





# Welcome

**KAUFMAN COUNTY OUTER LOOP CSJ:** 0918-11-109

Public Meeting | June 6, 2024

#### Public Meeting Purpose







Update the public on the project status and changes since the public open house, and present the recommended alignment



Describe the project so the public can determine how they may be affected



Provide the public the opportunity to provide input



Develop a record of public participation

#### National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



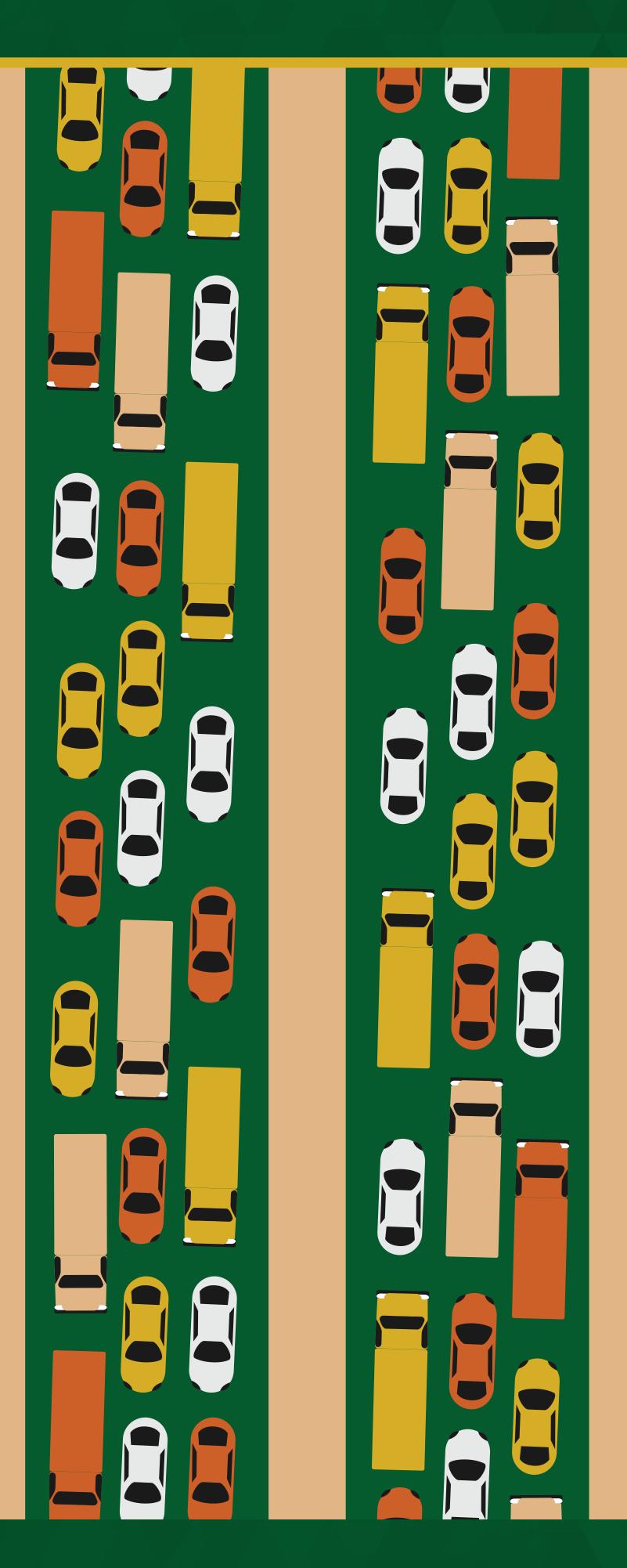


The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 9, 2019 and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

La revisión ambiental, consultas y otras acciones requeridas por las leyes ambientales federales aplicables para este proyecto, están siendo o han sido realizadas por TxDOT de conformidad con la Reglamentación 23, Sección 327 del Código de Estados Unidos y un Memorando de Entendimiento con fecha del 9 de diciembre de 2019, ejecutado por la FHWA (Administración Federal de Carreteras) y TxDOT.

#### Project Need and Purpose





#### Need

The project is needed because the existing nearby facilities do not provide adequate mobility and regional connectivity between Kaufman County and the region.

Furthermore, the existing nearby facilities cannot accommodate current and future travel demands. The lack of capacity on the existing roadways within the surrounding areas has resulted in congestion and operational deficiencies that can impact peak period travel times for all users, including emergency response and police vehicles.

#### Purpose

The project would provide improved access across the region and have a positive impact on congested areas in Kaufman County and the region.

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### Project Overview



The Kaufman County Outer Loop project is part of a larger effort toward greater regional connectivity, that would lead to improved access across the region and create a positive impact on congested urban areas in DFW and Kaufman County.

The Kaufman County Outer Loop project would connect to a planned regional outer loop through Denton, Collin and Rockwall counties. The project is a joint effort between Kaufman County and TxDOT.

