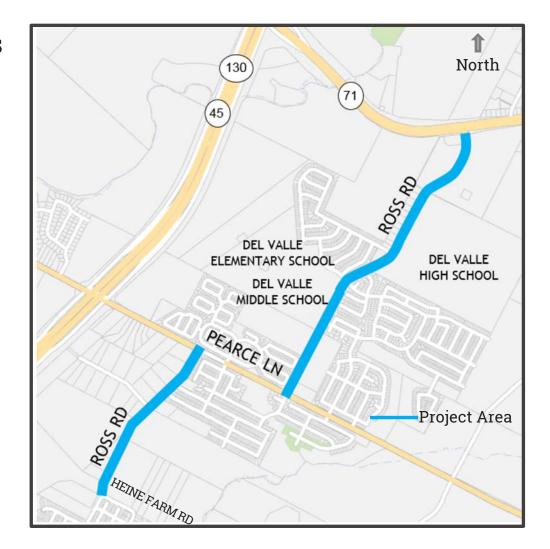
PROJECT OVERVIEW

The City of Austin is analyzing Ross Road as part of the 2016 Mobility Bond Substandard Streets Program. This project focuses on two segments of Ross Road:

- State Highway 71 to Pearce Lane
- Pearce Lane to Heine Farm Road





2016 MOBILITY BOND

- \$720 million for transportation and mobility improvements citywide
- Corridor Mobility Program \$482 million
- Regional Mobility Program \$101 million
- Local Mobility Program \$137 million
 - Sidewalks \$37.5 million
 - Safe Routes to School \$27.5 million
 - Urban Trails \$26 million
 - Bikeways \$20 million
 - Intersection Safety/Vision Zero \$15 million
 - Substandard Streets/Capital Renewal \$11 million

Substandard streets are publicly-owned roadways within the City of Austin's jurisdiction that do not meet current City of Austin requirements because they may have pavement widths that are less than 24-feet and typically lack some curb and gutter, drainage, bicycle accommodations, and sidewalk infrastructure.



PROCESS

- This project includes a review of existing conditions and constraints
- A Preliminary Engineering Report will be developed to address substandard elements of the street
- There are no design or construction funds allocated for improvements.
 Having a plan ready allows the City to move forward quickly, if funding is identified
- Community engagement will be coordinated throughout the project

Fall 2017 • Project begins

Winter 2017

- Collection of field data
- Analysis of existing conditions

Spring 2018

 Hold public meeting to gather input

Summer 2018

- Develop alternatives
- Ongoing coordination with other agencies

Fall/Winter 2018

- Hold public meeting to get feedback and share
- recommendations
- Finalize the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER)





EXISTING CONDITIONS



 Congestion near the Del Valle ISD facilities and at SH 71



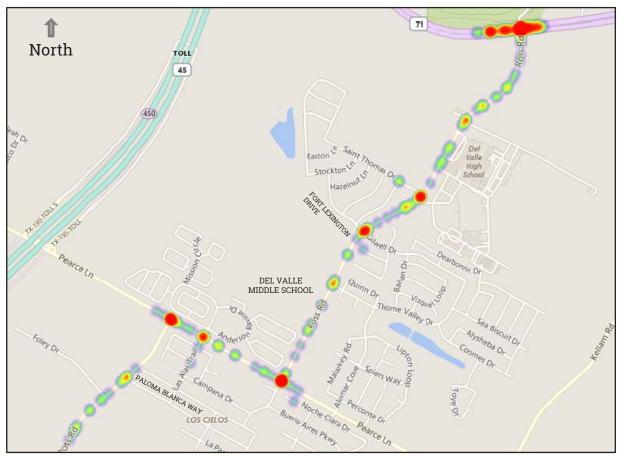
 No continuous pedestrian paths throughout the Ross Road corridor on both sides

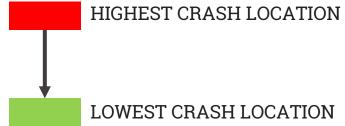


- No curb and gutter
- Flooding issues



EXISTING CRASH DATA





Crashes 2010-2017								
Intersection	Fatality	Injury	Property Damage Only	Total				
SH 71	0	55	89	144				
Fort Lexington Drive	1	25	24	50				
Thome Valley Drive	0	5	2	7				
Del Valle MS	0	2	3	5				
Pearce Lane (East)	0	25	11	36				
Pearce Lane (West)	1	23	15	39				
Paloma Blanca Way	0	13	38	51				
Total	2	148	182	332				

^{*} Severity unknown for 14 crashes.



