

Rockwall County Road Consortium Brief

Rockwall County Outer Loop Project

From FM 2755 to SH 205 CSJ: 0918-25-027

Rockwall County, Texas

May 21, 2025





Project Background | The Regional Outer Loop

The Rockwall County Outer Loop Project is part of the regional outer loop examined during the 2011 NCTCOG Regional Outer Loop Feasibility Study, which included 12 counties around the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex.

Denton County Outer Loop Project:

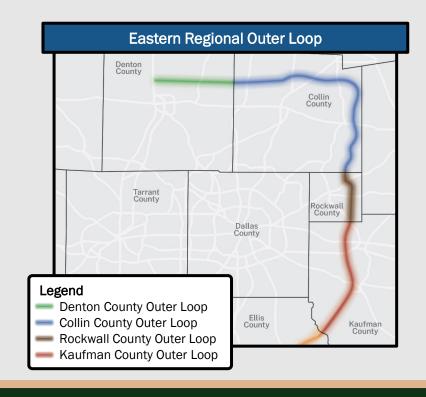
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Collin County Outer Loop Project:

www.ccol-se.com

Kaufman County Outer Loop Project:

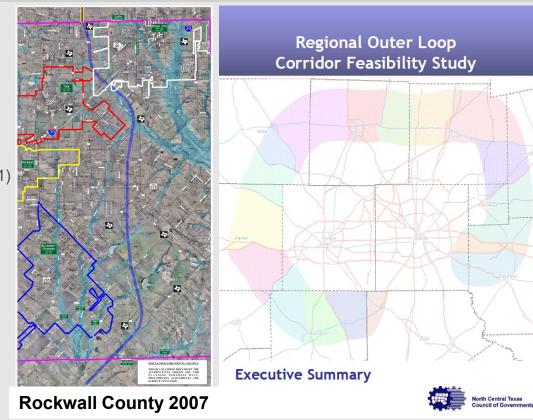
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Project Background | Regional Planning

- Rockwall County Preliminary Alignment Alternatives (2005)
- Rockwall County Preferred Alignment (2007)
- NCTCOG Mobility 2030 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, Regional Bypass (2007)
- NCTCOG Regional Outer Loop Feasibility Study (2011)
 - Study extended over 12 Counties
 - Segments of independent utility ID'ed
 - Rockwall segment part of "Path A"
- Rockwall County Thoroughfare Plans (latest update, 2018)
- NCTCOG Mobility 2045 Metropolitan Transportation
 Plan, 2022 Update (2022)





Project Background | Regional Planning

The Rockwall County Outer Loop is included in the NCTCOG's draft Mobility 2050.

Freeway, Tollway, Express/HOV/Tolled Managed Lanes Recommendations Summary

April 4, 2025

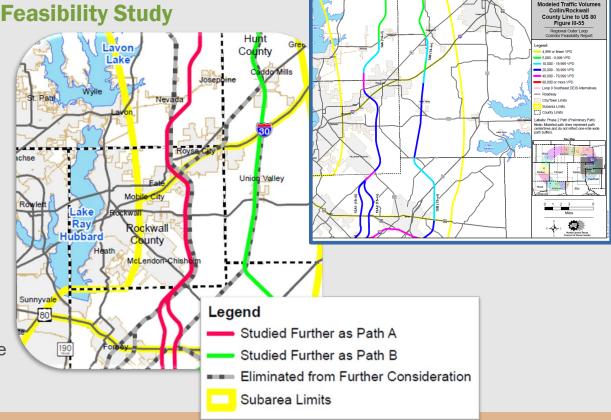
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FT Corridor	MTPID	Facility	From	То	2026 Lanes	2035 Lanes	2040 Lanes	2050 Lanes	Asset Optimization Description	Total Project Cost (YOE)
25 - Outer Loop (East)	FT 111.10.3	Rockwall County Loop	FM 2755/CR 588 Birch Street	IH 30		2 (Frtg-C)	4 (Frtg-C)	4 (Frwy), 4/6 (Frtg-C)		\$1,620,000,000
25 - Outer Loop (East)	FT 111.20.1	Rockwall County Loop	IH 30	SH 205		2 (Frtg-C)	4 (Frtg-C)	4 (Frwy), 4/6 (Frtg-C)		w/ FT 111.10.3



