, Aug. 18, from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The topic will be Fall Vegetable Gardening. The program is free. The library is located at 1815 Westgreen Blvd. in Katy. Visit hcmga.tamu.edu or call 713-274-0950 for information.

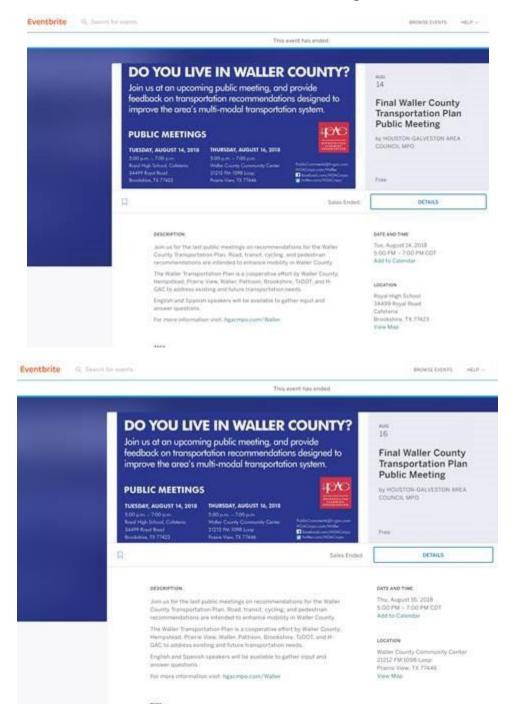
Music series

Typhoon Texas, 555 Katy Fort Bend Road, will present Saturday and Sunday live music performances on its Tidal Wave Bay Stage...
The schedule features the Son Vacilon at noon and The New Offenders at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 18; Kevin Charles Band on Aug. 25 at 6:30 p.m.; Susan Hickman on Aug. 26 at 4 p.m.; Abby Walker at noon and Kristen Kelly Band at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 1; and Kristen

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Waller County Transportation Plan: Public Meeting Announcement



Upcoming Public Meetings

The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) Metropolitan Planning Organization invites you to attend the final round of public meeting to provide input on the proposed transportation recommendations intended to enhance mobility in Waller County now and in the future.

H-GAC staff will be available to answer questions.

English and Spanish speakers will be available to gather input and answer questions. For additional information, visit: **HGACmpo.com/Waller**







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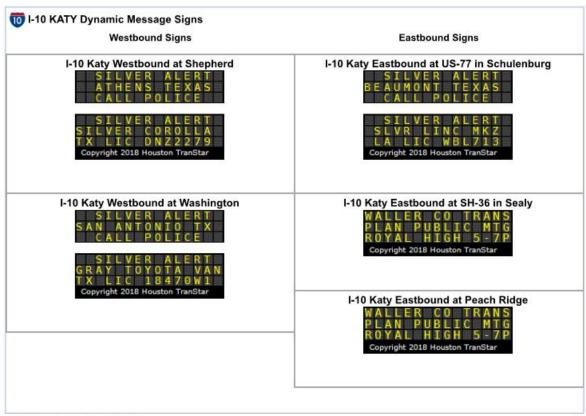
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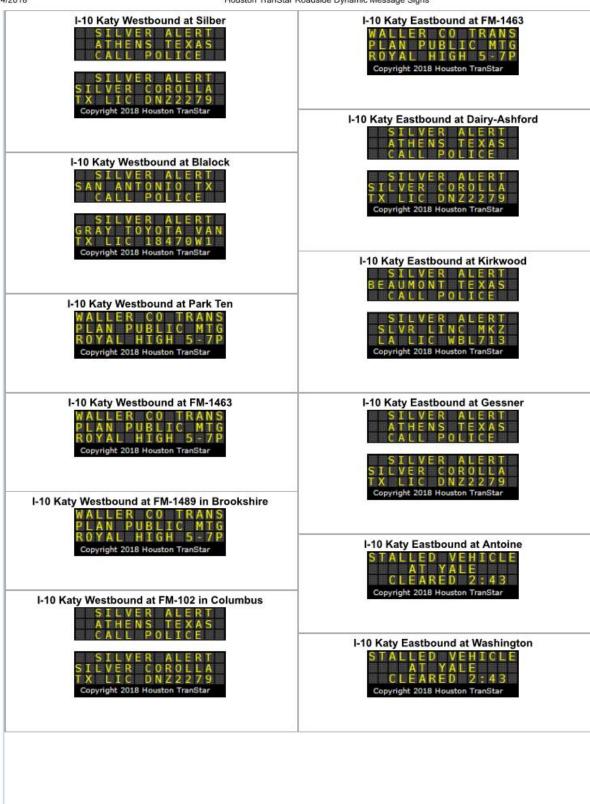


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August 25 marks the one-year anniversary of the landfall of Hurricane Harvey, believed to be the most devastating storm event, in terms of monetary damages, in U.S. history.

The hurricane, which first caused heavy damage along Texas's central Gulf coast and then central Texas, then went on to park itself over the greater Houston-Galveston region over several days, unleashing unprecedented amounts of rainfall and creating enormous flooding. Even more sadly, several people lost their lives.

With such a momentous anniversary upon us, it's no wonder that we will be "inundated" with media stories, opinion pieces, and public events geared around the storm.

As just one example, Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy and the Severe Storm Prediction, Education, and Evacuation from Disaster (SSPEED) Center recently released a joint report, co-authored by Jim Blackburn and Phillip Bedient, called "Houston a Year after Harvey: Where We Are and Where We Need To Be."

Blackburn, a noted environmental attorney, will be the featured speaker at a related Baker Institute event on August 30 called "Houston a Year After Harvey: Ongoing Flooding Challenges and Proposed Solutions."

Other public events include:

information about proposed projects for each of the county's watersheds, including an interactive map, at hcfcd.org.

3. Waller County Transportation Plan Public Meeting



On August 16, 2018, from 5-7 p.m., the Houston-Galveston Area Council will host the final public meeting on proposed recommendations for an update to the Waller County Transportation Plan. There are some proposals for new roads that would run through environmentally sensitive Katy Prairie Conservancy preserve lands. The meeting will be held at the Waller County Community Center, 21212 FM 1098 Loop, Prairie View, If you are unable to attend, public comments may be emailed to PublicComments@h-gac.com.

4, "Gardening with Local Native Plants" presentation



On August 16, 2018, beginning at 6:45 p.m., the Houston chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas will hold its monthly meeting featuring a presentation by Katy Emde called "Gardening with Local Native Plants and How Houstonians Are Doing It." The event will be held at the Houston Arboretum & Nature Center. For more information, visit npsot.org.

5. UCS presents "The Risks of Rising Seas on our Coasts"





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APPENDIX B: Sign-in Sheets





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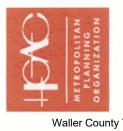


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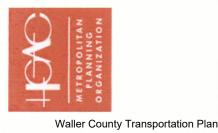


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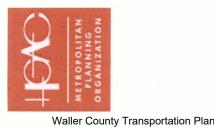


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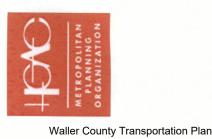


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APPENDIX C: Handouts





Waller County along with the cities of Brookshire, Hempstead, Katy, Pattison, Prairie View, and the City of Waller, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), and the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) have worked together to develop the Waller County Transportation Plan (WCTP), which consists of a mobility plan and a thoroughfare plan. Below are highlights of the 18-month study.

VISION

The vision of the WCTP is to enhance safety and mobility for all users while preserving the county's heritage and protecting environmentally sensitive areas.

GOALS

The goals of the WCTP were developed in collaboration with the Steering Committee and designed to guide the WCTP and its recommended transportation improvements:

- Enhance Mobility
- Support Economic Development
- Preserve Quality of Life
- Project Consensus

ISSUES

Waller County is rapidly adding residents and jobs, and with this growth comes increased traffic. The WCTP identified the following areas of mobility concern:

- Traffic congestion
- Transit needs
- Heavy truck traffic
- Cyclist/Vehicle conflicts
- Dangerous road curves
- Road flooding
- Roads without shoulders
- Road conditions
- Road connectivity
- Widen IH 10 and US 290
- Coordinate ordinances/policies

MOBILITY PLAN

STRATEGIES

- Straighten curves
- Add capacity
- Improve intersection geometric design and control
- Improve safety

- Improve N/S and W/E connectivity
- Improve transit services
- Develop basic cycling network
- Improve local circulation

KEY PROJECTS

The Study has identified projects by short-term needs and long-term needs. Some of the short-term projects are recommended to be implemented as soon as possible, including:

- US 90
- FM 359 (Pattison/Brookshire)
- James Muse Parkway
- Owens Road
- Cameron Road
- SH 6 at US 290
- SH 159 at Austin Street
- FM 1098 at Minor Street
- FM 1098 at Wyatt Chapel Road
- FM 1488 at Giboney Road
- Royal Road at Durkin Road
- FM 2855 at Morton Road

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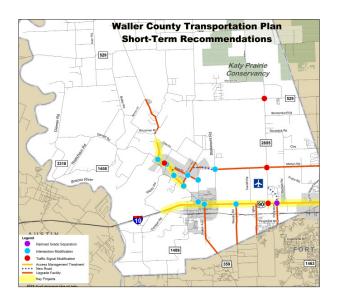
The mobility section of the WCTP has identified the following short and long-term recommendations intended to improve mobility in Waller County.

Roadways:

- 8 Grade separations (bridges, RR crossings)
- 32 Intersection modifications (right/left turn lanes, intersection jog/angle)
- 8 Signal installations
- 5 Brazos River bridges
- 235 Miles of roadway modifications including widening/straightening
- 22 Miles of access management treatment (raised medians)
- 42 Miles of new roads

Hike/Bike:

- Waller County Hike/Bike Study
- Multi-use paths along US 90, Old Houston Highway, existing easements, Brazos River, and around Katy Prairie Conservancy



Transit:

- Local and intra-county bus service
- Park-and-ride bus service
- Commuter rail service

THOROUGHFARE PLAN

CONCEPTS

- Long-range plan
- Preserve adequate rights-of-way
- Promotes regional roadway connectivity
- Promotes regional roadway design uniformity
- Guides future investments
- Informs public

STRATEGIES

- Improve N/S and E/W connectivity
- Promote orderly development
- Standardize road design standards
- Update subdivision regulations

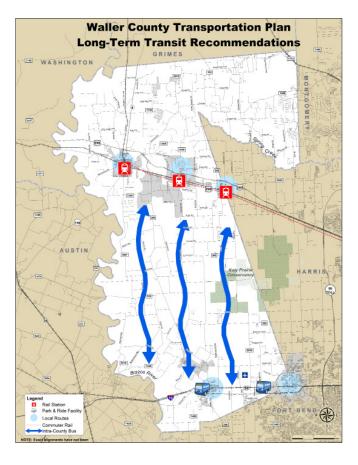
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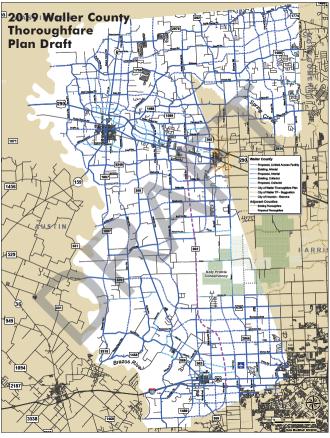
 None. The thoroughfare plan is not a list of projects, and there is not a timeline as to when the future transportation corridors will be constructed.

SUMMARY

- 9 Thoroughfares removed from Katy Prairie Conservancy
- 5 Thoroughfares recommended to be removed from City of Houston Thoroughfare Plan
- 3 Brazos River crossings added
- 1 New E/W thoroughfare added to traverse the county
- Improved N/S and E/W connectivity









- 1. Receive and review public comments (comment period ends August 31, 2018)
- 2. Waller County adopts Thoroughfare Plan
- 3. Finalize WCTP document

HOW TO SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENTS

Website: hgacmpo.com/Waller

Email: PublicComments@h-gac.com

Mail: H-GAC Transportation Department

Waller County Transportation Plan

P.O. Box 22777

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		DRAFT WALLER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PLAN SUPPORT PROJECTS (SHORT-TERM)	
Road/Project Name	Improvement	Description	Draft Cost (Millions)
US 290 at SH 6	Traffic Signal Improvement	Improve signal control	\$ 0.5
SH 159 at Austin Street	Intersection Improvement	id truck signage, and widen right-turn lanes	
FM 1098 at Echols Street	Traffic Signal Improvement		\$ 0.2
FM 1098 at Minor Street	Traffic Signal Improvement	Install signal and add exclusive right-turn and left-turn lanes to improve access	\$ 0.2
FM 1098 at Owens Road	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection geometric design, wide turn lanes for truck traffic and install traffic signal	\$ 1.0
FM 1488 at Giboney Road	Intersection Improvement	gnals and safety signage at Fields Store Elementary School	
FM 1098 at Wyatt Chapel Road	Intersection Improvement		
FM 359 at Fire Station	Traffic Signal Improvement	Improve intersection design, add signals and improve access to Fire Station	
FM 359 at FM 1458	Intersection Improvement		
Royal Road at Durkin Road	Intersection Improvement	o improve safety and mobility near Royal High School	\$ 1.0
Morton at FM 2855	Traffic Signal Improvement		
Cameron Road / Wyatt Chapel Road	Widen and Extend	bicycle lanes on both sides	C1
FM 359	Access management		
James Muse Parkway	Widen and Improve		
Owens Widen and Extension	Widen and Extend	and extend west to Liendo Pkwy	\$ 5.9
06 SU	Access management	Implement access management strategy for segment within Waller County	\$ 5.2
Fields Store Road at Joseph	Intersection Improvement	geometric design (remove intersection jog)	
FM 1098 at Hawkins	Traffic Signal Improvement		
FM 1098 at Wyatt Chapel Road	Intersection Improvement	ffic and install traffic signal	
FM 1774 at E Hollyhill Drive	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection geometric design by removing intersection jog	\$ 1.0
FM 2855 and FM 529	Traffic Signal Improvement		
US 90 at Waller Ave	Intersection Improvement	etric design of intersection to accommodate truck movements	
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US 90 at Woods Road	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection geometric design - remove intersection jog	\$ 1.0
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FM 359 at Wilpitz	Intersection Improvement	rsection	
FM 362 at FM 359	Intersection Improvement		
FM 362 at Royal Road	Intersection Improvement	es	
Morton Road at Neuman Road	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection geometric design - remove intersection jog	
Pederson Rd at US 90	Grade Separation		
BU 290	Access management		
BU 290	Safety Improvement		
Durkin Road	Widen and Improve	Widen from two to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from FM 359 to FM 362	
FM 359	Safety Study	Sozeman Road	\$ 0.9
FM 359	Widen and Improve	bicycle lanes from US 90 to south county line	
FM 359 Extension	New Facility		
Hegar Rd	Widen and Improve	e lanes between Spring Creek and Magnolia Road	
Igloo Rd	Widen and Improve		
Joseph Rd	Widen and Improve	tore Road and east county line	1
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Morton Road	Widen and Improve		
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Pederson Road Widen and Extension	New Facility		\$ 7.7
Richard Road	Widen, Reroute and Improve	tt Chapel; Reroute segment between US 290 and Old Houston Hwy to connect with Springdale Road	
Royal Road	Widen and Improve		
Woods Road	Widen and Improve	Widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from US 90 to the south county line	\$ 2.9
Total Short-Term Projects			\$ 129.2

