Texas Department of Transportation

Welcome

US 83

Public Meeting

Thursday, April 25, 2024

1700 College Street, Junction, Texas 76849

Why am I here?

- Learn about the proposed US 83 Project
- Provide comments on the US 83 Project

From FM 2291 South of Menard to I-10 North of Junction

Overall US 83 Corridor from Concho County line to I-10

Project 1 –

Concho County line to North of Menard

Feasibility Study 1 –

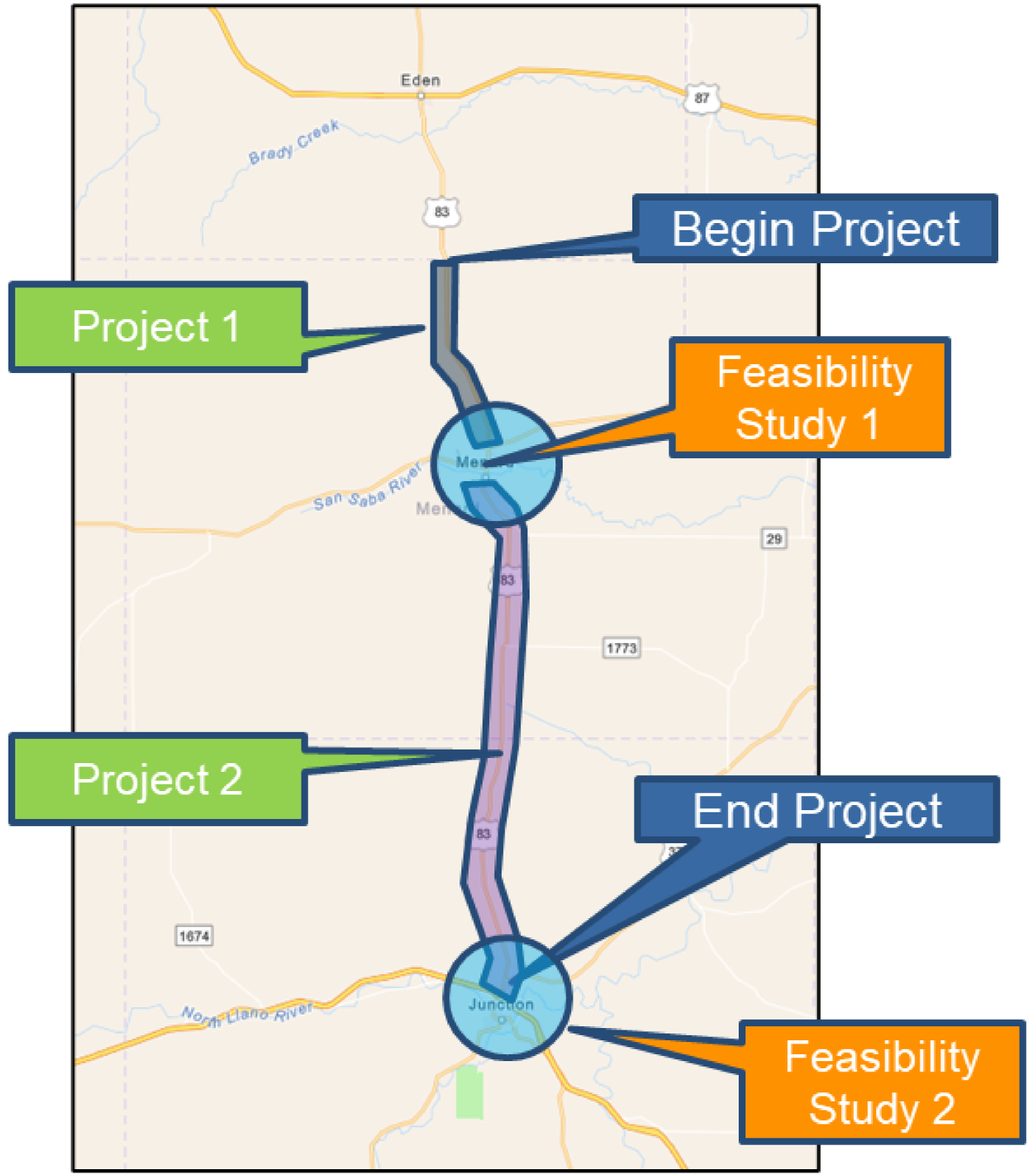
Reliever Routes near Menard

Project 2 –

South of Menard to North of Junction

Feasibility Study 2 –

Realignment Study near Junction



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Overall US 83 Corridor Objectives

