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Live35
Locally Influenced Visual Enhancements
Tonight’s Meeting

- Capital Express Central Project Update
- What is Live35?
- Austin’s Cultural Landscape
- Design Elements
We ask that all participants keep mics muted during the presentation.

TxDOT wants to hear from you! Visit my35capex.com to share your feedback or ask questions anytime.
Capital Express Central Project Update
Date:
January 25, 2022

Time:
6:00 pm

Location:
Central Public Library
The current proposed alternatives are the result of decades of feedback received from the public.
I-35 Capital Express Central Project Scope

- **Limits:** US 290 East to SH 71/Ben White Boulevard, with additional flyovers at I-35 and US 290 East.

- **Length:** 8 miles.

- **Project details:**
  - Construct two non-tolled managed lanes in each direction.
    - Managed lanes, such as high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes, are a set of lanes within a highway that are separated from the mainlanes. Access is controlled by placing restrictions on use.
  - Reconstruct ramps, bridges and intersections.
  - Improve frontage roads.
  - Enhance bicycle and pedestrian paths.
  - Accommodate transit routes.

**Estimated construction cost:** $4.9 billion  
**Anticipated construction start:** 2025
Where We Are in the Process

RANGE OF ALTERNATIVES, PURPOSE & NEED, COORDINATION PLAN
Presented at agency and public scoping meeting #1.
Fall/Winter 2020

EVALUATION CRITERIA
Presented at agency and public scoping meeting #2.
Spring 2021

REFINED RANGE OF ALTERNATIVES
Presented at public meeting.
Summer 2021

TECHNICAL STUDIES
Conducted as part of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.
Fall 2021/ Summer 2022

PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE
Presented in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, which is made available to public 15 days prior to public hearing and circulated to cooperating and participating agencies.
Fall 2022

SELECTED ALTERNATIVE
Presented in the combined final Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision. This is the end of the environmental process.
Summer 2023

TxDOT encourages feedback throughout the duration of the project. In addition to the official comment periods listed above, feedback may also be submitted via workshops, neighborhood meetings and stakeholder outreach. These events will take place throughout the process, and public comments submitted will be documented and incorporated as the project is developed.
What is Live35?
Goals

• Expectations of the process
  • History of the Aesthetics Program
  • Aesthetics Program Partnership - TxDOT and City of Austin

• Quality Feedback
  • Austin's Cultural Landscape
  • Design elements

• Next Steps
History of Aesthetics Program

- Aesthetics Working Group
- Rankings by Community
  - Lighting for Safety - #1
I-35 Aesthetics Guidelines and Expectations

• I-35 Aesthetic Guidelines
• Community Facing Features
• Setting Expectations
Aesthetics Program Partnership

**TxDOT & City of Austin** are working in partnership on a strategy for implementation and maintenance of aesthetics improvements. This includes:

- Funding the aesthetic elements on the east-west crossings and Lady Bird Lake.
- Implementing the infrastructure for the community facing features.
- Ensuring compatibility with possible improvements on Cap and Stitch components.
- Maintaining the aesthetic elements along I-35 once constructed.
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WHERE DO YOU LIVE?
Austin’s Cultural Landscape
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THANK YOU

Thanks for your time and feedback tonight.

Visit www.my35capex.com/aesthetics for more information and to keep updated on this aesthetics plan.