Project Background | Regional Planning

NCTCOG Regional Outer Loop Feasibility Study

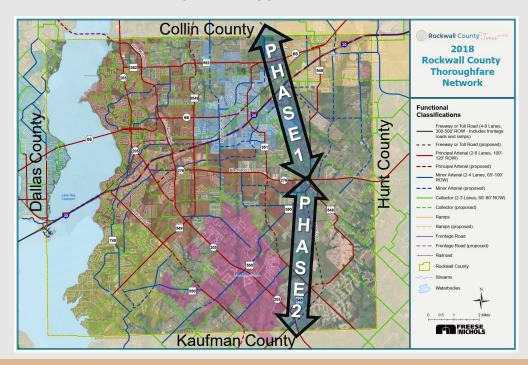
- "Path A" helped define the current project
- "Path B" in Hunt County was an alternative to "Path A" in Rockwall County
- Using I-30 in Rockwall County was eliminated as an alternative
- "Path B" was eliminated because it did not meet local and regional mobility needs for current and future projected traffic

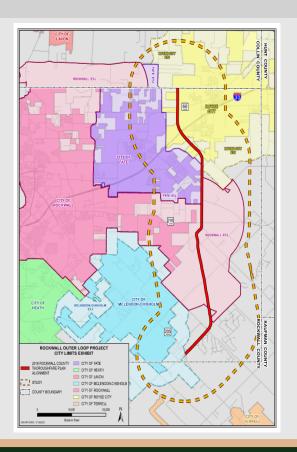




Project Description | Project Limits

- Phase 1 from FM 1138 north of I-30 to SH 276
- Phase 2 from SH 276 to SH 205



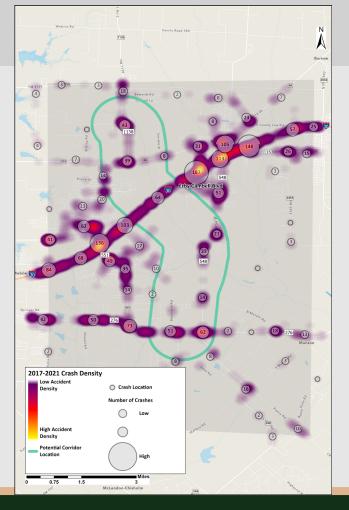




Project Description | Purpose & Need

The purpose of this study is to provide a north-south roadway in Rockwall County to:

- meet <u>local and regional mobility needs</u> for current and future projected traffic,
- address congestion on major roadways in the study area such as SH 205 and FM 548, and
- enhance safety of the roadway system in the project area.

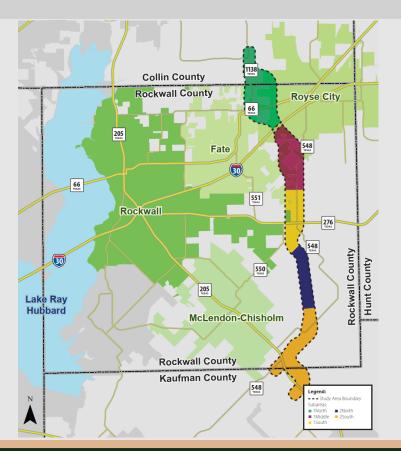




Project Description | Study Area for Evaluation

Subareas for Technical Alternatives Analysis / Route Study

- o Phase 1
 - North: FM 1138 north of Collin County Line to I-30
 - Middle: I-30 to North of Linda Lane
 - South: North of Linda Lane to South of SH 276
- o Phase 2
 - North: South of 276 to North of FM 548
 - South: North of FM 548 to SH 205





Previous Work | Agency Staff Coordination Meetings

Briefings to City/County Staff

- Rockwall Co
 9/21/22, 10/19/22, 12/9/22, 2/21/23, 3/15/23, 5/2/23, 3/22/24, 3/28/24
- Royse City 12/8/21, 5/19/22, 8/15/22, 11/3/22, 11/8/22, 3/15/23, 5/2/23, 5/16/23, 10/3/23, 3/21/24, 11/1/24
- Fate 11/23/22, 3/15/23, 5/2/23, 9/26/23, 3/13/24, 11/6/24
- Rockwall
 5/2/23, 5/12/23, 10/13/23, 11/6/24
- McClendon-Chisholm
 5/2/23, 5/12/23, 10/13/23, 6/18/24, 11/6/24

Monthly meetings with:

