

CHANDLER RD WIDENING (US 130 to SH 95)

FACT SHEET

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County Commissioners: Project Limits and Length: Project Schedule: Issues to be addressed:

Commissioner Valerie Covey, Precinct 3 & Commissioner Russ Boles, Precinct 4 10 miles on Chandler Road from US 130 to SH 95 To be phased based on growth and funding availability Safety and mobility, expanding east-west connectivity

PROJECT PURPOSE:

Chandler Road is identified in Williamson County's Long-Range Transportation Plan as a proposed controlled access facility that will ease congestion and improve east-west connectivity. Due to the rapid growth of the county, additional capacity improvements are being planned.

This project would accommodate increased traffic on the roadway and provide safety improvements. Proposed improvements would expand the current two-lane roadway to a controlled access facility with two mainlanes in each direction, three-lane frontage roads and access ramps on each side of the mainlanes. The project will include turn lanes, divided roadways, and shoulders in both directions to improve safety for the motoring public.



There is no right-of-way (ROW) aquistion or construction funding secured for this widening. The road will be built in phases as growth occurs and as funding becomes available. The first phase of construction is anticipated to include a single frontage road, which would serve two-way traffic until the other frontage road is built in a future phase. As growth continues to occur and funding is secured, the main lanes will be built. The full buildout of Chandler Road could take decades.

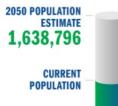
WHY THE PROJECT IS NEEDED:

Williamson County has experienced immense growth in recent years and current population projections predict that this growth will continue. The County is responsible for keeping pace with the growth through transportation planning. Additional lanes will be required as the growth continues to improve connectivity, mobility and safety for residents, ultimately protecting their quality of life.

The County will work with willing sellers and developers to preserve ROW before property values make improvements cost-prohibitive. Early preservation allows the County to take a phased approach and build sections of the road as needed.



Williamson County has seen a population increase of 39.8% between 2010 and 2019



3X Population Growth The population of WilCo is estimated to be 1,638,796

by 2050-nearly three times what it is now

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please visit <u>www.wilco.org/ChandlerRdWidening</u>. Questions or comments may be directed by email to **roads@wilco.org** with "Chandler Road Widening" in the subject line or by contacting the roads phone line at 512-943-1195.