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Road/Project Name	Improvement	Description	Draft Cost (Millions)
1-10	Bridge	Construct two I-10 frontage road bridges over Brazos River	\$ 10.0
US 290	Bridge	ler	\$ 10.0
New Bridge over Brazos River	Bridge	Construct a new bridge over Brazos River in Central County	\$ 20.0
James R Muse Pkway at Railroad Crossing	Grade Separation	Grade separation at railroad parallel BU 290	\$ 3.0
FM 362 at Railroad Crossing	Grade Separation	Grade separation at railroad parallel BU 290	\$ 3.0
FM 359 at Railroad Crossing	Grade Separation	Grade separation at railroad parallel BU 290	3.0
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US 290 at SH 6	Intersection Improvement	Improve interchange by adding direct connectors and U-turn lanes	\$ 12.0
FM 1488 at Austin Street	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection design	\$ 1.5
FM 1488 at FM 1098	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection design	\$ 1.5
FM 359 at US 290	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection design	\$ 5.0
US 290 at FM 362	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection design and add U-turn lane for mobility and safety	\$ 5.0
FM 359 at FM 529	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection design	\$ 1.5
Cooper at US 90	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection design	\$ 1.5
FM 529 at FM 362	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection design	\$ 1.5
Otto at US 90	Intersection Improvement	Improve intersection design	\$ 1.5
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FM 1488 at Bowler	Intersection Improvement	Remove jogs of the disjointed intersection	\$ 1.5
FM 1489 at House	Intersection Improvement		\$ 1.5
FM 1098	New Facility	Extend South to connect with US 290 and add shoulders and bicycle lanes	\$ 1.6
FM 362 Bypass	New Facility	Construct a new four-lane facility spur from FM 362, continue along Stalknecht and extend south to I-10	\$
Royal Road Extension	New Facility	Extend Royal Road east to align with Cardiff Road as a four-lane facility with shoulders and bicycle lanes	\$
FM 1736/Hempstead loop	New Road	Extend FM 1736 south as a four lane facility with shoulders and bicycle lanes, connect east at FM 359	\$ 22.5
Pattision to I-10	New Road	Widen and extend Wilpitz Road to I-10 as a four lane facility with shoulders and bicycle lanes	\$ 14.0
Baethe Road	New Road	Widen and extend Baethe both east and west across the county as a four lane facility with shoulders and bicycle lanes	\$ 38.3
Spur 1488	New Road	Construct a new four-lane facility spur from FM 1488, continue south to FM 1736 loop	\$ 7.5
Cochran Road	Roadway Modification	Straighten and widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from BU 290 to Baethe Road	\$ 5.9
FM 1736	Roadway Modification	Straighten and widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from US 290 to east county line	\$ 21.3
Giboney Road	Roadway Modification	Straighten and widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from FM 1736 to FM 362	\$ 3.3
Binka Road	Widen and Extend	Widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from BU 290 to Betka; extend south from Betka to FM 362	\$ 8.6
FM 1489	Widen and Extend	Straighten and widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from House Road to I-10; extend north from I-10 to FM 529	\$ 5.6
FM 1458	Widen and Improve	Straighten and widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from FM 359 to west county line	\$ 9.2
FM 1488	Widen and Improve	Straighten and widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes from BU 290 to east county line	\$ 23.2
FM 359	Widen and Improve	Straighten and widen to four lanes with bicycle lanes and shoulders from Downtown Brookshire to US 290	\$ 31.6
FM 362	Widen and Improve	Straighten and widen to four lanes with bicycle lanes and shoulders from Royal Road to FM 1736; Drainage improvements	\$ 30.6
1-10	Widen and Improve	Add one additional main lane and frontage road to each direction throughout the county	\$ 98.9
SH 6	Widen and Improve		\$ 10.5
TX 159	Widen and Improve	Widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes for segments within Waller County	\$ 5.6
US 290	Widen and Improve	inage improvements; Install advanced truck signage; Add U-turn lanes	\$ 120.3
06 SN	Widen and Improve		\$ 37.9
FM 529	Widen, Reroute and Improve	Straighten and widen to four lanes with shoulders and bicycle lanes for segments, Reroute between FM 359 and FM 362	\$ 53.3
Total Long-Term Projects			\$ 672.3

City	Road/Project Name	Begin Limit	End Limit	Road Condition	 ft Cost Illions)
Brookshire	Cooper/South Street	End of Cooper (W)	Waller Avenue	Fair	\$ 1.2
Brookshire	FM 362	Garvie	FM 359	Fair	\$ 0.5
Brookshire	US 90	Donign	Stalknecht	Fair	\$ 2.0
Brookshire	Waller Avenue	2 1/2 Street	13th Street	Fair	\$ 0.9
Brookshire	Gassner and 2 1/2 street	FM 359	Waller Avenue	Poor	\$ 0.8
Brookshire	South Street	Waller Avenue	Hereford Drive	Poor	\$ 0.6
Brookshire	FM 1489	Gassner	Rheman Cutoff	Poor	\$ 1.4
Brookshire	FM 359/Bain	I-10	Hubbard	Poor	\$ 1.0
Hempstead	Austin Street/BU 290	SH 159	Diiorio Farmers Market	Fair	\$ 2.4
Hempstead	Blasingame Road	St. Marys Street	Austin Street/BU 290	Fair	\$ 0.4
Hempstead	Urban	US 290	Austin Street	Poor	\$ 1.4
Katy	1st Street	Avenue D	Tubular	Fair	\$ 1.4
Katy	US 90	Avenue D	Commerce Drive	Fair	\$ 2.0
Pattison	Durkin	FM 359	Royal Road	Fair	\$ 0.5
Pattison	Royal Road	FM 359	FM 362	Fair	\$ 0.9
Pattison	FM 362	Royal	Clapp	Fair	\$ 1.2
Pattison	Durkin	Royal Road	Clapp Road	Poor	\$ 0.6
Pattison	Sterling/1st Street	Avenue H	Clapp Road	Poor	\$ 0.8
Pine Island	Betka Road	Brumlow	Cochran	Fair	\$ 3.3
Pine Island	FM 359	Pierceall Road	Old Houston Road	Fair	\$ 2.3
Pine Island	Old Houston Road	Clear Creek	Laura	Fair	\$ 1.2
Prairie View	BU 290	Liendo Parkway	James Muse Parkway	Fair	\$ 1.9
Prairie View	Liendo Parkway	Wyatt Chapel	BU 290	Fair	\$ 1.5
Prairie View	Blinka/James Muse Parkway	Pine Ridge	Owens	Fair	\$ 1.5
Prairie View	Owens	University Drive	James Muse Parkway	Fair	\$ 1.0
Prairie View	Wyatt Chapel	Liendo Parkway	State Loop 1098	Fair	\$ 0.9
Waller	BU 290	End of Cooper (W)	Hereford Drive	Fair	\$ 2.5
Waller	FM 362	I-10	Hubbard	Fair	\$ 2.2
Waller	Washington	2 1/2 Street	13th Street	Fair	\$ 1.0
otal Pavement R	epair				\$ 39.2

DRAFT WALLER CO	UNTY SUPPORT	HIKE/BIKE PROJE	CTS	
Project Name	Туре	Adjacent Facility	Limits	Facility Type
SH 6 Easement Path/Trail	Easement Path/Trail	SH 6	from US 290 to north county line	Separated Shared Use Path
BU 290 Easement Path/Trail	Easement Path/Trail	BU 290	from Downtown Hempstead to east county line	Separated Shared Use Path
CenterPoint Easement Path/Trail	Easement Path/Trail	CenterPoint Easement	from north county line to Magnolia Road	Separated Shared Use Path
Brazos River Path/Trail	Brazos River Greenway	Brazos River	from FM 3346 to FM 1458	Separated Shared Use Path
Katy Prairie Loop	Hike/Bike Path/Trail	Katy Prairie Conservancy	Loop bordered by FM 362, Morrison Road, Richard Frey Road and east couonty line	Separated Shared Use Path

DRAFT WALLER COUNTY SUPPO	RT TRANSIT PROJEC	CTS
Project Name	Туре	Location/Description
Brookshire Park and Ride	Transit Facility	I-10 at Brookshire
Katy Park and Ride	Transit Facility	I-10 west of Katy
Hempstead Rail Station	Transit Facility	US 290 at Hempstead
Prairie View Rail Station	Transit Facility	US 290 at Prairie View
Waller Rail Station	Transit Facility	US 290 at City of Waller
Park and Ride Service	Transit Service	Park and Ride Service from Brookshire / Katy to Downtown Houston
Commuter Rail Service	Transit Service	Commuter Rail Service from Hempstead, Prairie View and Waller to Downtown Houston
Local Bus service	Transit Service	Fixed route service within Katy, Brookshire, Waller, Hempstead and Prairie View
Intra-County Bus Service	Transit Service	Intra-county bus service connecting cities within Waller County



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APPENDIX D: Presentation

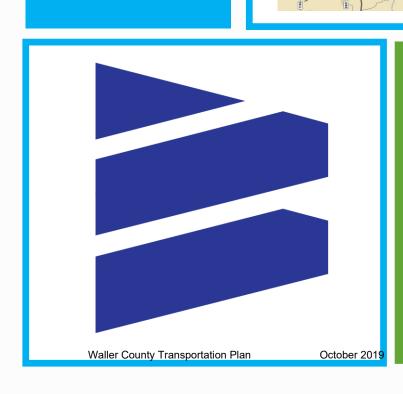
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Public Meeting

August 14, 2018 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Royal High School

August 16, 2018 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Waller County Community Center



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Thoroughfare Plan

Next Steps



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Study Team

Website www.hgacmpo.com/waller

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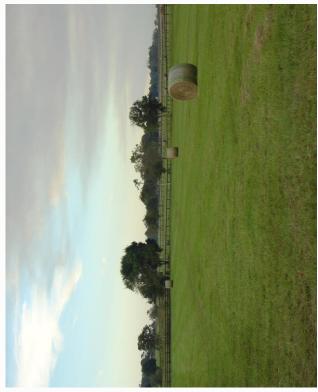




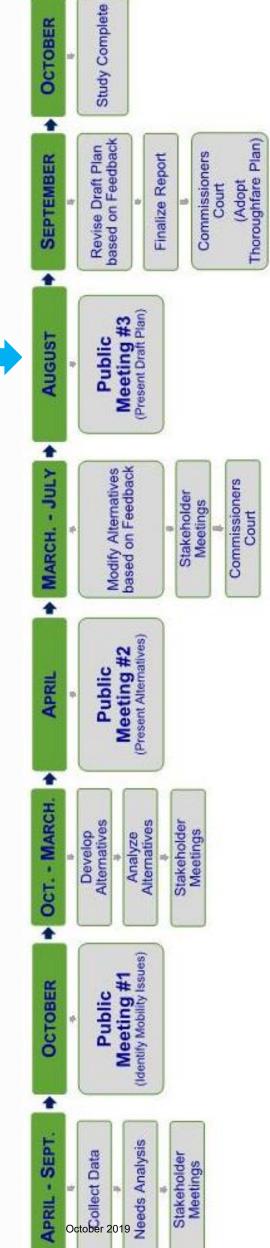


BACKGROUND





STUDY TIMELINE







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RANSPORTATION PLAN

Transportation Plan is to enhance The vision of the Waller County safety and mobility for all users environmentally sensitive areas. while preserving the county's heritage and protecting

SSUES DENTIFIED

Major Issues	Steering Committee	Stakeholders	Public
Traffic Congestion	•	•	•
Transit Needs	•	•	•
Increased Truck Traffic	•	•	•
Cyclist/Vehicle Conflicts	•	•	•
Dangerous Road Curves	•	•	•
Road Flooding		•	•
Roads without Shoulders	•	•	•
Road Conditions			•
North/South Connectivity	•	•	•
East/West Connectivity	•	•	•
Coordinate Ordinances/Policies		•	•
Widen IH 10	•	•	•
Widen US 290	•	•	•



RECOMMENDATIONS MOBILITY PLAN

Short-Term - Roadway

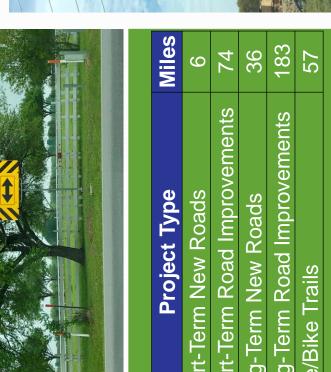
Bike/Pedestrian

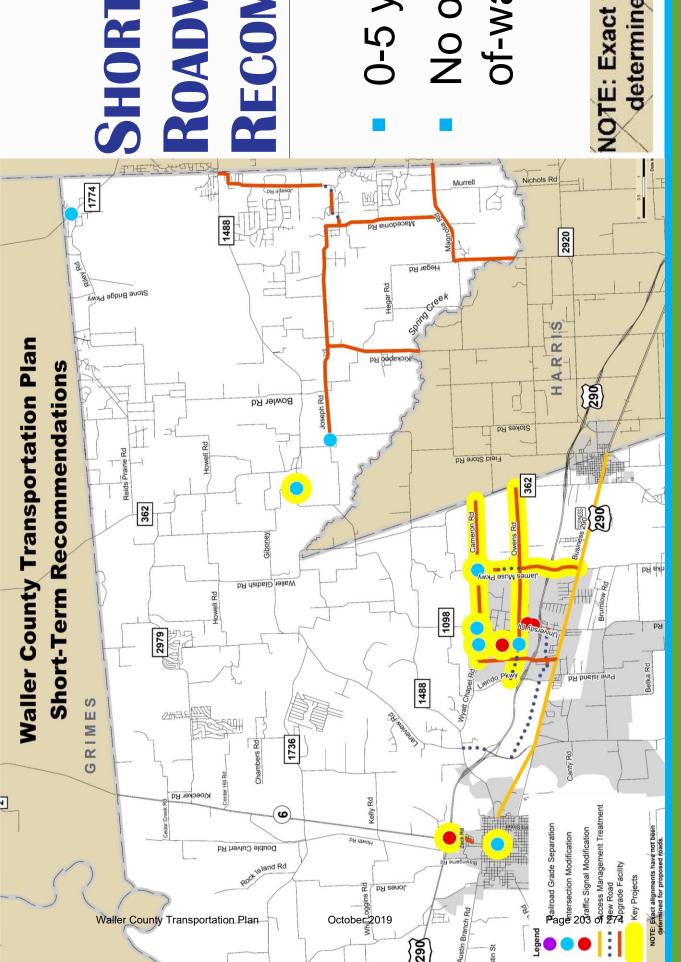
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Long-Term
- Roadway