PUBLIC FEEDBACK

WHAT WE HEARD



Traffic

- Traffic congestion near SH 71 and Del Valle ISD schools
- Speeding
- Long delays on stop-controlled exits from some neighborhoods



Bicycle

Lack of continuous bicycle facilities



Pedestrian

• Lack of continuous pedestrian facilities



Other

Drainage issues



DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS



Potential Signals

- High school driveway near Dollar General and Ross Road
- Fort Lexington Drive and Ross Road
- Las Alas Trail and Pearce Lane
- Ross Road West and Pearce Lane



Bicycle & Pedestrian Improvements

- Provide a shared use path on both sides of Ross Road to accommodate bicycles & pedestrians
- · Integrate with proposed improvements by Travis County



Roadway Improvements

- Provide a five-lane cross-section with two travel lanes in each direction and a continuous two-way center left turn lane
- Integrate with proposed improvements by TxDOT and Travis County
- Reduce lane widths and speed limit (35 MPH) throughout corridor



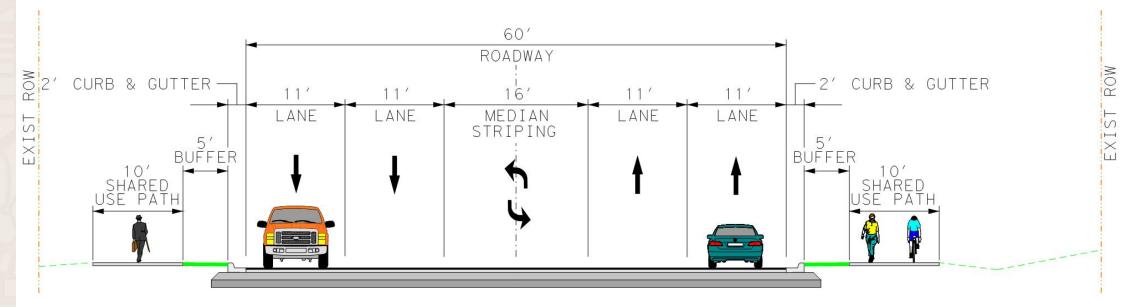
Other Improvements

• Improve drainage



PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION

Ross Road from SH 71 to Pearce Lane



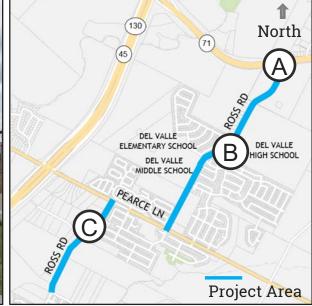
(Looking north)



OTHER FUNDED PROJECTS

Project ID	Agency	Improvements	Start of Construction	End of Construction	Next Steps
А	TxDOT	Two new SH 71 overpass bridges over Ross Road, Kellam Road	Fall 2020	Fall 2022	Project Design Completion: Spring 2019
В	Travis County	Auxiliary turn lane into high school	Summer 2018	August 2018	Complete, Open
С	Travis County	Conversion to 4-lane divided (Pearce Lane to Heine Farm Road)	2020	2021	Design starts 2019







PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE

Cost Elements	Cost
Construction Cost (Estimate)	\$47.6 M
Soft Costs (Estimate)	·
Including Engineering, Project Management and Construction Services/Testing	\$5.0 M
Project Sub-Total (Estimate)	\$52.6 M
Project Contingency (Estimate)	\$5.26 M
GRAND TOTAL (Estimate)	\$57.86 M *

^{*} All costs are high level estimates and subject to change

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