- NCTCOG
- TxDOT
- Rockwall County
- Kaufman County
- Collin County
- Denton County







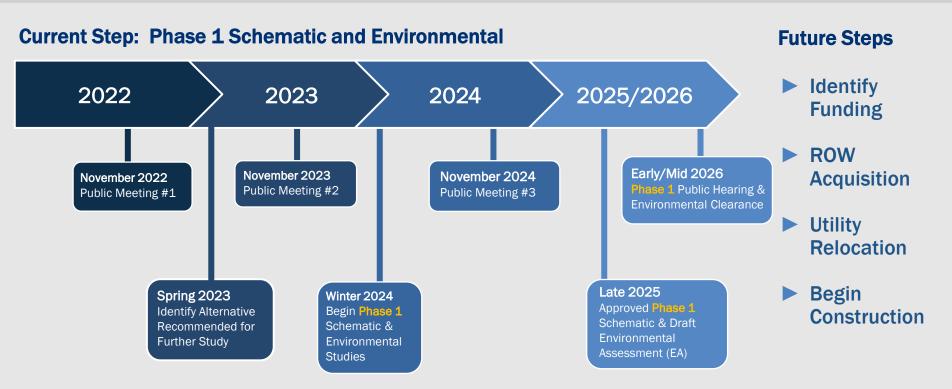








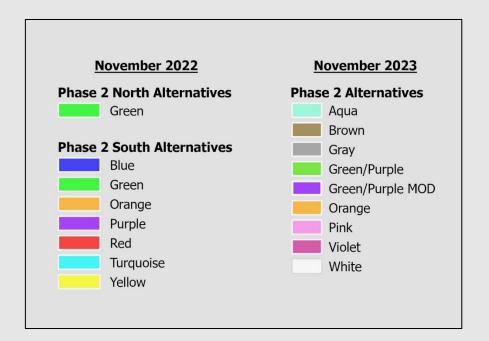
Phase 1 Project Timeline

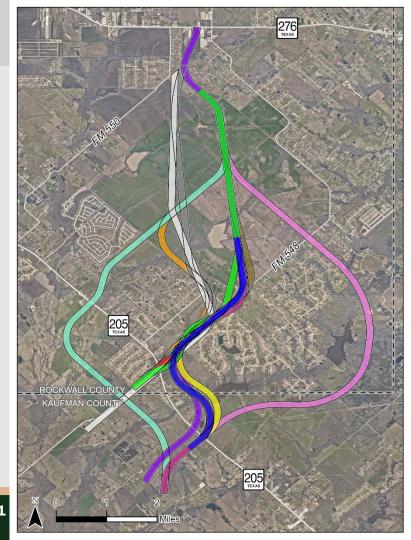


Project timeline is tentative and subject to change.



Previous Work | Phase 2 Alternatives







Preliminary Alternatives Analysis



Engineering / Design Features
Length, Right of Way Areas



Impacts to Natural & Section 4(f) Resources
Parks, Historic, Archeologic, Floodplain,
Wetlands, Riparian Hardwood Forest



Community & Socio-Economic Impacts

of Displacements, # Property Owners Affected, Hazmat Sites, # Residences within 500 feet



Transportation Performance

Access, Regional Mobility, Consistency with Thoroughfare Plans



Major Infrastructure & Federal Property

Railroads, Airports, Electric & Utility Infrastructure, Soil and Water Conservation Reservoirs and Dams



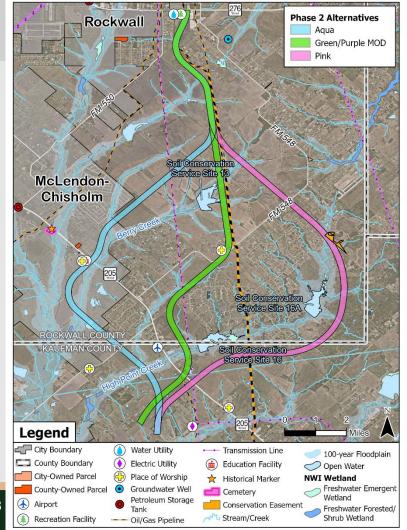
Other Measures

Costs, Local Support (Cities, County, Agencies, Public)