Widen US 83 from current Super 2 roadway to a four-lane divided highway in Menard and Kimble counties, Texas

Ultimately upgrade US 83 to Interstate design standards (US 83 Corridor was recently designated as a future Interstate Highway)

Alternatives through and around Menard and alternative connections to I-10 near Junction will be studied, but no schematic, design, or construction is anticipated at this time

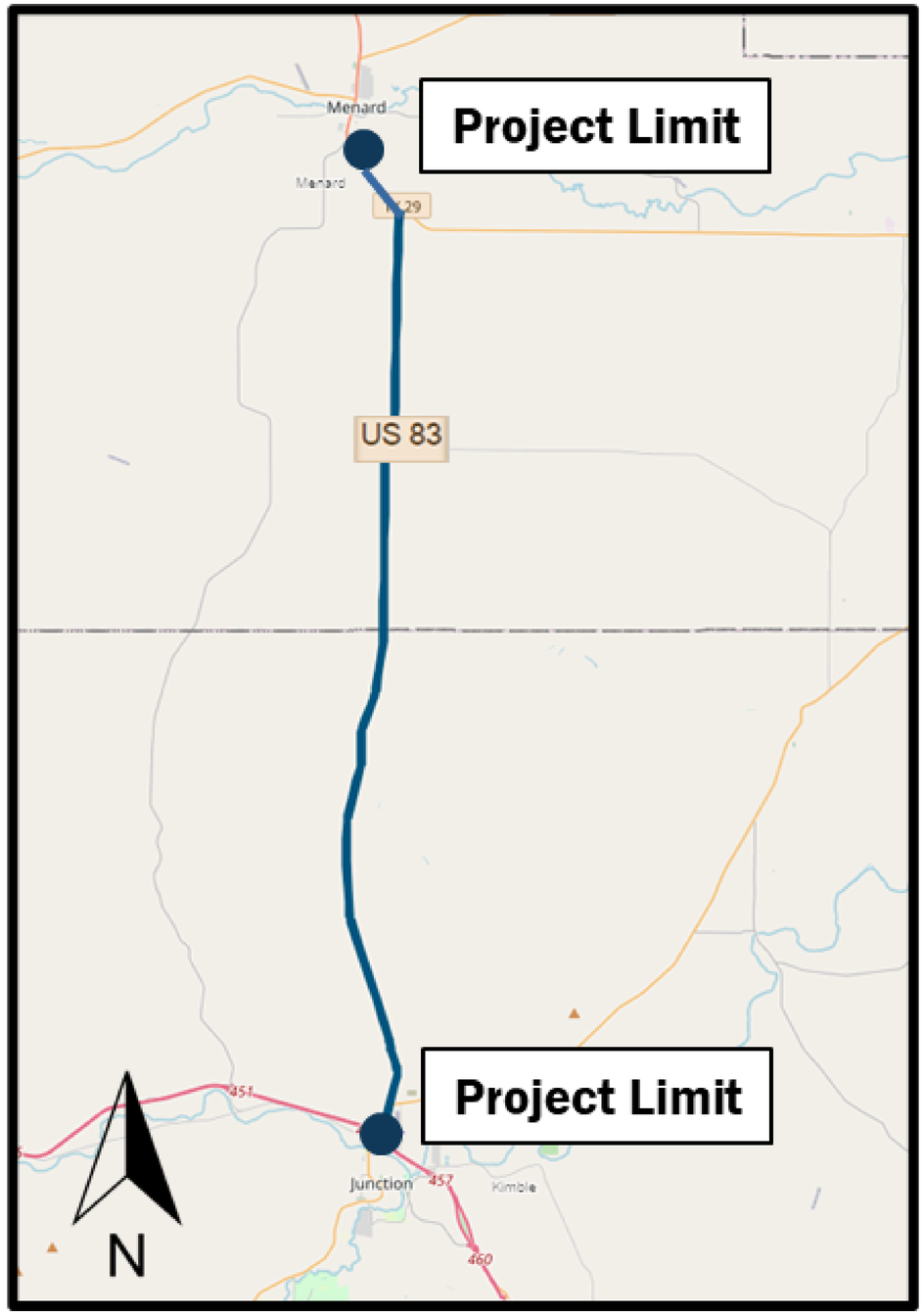