Miles	9	74	36	183	57	
Project Type	Term New Roads	Term Road Improvements	Ferm New Roads	Ferm Road Improvements	ike Trails	





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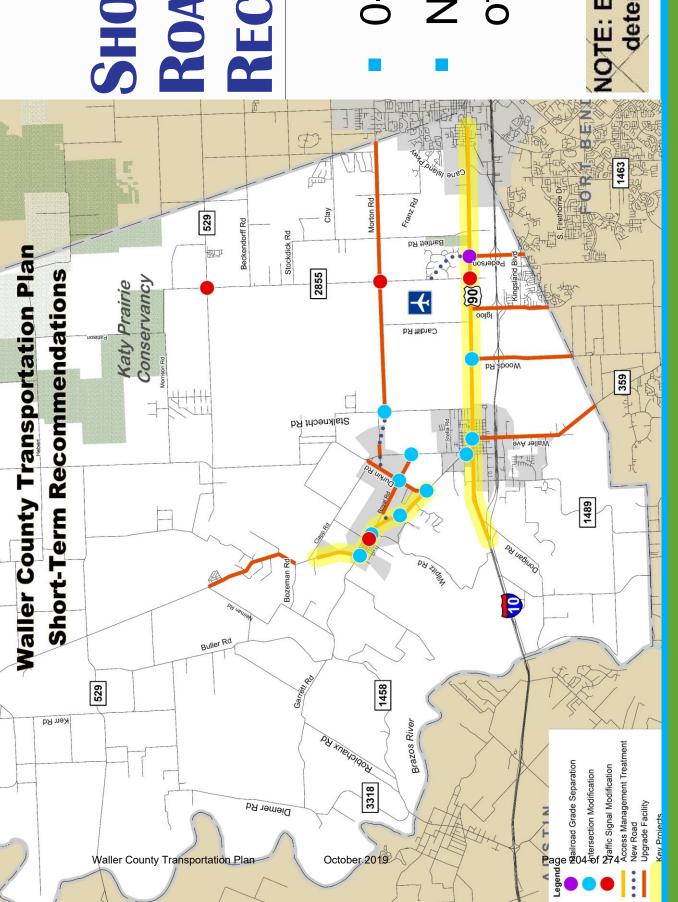
ROADWAY

RECOMMENDATIONS

0-5 year timeframe

No or minimal rightof-way required NOTE: Exact alignments have not been determined for proposed roads.





SHORT-TERM

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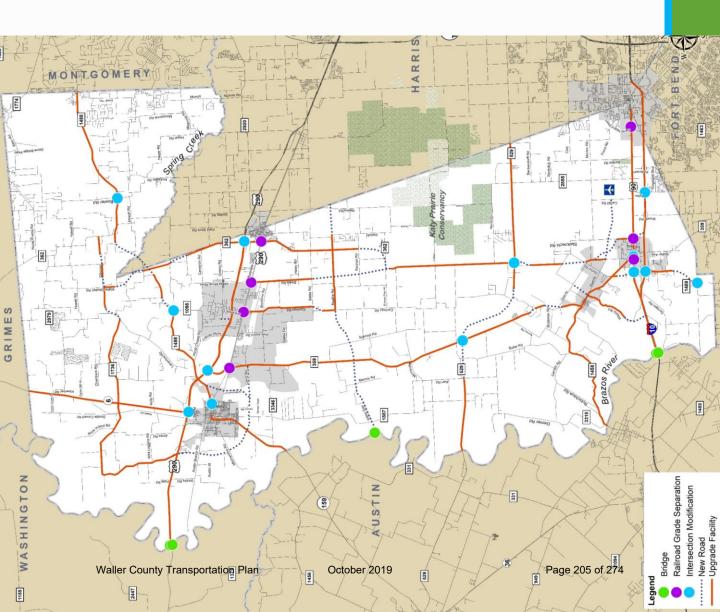


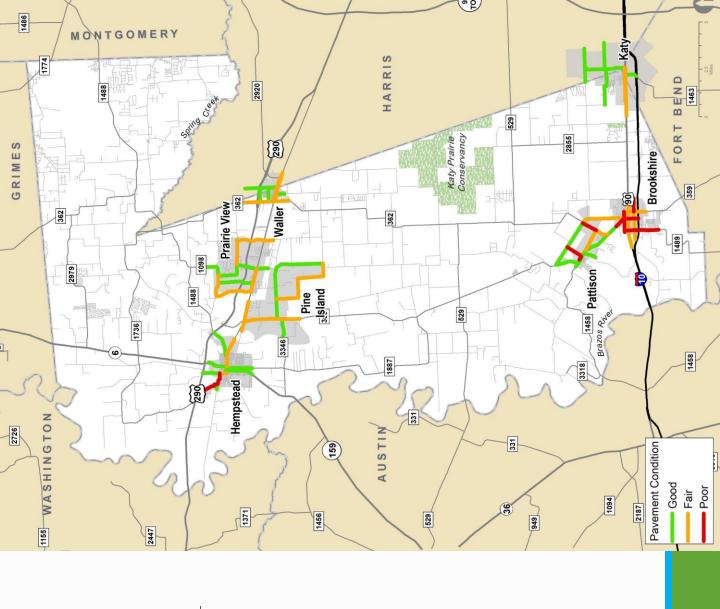
LONG-TERM

ROADWAY

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6-20 year timeframe
- Additional right-of-way required

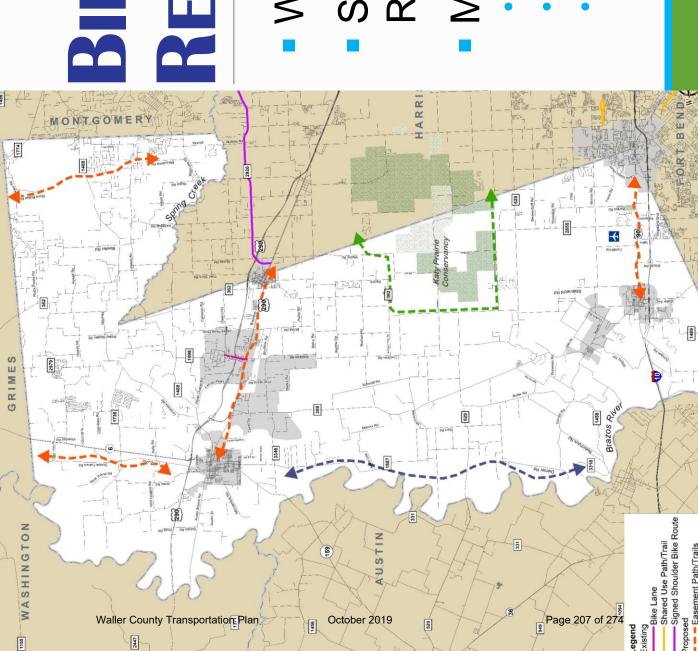




PLANNING LEVEL COST ESTIMATES

ROADWAY DRAFT

Roadway Recommendations	nmendations
Recommendation	Draft Cost
Type	(Millions)
Pavement Repair	\$ 39.2
Short-Term	\$ 129.2
Long-Term	\$ 672.3
Total	\$ 840.6



BIKE/PEDESTRIAN

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Waller County Hike/Bike Study
- Shoulders on New or Modified Roads
- Multi-use Paths
- Katy Prairie Loop
- Brazos River Floodplain
- Easements & Utility Corridors



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RECOMMENDATIONS

- Commuter Rail
- Local Bus Service

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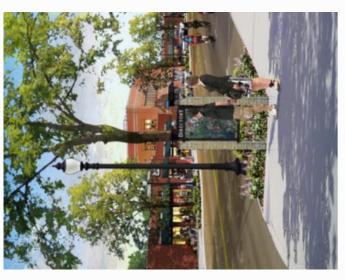
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- Park and Ride Service
- Intra-County Bus Service

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THOROUGHFARE PLAN UPDATE





WHAT IS A THOROUGHFARE PLAND

A Thoroughfare Plan is:

- Long range (50+ years)
- Identifies type and general location of future roadways
- Preserves transportation corridors (right-of-way)
- **Guides future development**
- Promotes connectivity and design uniformity
- Informs public of future roadway needs
- Requires, through the platting approval process of cities and counties, appropriate dedication of rights-of-way and/or construction of identified thoroughfares by private land owners

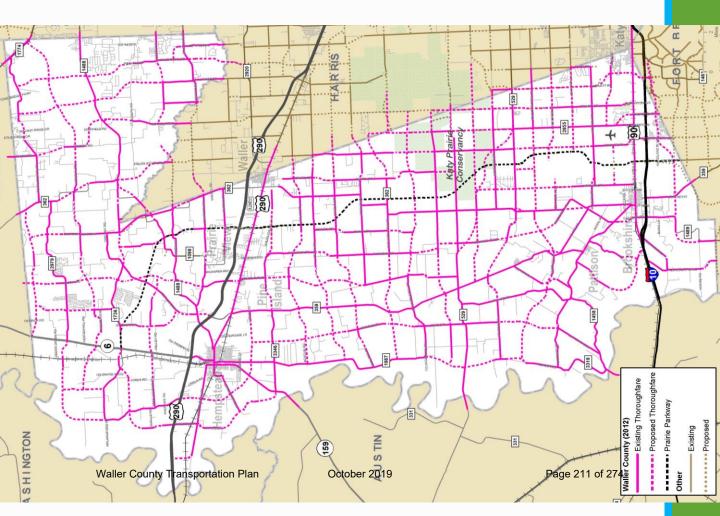
A Thoroughfare Plan is NOT:

- A list of construction projects
- A commitment by local governments to build specific roads
- A survey, design or engineering study
- A map showing the exact alignments for specific roadways
- A ranking or prioritization of roadway improvements
- A set timeframe for when a project should be complete
- A financial plan or funding mechanism





2012 WALLER GOUNTY THOROUGHFARE PLAN





Other Jurisdictions Existing Thoroughfare Other Jurisdictions Proposed Thoroughfare

Existing Arterial Proposed Arterial Existing Collector Proposed Collector

Existing Limited Access Facility Proposed Limited Access Facility

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WALLER COUNTY THOROUGHFARE PLAN DRAFT

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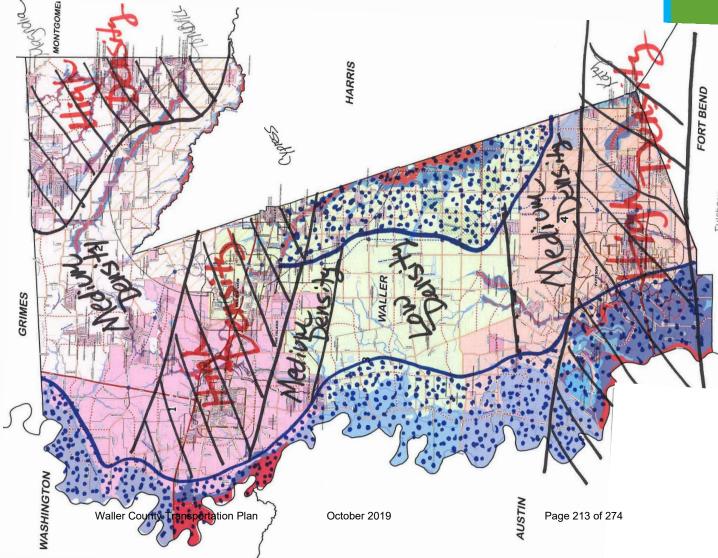
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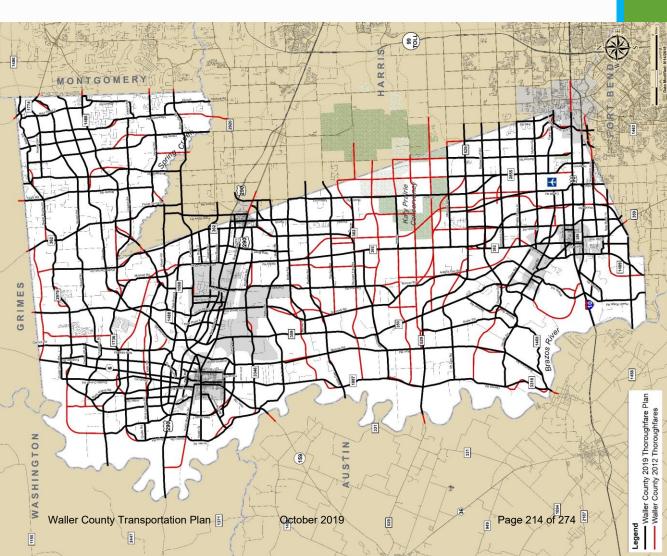
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THOROUGHFARE PLAN DEVELOPMENT

OADS REMOVED



2012 and 2019 Waller County Thoroughfare Plans



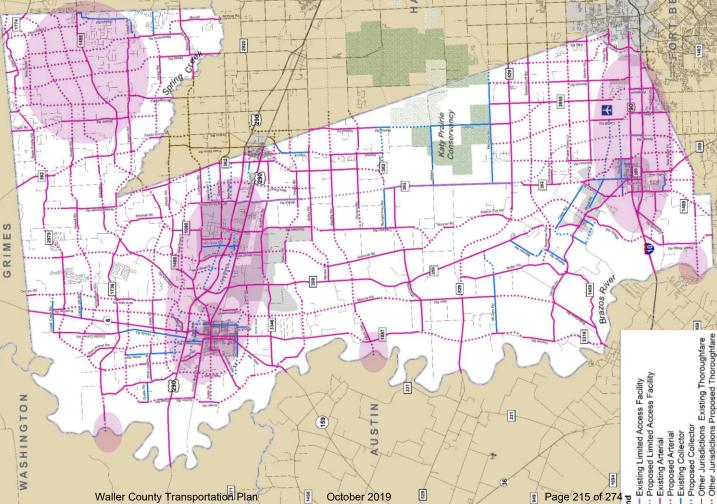
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OADS ADDED EVELOPMENT



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Complete and submit a comment card tonight

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 Submit comments online at: www.hgacmpo.com/waller

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Transportation Plan Get Involved

Public Involvement

The Public Involvement Plan (PIP) incorporates a variety of meetings that will ensure that diverse public interests are being served, interested stakeholders are being educated, and that the comments and suggestions from the public reach the study

FINAL ROUND OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

TUE SDAY, AUGUST 14, 2018 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Royal High School – Cafeteria 34499 Royal Rd. Brookshire, TX 77423

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2018

<u>LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!</u>

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Waller County Community Center 21212 FM 1098 Loop Prairie View, TX 77448

New Documents

Oublic Meeting Documents - April 2018 Commissioners Court Presentation, July 2018

Display boards

HOVE Houston-Galveston Area Council

▼ PublicComments@h-gac.com

C 713-627-3200

or more information visit: hgacmpo.com/Waller

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2018
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Royal High School – Carletoria
34499 Royal Rd.
Brookshire, TX 77423







comments (Comment period Receive and review public ends 8/31/18)



Finalize WCTP document



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APPENDIX E: Exhibit Boards



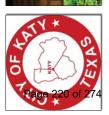


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PUBLIC MEETING















Vision

safety and mobility for all users while preserving the county's heritage The vision of the Waller County Transportation Plan is to enhance and protecting environmentally sensitive areas.

