

# RONALD REAGAN CORRIDOR PLANNING SEGMENTS (SH 195 to I-35)

## FACT SHEET

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County Commissioners:	Commissioner Valerie Covey, Precinct 3
Project Limits and Length:	6 miles on Ronald Reagan Boulevard from SH 195 to I-35
Project Schedule:	Planning to be finalized in early 2022. There is currently no funding for construction.
Issues to be addressed:	Safety and mobility, expanding north-south and east-west connectivity, providing an
	alternative to I-35

Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc.

**Project Engineer:** 

## **PROJECT PURPOSE:**

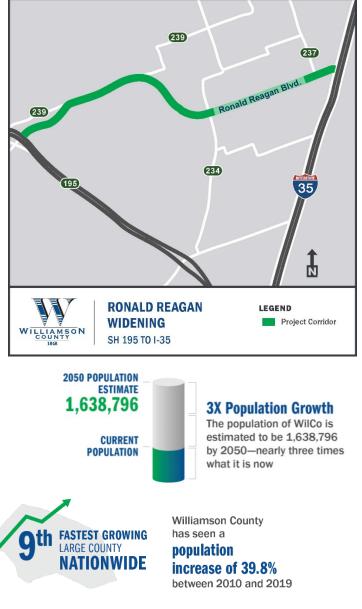
Williamson County is conducting a study to plan for widening the existing Ronald Reagan Boulevard between SH 195 and I-35. This proposed expansion will accommodate future increased traffic on the roadway and provide safety improvements. These improvements would include turn lanes, divided roadways, and shoulders in both directions to enhance safety for the motoring public. Once construction funding is identified and the growth necessitates additional lanes, the first phase of the project would include making the existing road northbound only and building a separate twolane road to serve as the southbound frontage road. Ultimately, as the county grows and funding is secured, mainlanes roadways will be built resulting in an eight-lane controlled access roadway.

Ronald Reagan Boulevard is a part of the County's Long-Range Transportation Plan and while there is no funding for construction, the County is working to preserve right of way (ROW) before property values make the improvements cost prohibitive. Early preservation of ROW allows the County to take a phased approach and build sections of the road as needed.

### WHY THE PROJECT IS NEEDED:

Williamson County has experienced immense growth in recent years and current population projections predict that this growth will continue. Transportation planning to keep pace with growth is the County's responsibility. Additional lanes are required to improve connectivity, mobility and safety for residents, ultimately protecting their quality of life.

## **STUDY AREA:**



\* Sources: Census <u>webpage</u>, Texas Demographics Center <u>webpage</u>

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