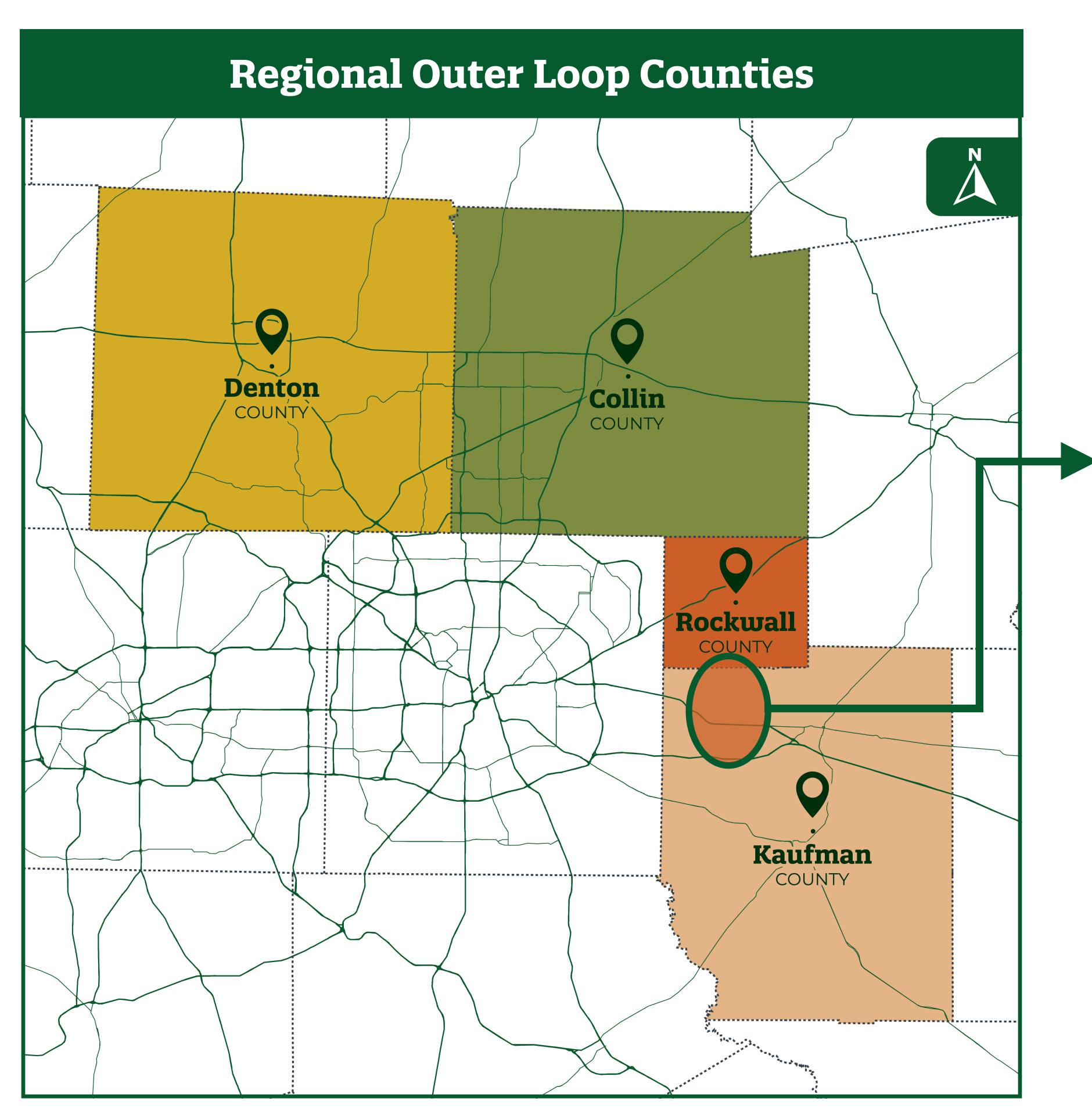
#### **Project Limits**

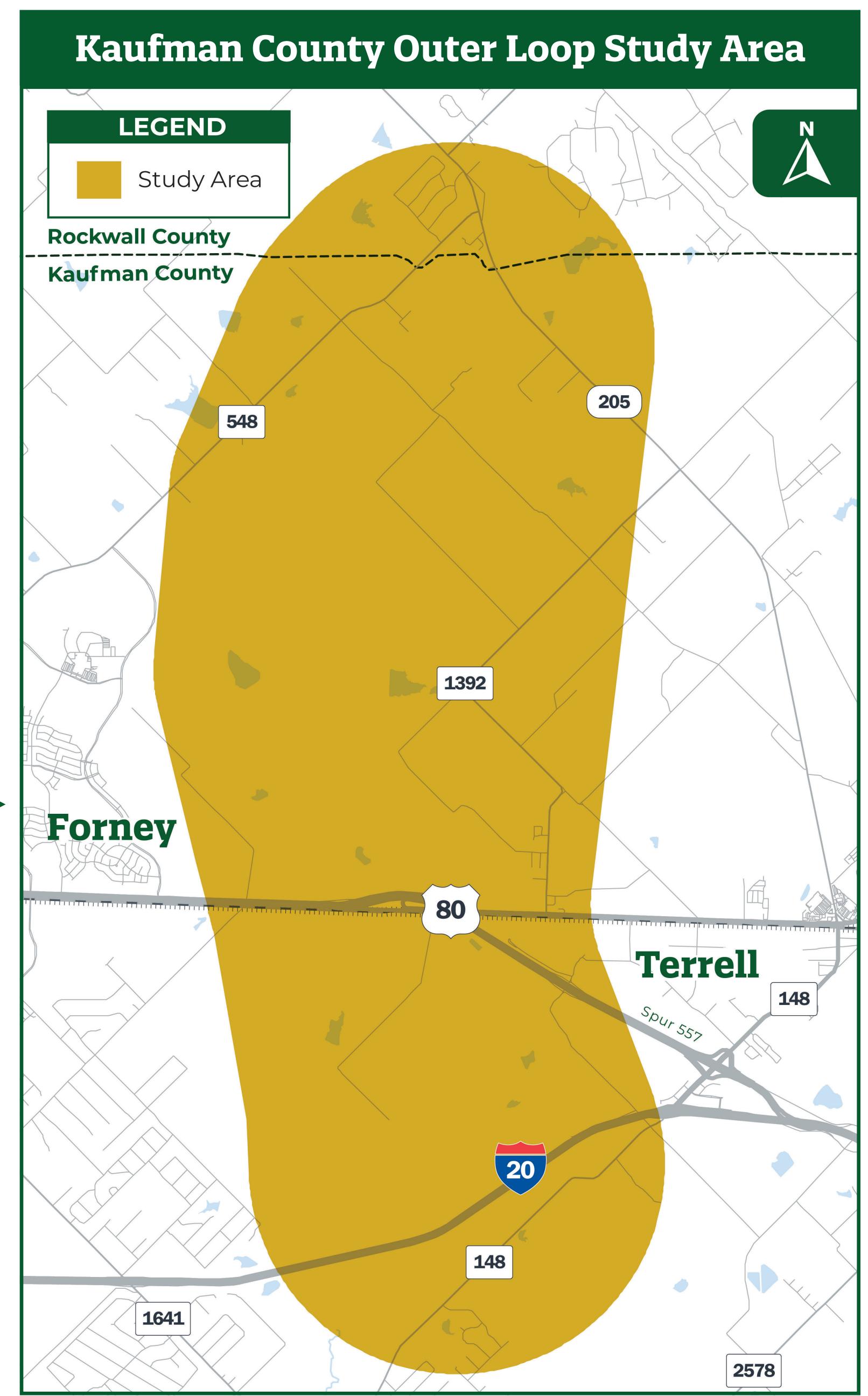
From SH 205 to south of I-20

#### **Project Length**

8.37 miles

Construction Cost\*
\$1.2 Billion

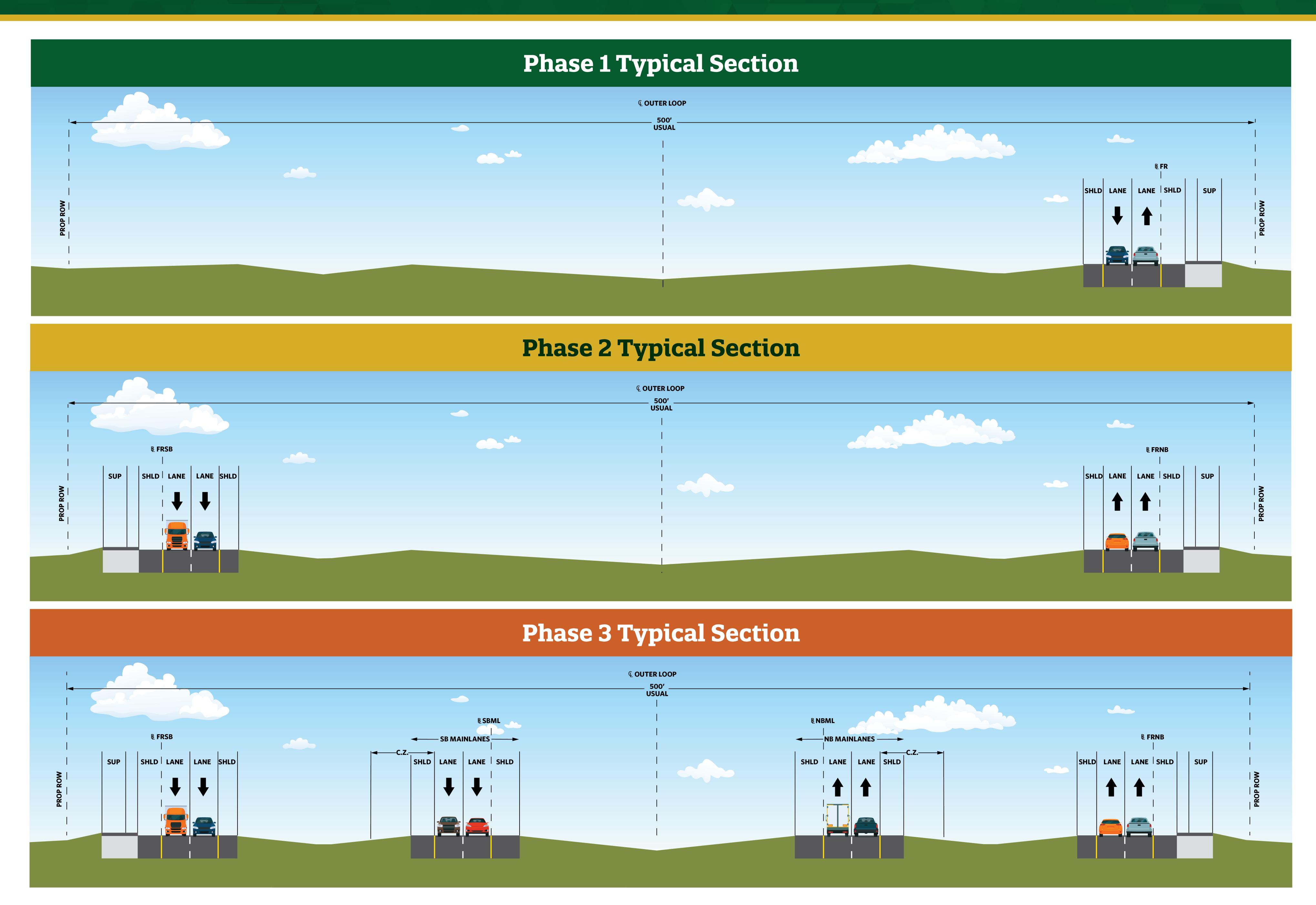




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# Proposed Typical Sections





Phases 1 and 2 may be constructed at the same time.