Project Overview

Limits:
FM 2291 South of Menard to I-10 North of Junction

Location:
Menard and Kimble counties, Texas

Project Length:
Approximately 26 miles long

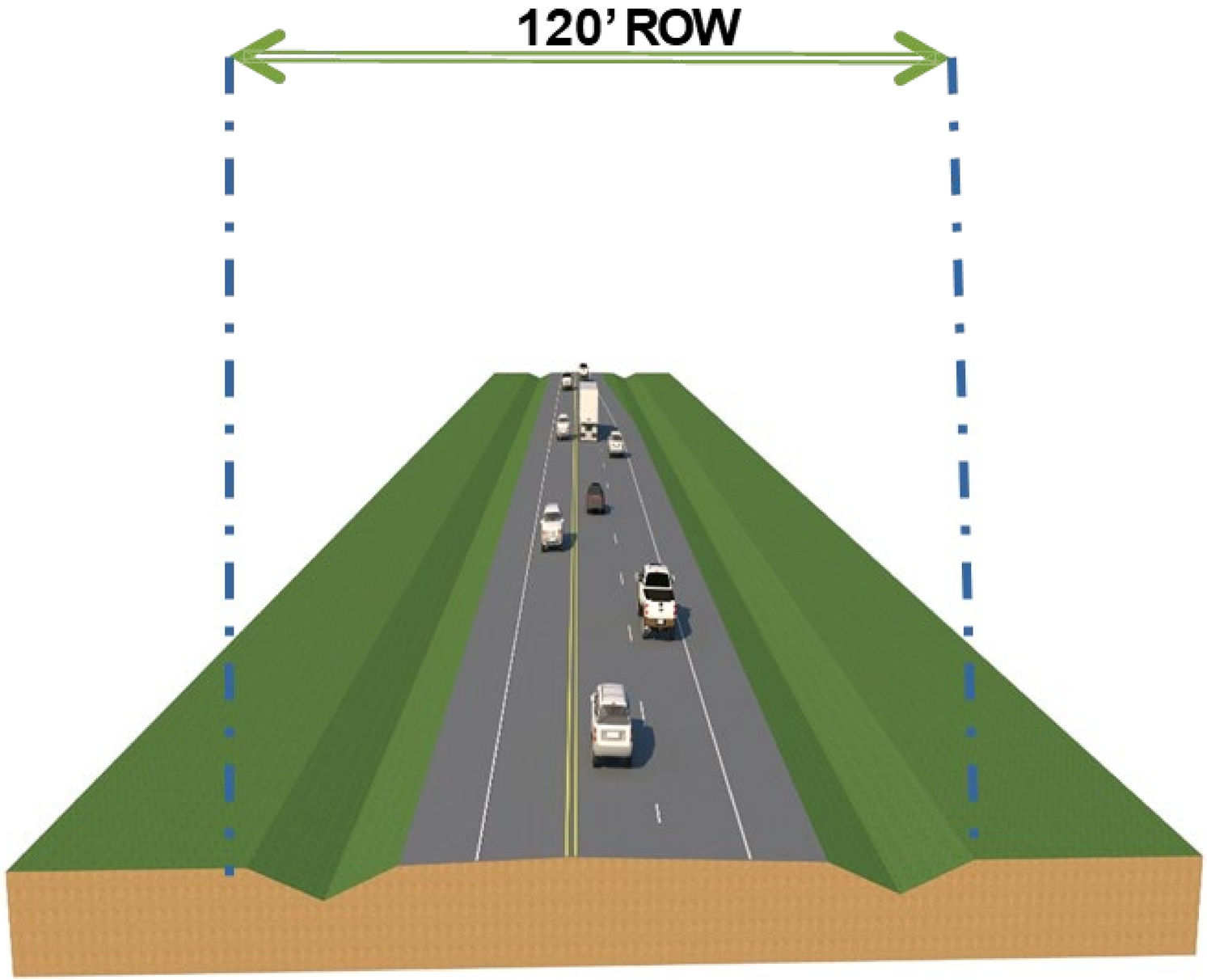
Project Description:
Phase I - Widen US 83 from current Super 2 roadway to a four-lane divided highway
Phase II - Ultimately upgrade US 83 to Interstate design standards (US 83 Corridor was recently designated as a future Interstate Highway)