Goals	Objectives
Enhance Mobility Develop innovative approaches to manage and improve transportation facilities, minimizing delays and selectively increasing roadway capacity on the transportation network.	 Improve safety Improve connectivity Improve access Preserve ROW Mitigate barriers Revise development policies
Economic Development Support continued economic development by managing congestion, improving travel reliability and safety	Mitigate congestionImprove reliability
Quality of Life Reflect the County's priorities on protecting quality of life and the natural environment through appropriate use of design concepts and mitigation techniques	 Preserve county heritage Balance between transportation network and natural environment Incorporate all modes of transportation
Project Consensus Strengthen partnerships between local governments by identifying projects with significant consensus in Waller County.	Community supportFiscal SoundnessStrengthen partnerships

DENTIFIED NEEDS

Major Issues	Steering Committee	Stakeholders	Public
Traffic Congestion	×	×	×
Transit Needs	×	×	×
Increased Truck Traffic	×	×	×
Cyclist/Vehicle Conflicts	×	×	×
Dangerous Road Curves	×	×	×
Road Flooding		×	×
Roads without Shoulders	×	×	×
Road Conditions			×
North/South Connectivity	×	×	×
East/West Connectivity	×	×	×
Coordinate Ordinances/Policies		×	×
Widen IH 10	×	×	×
Widen US 290	×	×	×



Transportation Plan

Purpose:

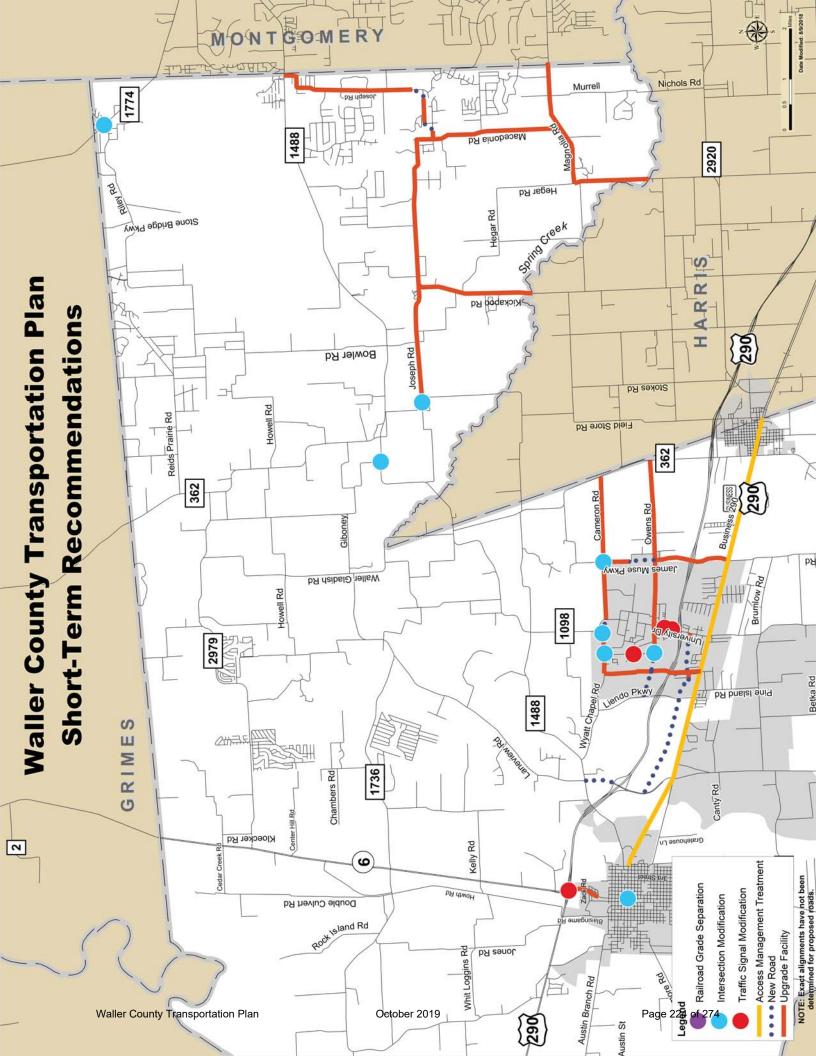
- Identifies existing and future county transportation needs.
- Recommends updates to Thoroughfare Plan and guides future development.
- Develop consensus on short- and long-range transportation recommendations.

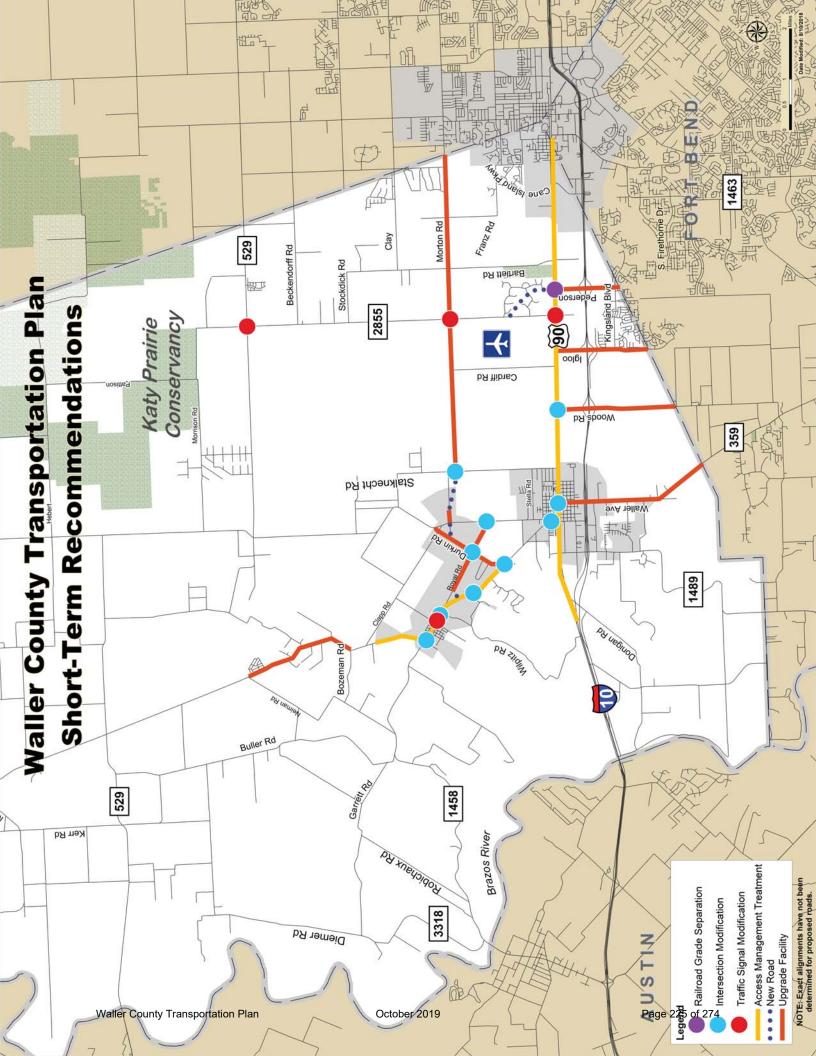
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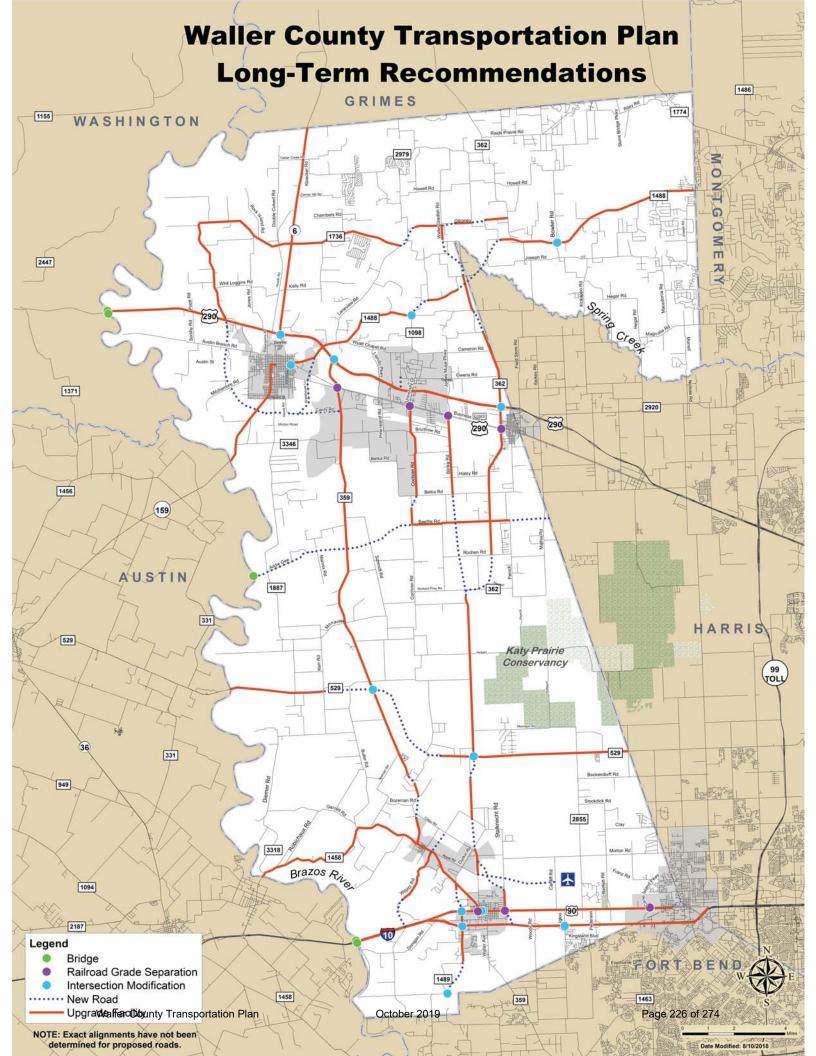
- "Roadmap" for needed transportation improvements.
- Considers needs of all users (not just a roadway plan).
- Collaborative effort between government entities in the County

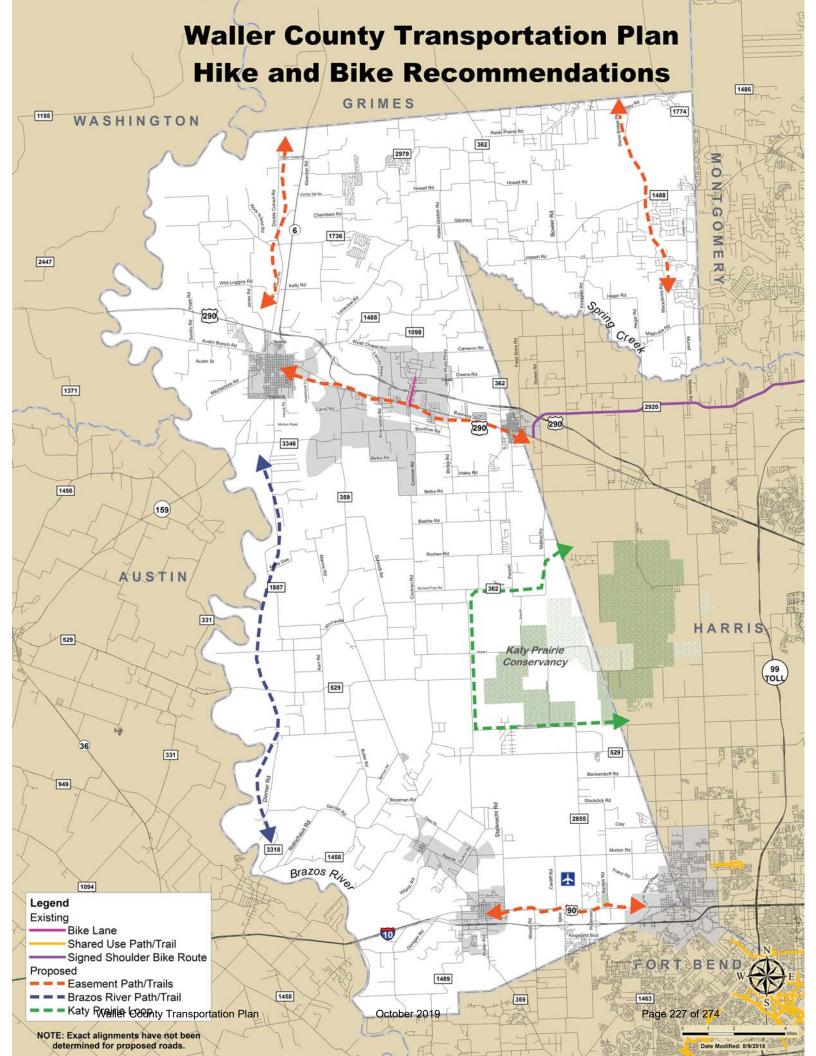
Why do we need one?

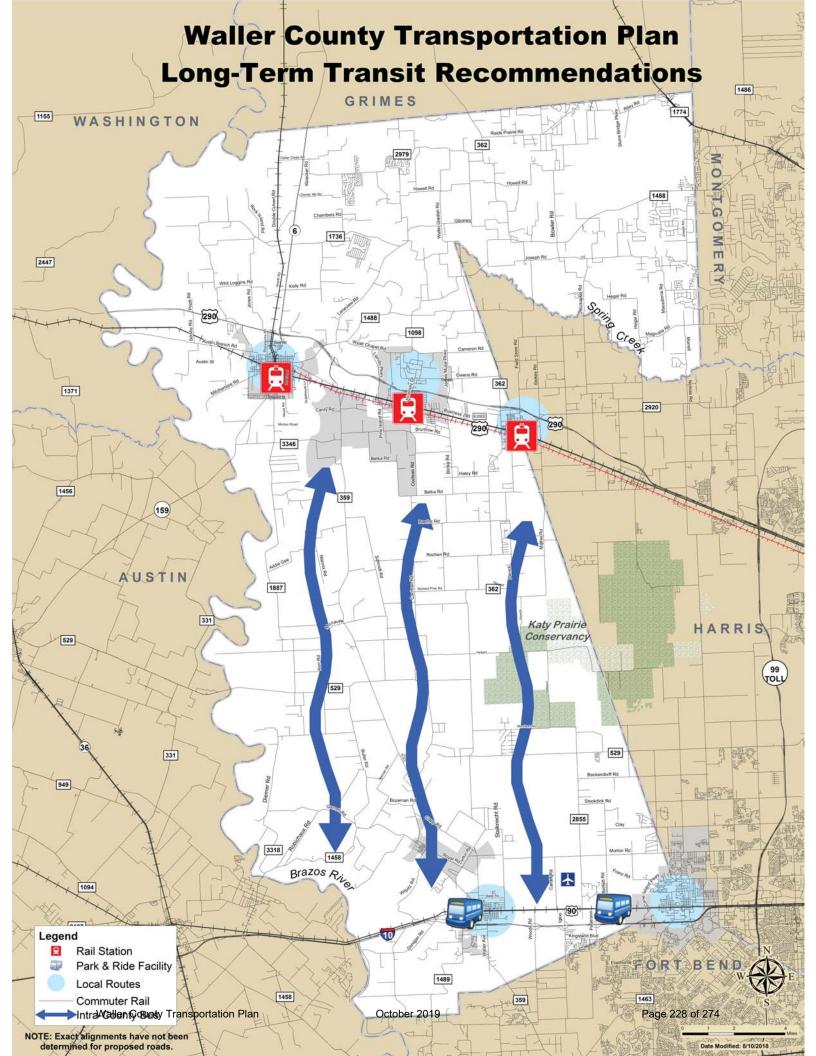
- Population and employment in Waller is growing and is expected to continue to grow.
- New developments (i.e. Amazon) will attract more residents and commuters to area.
- Don't want to leave it to chance.

