

# I-35 CAPITAL EXPRESS NORTH PROJECT

## FACT SHEET



### Why improvements are needed

I-35 through Austin is one of the most [congested highways in Texas](#). It serves as the backbone of the local, regional, and national transportation network. Lack of mobility on I-35 threatens the economic livelihood of our city and our state. Improvements to this area are needed due to population and employment growth, which have caused increased congestion in the area.

### Program overview

The I-35 Capital Express Program comprises three projects (North, Central and South). The Central project proposes to add two managed lanes in each direction along I-35 from US 290 East to SH 71/Ben White Boulevard. The South project proposes to add two managed lanes in each direction along I-35 from SH 71/Ben White Boulevard to SH 45 Southeast.

### About Capital Express North

The I-35 Capital Express North project proposes to add one non-tolled high-occupancy vehicle managed lane in each direction along I-35 from SH 45 North to US 290 East. Managed lanes are proposed in high-congestion areas where right of way is limited. These lanes are designed to provide a less congested route than adjacent general-purpose lanes during peak periods for qualifying vehicles. Managed lanes control access by placing restrictions on use. The project will also reconstruct six bridges, add a diverging diamond intersection at Wells Branch Parkway and make additional safety and mobility improvements within the project limits.



### Community input and anticipated timeline\*

The development process will incorporate public input from a series of public involvement opportunities, including open house meetings.

- Environmental study and schematic design: 2019 - 2021
- Open house: Fall 2019
- Public Hearing: Spring 2021
- Final design: 2019 - 2022
- Construction: 2022

\*Timeline is subject to change.

**Estimated construction cost:** \$500 million

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