## Open House (November 2022) Recap







200 attendees

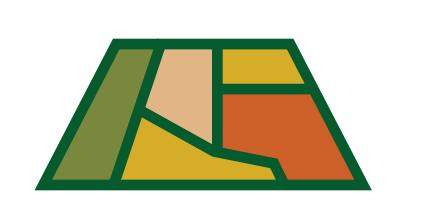


144 comments

#### Major comment themes included:



Property values



Right of way



Traffic



Economic impact

## Project Area Growth





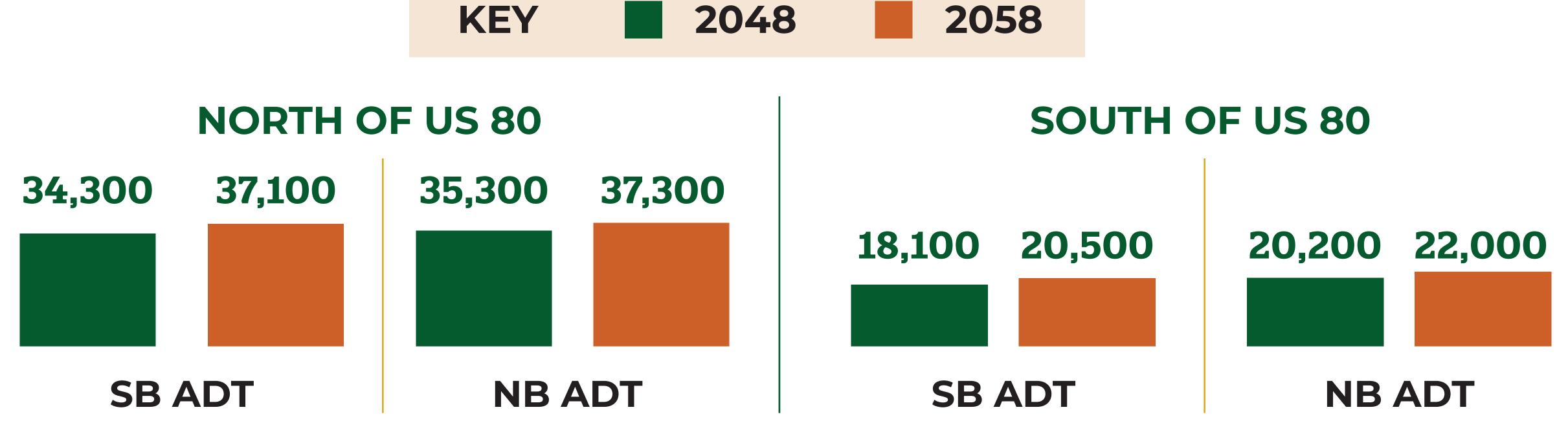
2011 104,040.00

2021 132,250.00

2045 209,425.00

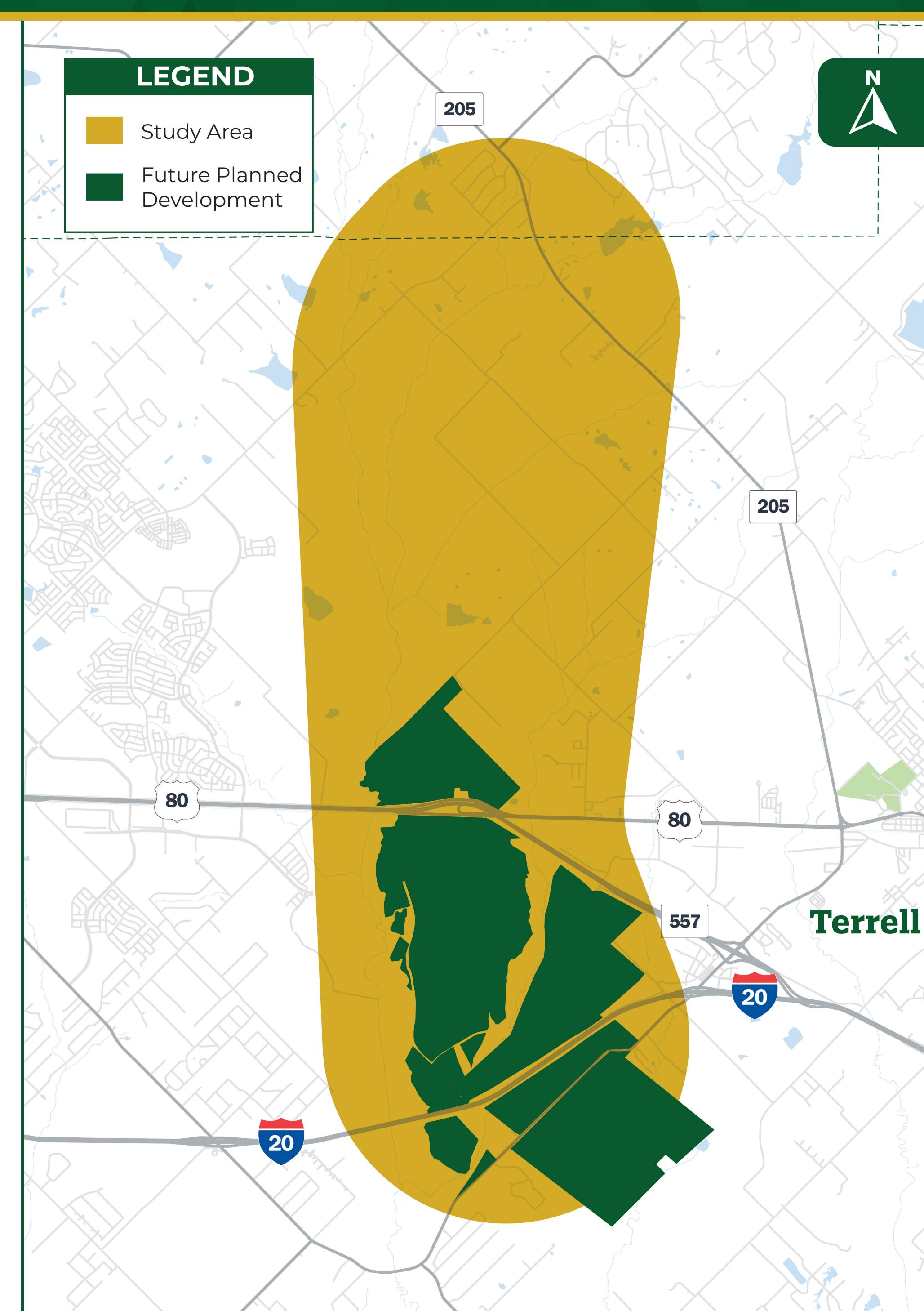
58% Population Increase

#### Outer Loop Projected Annual Daily Traffic Volumes (ADT)



#### Local Roadway Growth

	2022 ADT	2048 ADT	2058 ADT
WB US 80	23,800	73,700	81,800
EB US 80	23,000	71,900	79,900
WB I-20	17,900	28,700	31,500
EB I-20	17,900	29,600	32,800
NB SH 205	5,800	30,300	34,100
SB SH 205	6,000	30,700	34,400