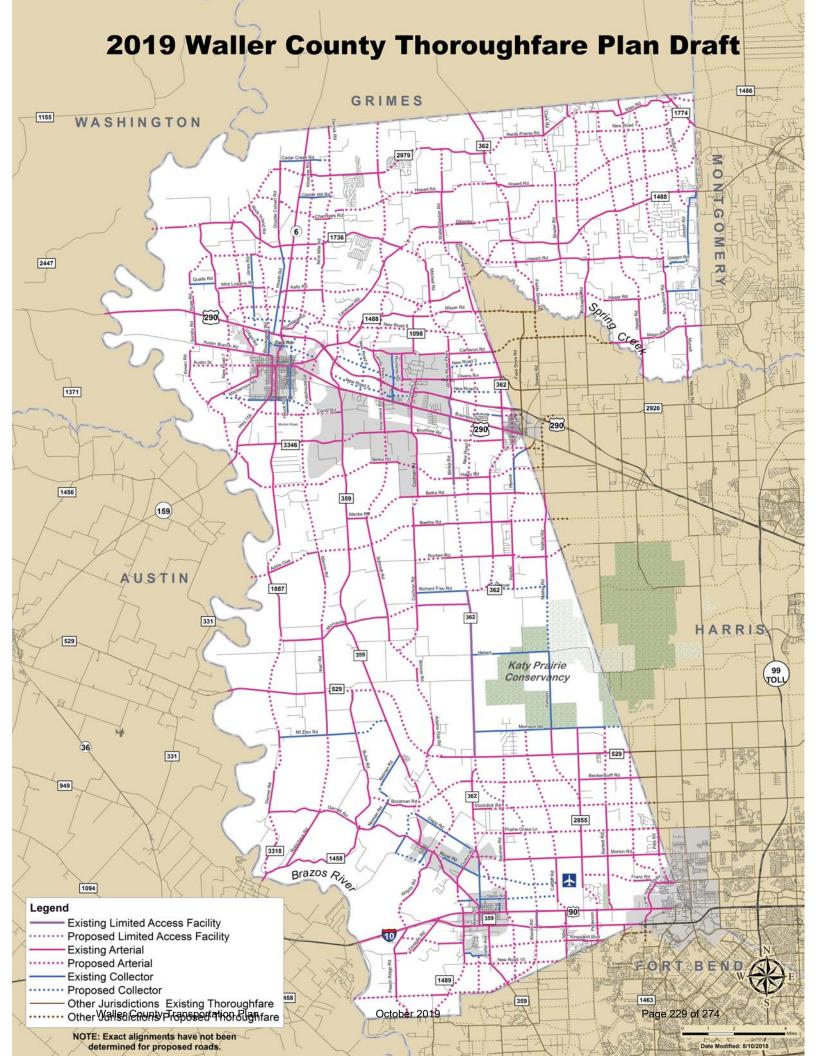














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APPENDIX F: Comments Summary

Roadway Comments - Summarized by Road Name

Q	Road Name	Limits	Comments Received
		Short-Term	lerm
1	Pattison Road	Pattison Road at Hebert Road	Improve intersection safety
2	FM529 at FM 362	FM 362 at FM 529/Wilson Rd	Improve signal at FM529/362/Wilson Road
3	FM 1098	FM 1098 at Dooley St	Improve access
4	Pederson Road Extension	From US 90 to FM 2855	Remove Pederson Rd extension through the Remington Trails subdivision
		Long-Term	erm
5	FM 362	Segments near KPC	Concerns about proximity to KPC
9	FM 529 Straighten	From FM 362 to FM 359	Realign FM 529 straightening from FM 362 to FM 359 to avoid US Department of Agriculture (USDA) conservation easement lands
7	FM 1736/Hempstead Loop	South of Hempstead	Aligning Hempstead loop with FM 3346 using existing roadways
8	Wilpitz Extension	From Royal Rd to Clapp Rd	Remove new road extension between Royal Rd and Clapp Rd
6	New N/S facilities parallel FM 2855	From FM 529 to US 90	Add a new facility parallel to FM 2855 to support traffic growth using either Woods, Cardiff, and/or Schlipf roads
10	Riley Rd	4 miles west of FM1774	Widening / straightening / improved safety and drainage

Thoroughfare Plan Comments - Summarized by Road Name

ID	Road Name	Limits	Comments
1	City of Houston Thoroughfares	From Morrison Rd to FM 529	From Morrison Rd to FM 529 Coordinate with the City of Houston on roads E. of the Harris Co. line
2	City of Waller Thoroughfares	n/a	Incorporate the City of Waller modifications
3	Pattison Road Extension	From Morrison Rd to Mathis Rd	Delete from thoroughfare plan
4	Morrison Road	1-mile W. of Waller County Line	Delete from thoroughfare plan
5	FM 529 Straighten	From FM 362 to FM 359	Realign FM 529 straightening from FM 362 to FM 359 to avoid US Department of Agriculture (USDA) conservation easement lands
9	n/a	n/a	Consider flood plain areas and attention to Addick reservoir

Hike and Bike Comments - Summarized by Road Name

ID	Road Name	Comments Received
1	Brazos River Trail	Hike and Bike along Brazos River - Quick Sand, Flooding
2	FM 1887	Recommend paths along FM 1887 from the library to FM 3346
3	FM 359	Recommend paths along FM 359
4	FM 3346	Recommend safety improvement for sharing the road with motorists and cyclists

Transit Comments

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APPENDIX G: Comments

Waller County Transportation Plan

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN

Prepared for:



Prepared by:



Revised June 2017

INTRODUCTION

Fast-growing Waller County is in a vital position to shape its future by planning for growth while retaining the county's rural characteristics. Faced with a number of highway and rail initiatives, plus development plans for new business campuses and residential communities, Waller County has the opportunity to guide these developments and plan for infrastructure and modal connectivity where and when it meets local and regional needs.

The Waller County Mobility Plan provides the means for local governing bodies to coalesce around a common transportation and development vision. It will also play a part in establishing the county's character far beyond the short-, mid-, and long-term timeframes of identified projects.

Active engagement with the public is an essential aspect of the Waller County Mobility Plan. This Public Involvement Plan outlines the steps that H-GAC, in collaboration with the consultant team engaged to conduct this study, will undertake to implement a transportation planning process that supports early and continued participation by the broad spectrum of affected and interested parties that live, work, and play in the area.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT INITIATIVES

The plan process will engage the public in decision-making, in keeping with the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) five key initiatives for a successful public participation process:

- Public involvement is more than simply following legislation and regulations. In a
 democratic society, people have opportunities to debate issues, frame alternative solutions,
 and affect final decisions. Knowledge is the basis of such participation. The public needs to
 know details about a plan or action in order to evaluate the relative importance and
 anticipated costs and benefits. Through continued interaction with the entire community,
 agencies and project sponsors can build support and assure that the public has the
 opportunity to help shape the substance of plans and actions.
- Agency and non-agency partners need to be in continuous contact during transportation decision-making, from early problem identification to definition of purpose and need, and from alternatives development to implementation of a particular solution.
- Agencies and project sponsors should use a variety of public involvement techniques
 to target different groups or individuals in different ways, according to their varying agendas.
 A single, one-size-fits-all approach usually leaves people out of the process.

- Agencies and project sponsors should search out the public and work hard to elicit comments. It is true that resources are limited, and agencies cannot make anyone participate. However, transportation agencies have repeatedly found that actively engaging the public and changing unsuccessful approaches bring greater results.
- Agencies and project sponsors should focus on increasing public participation in decisions rather than conducting participation activities because they are required.

 Decision-making should include both the continuous stream of informal decisions made by agency staff and the less frequent formal decisions made by higher-level management.

 Timely agency response to ideas from the public and the integration of those ideas into decisions shows the public that participation is worthwhile. A focus on the wide range of possible decision points gets agencies past simply offering the public passive opportunities to comment on proposals just before formal decision-making.

Using FHWA's initiatives as a starting point, the Waller County Mobility Plan team has customized a Public Involvement Plan that dovetails with the unique character of the area and needs of the residents, businesses, and employees who face daily mobility challenges.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

This Public Involvement Plan outlines a multi-pronged approach to engaging the diverse entities and individuals who can provide input to the study process. The project team will convene groups of people early in the process to define issues. Later stages of the project will focus on prioritizing recommended improvements.

Steering Committee Meetings

A core group of individuals representing the entities sponsoring the study, policy decision makers within and adjacent to the study area, and other groups with key input on area mobility issues will meet regularly to oversee the study.

Steering Committee Members

Member	Title	Company/Entity	Email	
Eric Scott	Mayor	City of Brookshire	mayorofbrookshire@gmail.com	
Michael Wolf	Mayor	City of Hempstead	Mayorwolfe1125@yahoo.com	
Amar Mohite	Division Manager	City of Houston	amar.mohite@houstontx.gov	
Byron Hebert	City Administrator	City of Katy	Ivourazeris@cityofkaty.com	
Joe Garcia	Mayor	City of Pattison	Garcia77466@gmail.com	
Debi Ferris	Mayor	City of Pine Island	Debiferris53@yahoo.com	
David Allen	Mayor	City of Prairie View	dallen@prairieviewtexas.gov	
Claudia Wicks	Executive Director	Colorado Valley Transit	cwicks@gotransit.org	

Fred Mathis	Senior Planning	Harris County Public	fred.mathis@hcpid.org
	Engineer	Infrastructure	
Mary Anne Piacentini	Executive Director	Katy Prairie Conservancy	maryanne@katyprairie.org
Fred Washington	Senior VP for Auxiliary	Prairie View A&M	fewashington@pvamu.edu
	Services	University	
Corey Bradford	Senior VP for	Prairie View A&M	csbradford@pvamu.edu
	Business Affairs	University	
Charles Airiohuodion	Senior Transportation	TxDOT	Charles.Airiohuodion@txdot.gov
	Planner		
Patrick Gant	Schematic Design	TxDOT	patrick.gant@txdot.gov
	Supervisor		
Grady Mapes	Area Engineer	TxDOT	grady.mapes@txdot.gov
Elaine Alvarado	Planner	TxDOT	Elaine.Alvarado@txdot.gov
Yancy Scott	County Engineer	Waller County	y.scott@wallercounty.us
Vince Yokom	Executive Director	Waller County Economic	vyokom@wallercounty.org
		Development Partnership	
Bill Huntsinger	Chairman	Waller County	billhuntsinger@huntsingerconsulting.com
		Transportation Authority	
John Isom	Director	Waller Economic	jisom@walleredc.org
		Development Corporation	
		(City of Waller)	

This Steering Committee will:

- Provide information about existing conditions, local community needs, and proposed development.
- Identify area businesses, neighborhoods, service providers, and other key stakeholders that can assist with data collection and provide input on desired improvements.
- Serve as a sounding board to advise the team on effective ways to engage the local communities.
- Partner with the team in spreading the word about the study by using their existing communications networks.
- Review and comment on proposed improvements.
- After the study's conclusion, serve as champions in moving policies and projects forward to implementation.

Vision Statement

The Steering Committee will develop a preliminary Vision Statement and goals to guide the study.

Meetings Schedule

Target dates and topics for the Steering Committee meetings include:

- May 2017. Study introduction, roles, activities, and timeline.
- July 2017. Vision statement, goals, and performance measures.
- October 2017. Review input from first round of public meetings.
- December 2017. Present initial recommendations
- April 2018. Review draft plan.
- July 2018. Present report to Steering Committee and workbooks to cities.

Public Meetings

The intent of this Public Involvement Plan is to promote honest, active, two-way communications with the public. The team conducting the study seeks to actively solicit and listen to the public's concerns and keep them informed about the study's progress. The goal is to provide members of the community the opportunity to participate, allow their concerns to be expressed, and demonstrate how those concerns have been considered as a part of the project process.

Public meetings are a major component of this two-way communication effort and are scheduled to be held at three different times during key stages of the project. The meetings will be conducted in participatory small groups that actively engage community members in transportation planning.

September 2017 — Current Conditions and Needs

Participants in small groups will examine the existing county profiles, discussing what works, what does not, and what could be improved upon. The team will solicit input on issues such as congestion areas, safety concerns including dangerous curves, street connectivity, and other critiques of the existing transportation networks. Participants will also be asked to help identify community values and priorities and to map "treasured places" throughout the county that they would like to see maintained or enhanced.

January 2018 — Future Scenarios

Participants will review transportation alternatives. Team members will facilitate participants' identification of the elements of preferred future transportation investments.

May 2018 — Prioritizing Implementation

Community members will review the draft plan, noting how it reflects the vision they built during the first two rounds of public meetings. Facilitated discussions will enable the public to identify the amount of resources that should be invested in different types of transportation programs, from bicycle and pedestrian facilities to transit and highways.

Meeting Venues

To give ample opportunity for members of the public to participate in the process, each round of meetings will be held on two separate nights in two different locations — one location in the southern part of the county and the other in the northern part. Potential venues under consideration to host public meetings include:

- Brookshire Civic Center
- Hempstead High School
- Prairie View A&M University
- Prairie View Community Center

Publicity Plan

A multi-faceted approach will be implemented to achieve widespread publicity to encourage members of all facets of the public to participate in public meetings:

- Elected officials notification letter.
- Website postings, Facebook postings, and e-blasts to distribution lists of H-GAC, Steering Committee members, other area municipalities, homeowner and civic associations, and professional organizations.
- Posting on Intranet of major employers.
- Inserts in utility bills of local providers.
- Posters in windows of area grocery, retail, and restaurant businesses.

Stakeholders

In addition to engaging the public at large, an essential aspect of the plan's public involvement process is establishing dialogue with specific community members who possess critical information about the county's current transportation needs and anticipated future growth and needs.

H-GAC has outlined a robust stakeholder engagement program, calling for up to 24 meetings; the consultant team is slated to participate in up to 12 of those meetings. The team has identified a variety of types of meetings to maximize input from community members.

