

County Commissioner:	Commissioner Russ Boles, Precinct 4
Project Limits:	SH 130 to US 79
Project Schedule:	Construction on Segment 1 began in July 2021; Design of Segment 2 is underway and expected to be complete in late 2021; Construction on Segment 3 is expected to begin in late 2021
Issues to be addressed:	Safety, mobility and connectivity in eastern Williamson County
Project Engineers:	Segment 1: Rodriguez Transportation Group (RTG) Segment 2: Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc. (JMT) Segment 3: HDR
Project Contractor:	Segment 1: James Construction

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Williamson County's Southeast Loop project is intended to improve east/west travel between SH 130 and FM 3349 and north/south travel to US 79. Funding for construction was secured through the voter-approved 2019 Road Bond for two segments of the Southeast Loop: SH 130 to CR 137 (Segment 1) and CR 404 to US 79 (Segment 3).

The ultimate project, which will be constructed in phases, is a controlled-access roadway that includes two main lanes in each direction, two three-lane frontage roads with access ramps on either side of the main lanes, an overpass at US 79 and Union Pacific Railroad and flyovers to SH 130 and US 79. The first phase of construction will include frontage roads and an overpass at US 79 and the railroad. The first phase is divided into three segments; project details for each segment are included below.

Segment 1 - SH 130 to CR 137

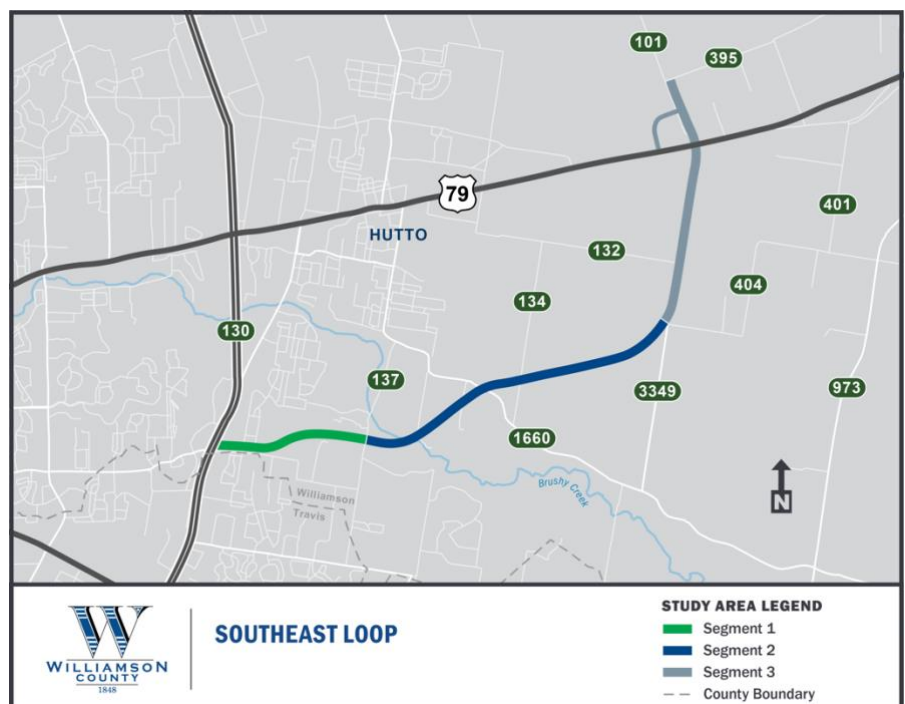
Construction of a single frontage road, which will serve two-way traffic until the other frontage road is built in a future phase, began between SH 130 and CR 137, in July 2021, and is expected to last approximately 18 months.

Segment 2 - CR 137 to CR 404

Design for this segment has begun. As part of the design phase, the engineers will conduct fieldwork, which involves accessing individual properties. The County will contact property owners with more information regarding access and project details.

Segment 3 - CR 404 to US 79

Construction of the roadway between CR 404 and US 79 is scheduled to begin in late 2021 and includes an overpass at US 79 and the railroad.



WHY THE PROJECT IS NEEDED:

Williamson County has experienced tremendous growth,* and current population projections show this growth will continue. Current growth requires additional roadway infrastructure to keep pace with the increasing number of residents and vehicles and to better protect the safety, mobility and quality of life for residents.



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

PROJECT HISTORY:

This project was incorporated in the County's Long-Range Transportation Plan which was originally adopted by the Commissioners Court in 2009. Environmental and planning studies were initiated in 2017 to determine the final alignment. The study team evaluated several factors when refining the project route, including water resources and drainage, social and community impacts, public input, right-of-way impacts and cost. The study included a public open house held in June 2019 and meetings with individual property owners. The schematics for the project were finalized in 2020 and the project is now moving into construction.

MORE INFORMATION

Any major road closures and detours will be posted to the project page www.wilco.org/SELoop. To sign up for email updates, please contact the Public Involvement team by calling 512-943-1195 or emailing roads@wilco.org.

* Source: US Census Bureau, [County Population Totals: 2010-2019](#)
Southeast Loop Project – Fact Sheet (July 2021)