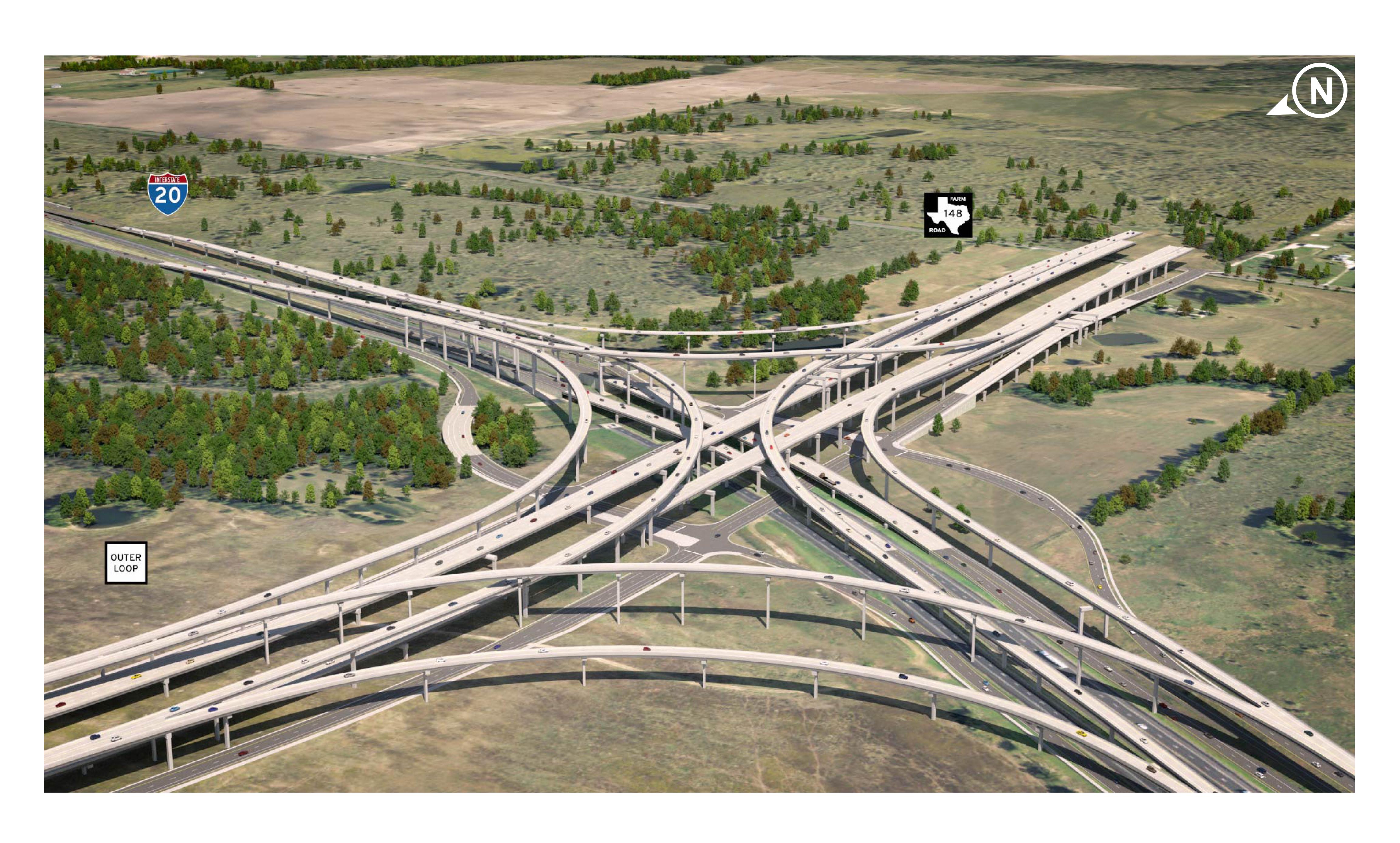
# US 80 Interchange





# I-20 Interchange

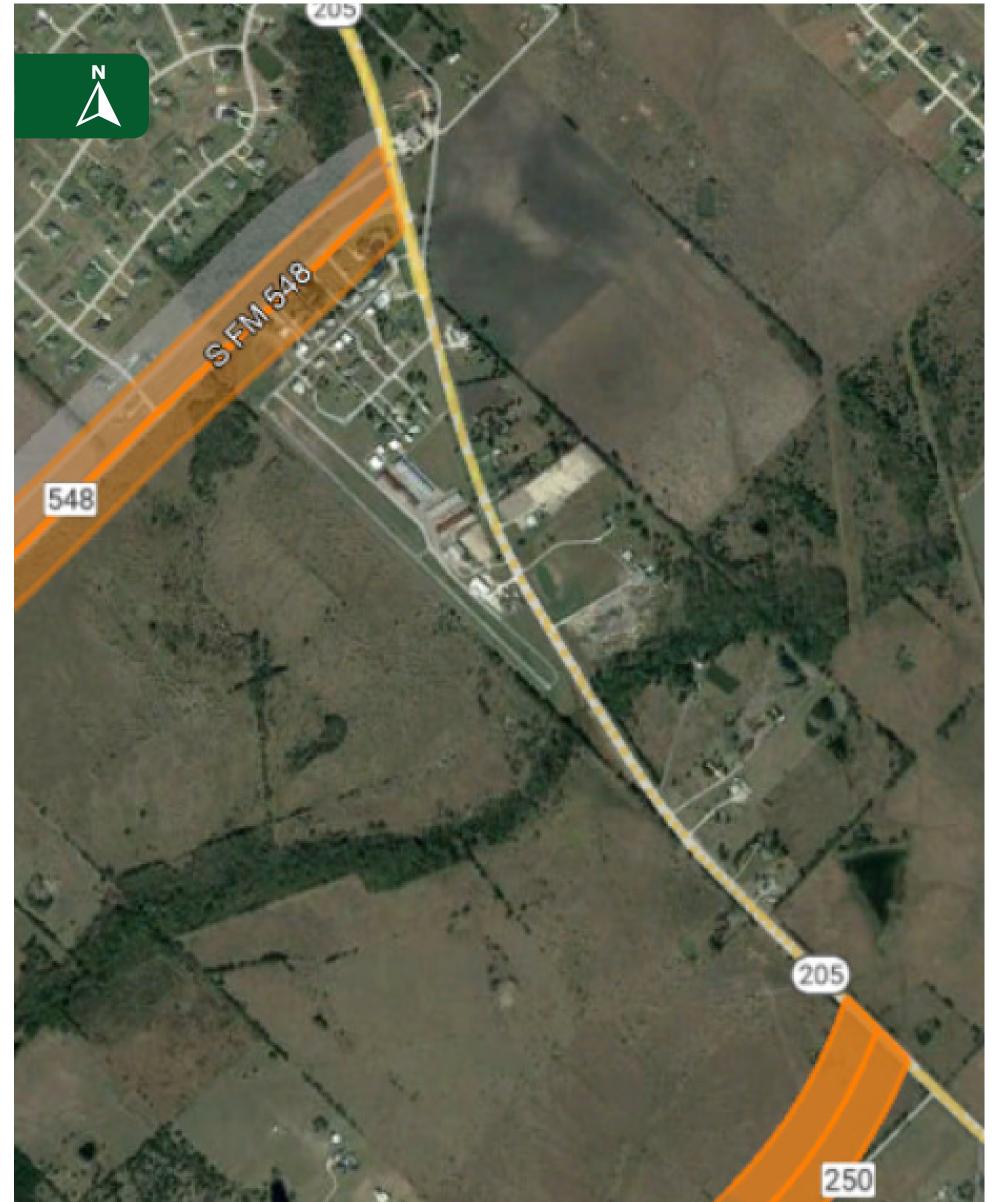




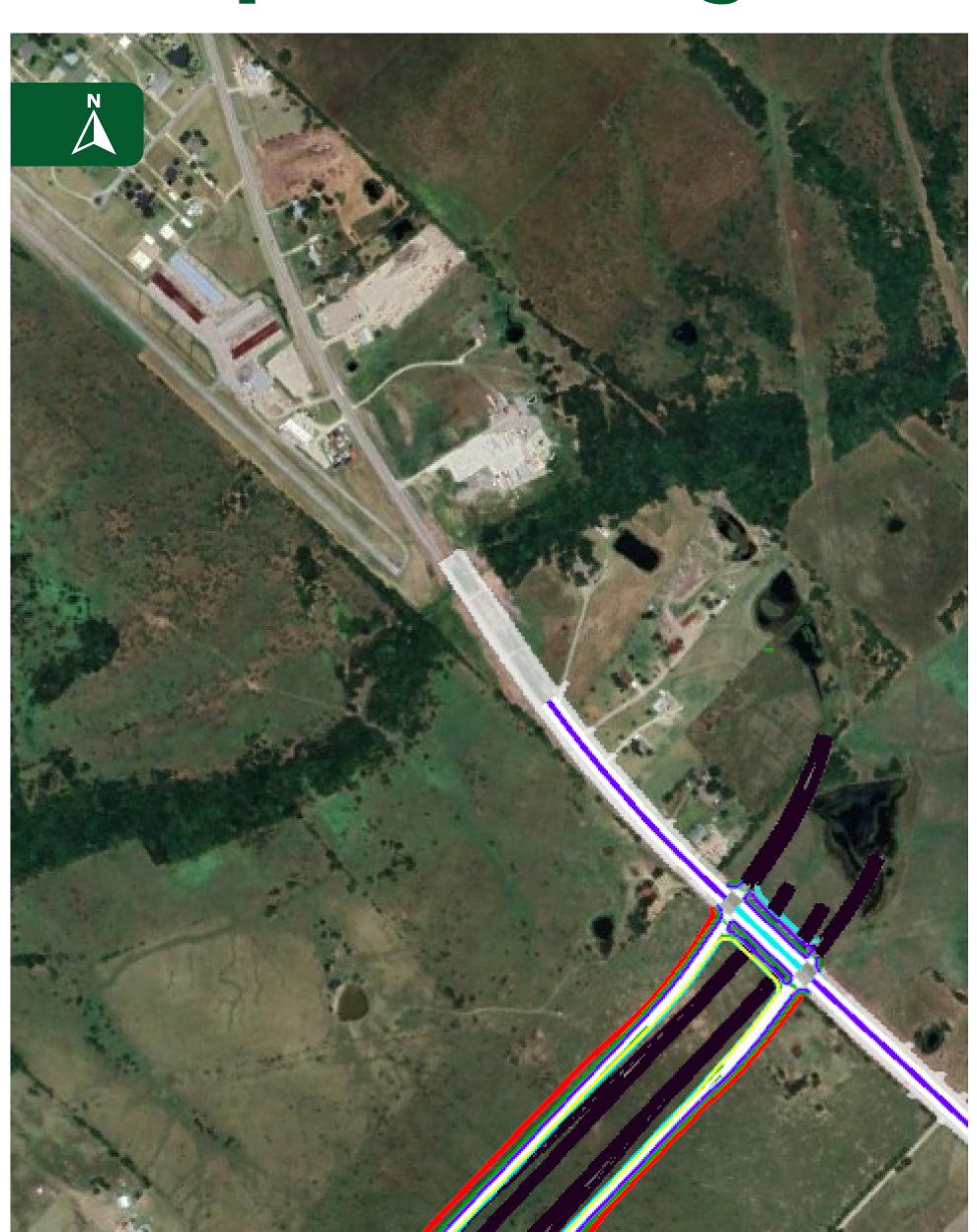
## What's Changed Since the Open House?