Previous Work | Phase 2 Alternatives Carried Forward

		PHASE 2 - TOP 3 ALTERNATIVES From Howell Road to South of SH 205 All build alignments are subject to future refinements.			
ALTERNATIVE FEATURES AND POTENTIAL IMPACTS	ID#				
7					
		Aqua (west)	Green/Purple MOD	Pink (east)	
ENGINEERING / DESIGN FEATURES					
Alignment Length (miles)	1	7.911	7.056	8.986	
Estimated Existing ROW Utilized (acres)	2	11.7	7.3	21.8	
Estimated Total ROW Required (acres)	3	479.29	421.1	544.45	
COMMUNITY AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPACTS					
# of Property Owners Affected by Proposed ROW	4	23	26	50	
Proposed ROW Impact to Other Publicly-Owned Properties / Conservation Easement (acres)	6	0.00	1.51	7.37	
Proposed ROW Impact to Other HOA-Owned Open Space (acres)	6A	1.65	0.00	0.00	
# of Displaced Residences	7	7	1	4	
# of Residences within 500 feet	7A	37	54	54	
# of Displaced Barns/Sheds/Detached Garages	9	12	19	4	
# of Displaced Commercial / Industrial / Other Facilities	12	1	2	0	
IMPACTS TO FEDERAL PROPERTY OR MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE					
Proposed ROW Impact to Federal Land or Projects (acres)	15	0.00	0.01	0.00	
Proposed ROW Impact to Major Electric Utility Infrastructure (linear feet)	18	647	2276	641	
Proposed ROW Impact to Major Oil/Gas Utility Infrastructure (linear feet)	19	646	4073	5907	
# of Displaced Utility Structures	20	1	4	1	
IMPACTS TO SECTION 4(f) RESOURCES					
# of Historic-age Properties within the Proposed ROW	24	5	5	3	
Proposed ROW Impact to Areas of High-Risk Potential Archeological Liability (acres)	26	29.40	10.47	11.54	
# of Historic-age Properties within the APE	31	8	6	3	
IMPACTS TO NATURAL RESOURCES					
Proposed ROW Impact within 100-Year Floodplain (acres)	32	78.22	60.93	47.33	
Proposed ROW Impact to Ponds and Lakes (acres)	33	11.23	5.97	5.05	
Proposed ROW Impact to NWI Wetlands (acres)	34	4.80	9.08	0.60	
Proposed ROW Impact to NHD Rivers and Streams (acres)	35	2.99	2.52	2.68	
Proposed ROW Impact to Riparian Forest Areas (acres)	36	14.06	18.46	41.80	
Proposed ROW Impact to Potential Prime Farmland (acres)	37	441.74	402.60	491.97	
PROJECT COSTS (IN \$ MILLIONS)					
Estimated Construction Costs (\$M)	46	\$ 576.5	\$ 477.4	\$ 50	
Estimated ROW Costs (\$M)	47	\$ 34.4	\$ 29.1	\$ 3	
Estimated Utility Costs (\$M)	48	\$ 5.8	\$ 4.8	\$	
Estimated Engineering Costs (\$M)	49	\$ 57.7	\$ 47.7	\$ 5	
Estimated Total Costs (\$M)	50	\$ 674.3	\$ 559.0	\$ 59	





Previous Work | Public Involvement

Meeting No. 1

323 comments from 303 commenters were received. Major themes include:

- · Project need and purpose,
- · Project timeline,
- Requests to consider specific routes,
- Concerns about impacts to property and home value,
- General project support or opposition,
- Concerns about environmental impacts including air quality, traffic noise, wildlife habitat, and historical resources,
- · Safety, and
- Future development and growth.

Meeting No. 2

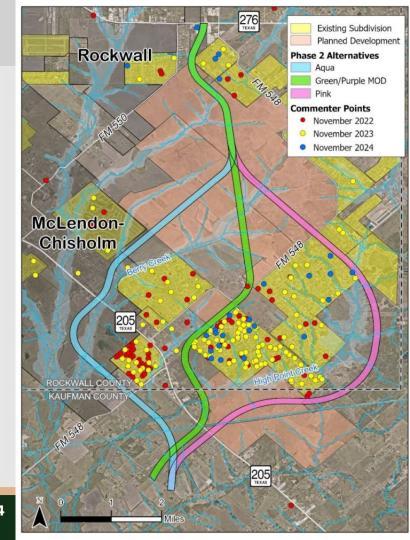
330 comments from 327 commenters were received. Major themes repeated previous meeting comments, including:

- · Project need and purpose,
- Requests to avoid routes in the vicinity of Phase 2 subdivisions,
- Concerns about impacts to property and home value,
- General project support or opposition,
- Concerns about environmental impacts including air quality, traffic noise, and wildlife habitat,
- Safety, and
- Future development and growth.

