November 2021 Revision to Rural Transportation Improvement Plan 2021-2024

PHARR DISTRICT

VIRTUAL PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

September 2021

Agenda

1. Safety Minute
2. Pharr District and its Boundaries
3. Rural Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revision
4. Funding
5. Next Steps

Safety

Safety Never Stops!

Safety: Mission ZERO

WORK ZONES AND ROAD SIGNS **TEXAS ROAD TIPS**

At any given time, there are as many as 3,000 active work zones in Texas.

Caution: Road Work Ahead

The leading causes of work zone crashes are failure to control speed and driver inattention. Be extra cautious and keep the following tips in mind when driving through work zones:

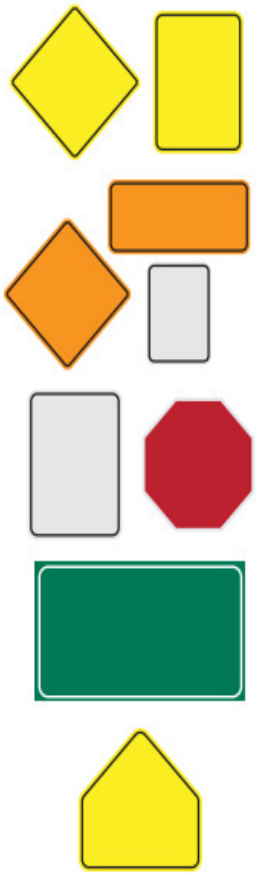
Here's the Law

State law requires you to obey all signs in work zones. Fines for moving violations in road construction or maintenance work zones marked with signs double when workers are present and can be as much as $2,000.

- Slow down and always follow posted work zone speed limits.
- Pay attention, as workers and heavy equipment may be only a few feet from passing vehicles.
- Don't tailgate.
- Stay alert, minimize distractions, and put the phone away.
- Obey road crew flaggers.
- Expect the unexpected. Delays from highway construction can be frustrating, but it only takes a few extra minutes to slow down for a work zone.

Road Signs

Travel along any Texas street or highway and you will see all sorts of road signs. In addition to the posted message, every sign's color and shape tells you something about what's ahead.



WARNING SIGNS

Unexpected conditions and changes

Yellow; usually diamonds, rectangles, or circles

WORK ZONE SIGNS

Road work

Orange or white; diamonds or rectangles

REGULATORY SIGNS

Traffic laws

Red, black, and white or black and white; usually triangles, octagons, or vertical rectangles