Focus Group Meetings

Focus group meetings will be held at the beginning and near the end of the study. The first round of meetings will gather in-depth information from participants about existing conditions, major transportation concerns, and proposed and anticipated new development. The second round of meetings will be held prior to the final round of public meetings to receive feedback on the proposed recommendations. Each round of focus groups will be held in four locations, one in each county precinct, with the following invited participants:

- Waller County Precinct Commissioners.
- Representatives of Waller County unincorporated areas:
 - Cedar Creek
 - Fields Store
 - Monaville
 - Second Corinth
 - Shiloh
- Emergency services providers from the municipalities, plus regional entities such as Waller-Harris County Emergency Services District.
- School district transportation departments.
- Chambers of commerce.

Elected Officials Briefings

H-GAC team members will make briefings to the Waller County Commissioners' Court to update them on the study's progress and meet with the mayors or city council members of the participating municipalities. H-GAC staff will be primarily responsible for these briefings. Meetings held to date include:

 City of Brookshire, Alan Clark and Stephan Gage completed an area driving tour with Mayor Eric Scott.

Standing Meetings, Existing Organizations

The team will leverage Steering Committee members' participation in existing organizations by asking them to add the study as a brief agenda item to monthly or quarterly meetings, as an efficient way to inform locals about the study. We will provide a "meeting in a box" — fact sheets, brief presentation, and business cards with the project website address. Business organizations representing major and small businesses will be targeted as primary audiences:

- Brookshire Economic Development
- Hempstead Chamber of Commerce
- Hempstead Economic Development
- Katy Chamber of Commerce
- Prairie View A&M University's Small Business Development Center
- Prairie View Chamber of Commerce
- Prairie View Economic Development
- Waller County Economic Development Partnership
- Waller Economic Development Corporation (City of Waller)
- West I-10 Chamber of Commerce (serving Brookshire/Pattison)

Providing a link to an online survey will be an effective way to gather specific information about businesses' transportation needs for employees, customers, and suppliers.

One-on-One Business Meetings

Businesses and real estate developers who have major expansion plans may be more willing to provide details in individual meetings. H-GAC will identify businesses for one-on-one meetings and coordinate with the project team about staffing the meetings.

Environmental Justice

Seeking out and considering the opinions and needs of Waller County's traditionally underserved residents — persons with low-income, minorities, the elderly/disabled, individuals with limited English proficiency, and persons with certain other recognized socio-economic indicators of disadvantage — is integral to public participation in this study. Environmental Justice principles require that the traditionally underserved populations are not disproportionately impacted by the adverse effects of development actions or denied the benefits of transportation investments, but are given a meaningful and fair opportunity to

participate in the planning decision making process. To effectively reach out to the traditionally underserved, the team will partner with local organizations focused on their needs, including:

- Area Agency on Aging
- Authority Services (serving persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities)
- Prairie View A&M University Cooperative Extension Program
- Texana (intellectual and developmental disabilities)
- Texas Health and Human Services Commission
- United Way Waller County
- Waller County Extension Services
- Waller County Farm Bureau
- Waller County Farmers' and Ranchers' Co-op
- Local churches
- Other community-based organizations

Communications

A variety of tools will help communicate the study concepts in easy-to-grasp layman terms and keep interested parties informed on study progress. Tools include:

- Project web page, http://www.hgacmpo.com/waller/.
- H-GAC outreach tools, including monthly Vision e-newsletter.
- Exhibits describing examples of short-, medium-, and long term improvements.
- Fact sheet with summary information and business card, distributed by Steering Committee members to their constituents, at organization standing meetings and during special events.
- Public meeting visualization, boards, maps, and other graphically engaging exhibits.
- Targeted surveys to gather information from specific groups.

Media

News releases and queries to local publications will build momentum for the study. We will target publications that focus on the area, including:

- The Waller Times
- Times Tribune Waller County
- The Hotline Press, Hempstead
- Katy Rancher (weekly neighborhood insert to Houston Chronicle) and Community Impact Newspaper Katy
- KPVU FM 91.3, Prairie View A&M University radio station
- The Panther, Prairie View A&M University newspaper (restarting fall 2017)
- Houston Chronicle, Emily Foxhall

The team will keep the Commissioners Court informed of all contact with the media.

Events

By leveraging existing public events, we can broaden outreach about the plan. Outreach activities could range from simply providing Steering Committee members staffing events with project business cards, to hosting a booth with fact sheets and collecting business cards for a prize drawing. The team will ask Steering Committee members to provide input on candidate events.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY REPORT

At the end of the project, the team will compile a digital file summarizing all public involvement activities throughout the project, including steering committee and stakeholder meetings, workshops, public meetings, and presentations to elected officials, agencies, and community organizations.

Appendix B

DATA COLLECTION

Data collection is crucial for establishing a baseline of the mobility conditions within Waller County. This section provides a summary of the data collected and reviewed by the project team to determine existing mobility conditions.

The data that was collected and reviewed for this study included comprehensive plans, thoroughfare plans, site development plans, and more were collected and reviewed. Traffic and roadway characteristics were gathered, including information on Waller County RTP and TIP projects, 24-hour traffic counts, pavement conditions, crash data, and demographic data.

2040 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) identifies the Region's transportation needs, goals and policies over the next 25 years. The RTP serves as a guide for maintaining and improving the current transportation system and identifies investment priorities. The 2040 RTP is the most recent update to this planning process involving the eight-county transportation planning area.

The 2040 RTP is fiscally constrained, meaning that the projects within the plan can be implemented using federal and state revenues.

In total, the 2040 RTP includes recommended investments of \$75 billion (in current dollars) for the eight-county region. These investment priorities are based on conservative estimates of available revenues over the next 25 years.

In Waller County, the 2040 RTP recommends investments of \$458 million (in current dollars), for funded and non-funded projects shown in **Table B-1**. Only two of the RTP projects are currently funded, the widening of the James Muse Parkway and widening of Woods Road totaling 19.8 million (in current dollars).

These recommended investments represent critical improvements to accommodate future growth and mobility.

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The H-GAC Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a four-year fiscally constrained financial plan of transportation projects approved to receive federal funding. Projects selected for the TIP are priorities for the region in all surface transportation areas include roadways and highways, transit, bike / pedestrian, preventive maintenance, rehabilitation and transportation operations.

The Transportation Policy Council (TPC) oversees the development of and adopts the TIP. Following adoption, the TPC monitors implementation of the TIP and approves significant changes to projects contained in the TIP. New projects are added to the TIP on a periodic basis and a Call for Projects is conducted approximately every two years¹.

¹ http://h-gac.com/tag/tip/default.aspx

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PROJECT LIMITS	DESCRIPTION	FISCAL YEAR	TOTAL COST
Clay Rd from FM 2920 Extension to Harris County Line	Smart street improvements	2025	
Clay Rd from FM 2920 Extension to Harris County Line	Construct and widen to 4 lanes with partial realignment	2023	\$19,400,472
James Muse Pkwy from Owens Rd to BU 290	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	2021	\$7,452,381
Woods Rd from US 90 to Fort Bend/Waller County Line	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	2021	\$12,327,247
Fields Store Rd from FM 1488 at FM 362 to Harris County Line	Smart street improvements	2025	\$1,863,000
FM 1488 at Giboney School	Construct left turn lane with flashing signals	2015	\$1,162,767
FM 1488 from US 290 to Waller/Harris County Line	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes with bridges	2023	\$80,937,551
FM 1489 from IH 10 W to Fort Bend County Line	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes with bridge	2023	\$67,435,406
FM 2920 from Morton to Wall/Fort County Line	Smart street improvements	2025	\$6,512,000
FM 2920 from Waller/Harris County Line to Morton	Smart street improvements	2025	\$20,720,000
FM 359 from 0.5 mile North of IH 10 to 0.3 mile South of IH 10	Widen intersection and reconstruct to 4 lanes	2024	\$7,332,758
FM 359 from US 290 to FM 529	Widen to 4 lanes in sections	2023	\$163,038,944
FM 359 from FM 1488 to US 290	Construct FM 359 extension	2015	\$7,911,746
FM 529 from FM 359 to Waller/Harris County Line	Smart street improvements	2025	\$14,060,000
Hegar Rd from Magnolia Rd to Waller/Harris County Line	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	2023	\$5,736,192
Joseph Rd from Bowler Rd to Kickapoo Rd	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	2023	\$4,146,912
Kickapoo Rd from Joseph Rd to Harris County Line	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	2023	\$8,208,816
Louetta Rd/CYF Extension from FM 359 to Harris County Line	Smart street improvements	2025	\$6,555,000
Magnolia Rd from Hegar Rd to Montgomery County Line	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	2023	\$8,814,960
SH 6 from Grimes County Line to US 290	Smart street improvements	2025	\$11,988,000
Total			\$458,571,152

Table B-1: Waller County 2040 Regional Transportation Plan Projects (Funded and Non-Funded)

The current 2017-2020 TIP demonstrates approximately \$10.7 billion in transportation investments for the entire eight-county Houston-Galveston planning area. The 2017-2020 TIP represents \$267 million in transportation investments. The TIP projects located with Waller County are displayed in **Table B-2**.

PROJECT LIMITS	DESCRIPTION	FISCAL YEAR	TOTAL COST
IH 10 W from Brazos River to FM 359	Construct 1 additional main lane in each direction	2017	\$246,800,000
Downtown City of Waller at Various Locations	City of Waller LCI - construct intersection improvements, sidewalks, pedestrian/bicycle amenities (lighting, signage, benches, planted buffers, bike racks) and curb and gutter drainage improvements	2018	\$2,335,323
FM 1774 from Grimes County Line to Montgomery County Line	Widen to 4-lane divided	2018	\$17,210,000
Total			\$266,345,323

Table B-2: Waller County Transportation Improvement Program Projects

TRAFFIC COUNTS

The project team collected traffic counts at various locations throughout the County to determine the traffic volumes. This information was used to determine the existing traffic and truck volumes in Waller County.

WEEKDAY TRAFFIC COUNTS

Weekday bidirectional 24-hour traffic count data was collected at 100 locations in April 2017 on a variety of roadway types including Farm-to-Market (FM) roads, State Highways (SH), United State Highways (US), Interstate Highways (IH), and local roads (Figure B-1). The weekday traffic counts were collected using tubes and traffic cameras. The weekday traffic counts provided updated information on the status of traffic conditions across Waller County and a baseline assessment of the impacts of recent developments on traffic conditions.

Of the 100 count locations, 30 locations collected class counts which provided data on truck volumes. Figure B-2 presents the percent of trucks of total weekday daily traffic. The truck data were supplemented with the H-GAC Regional Travel Demand Model data for the other 70 locations.

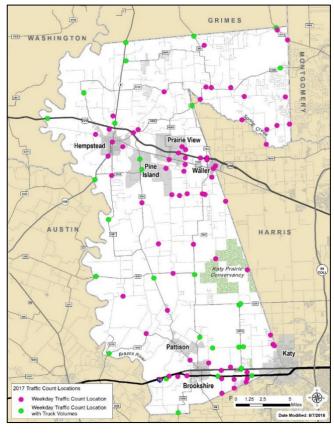


Figure B-1: Weekday 2017 Traffic Count Locations

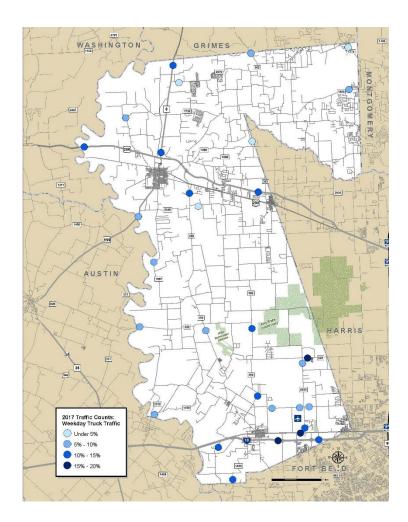


Figure B-2: 2017 Percent of weekday truck traffic.

GAME DAY AND WEEKEND TRAFFIC COUNTS

The steering committee identified severe congestion in September, October and November when Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU), Texas A&M University (TAMU), University of Texas (UT) and Baylor University (BU) are having home football games. To assess the impact of special events on traffic congestion, traffic counts were collected on US 290, SH 6, and other roads providing access to PVAMU.

Traffic counts were taken at 19 locations on gameday (October 28, 2017) and non-gameday October 14, 2018) weekends for a 24-hour period (**Figure B-3**). The traffic counts were taken by video counts at two locations and

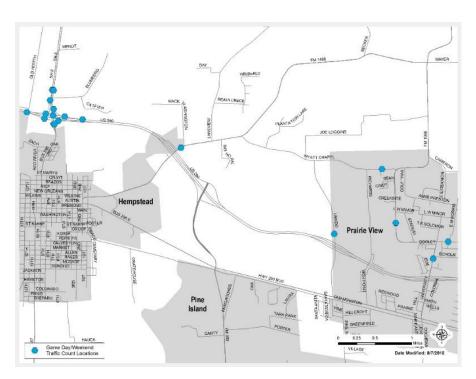


Figure B-3: Gameday and Weekend 2017 Traffic Count Locations

by class counts at 17 locations. The gameday traffic counts were collected on October 28, 2017. The not gameday weekend traffic counts were collected on October 14, 2017 (at two video count locations at 17 locations. Results show a 20% to 600% increase in traffic on game days compared to non-game days.

WINDSHIELD ROADWAY CONDITION SURVEY

Input from the first round of public meeting indicated that roadway condition was a major concern for the residents of Waller County. To evaluate the existing roadway conditions, the project team performed a windshield survey of roadway pavement for the 53 roadway segments within the communities of Hempstead, Prairie View, Waller, Pattison, Brookshire and Katy in Waller County.

For pavement survey, the team used a pavement rating guide (Table B-3) in performing the windshield survey. The pavement conditions were categorized into three broad categories: good, fair, or poor. The results of the windshield roadway conditions survey can be viewed in Figure B-4 and Figure B-5.

The cities of Prairie View, Pine Island, Waller, and Katy have pavement condition in Good and Fair Condition. Hempstead has one key route in Poor condition, and the City of Pattison has the highest amount of roadway segments with pavement in Poor condition.

RATING	DESCRIPTION	PICUTRE
Good	New construction, recent overlay, occasional cracks that are sealed, shows some traffic wear	
Fair	Longitudinal and traverse cracks, occasional patching in good conditions, slight distortions	
Poor	Severe Distortions, Alligator Cracking, Extensive Patching, Potholes	

Table B-3: Pavement Condition Rating

CRASH DATA

Crash data was obtained from the TxDOT Crash Records Information System (C.R.I.S.) Query for the years 2012 through 2016. The crash data was used to perform a crash analysis for Waller County.