Proposed Project's Goals and Objectives

- Improve roadway safety
- Enhance mobility
- Reduce traffic congestion

Existing Typical Section



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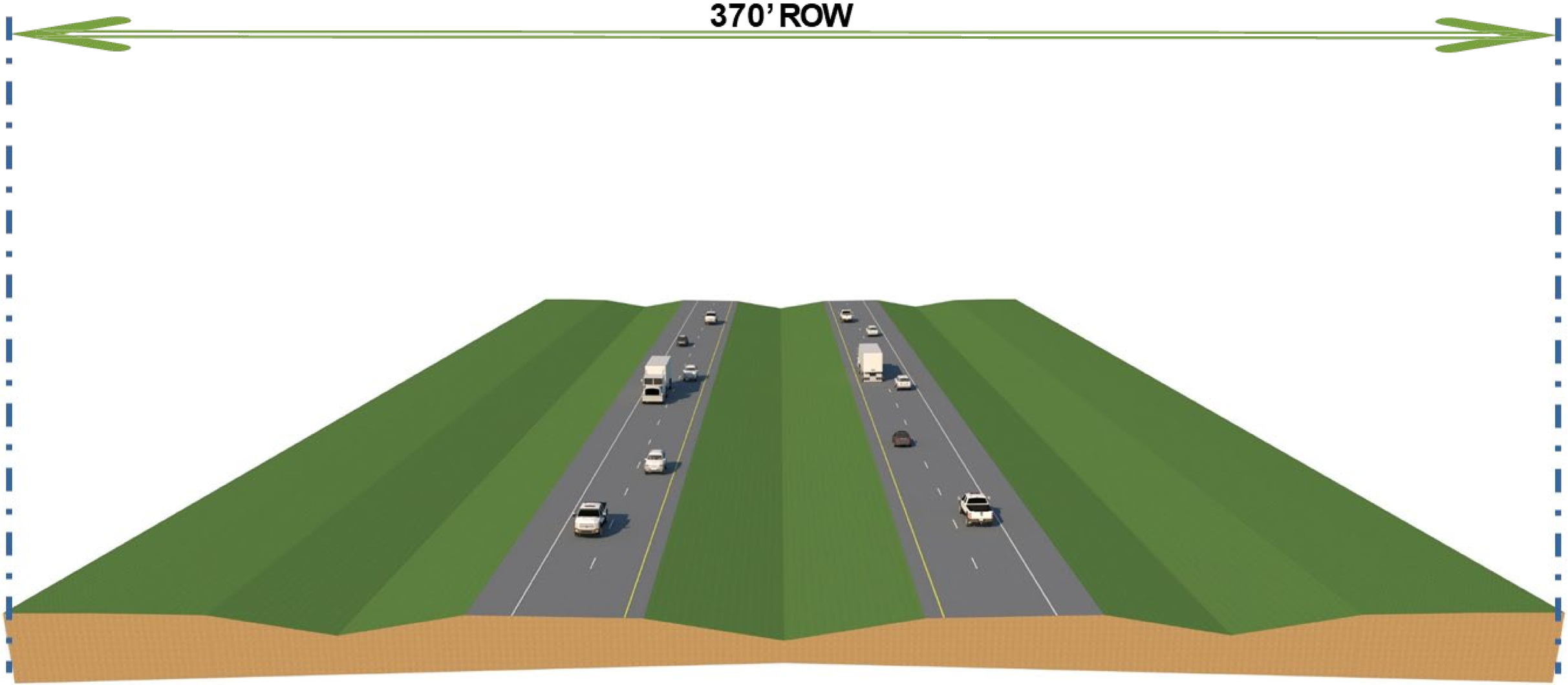
Proposed Interim Four-Lane Divided Typical Section



