

WHY IMPROVEMENTS ARE NEEDED

The TxDOT Waco District is studying roadway improvements along FM 434 from FM 3400 in McLennan County to FM 2839 in Falls County to improve safety and mobility for local travelers.

PURPOSE AND NEED

The purpose and need of this project is to improve traffic flow and safety of the FM 434 corridor from FM 3400 to FM 2839. Per the TxDOT Roadway Design Manual, the existing 2-foot shoulders will be widened to 8-foot along FM 434 to improve safety. Increasing the width of the shoulders will provide an emergency parking area, lend lateral support to the pavement structure, provide a maneuvering area, and increase the sight distance of the horizontal curves.

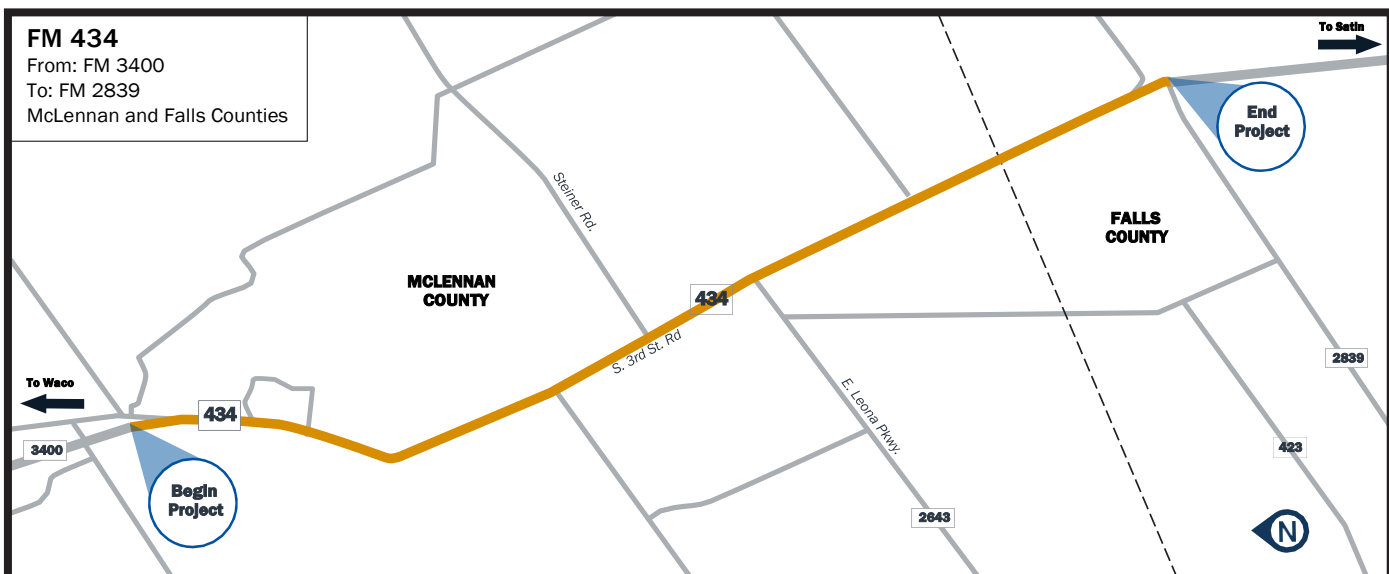
PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

The proposed project improvements include rebuilding and widening FM 434 to add shoulders to the existing roadway. The project length is approximately 4.775 miles. Currently FM 434 consists of two 12-foot lanes with 2-foot shoulders for a total of 28-feet of pavement width. The proposed FM 434 consists of two 12-foot lanes with 8-foot shoulders for a total of 40-feet of pavement width. The proposed right of way needed to make the shoulder widening improvements varies from 84 to 230 feet. The approximate construction cost is \$14.6 million for the full project.

PROPOSED PROJECT DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE*



**timeline contingent on environmental decision, right-of-way acquisition and utility relocation*



For more information, visit the TxDOT website at www.txdot.gov and enter "FM 434 Waco" in the search area.

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