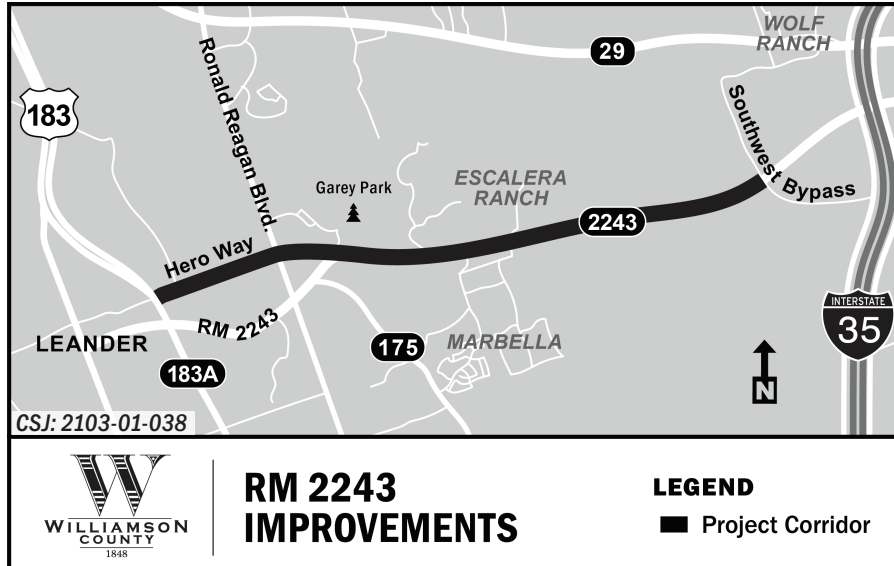




VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING WITH IN-PERSON OPTION

RM 2243 Improvements

The Texas Department of Transportation and Williamson County invite you to participate in a virtual public hearing with an in-person option to review draft environmental documents and proposed design for the reconstruction and widening of RM 2243 between 183A and Southwest Bypass. The proposed project would improve roadway design and enhance safety for motorists in the rapidly growing area.



The proposed project would reconstruct and widen the existing rural two-lane roadway to a controlled-access highway, including two mainlanes in each direction separated by a concrete barrier, with direct connections to 183A, Ronald Reagan Boulevard, and Southwest Bypass. The proposed project would also include three-lane frontage roads with access ramps on either side of the mainlanes. The first phase of construction will include a single frontage road from 183A to Garey Park, which would serve two-way traffic until the other frontage road is built in a future phase. Additional phases of the project would be developed as growth warrants and funding becomes available.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way (ROW) and potentially displace 11 residences and 24 non-residential structures. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about the Williamson County Relocation Assistance Program and services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the Williamson County Public Affairs Office by calling 512-943-1195.

Existing right of way is currently between 80 – 100 feet. Approximately 350 feet of ROW is expected to be required for the ultimate roadway construction. ROW acquisition has been funded by the City of Leander and Williamson County from 183A to Garey Park. At least part of the proposed project would occur within the Edwards Aquifer recharge and contributing zones.

Virtual Public Hearing

Tuesday, April 25 - Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Visit www.wilco.org/RM2243 to participate

In-Person Option

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 - 6:30-8:30 PM

Parkside Elementary School,
301 Garner Park Drive, Georgetown, TX 78628

The pre-recorded virtual hearing presentation will be available online at www.wilco.org/RM2243 on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 9 a.m. through 11:59 pm on Wednesday, May 10, 2023.

If you do not have internet access, you may call 512-400-4162, extension 1, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

The draft EA, any maps and drawings showing the project location and design, and other information regarding the proposed project are available for inspection Monday - Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Central Maintenance Facility Road and Bridge Office, 3151 S.E. Inner Loop, Georgetown, TX 78626, 512-943-3330.

If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual public hearing or in-person option, please contact the Williamson County Public Affairs Office at 512-943-3688 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Monday, April 17, 2023. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the County and TxDOT to arrange.

HOW TO COMMENT:

Email: roads@wilco.org

Verbal comment by voicemail: (512) 400-4162, Ext. 2

Mail: Williamson County Public Affairs Office, 710 S. Main Street, Suite 101, Georgetown, TX 78626

Online: www.wilco.org/RM2243

All written comments must be received on or before Wednesday, May 10, 2023 to be included in the official public hearing record.

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.

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