## Shown at Open House



Updated Design



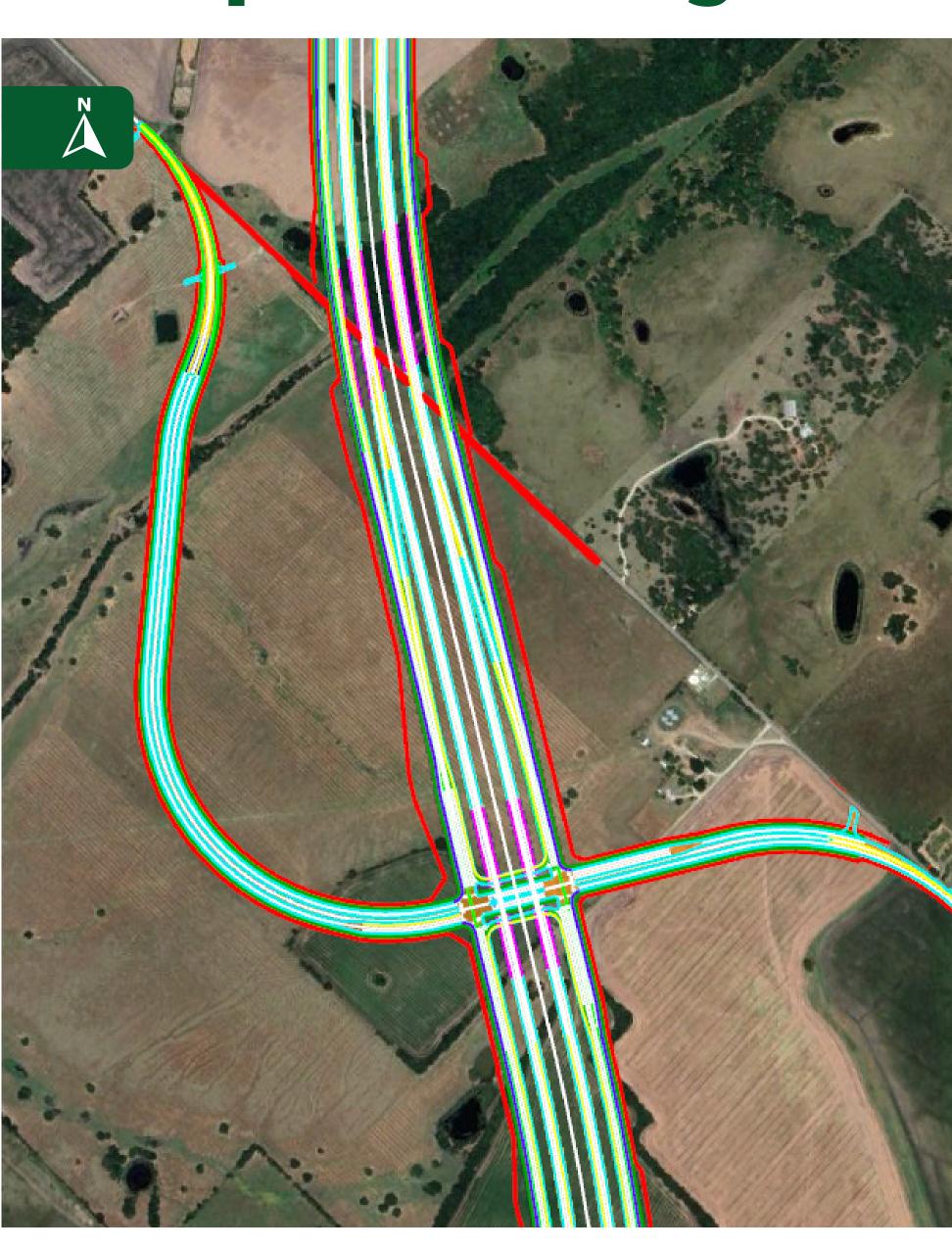
#### Connection to SH 205

This recommended alignment has no impacts to Airpark East Airport and has fewer floodplain impacts.

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Updated Design



### Alignment Near Samuels Road

The alignment between Samuels Road and FM 1392 was updated to avoid impacts to properties and to a nearby High Point Special Utility District pump station.

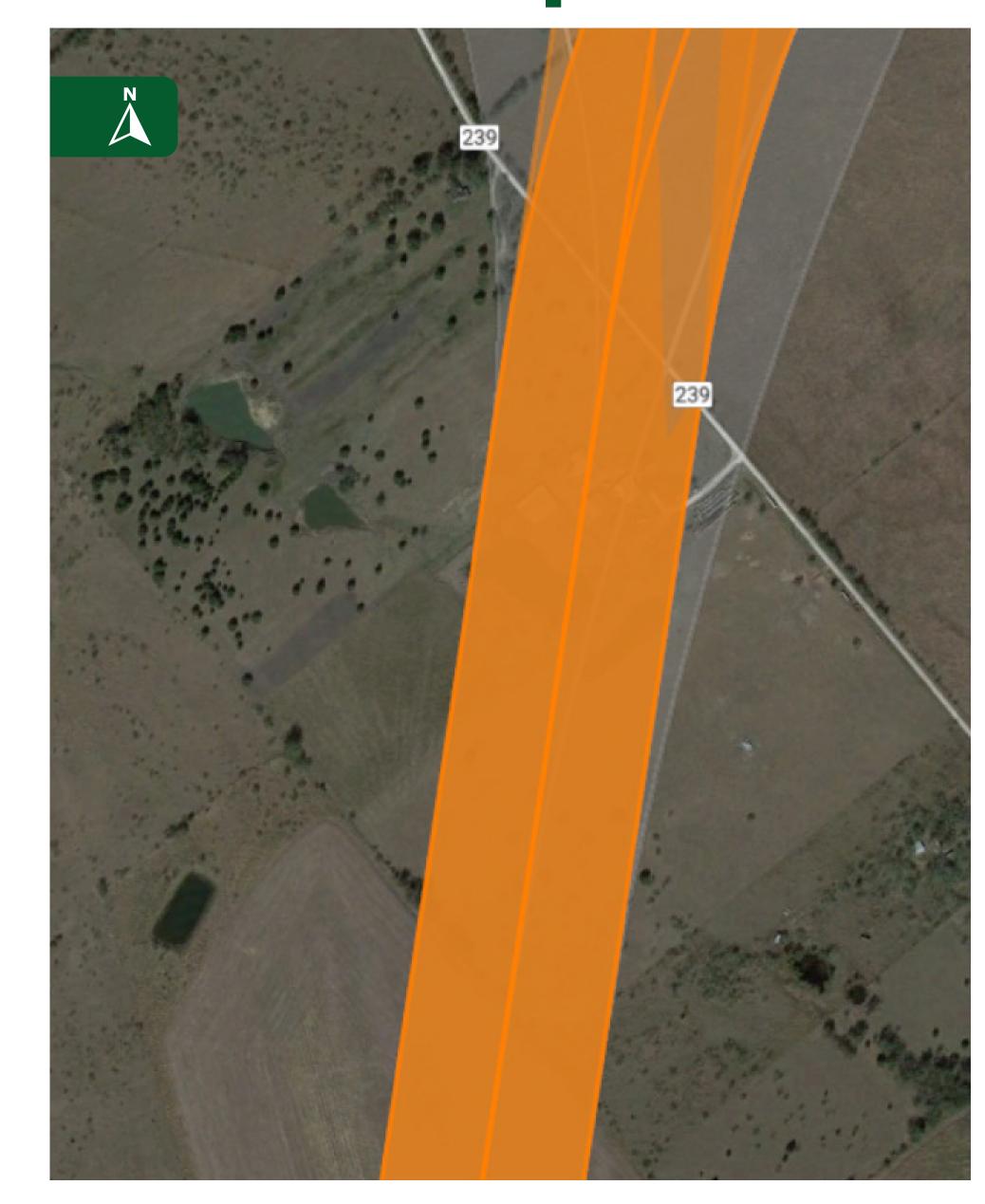
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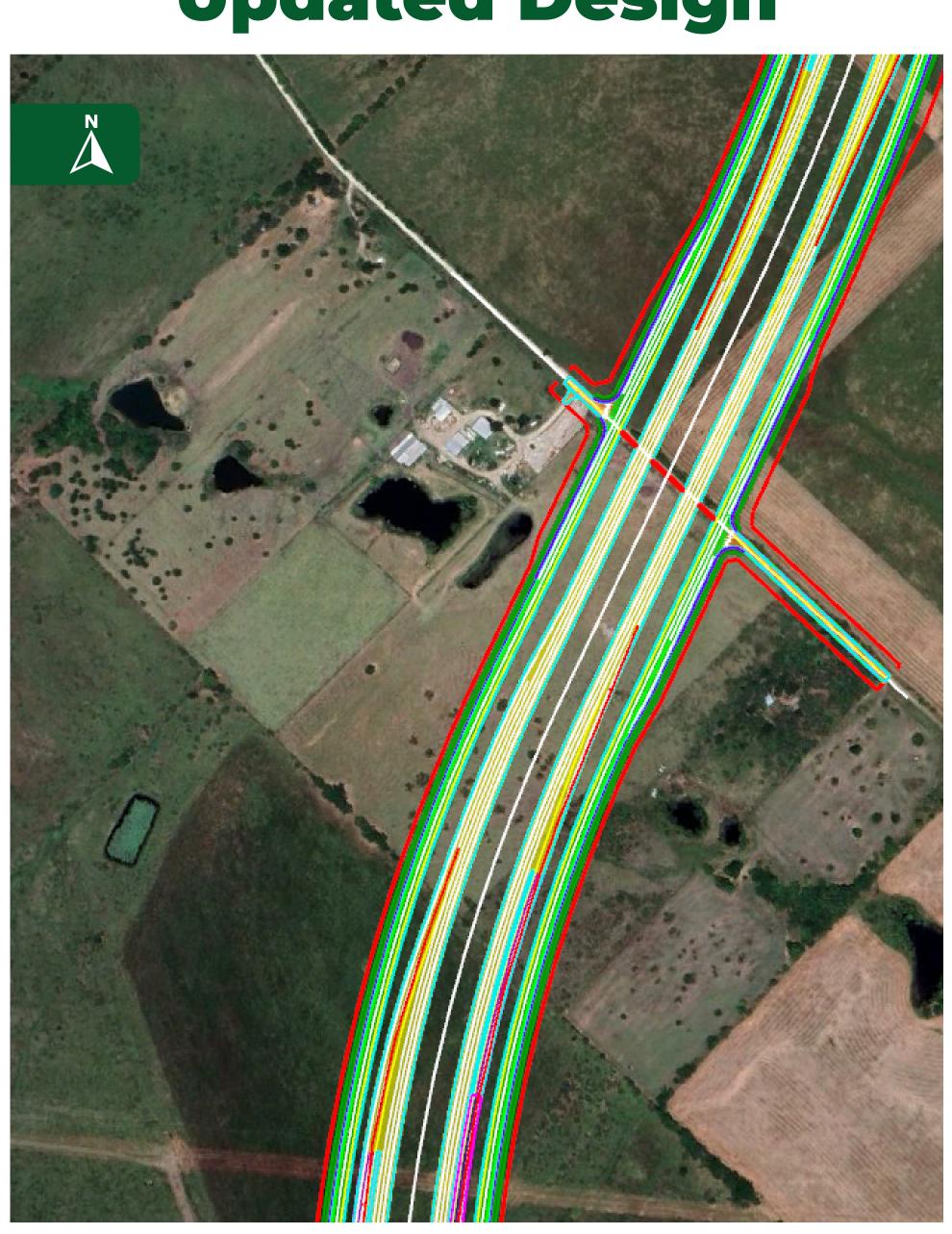
#### Alignment Between FM 1392 and US 80

The alignment between FM 1392 and US 80 was shifted east to avoid property impacts.