Figure B-4: Pavement Conditions (North)

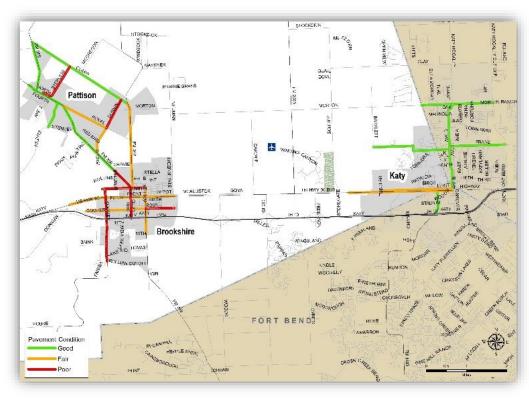


Figure B-5: Pavement Conditions (South)

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

The project team collected demographic data of household population and employment within Waller County to understand the potential impact on travel mobility.

HOUSEHOLD POPULATION GROWTH

"Household Population" is defined by the U.S. Census Bureau as the population living in occupied housing units; this excludes populations living in "Group Quarters" such as nursing facilities, prisons and jails, dormitories, and homeless shelters.

According to the H-GAC regional growth forecast, Waller County will have an increase in household population by 176% from 39, 500 persons in 2010 to 106, 232 persons in 2040 (**Figure B-6**).

EMPLOYMENT GROWTH

According to H-GAC regional growth forecast, Waller County's employment is projected to increase by 41% from 21,052 in 2010 to 29,096 in 2040 (**Figure B-7**).

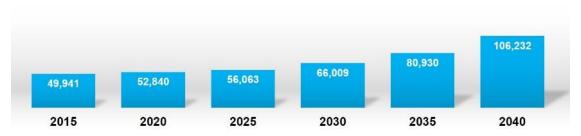


Figure B-6: Waller County Household Population Growth

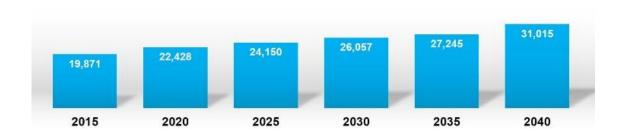


Figure B-7: Waller County Employment Growth

Appendix C

WALLER COUNTY GROWTH MATRIX

Waller County Growth Metrics

Revision 5-October 15, 2018 FINAL

Local communities desire population and economic growth. Such growth brings increased tax revenue, economic prosperity, social diversity, and increased services and amenities. With proper planning the challenges that come with growth, such as traffic congestion, housing shortages, and strains on local services and schools, can be minimized or eliminated.

Community growth typically happens incrementally over time, so it is hard to anticipate the demand growth will create on existing facilities and services. Likewise, because local governments deal with land development projects on a case-by-case basis, it is sometimes difficult to see the cumulative impact of these projects on the local transportation network.

The growth metrics below are intended to help Waller County officials better comprehend the magnitude of future population growth. These metrics are <u>rough estimates</u> of the potential impact of population growth and should not be considered definitive expectations of future growth or demand. Rather, the metrics are "food for thought" meant to facilitate contemplation of policies needed to accommodate such growth should it occur.

The metrics include projections for water demand, housing, education facilities, and businesses. Housing projections include projections for single-family, multi-family, and manufactured housing. Methodology and assumptions for each topic are explained in that section.

Water Demand

Land development and urban growth are virtually impossible without water. Therefore, it is worth assessing the projected water demand for Waller County based on future population growth. The Waller County Comprehensive Strategic Plan (WCCS Plan) states that Waller County primarily relies on groundwater for municipal and agricultural uses. The WCCS Plan also states that Waller County should manage and protect its water resources.

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) is the state agency responsible for water planning and calculates water demand for all counties in Texas. TWDB water demand figures are show below for reference purposes only. TWDB data is available on their website at http://www.twdb.texas.gov.

Table 1 shows projected water demand in Waller County based on TWDB and H–GAC population projections for 2040. TWDB projects a population of 75,535 in Waller County in 2040. In contrast, H–GAC predicts a population of 175,895. Water demand acre-feet totals are based on the TWDB acre-feet per person amounts from the 2020 TWDB Water Demand Projections.

TABLE 1: Waller County 2040 Projected Water Demand (acre-feet)

City Name/Category	TWDB	HGAC
Brookshire	921	2,336
Hempstead	1,703	7,882
Katy ¹	7,748	6,254
Pattison	184	9,202
Pine Island	184	1,715
Prairie View	2,110	5,653
Waller	494	2,647
Municipal TOTAL ²	13,344	35,689
Unincorporated ³	741	1,702
Irrigation ⁴	21,096	17,562
Livestock ⁴	1,069	890
Manufacturing⁴	134	413
Mining ⁴	7	22
County TOTAL	49,735	56,277

1 acre-foot equals 325,851 gallons of water

As the Urban Land Institute notes, "As more U.S. land becomes urbanized and less is used for agriculture, water use is certain to increase, straining freshwater sources both above and below ground" (2002). With 175,000 residents, Waller County would need 13 percent more water than TWDB is projecting. The increase in municipal water demand is noteworthy at 167 percent more than TWDB estimate.

Housing

Housing demand in Waller County will increase with population. A shortage of quality housing stock can hurt both population and economic growth. As the WCCS Plan states, "When communities fail to adequately address housing demands, large segments of the workforce may choose to commute in from outside of the County. This could result in the County being unable to attract the skilled labor force needed to attract quality industry to the local communities".

¹ Population of Katy, TX includes portions of Harris and Fort Bend counties

² TWDB municipal water demand excludes Pattison, TX. Pattison, TX totals are estimates

³ Water demand for unincorporated Waller County is estimated

⁴ TWDB projects that the level of water demand for these uses will remain unchanged thru 2070; HGAC numbers based on 17% decrease in Irrigation & Livestock and 208% increase in Manufacturing & Mining; Mining includes oil & gas activities, extraction of aggregates such as sand, gravel and stones, and production of cement, etc.

Table 2 shows information on existing housing in Waller County. Table 3 shows projected housing demand based on H–GAC's population projection with current average household size. Note that the figures in Table 3 are in addition to existing housing stock in Waller County.

TABLE 2: Current Waller County Housing Characteristics

Population (HGAC 2017)	48,775
Total Housing Units (ACS 2016)	16,146
AVG Household Size	3.02

Housing Unit Percentages	Waller County	State AVG
Single-Family Units	63.7%	67.9%
Multi-family Units	12.4%	24.6%
Manufactured Homes	23.3%	7.3%
Other	0.5%	0.2%

Housing Types	Quantity
Single-Family Units	10,288
Multi-family Units	2,003
Manufactured Homes	3,767
Other	88
TOTAL	16,146

Waller County has a high percentage of manufactured homes. Nearly one-quarter of all housing stock in Waller County is currently manufactured housing. An assumption in the housing projections that follows is that the percentages of housing types in Waller County will mirror state averages in the future. This assumption means that the percentage of manufactured homes in Waller will generally decrease by 2040. Another assumption is that household size will remain constant at 3.02 persons through 2040.

TABLE 3: Projected Housing Demand and Acreage

Description	H-GAC 2040 Projection
Population	175,895
Housing Units	58,227
Housing Unit Types	Projected Units
Single-Family Units	39,536
Multi-family Units	14,324
Manufactured Homes	4,251
Other	116
Growth based on State AVG of Housing Types	
Additional Housing Units by Type	Quantity
Single-Family Units	29,248
Multi-family Units	12,321
Manufactured Homes	484
Other	28
Additional Housing Unit Acreage	Acres
Single-Family Acres based on 5,000 sq. ft. Lots	3,354
Multi-Family Sites based on 100 units/site	123
Multi-Family Acres based on 5 acres per site	616
Manufactured Home Sites	5
based on 100 MH lots per site Manufactured Home Acres based on 1,000 sq. ft. lots & 100 MH lots per site	11

Based on the projection in Table 3, Waller County will need more than 29,000 additional single-family homes by 2040. Over 100 apartment complexes could be added, and roughly five new manufactured home communities could be developed, based on the assumptions of the scenario. The location of these developments, and the roadway systems to and through

them, will have major impacts on the transportation network of Waller County and its cities. Such potential growth emphasizes the need for updated subdivision platting requirements, especially right-of-way dedication and roadway design geometry, as well as access management regulations.

In Texas, the median number of vehicles per household is 2.3 vehicles. The total projected housing units above could potentially generate 494,827 daily trips by 2040.

Education

According to the WCCS Plan, education is a factor considered by businesses and persons contemplating moving into an area. With increasing population comes a need for additional educational facilities. School-related vehicle trips account for as much as 25 percent of daily weekday traffic. The location of school facilities and roadway infrastructure to support them is vital for safety and mobility within the community. Table 4 shows public school metrics for Waller County for the 2016-2017 school year.

TABLE 4: 2016-2017 Public School Enrollment, Staff, and Facilities serving Waller County Students

District Name	2016 Enrollment*	Teachers	Staff	Elementary Schools	Middle/Jr. High Schools	High Schools	Grand Total
HEMPSTEAD ISD	1,633	111	111	1	1	1	3
ROYAL ISD	2,365	179	174	1	1	1	3
WALLER ISD	3,819	375	427	5	2	1	8
KATY ISD*	1,376	464	138	2	2	1	5
Grand Total	9,193	1,129	850	9	6	4	19

^{*}Enrollment figures are for students that reside in Waller County. Katy ISD has one campus (Bryany Elementary) physically located in Waller County. Katy ISD has a total of five campuses that have attendance zones that extend into Waller County.

Table 5 shows the academic and financial information for the four school districts that service Waller County. The ability of Waller County school districts to fund new facilities, purchase transportation equipment, and hire new staff will profoundly affect development patterns within the county. Accordingly, these development patterns will impact the county's transportation network. Moreover, the school districts may be required to improve or construct new roadways as part of the construction of new facilities. Therefore, the financial health of Waller County school districts is important.

TABLE 5: Waller County School District Academic and Financial Information

	Hempstead ISD	Katy ISD ¹	Royal ISD	Waller ISD ²	
Property Tax Rates in 2015 (per \$100 Valuation)					
Туре	Amount (%)	Amount (%)	Amount (%)	Amount (%)	
Voter Approved Tax-Supported Debt	0.21	0.39	0.4888	0.4	
Maintenance & Operations	1.17	1.1266	1.04	1.04	
Total	1.38	1.5166	1.5288	1.44	
Taxes and Actual Revenues					
Taxable Value Per Pupil (2013 Tax Year)	\$296,933	\$341,256	\$400,496	\$302,787	
Total Revenue (2014-15)	\$17,326,511	\$782,000,158	\$28,457,183	\$66,893,698	
Total Revenue Per Pupil	\$11,683	\$11,151	\$12,935	\$10,730	
% State	50.2	34.9	33.6	41.2	
% Local and Other	40	59.6	57	47	
% Federal	9.8	5.6	9.4	11.8	
Actual Expenditures					
Total Expenditures (2014-15)	\$17,077,852	\$829,972,599	\$28,752,270	\$64,132,564	
Total Operating Expenditures (2014-15)	\$14,903,538	\$624,593,514	\$22,004,830	\$55,091,554	
Total Operating Expenditures Per Pupil	\$10,050	\$8,907	\$10,002	\$8,837	
Total Instructional Expenditures	\$7,811,388	\$394,595,889	\$12,342,072	\$31,357,099	
Total Instructional Expenditures Per Pupil	\$5,267	\$5,627	\$5,610	\$5,030	
Current Debt Obligations					
Outstanding Debt as of August 31, 2015					
Type of Debt		\$1,273,035,66			
Voter Approved Tax-Supported Debt	\$15,574,480	\$1,273,033,00 2	\$67,625,918	\$72,730,000	
Maintenance and Operations Tax- Supported Debt	\$909,809	\$0	\$2,560,000	\$0	
Revenue Supported Debt	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Lease Revenue Obligations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total	\$16,484,289	\$1,273,035,66 2	\$70,185,918	\$72,730,000	

¹ Katy ISD has 5 campuses attended by students that live in Waller County. Only one campus is physically located in Waller County. Total Waller County student enrollment was 1,369 in 2016.

² Waller ISD attendance boundaries include portions of Harris County. Total Waller County Student Enrollment was 3,819 in 2016

TABLE 6: Potential Additional School Facilities

Grade Level	Current Campuses*	175K Population	Additional Campuses
Elementary School (PK-5)	9	21,365	+14
Middle School (6-8)	6	9,471	+8
High School (9-12)	4	12,079	+5
TOTAL *Including five Katy ISD schools	19	42,915	+27

Table 6 shows the additional school facilities needed with projected population increase to 175,895 persons. These facilities will be in addition to existing school facilities shown in the first column. The additional facilities are based on the assumptions that (1) the percentage of population under 18 years of age will remain at 24.4 percent of the total population; (2) the current percentages of students in elementary, middle, and high school will remain unchanged thru 2040; and, (3) additional campuses are based on current average campus sizes in Waller County. Increasing campus enrollment per school will reduce the need for additional facilities but will increase traffic volumes at these campuses.

Average Waller County school campus sizes are currently 687 students for elementary schools, 826 students for middle/junior high schools, and 1,621 students for senior high schools. In 2014, the median cost of a new elementary school was \$43,693 per student and provided 188 square feet per student. For middle schools the cost was \$43,635 per student, with 173.4 square feet per student. High schools cost \$45 million each and provided a median of 173,727 square feet (School Planning & Management, 2015). Applying these costs to the projected facilities in Table 6, and using the average campus sizes mentioned above, the school districts serving Waller County could potentially spend over \$900 million for new schools. Based on average Waller County campus sizes, new elementary schools would be approximately 129,000 square feet, and middle/junior high schools would be about 143,000 square feet.

Table 7 shows the amount of daily vehicle trips these additional schools would generate. Daily trips are based on 1.29 trips per elementary student, 1.62 trips per middle/junior high student, and 1.71 trips per high school student.

TABLE 7: Additional School Facility Daily Trip Generation (based on number of students)

	175K Population Additional	
Grade Level	Campuses	Daily Trips
Elementary School (PK-5)		
Middle Sabael (4 9)	14	27,561
Middle School (6-8)	8	15.344
High School (9-12)	•	,
	5	20,654
	27	63,559

Business

Economic growth is key to any community's vitality and prosperity. However, like all other forms of growth, economic development generates additional traffic. Table 8 shows the potential additional businesses in Waller County based on population threshold analysis. Population threshold analysis estimates the population levels needed to support various types of businesses. This type of business analysis is a simple and quick way to determine retail and service business growth. The figures below are rough estimates of the potential number of businesses that can be supported by the projected population increase. However, it should be noted that other factors, such median household income, product or service demand, level of competition, and physical infrastructure, also affect the location and expansion of businesses.

The business types in tables 8 and 9 are listed by Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes. SIC is a system established by the US government for classifying major businesses and industries. SIC codes are hierarchical, and use two-, four-, and six-digit codes to characterize the primary business of a company or organization. The SIC codes below are for retail trade and service businesses only, and do not account for the introduction or expansion of other industries in Waller County to the resultant traffic impacts of the respective facilities of those industries.