Meeting No. 3

58 comments from 56 commenters were received. Major themes included those listed under Meeting No. 2, in addition to:

- Political background and project funding, and
- Specific property access considerations within Phase 1 project limits.

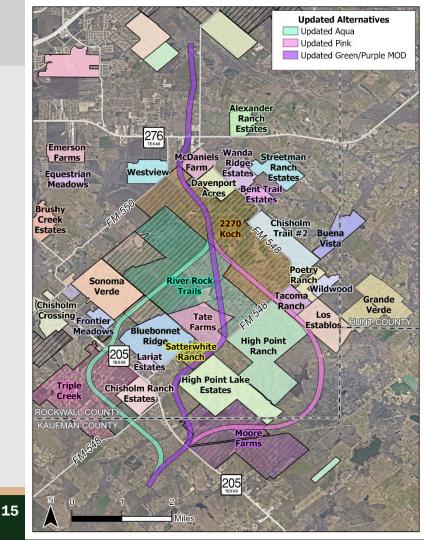




Previous Work | Property Owner Meetings (South of SH 276)

- 2/25/22: 2270 Koch
- 9/29/22: 2270 Koch
- 11/22/22: River Rock Trails
- 12/5/22: Chisholm Ranch Estates
- 12/6/22: Tate Farms
- 12/9/22: 2270 Koch
- 12/12/22: Satterwhite Ranch
- 12/15/22: High Point Lake **Estates**
- 3/20/23: Tate Farms
- 3/22/23: Satterwhite Ranch
- 4/3/23: 2270 Koch
- 4/5/23: River Rock Trails
- 6/19/23: High Point Lake Estates
- 6/19/23: Tate Farms
- 6/28/23: River Rock Trails

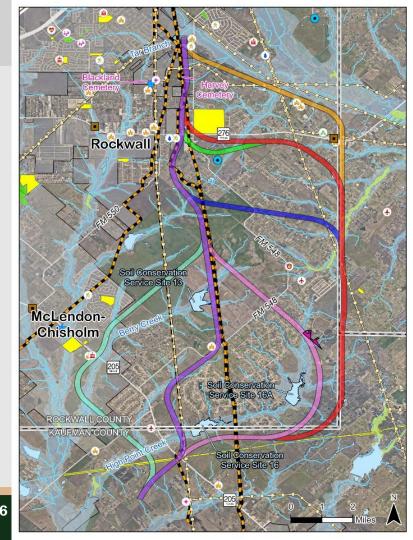
- 7/5/23: 2270 Koch
- 7/6/23: Moore Farms
- 10/19/22: Moore Farms 9/15/23: Tate Farms
 - 2/26/24: 2270 Koch





Current Work | 2025 New and Updated Alternatives

- Maps & Markers Meeting held 4/29/2025
 - Included Commissioners Stacy and Liechty
 as well as representatives from the Cities of
 Rockwall, Royse City, McClendon-Chisholm,
 and Fate
 - Reviewed constraints and identified four new routes to analyze in addition to the three routes previously studied





Current Work | Preliminary Alternatives Analysis

Gray evaluation matrix categories will be calculated after routes are submitted to NCTCOG



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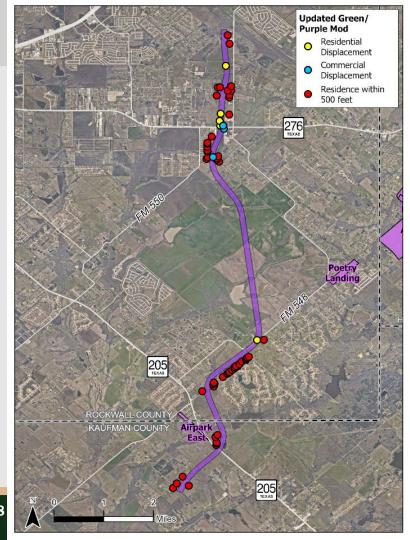
*No potential impacts anticipated.