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**Updated Design** 



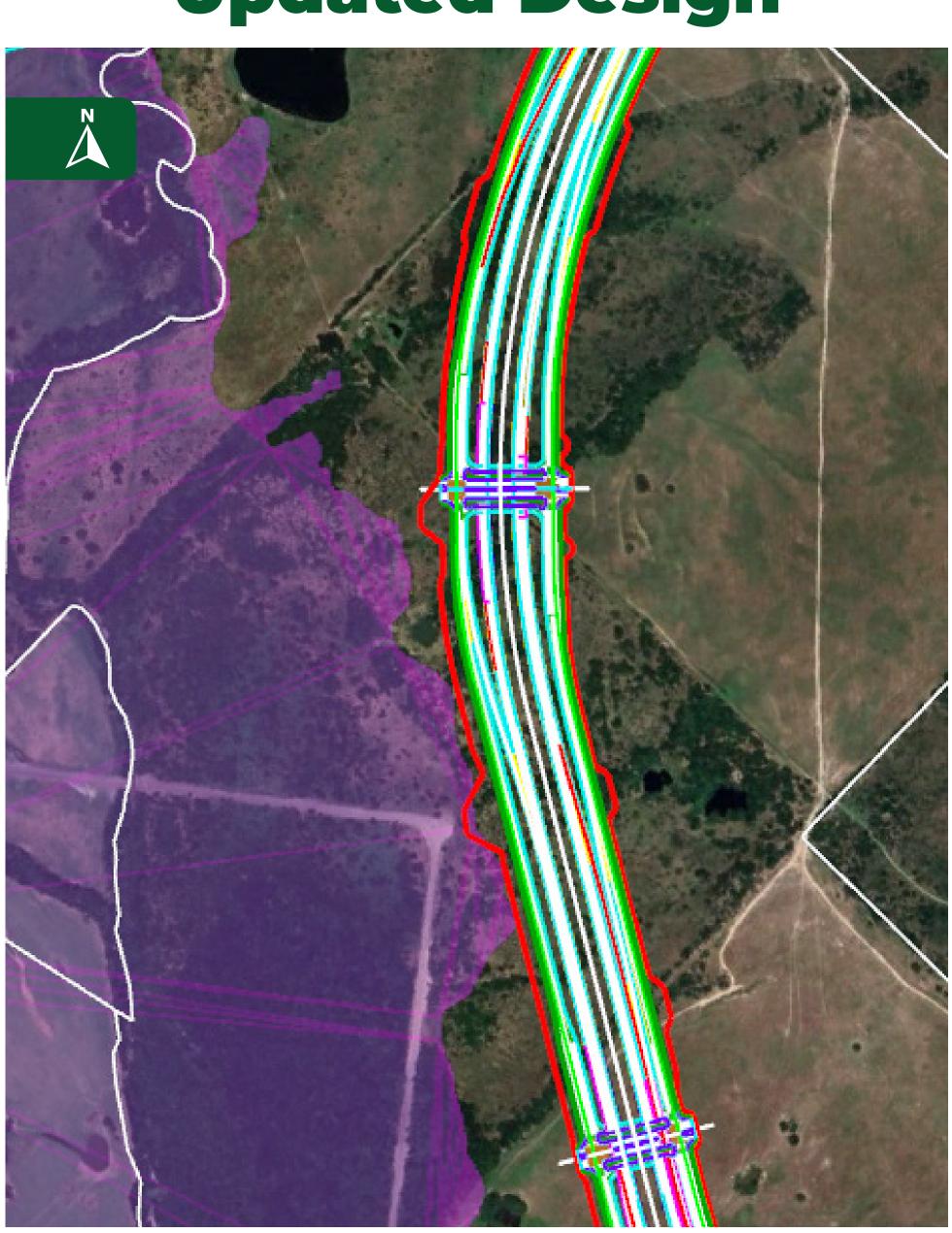
#### Alignment Between US 80 and I-20

The alignment near County Road 238 was shifted to the west near the western floodplain to avoid property impacts.

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**Updated Design** 



# Analysis Process



The alternatives reviewed throughout the Kaufman County Outer Loop Feasibility Study underwent an extensive analysis process. Many factors and categories were studied, and the alternatives were ranked based on the below list of categories and impacts. The alternatives and their rankings are shown on the next display board.



#### Need & Purpose



#### Engineering

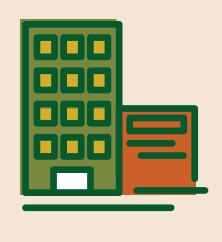


#### Displacements and Rightof-Way Requirements

- Improves Mobility
- Improves North-South Connectivity
- Meets Need & Purpose

- Total Segment Length
- Total Bridge Length
- Airport Impact
- Number of Major Utility Conflicts
- · Conforms to Local/Regional Planning

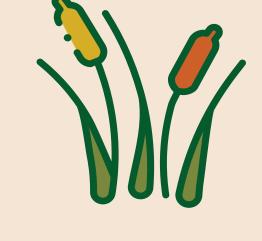
- · Total Affected Structures
- Residential Displacements
- Business Displacements
- · Amount of New Right of Way (ROW) Required
- Number of Affected Parcels



# Land Use and Development Impacts



# Community Impacts and Cultural Resources



# **Environment and Natural Resources**

- · Land Use and Economic Development Potential
- · Considerable Future Development Impacts
- Bifurcation of Potential Development

- · Community Facilities Affected (Including Public Parks)
- Total Acres of Potentially Jurisdictional Wetlands
- Number of Potential Single and Complete Crossings
- Section 404 Permit Authorization Potentially Required
- Total Acres of FEMA 100 Year Floodplain Crossed



#### Cost



# Stakeholder, Agency, and Public Input

- Total Cost of Land
- Total Cost of Improvements
- Estimated Total ROW Cost

- Local Governments
- High Point Special Utility District
- Public Input

#### Reasonable Alternatives Analysis





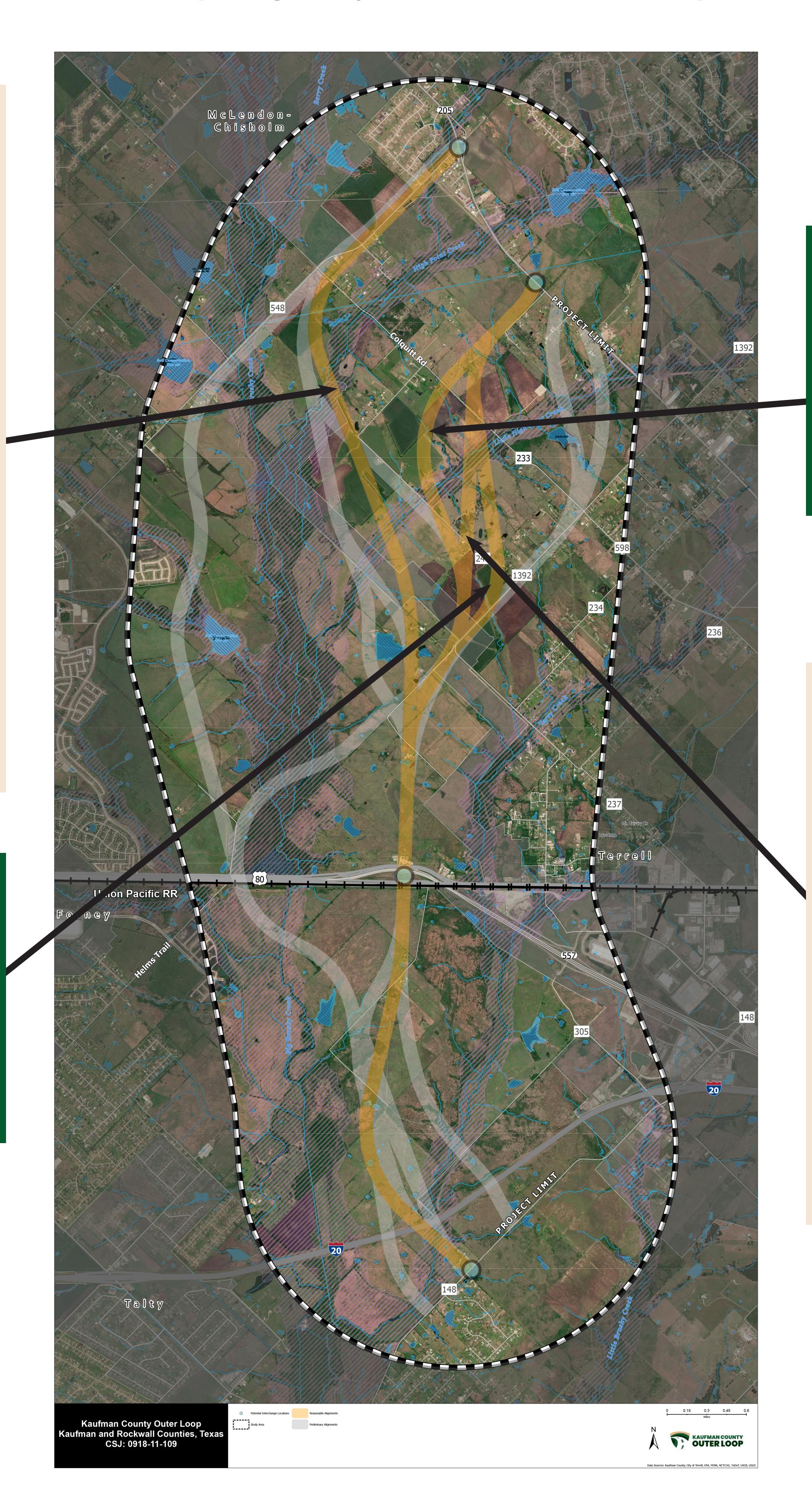
A number of factors were involved in the decision to refine or remove alternatives from further evaluation between the 2022 open house and this public meeting. On this board, you can see some of the reasons listed out for removal or further refinement of each alternative, along with the map originally shown at the 2022 open house.