SIGNS THAT GUIDE

Routes, destinations, or other points of interest

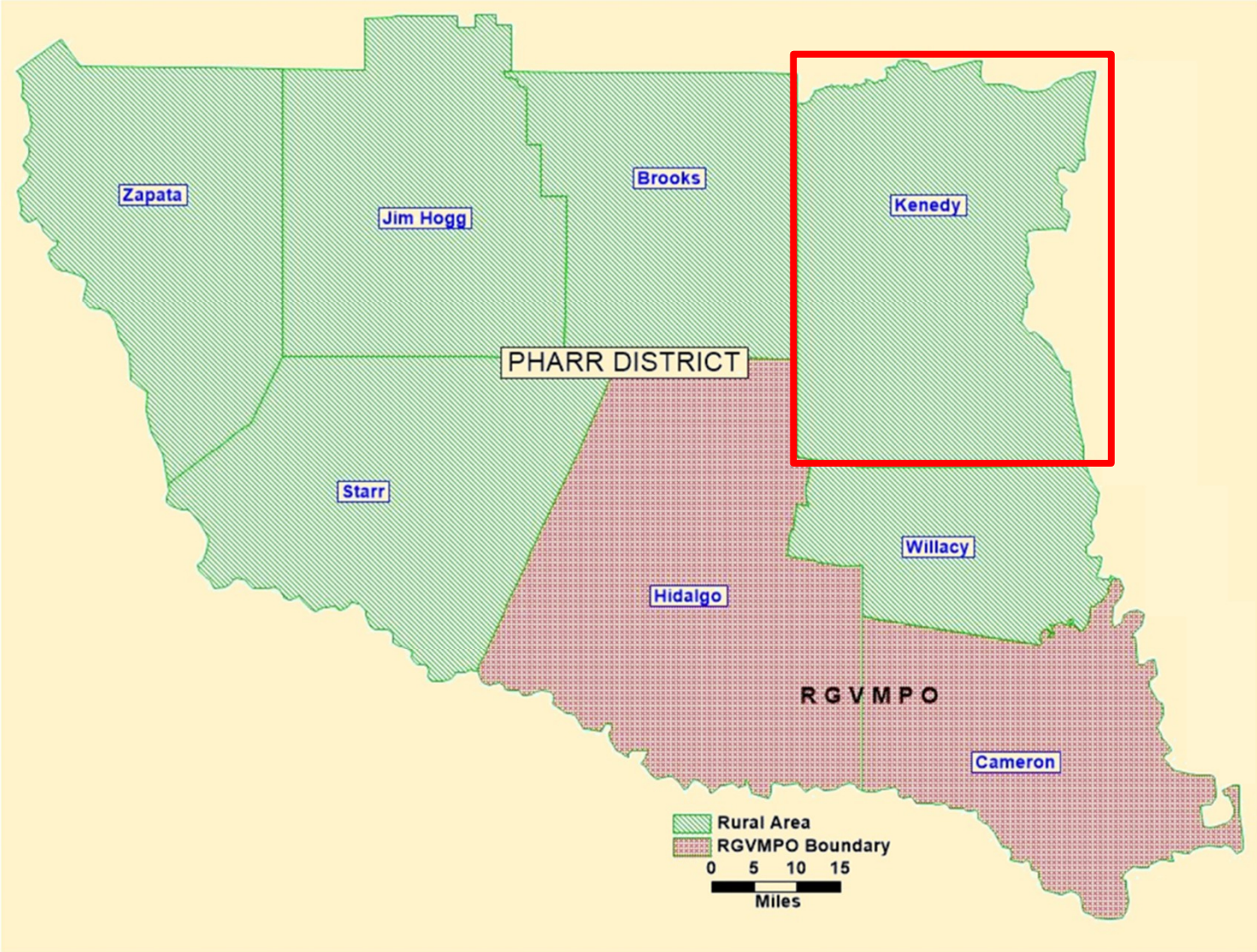
Green, blue, or brown; usually horizontal rectangles