TABLE 8: Current and Projected Additional Retail & Service Businesses

4-SIC Code	Category	2015 Businesses	175K Population
5211	LUMBER AND OTHER BUILDING MATERIALS	9	+22
	(Montalbano, Olshan, 84 Lumber, etc.)		
5251	HARDWARE STORES	5	+3
	(e.g.– Home Depot, Lowes, Ace Hardware, etc.)		
5311	DEPARTMENT STORES	1	+3
5001	(e.g.–Walmart, Target)	,	. 2.2
5331	VARIETY STORES	6	+11
5411	(e.g.–Dollar General, Family Dollar) GROCERY STORES	22	+48
3411	(e.g.–Kroger, Randall's, HEB, etc.)	22	+40
5511	NEW AND USED CAR DEALERS	7	+18
5531	AUTO AND HOME SUPPLY STORES	13	+30
3331	(e.gAuto Zone, O'Reilly, etc.)	13	1 30
5541	GASOLINE SERVICE STATIONS	18	+29
5651	FAMILY CLOTHING STORES	2	+5
	(e.g.–Ross, Marshall's, TJ Maxx, etc.)	_	
5699	MISCELLANEOUS APPAREL & ACCESSORIES	2	+5
	(e.g.–Uniform Stores, Tailors, Tee Shirt Shops, etc.)		
5712	FURNITURE STORES	5	+13
5812	EATING PLACES (Fast Food & Sit-down Restaurants)	44	+115
5813	DRINKING PLACES	2	+5
5912	DRUG STORES AND PROPRIETARY STORES	3	+8
	(e.g.–Walgreen's, CVS, etc.)		
5932	USED MERCHANDISE STORES	7	+18
5941	SPORTING GOODS AND BICYCLE SHOPS	2	+5
	(e.g.–Academy, Gander Mountain, etc.)		
5999	MISCELLANEOUS RETAIL STORES	9	+24
7011	HOTELS AND MOTELS	9	+24
7389	BUSINESS SERVICES	19	+50
7538	GENERAL AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR SHOPS	19	+50
7999	AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION	7	+18
	(e.gMain Event, Dave & Buster's, Water Parks, etc.)		
8011	OFFICES & CLINICS OF MEDICAL DOCTORS	10	+26
8021	OFFICES AND CLINICS OF DENTISTS	5	+13
8049	OFFICES OF HEALTH PRACTITIONER	5	+13
8062	GENERAL MEDICAL & SURGICAL HOSPITALS	0	+8
8231	LIBRARIES	3	+2
8351	CHILD DAY CARE SERVICES	8	+21

Table 9 shows the amount of vehicle trips these additional businesses could potentially generate.

TABLE 9: Daily Vehicle Trip Generation from additional Retail and Service Businesses

4-SIC Code	Category	175K Population
5211	LUMBER AND OTHER BUILDING MATERIALS	5,024
5251	HARDWARE STORES	464
5311	DEPARTMENT STORES	25,009
5331	VARIETY STORES	6,150
5411	GROCERY STORES	195,862
5511	NEW AND USED CAR DEALERS	4,116
5531	AUTO AND HOME SUPPLY STORES	3,609
5541	GASOLINE SERVICE STATIONS	43,053
5651	FAMILY CLOTHING STORES	13,891
5699	MISCELLANEOUS APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	6,946
5712	FURNITURE STORES	1,095
5812	EATING PLACES (Sit-down Restaurants)	53,007
-	EATING PLACES (Fast Food Restaurants)	65,428
5813	DRINKING PLACES	593
5912	DRUG STORES AND PROPRIETARY STORES	11,938
5932	USED MERCHANDISE STORES	15,717
5941	SPORTING GOODS AND BICYCLE SHOPS	37,422
5999	MISCELLANEOUS RETAIL STORES	53,887
7011	HOTELS AND MOTELS	4,898
7389	BUSINESS SERVICES	2,735
7538	GENERAL AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR SHOPS	7,880
7999	AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION	75,389
8011	OFFICES AND CLINICS OF MEDICAL DOCTORS	4,138

8021	OFFICES AND CLINICS OF DENTISTS	
		2,069
8049	OFFICES OF HEALTH PRACTITIONER	
		2,069
8062	GENERAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL HOSPITALS	
		10,447
8231	LIBRARIES	
		1,056
8351	CHILD DAY CARE SERVICES	
		6,310
	DAILY TRIPS	
		660,204

These projections speak to the need to assess the current regulatory regimes of the cities in Waller County, as well as the county itself. Creating a clear vision of desired future development and implementing the right regulatory policies to ensure the preservation of natural resources and physical infrastructure will aid Waller County in generating economic growth and maintaining a high quality of life for its residents.

Appendix D

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING TOOLBOX

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING TOOLBOX	PROGRAM FUNCTION	PROGRAM FUNCTION STATUTORY AUTHORITY	APPLICABLE JURRISDICTION	PROJECT TYPE	USES FOR LAWFUL PURPOSES	PROs	CONS
Housing Initiatives	Created under Chapter 380/381 Powers under Local Government Code	This initiative allows cities or counties to incentivize are development of Housing which can include Created by City or County a requirement for on-site and off-site transportation improvements.		Reimbursement can be tailored to the economics of the development including off-site transportation related improvements needed to make area improvements. Increment is generated by new housing within the area 380/381 district created. Can be used for housing codes.	The incentive is paid from new increment generated by the new real property housing revenues; term in determined by creating entity	This tool can be used to provide needed housing for the area due to resin boom construction and influx of construction and permanent employees.	This program has not been used in the area, but can be created by the cities or counties based on their future housing plans or needs.
Local Government Corporation (LGC)	An entity that provides an alter ego of the city & county that allows a separate board to be created to administer the approval of public improvements. Typically used in Gulf Coast Region to complement TIRZ/TIF operations.	Subchapter D of Chapter 431 Transportation Code	City or Counties	The LGC acts as the Board to implement a Plan which can include public works implementation, transportation improvements, acquisition; improvements are not subject to public bidding requirements; Board appointed entity: city council or county	Powers, as granted by the city or county and can be used for any lawful purpose including all transportation improvements. Can be created over large areas.	Flexible within the scope of the City Charter or within County Statutes	Does not provide additional sources of revenue unless created with other overlapping economic development entities. Most powerful when coupled with TIRZ, or PID, or MMD districts.
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	Funds can be used for public improvements for Low Mod Income Areas; should be part of the City or County CDBG Program	Housing and Community Development (HCD) Act of 1974, Part 570	Municipality / County	Infrastructure, ROW, road improvements as well as social programs, affordable housing and economic development programs	Compete with other small cities for available \$ to benefit low-mod Census tracts	Properly structured application may provide wide benefits	Must meet Federal oversight requirements, project specific and not all cities or counties have CBDG entitlement funding. Therefore, grants may be competitive.
Municipal Management Districts (MMD)	Public Improvements include intersection, mobility improvements as well as water, sewer, drainage, landscape architecture, and monuments. Again, an area approach that imposes overlapping tax or assessment depending on the type of creation.	CH 375 Local Government Code	City, County or ETJ or In City	Public improvements in a specifically designated district	Created by Legislature and can be done by special legislative, (most common) or follow TCEQ process; provides for overlapping taxing authority, appointment of a Board	Districts ordinarily can do any lawful purpose within its geographic boundaries	Districts are used extensively throughout the Gulf Coast. The use has region wide success

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Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ)	Tax Increment Reimbursement Zones (TIRZ or TIF) allows a portion of city or county tax revenue increment to be applied to an area or project improvement	CH 311 Tax Code	Municipalities create and counties can participate through interlocal agreements	Public improvements to promote new or re-development of specifically designated zones or projects including transportation.	An ordinance, a Project & Financing Plan, appointment of a Board, increment only available city or counties. If created with sales tax powers other revenue streams can be applied to the eligible project funding.	Works best with an active developer and catalyst project, County may participate or as an incertive for creating new development.	Limited to the increment, works best with an active developer and catalyst project
Municipal Utility District (MUD)	Public Improvement Finance which can include transportation if RUD, Road Utility District Powers are also created	Chapters, 47, 49, 51, 53, 54 of Water Code	Within Cities, County or ETJ including In City	TCEQ or Legislature created taxing authority for water, sewer, drainage and park improvements; if Road Utility District Powers are granted can be used for transportation improvements	TCEQ or special legislation, Minimum acreage is necessary to realistically use MUD tools. Not as effective for developed areas but very good for greenfield.	Eligible costs fully reimbursed; typically advanced by the developer subject to an overlapping tax and reimbursed by bond issues of the MUD	Overlapping tax rate and typically requires legislative creation to be most effective versus TCEQ administrative process of approval
Public Improvement District (PID)	Public Improvement District, PID created over an area similar to a MMD, or MUD; Assessments are not taxes in this tool	CH 372 Local Government Code	City or County	Public Improvements in a specifically designated district including transportation, mobility, landscape architecture, landscape architecture and public art	Additional overlapping assessments are approved and can be used to pay transportation, development and redevelopment budget items that are considered public works. Overlapping assessments typically in the .10/\$100 to .15/\$100 range in Gulf Coast Region	Fund any public works including on going maintenance of projects including landscape architecture, signal maintenance,	Funded by overlapping assessments
Transportation Infrastructure Zone (TIZ)	Public Improvement Finance	CH 173 Transportation Code	City	Local match for right-of-way acquisition in local government's territory or design, construction, operation, or maintenance of transportation facilities.	District may enter interlocal interlocal agreement with local government member(s) for financing transportation infrastructure.	TIZ funding may include up to 30% of captured assessed value	Use of TIZ for transit is growing, but not common and can be implemented over areas or corridors
County Assistance District (CAD)	Public Service and Improvement Finance	CH 387 Local Government Code	County	Funds can be used for construction, maintenance or improvement of roads or highways; law enforcement; maintenance or improvement of libraries, museums, parks or recreational facilities; economic development and tourism and services that benefit the public welfare.	Any county may adopt this sales tax, in all or part of the county, if the new combined local sales tax rate would not exceed 2 percent at any location within the district. The Commissioner's Court is the Board.	Funds a wide array of public projects and services. This tool should be explored for area transportation improvements	Can't be created over a limited purpose annexation area such as Strategic Partnership Agreement, SPA

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Chapter 380/381 Chapter 380/381 Agreements	Can be used to reimburse property owners, developers who advance funding for property improvements including on site and off site improvements. To be reimbursed from new real property increment generated by increased new real property values.	CH 380 & CH 381 Local Government Code	Municipality/County	Programs to promote business development, commercial activity to promote local economic development	Developer Agreements pursuant to Sec. 380 of the Local Government Code (Sec 381 for Counties)	Ordinarily limited to "public" improvements	Westchase already has a Ch. 380 agreement, new tools are needed to establish additional sources of revenue
Tax Abatement	Abatement of real property taxes for private business in support of the development and redevelopment based on new increment	CH 312 Tax Code	City/County	Redevelopment & New Development for business retention and business attraction	Requirements for investment and job creation established by the City, granted to individual business interest	Created by City and /or County for a term of 10 years	Targets individual business, not area
Neighborhood Empowerment Zone	Redevelopment	CH 378 Local Government Code	City	Revitalization, relocation, job creation and retention, affordable housing: May include waiving development and permit fees related to construction of buildings including impact fees, may refund municipal sales tax related to improvements which can include transportation related improvements	Much like a TIRZ or development agreement and may include tax abatement	Limited to 10 year term	May funds wide variety of economic development projects but can support transportation, but not used exclusively for transportation improvements
Texas Enterprise Zone	Business Development	CH 2303 Local Government Code	Governor's Office, but requires municipal application	Encourage job creation and capital investment in areas of economic distress by removing governmental regulatory barriers to economic growth and to provide tax incentives and economic development benefits.	Must apply for and receive a nomination by the City for designation. The State Office of Economic Development which designates Enterprise Projects.	Enterprise Projects receive priority for Smart Job Funds. As an Enterprise Project, a business is eligible for both state and local incentives for a five year period. Local incentives include a property tax abatement and a small business revolving loan fund.	Not a locally administered program and has a highly competitive state-wide applicant pool.
HOT Tax, Hotel	City or Counties can collect HOT tax from hotels located within their jurisdiction to be used for promoting tourism, or devel- opment of facilities.	Chapter 351 of Tax Code	Hotel Occupancy Taxes; Houston is 6% : Harris County is 2% and Harris County Sports Corporation is 2%;	Revenues taxed on room rental, limited to tourism promotion including physical improvements related to the city or country	Funding for advertising or promotional materials for redevelopment	Must have hotel rooms or rental such as condo's or B&B to generate a HOT to collect the HOT	Not specifically used for transportation related improvements but can be used to promote redevelopment or development of new hotels which can include on site transportation improvements

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Comprehensive Plans, Zoning, & Development Regulations	Regulations and ordinances are a method for changing land use, guiding physical development of the city. Rules and regulations can be designed to affect existing and new development.	Texas Statutes for governing planning and land development Texas Local Government Code: Chapter 42 Municipal Boundaries, Chapter 43 Annexation, Chapter 212 Zoning, Chapter 213 Comprehensive Planning, Chapter 214 Signs, Chapter 245 Sexually Oriented Businesses, Chapter 245 Vested Rights, Chapter 395 Impact Fee	Cities	The City's Comprehensive Plan & Zoning Ordinance are powerful tools to correct local ordinances to address transportation related necessary approvals.	The Comprehensive Plan identifies the proposed land uses that the community ultimately desires to achieve for all land uses. It is the basis for the creation of ALL local ordinances by a community. The cities should insure, if the Comprehensive Plan or the local ordinances do not reflect the acceptable recommendations of the SH 146 Study; the cities should engage in appropriate amendments at a future date.	While the Comprehensive Plan or accompanying ordinances such as the Zoning Ordinance or Major Thoroughfare Plan are not funding sources specifically, these tools do represent one of the three ways a community can influence development patterns and trans- portation standards for all new development for the area. Counties have general powers to regulate transportation or road improvements based on life safety concerns and similar amendments should be undertaken as recommendations are adopted.	Not a direct funding source, but needed to ensure any future development is designed and constructed in a manner consistent with the recommendations of the SH 146 study for both cities and counties.
County Authority for Unincorporated Areas	Counties are limited to legislative authority allowed by State Law	Local Government Code Chapter 232 Subdivision Review, Chapter 242 Resolves conflicts between city and county regulations of subdivisions	Counties	Counties in Texas are limited to the land development authority it is granted by the Texas Legislature. However, the Special Districts created in Texas such management districts can create additional rules and guidelines to require compliance with goals and visions of the management district creation in exchange for qualitying for reimbursement. Examples such as the West Fort Bend Management District is a recent successful district that illustrates this connection	Beautification, signage, transportation and transit improvements, monuments, public art, marketing, and many similar public works allowed by cities or counties	Creates a special district that allows unincorporated county areas to be better planned and organized to encourage thoughtful development. Typically requires strong development partners that control the real estate or land areas.	Typically works only for larger scale projects that cover 500 acres or more.