



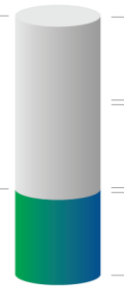
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Preserving the corridor for a future road, before development occurs, allows the County to be fiscally responsible by working with willing sellers and developers before land is developed and it's sold. This also minimizes impacts to businesses and homes because the corridor is preserved before more structures are built.

2050 POPULATION
ESTIMATE

1,638,796

CURRENT
POPULATION



3X Population Growth

The population of WilCo is estimated to be 1,638,796 by 2050—nearly three times what it is now

THE STUDY AND PLANNING PROCESS:

The Ronald Reagan Extensions Planning & Preservation Study is part of the County's LRTP, which works as a placeholder for a network of roadways that will foster safety and mobility across the County. The location of this extension on the LRTP was only conceptual and subsequent studies needed to be done to determine a feasible and reasonable route. The study that is now underway to determine the route examines multiple constraints such as environmental factors, historical factors, home and business displacements, drainage and waterways, and works to develop a route to set the ROW footprint.

Over the last several months, the study team worked on a preliminary alignment and met with the community to present that option. Following these discussions and upon additional evaluation, the study team has determined that other options may be feasible and is conducting further analysis on those.

Once different alignment options are available, the study team will reach out to property owners to discuss them and potential property impacts. The County plans to have a route finalized in 2021.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

Once the ROW footprint is set, the County will work with willing sellers and developers to preserve ROW before property is developed. Early preservation of ROW allows the County to take a phased approach and build sections of the road as needed.

If the County continues to grow and funding becomes available, the first frontage road, most likely a two to three lane road, one lane in each direction, potentially with a center turn lane, would be built. As growth continues to occur and funding is secured, the second frontage road would be built, then finally the main lanes. Building the ultimate Ronald Reagan Extension will most likely take several decades.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about this project, please visit www.wilco.org/RonaldReaganExtension. Questions or comments may be directed by email or phone to roads@wilco.org with "Ronald Reagan Extension" in the subject line or contact the roads phone line at (512) 943-1195.

** Sources: United States Census Bureau, Census Viewer, Williamson County, Texas Demographics Center, Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce, and Jarrell Economic Development Corporation*