# Reasonable Alternative 1 (Removed)

- Public and stakeholder concerns about impacts to residential developments
- Multiple floodplain crossings resulting in potential permitting, longer bridges and increased project cost

# Reasonable Alternative 4 (Refined)

Alignment shifted to avoid displacements



# Reasonable Alternative 2 (Refined)

Alignment shifted to avoid displacements

# Reasonable Alternative 3 (Removed)

High Point
Special Utility
District Pump
Station #2
Displacement

Relocation
 would
 increase cost
 approximately
 \$4 million

# Refined Alternatives



Screening/Evaluation Category		No Build	Reasonable Alternative 2	Reasonable Alternative 4
	Need & Purpose			
	Engineering			
	Displacements and Right-of-Way Requirements			
	Land Use and Development Impacts			
	Community Impacts and Cultural Resources			
	Environment and Natural Resources			
	Cost			
	Stakeholder, Agency, and Public Input			

**EXEMPLARY**Highly Meets Criteria

GOOD Mostly Meets Criteria ADEQUATE OR NEUTRAL No Change INADEQUATE
Sometimes Meets Criteria

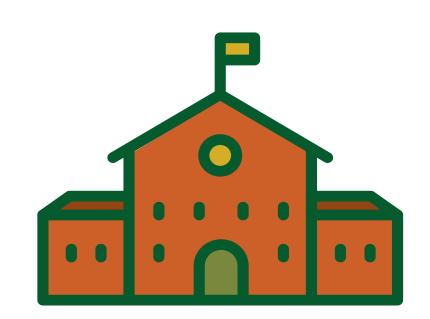
POOR
Does Not Meet Criteria

## Evaluation Criteria Considered



#### An environmental analysis is required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

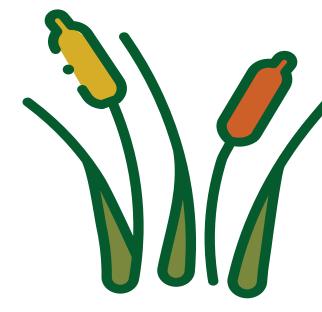
The primary purpose of this analysis is to help Kaufman County and TxDOT determine how the project would affect environmental and community resources prior to making decisions and provide the public an opportunity to review and comment on this analysis. In addition, the project team analyzed the preliminary alternatives against engineering and economic factors.