SCHOOL ZONE SIGNS

Alert that adults and children may be crossing road

Yellow or green; usually pentagons or rectangles

PHARR DISTRICT – REVISION LOCATION



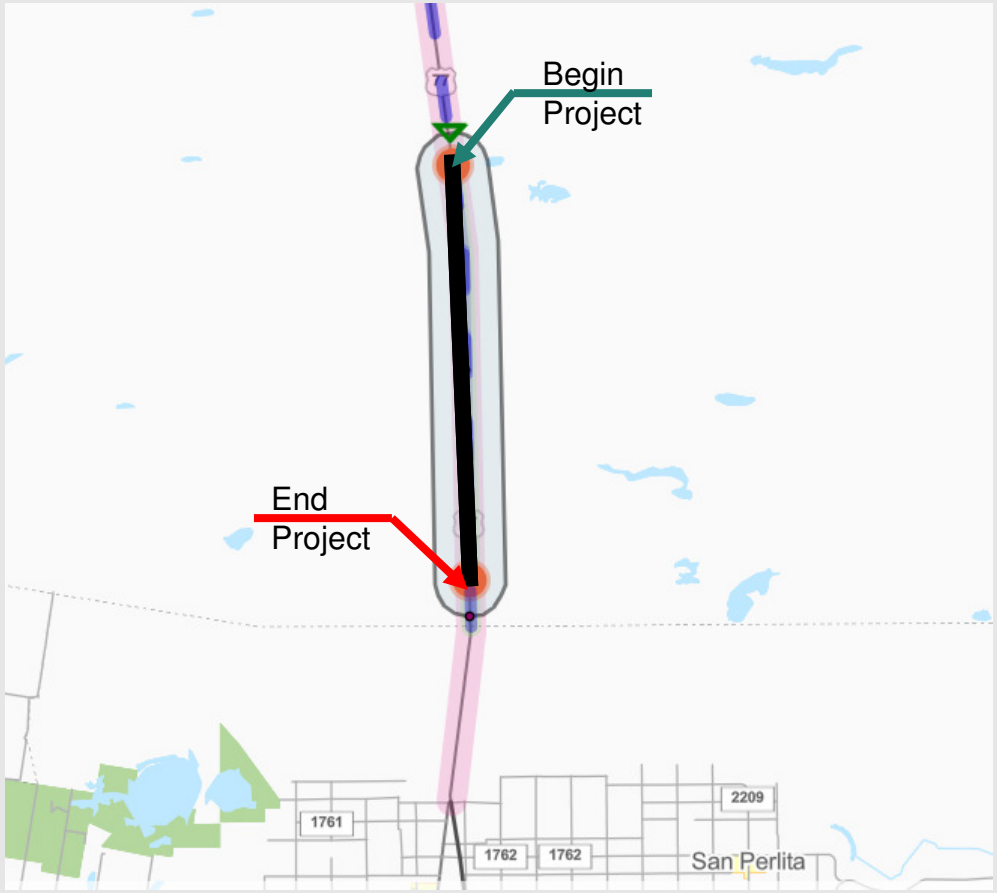
Why is the Rural TIP being revised?

- Approval of the 2022 Unified Transportation Plan (UTP) provided funding updates
- TxDOT Pharr District submitted a revision to the Rural Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
- As part of ongoing public involvement opportunity, TxDOT is providing the November 2021 Revisions to the RTIP changes for public comment

The following slides will highlight the project and schedule that will be affected by the 2021-2024 Rural TIP November 2021 Revision for the Pharr District

Revised - Rural TIP Kenedy County Project

CSJ	Highway	Limits from	Limits to	Description of Work	Original Cost	Revised Cost	Let Yr
0327-05-041	US 77	Norias Rd	1.34 Mi N of Willacy/Kenedy County Line	CONSTRUCT MAIN LANES & OVERPASSES (FUTURE I-69 CORRIDOR)	$ 75,905,069	$110,292,229	2024



Funding

The Rural TIP is a fiscally constrained list of projects that functions as a budgeting tool for our District.

Funds can come from:

Federal Government

Through the Federal Highway and Transit Administrations (FHWA)

TxDOT

Through its Unified Transportation Program (UTP) funding categories

Local governments

Who may be required to provide matching funds for federal monies

"Fiscally constrained TIP" means:

It is realistic in terms of the amount of funding available.

In the Rural TIP Revision Process

21-24 Rural STIP Approval
TxDOT Districts define a proposed list of projects based on previous analysis and obtain FHWA approval

Rural TIP Revisions Identified
PHR district compiles list of revisions for approved Statewide TIP (STIP)

You are here!

Community Input
Public Involvement efforts for the Rural TIP Revision

Rural STIP Revisions Approved
TxDOT reviews each Rural TIP revision and FHWA approves them into the STIP

With funding secured, project development and/or construction schedules can move ahead.

How to provide comments:

1. Visit TxDOT.gov and search: Pharr District 2021-2024 RTIP November Revision
2. Mail a comment to:

Texas Department of Transportation
Pharr District, Subj: Rural TIP Revision
600 W IH-2
Pharr, TX 78577

3. E-mail a comment to:

Melba.Schaus@txdot.gov, Subject: Rural TIP Revision

Remember to submit your comments by **September 30, 2021**
to be included in the official summary of this meeting