Updated Green/Purple Mod

# Residential Displacements*	5
# Commercial Displacements*	3
# Residences within 500 ft*	53
# Property Owners Impacted by ROW*	53

^{*}Anticipated impacts are preliminary





Updated Aqua

# Residential Displacements*	12
# Commercial Displacements*	4
# Residences within 500 ft*	82
# Property Owners Impacted by ROW*	56

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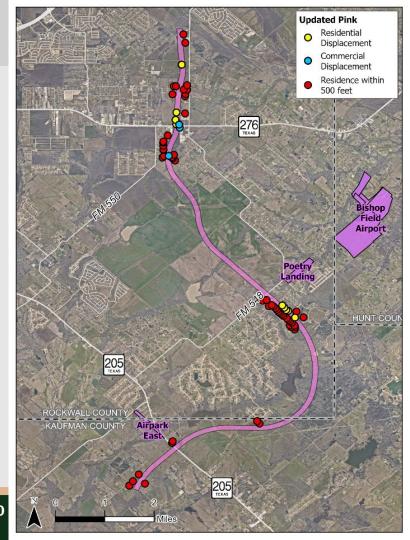




Updated Pink

# Residential Displacements*	9
# Commercial Displacements*	3
# Residences within 500 ft*	53
# Property Owners Impacted by ROW*	80

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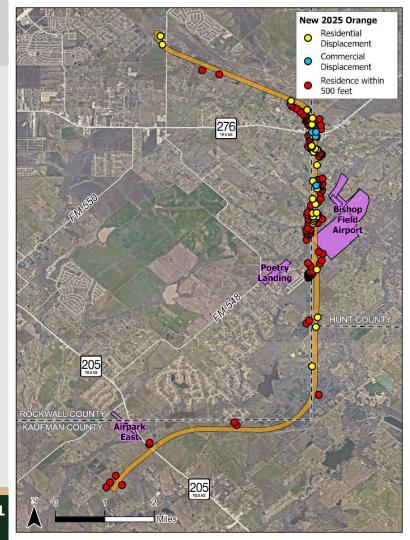




New 2025 Orange

# Residential Displacements*	34
# Commercial Displacements*	5
# Residences within 500 ft*	111
# Property Owners Impacted by ROW*	115

^{*}Anticipated impacts are preliminary





New 2025 Red

# Residential Displacements*	28
# Commercial Displacements*	3
# Residences within 500 ft*	107
# Property Owners Impacted by ROW*	114

^{*}Anticipated impacts are preliminary

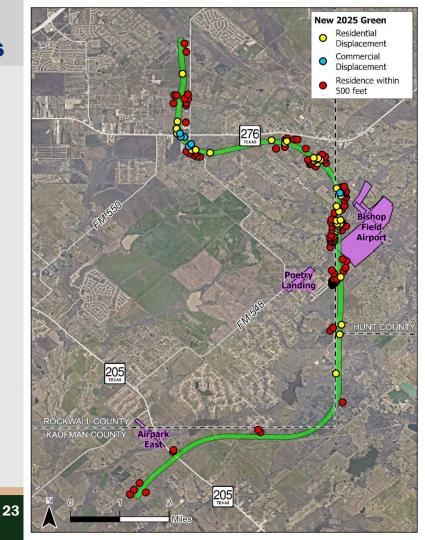




New 2025 Green

# Residential Displacements*	34
# Commercial Displacements*	6
# Residences within 500 ft*	112
# Property Owners Impacted by ROW*	128

^{*}Anticipated impacts are preliminary

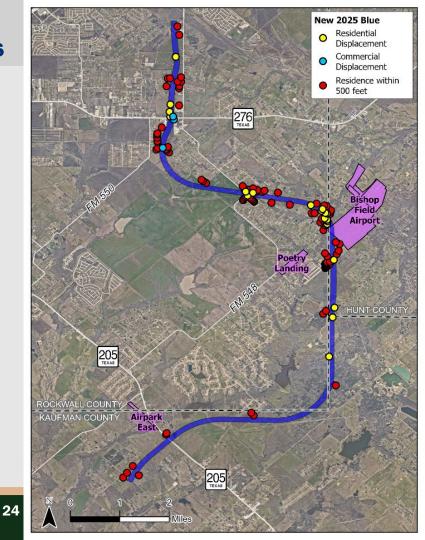




New 2025 Blue

# Residential Displacements*	20
# Commercial Displacements*	3
# Residences within 500 ft*	110
# Property Owners Impacted by ROW*	102