Parks and Schools



Hazardous Materials



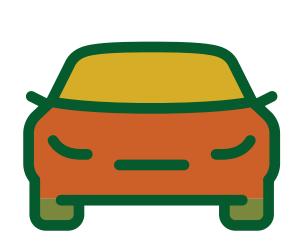
Wetlands



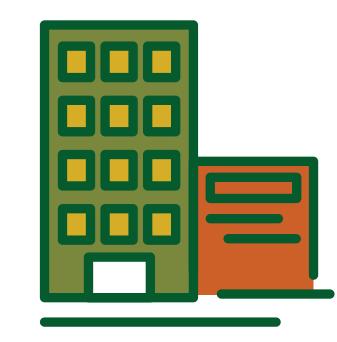
Floodplains



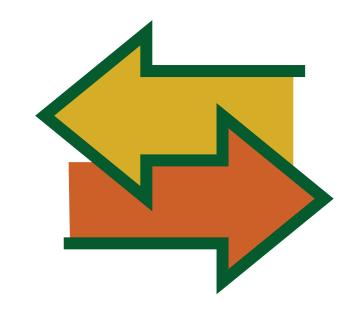
Residential Areas



Noise Analysis



Commercial Areas



Connectivity



Local/Regional Planning Efforts



Construction Cost

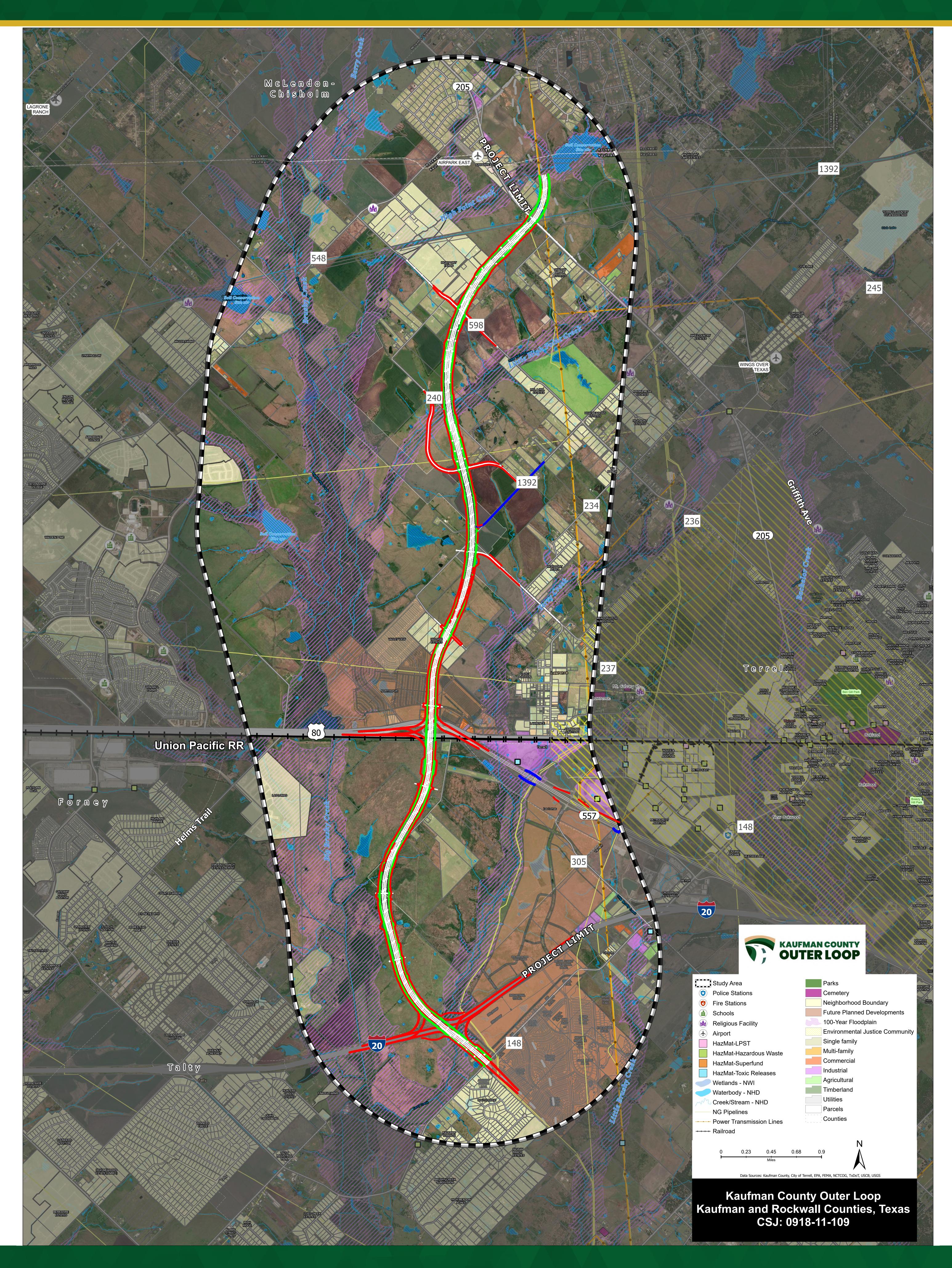


Right-of-Way Cost

## Environmental Constraints

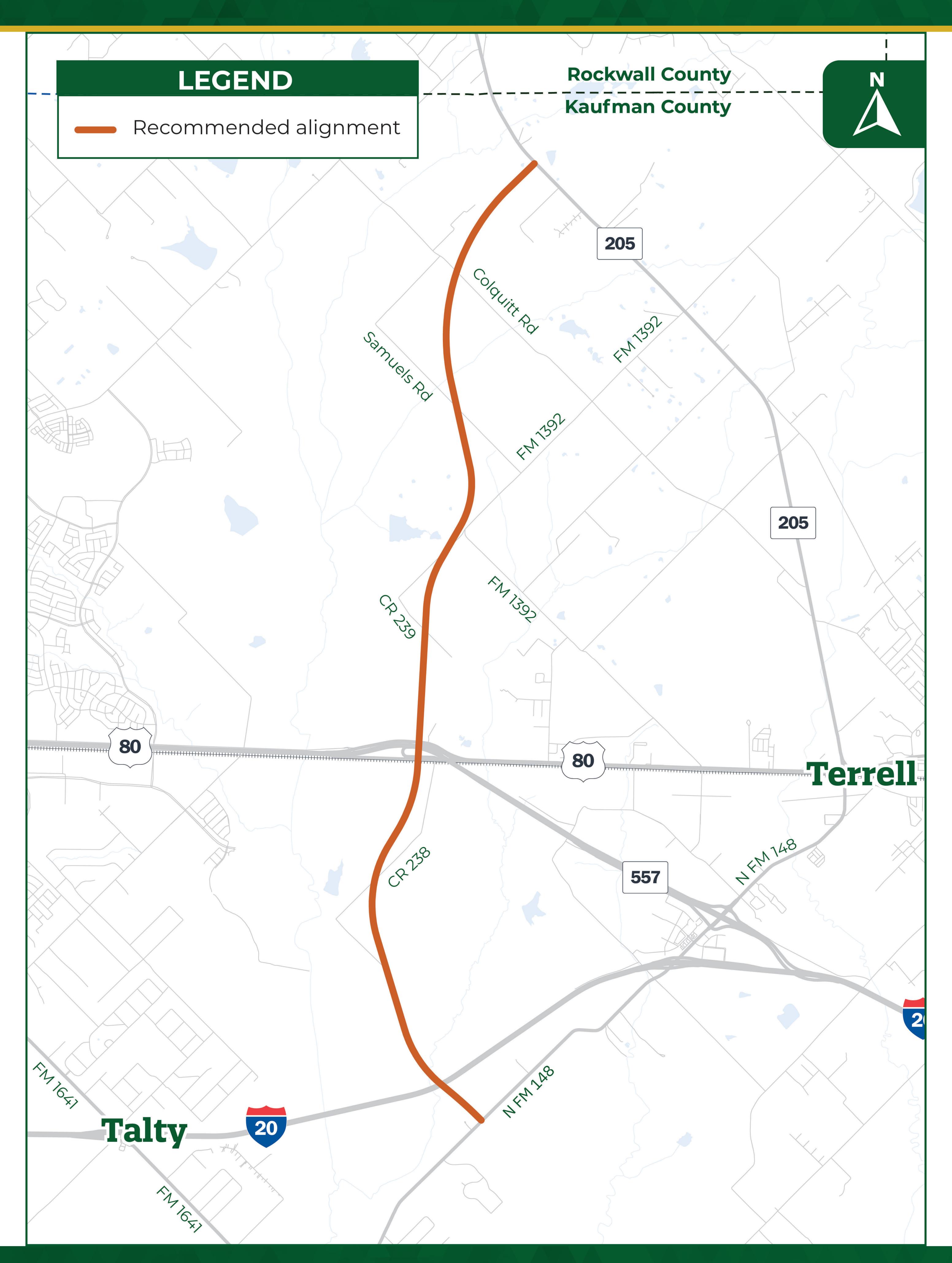






# Recommended Alignment (Refined Alternative 2)





# Project Development



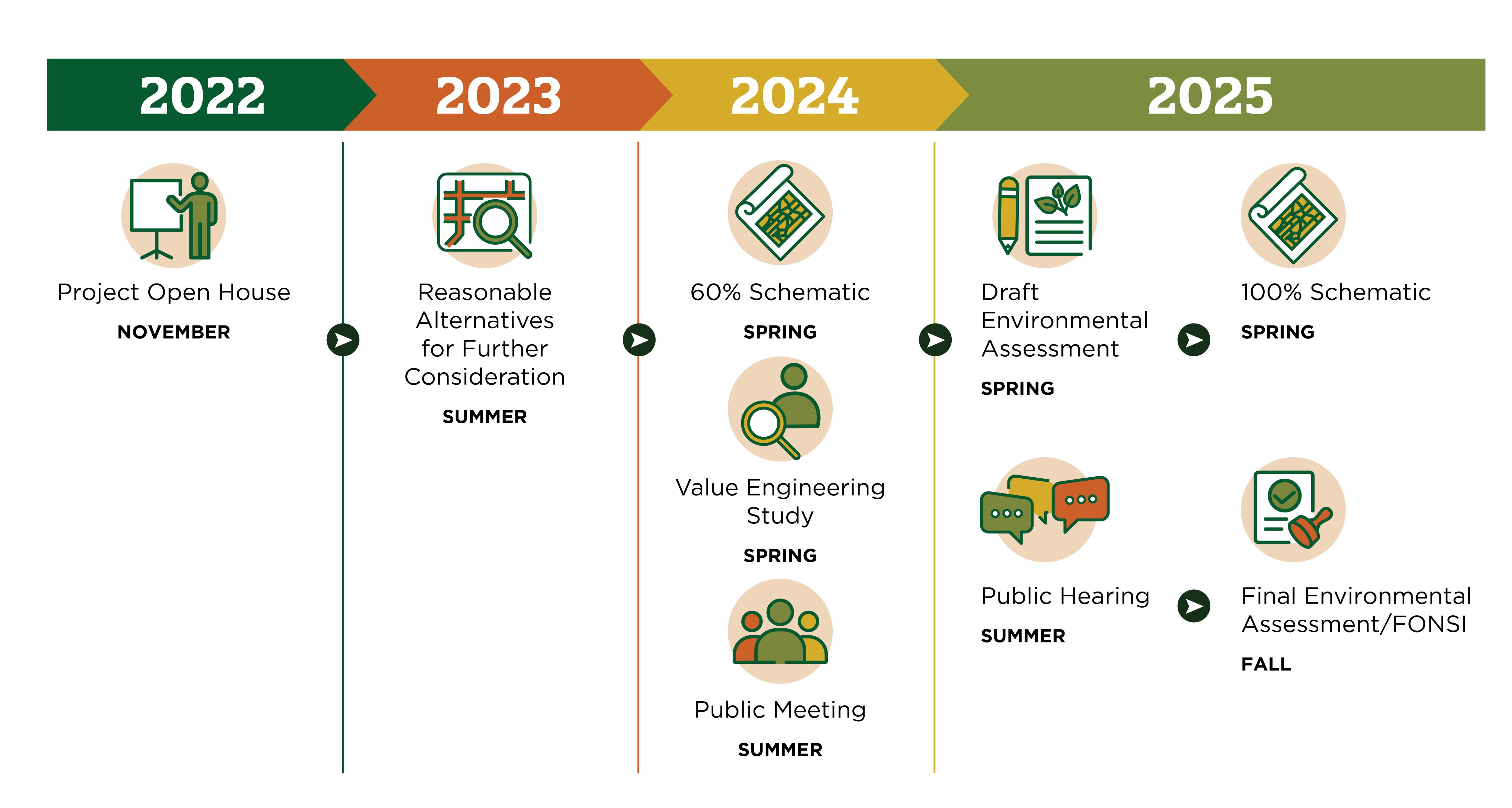
#### Input from the public is important and considered at every phase of project development



#### Corridor preservation through land use planning and purchases

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#### How to Provide Input



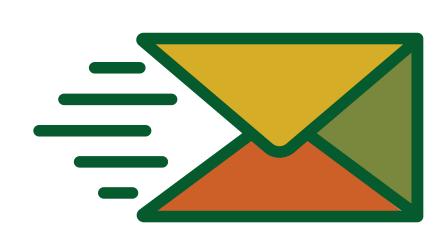




**Comment Form** 

In-person or online





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All comments must be received or postmarked by Friday, June 21, 2024, to be included in the official public meeting record.

# Regional Outer Loop Projects



#### Rockwall County Outer Loop





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https://www.rockwallcountytexas.com/1134/Rockwall-County-Outer-Loop-2022

#### Collin County Outer Loop





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https://www.collincountytx.gov/Services/ Engineering/transportation/outer-loop

#### Denton County Outer Loop





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# Comments



# Kaufman County Outer Loop Visualization