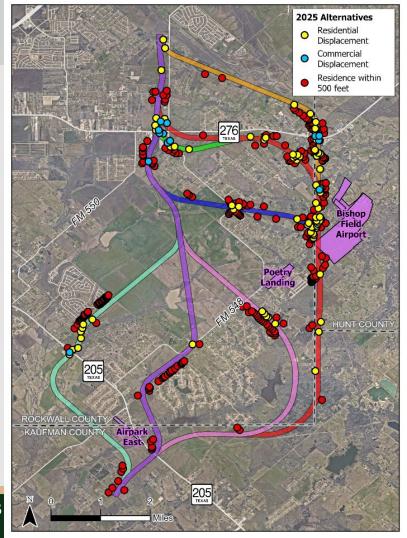
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	Updated Purple/ Green Mod	Updated Aqua	Updated Pink	New 2025 Orange	New 2025 Red	New 2025 Green	New 2025 Blue
# Residential Displacements	5	12	9	34	28	34	20
# Commercial Displacements	3	4	3	5	3	6	3
# Residences within 500 ft	53	82	53	111	107	112	110
# Property Owners Impacted by ROW	53	56	80	115	114	128	102

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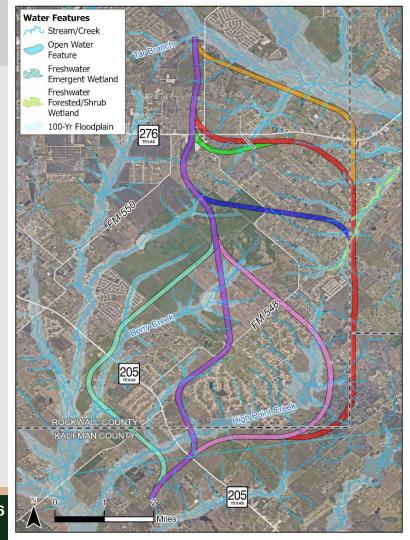




Project Length and Water Features

	Updated Purple/ Green Mod	Updated Aqua	Updated Pink	New 2025 Orange	New 2025 Red	New 2025 Green	New 2025 Blue
Miles in Rockwall County	8.4	9.1	8.8	3.8	5.4	5.7	6.6
Miles in Hunt County	-	-	-	4.3	3.0	3.0	1.9
Miles in Kaufman County	1.7	1.7	3.2	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1
Total Length	10.1	10.8	12.0	13.2	13.5	13.8	13.6
Miles of Phase 1 Affected	-	-	-	2.0	0.8	0.2	-

^{*}Anticipated impacts are preliminary. A desktop delineation of water features will be completed after incorporating consortium feedback.





Next Steps

- Incorporate feedback from Road Consortium to adjust routes, as needed
- Provide alternative routes to NCTCOG to conduct traffic analyses
- Refine preliminary impacts calculations and complete evaluation matrix
- Present the traffic analysis and completed evaluation matrix
- Continue 90% draft development of Phase 1 Schematic design for areas outside limits of Phase 2 reevaluation



Questions?

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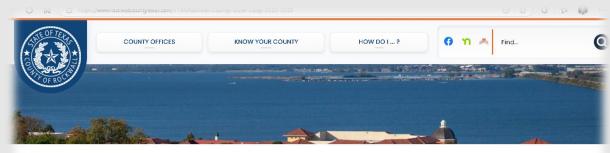
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ROCKWALL COUNTY OUTER LOOP (2022-2025)

Project Description

Rockwall County and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) are conducting a feasibility study for a new location roadway from Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 2755 to State Highway (SH) 205, a distance of approximately 14.4 miles, in Rockwall County, Texas. The study evaluated alternatives within or near the cities of Fate, Royse City, McLendon-Chisholm, and Rockwall through Rockwall County. The ultimate proposed project configuration would consist of four lanes of frontage roads (two in each direction), four general purpose lanes (two in each direction), and two shared-use bicycle/pedestrian paths (one in each direction) within 500 feet of right-of-way. The project would be constructed in phases contingent on traffic volumes and available funding.

Purpose and Need

The proposed project is needed because there is a lack of north-south connectivity and roadway capacity within Rockwall County to meet local and regional mobility needs and accommodate projected vehicular traffic volume increases on the local roadway network resulting from anticipated development and population growth. A new location roadway is needed within the study area due to the lack of suitable, continuous north-south major arterials.