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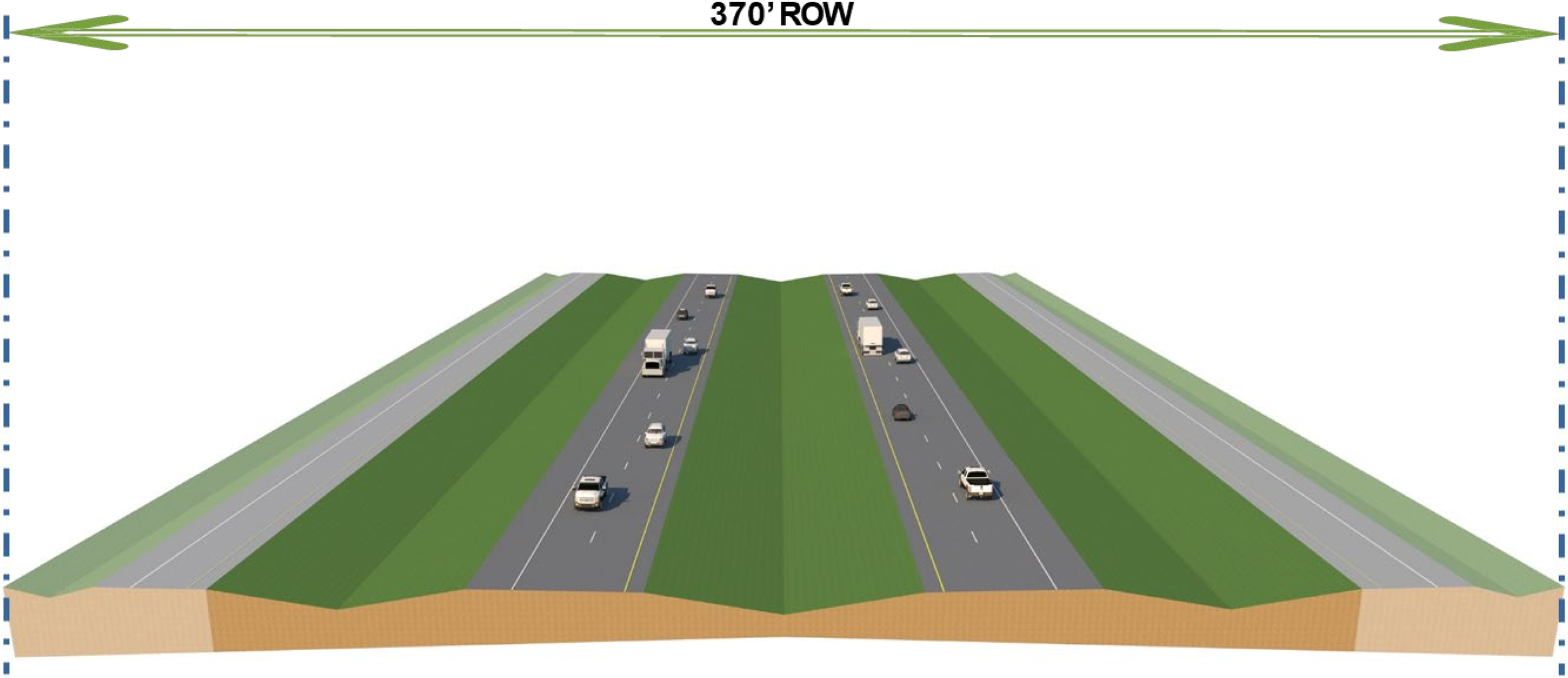
Proposed Ultimate Future Interstate Typical Section



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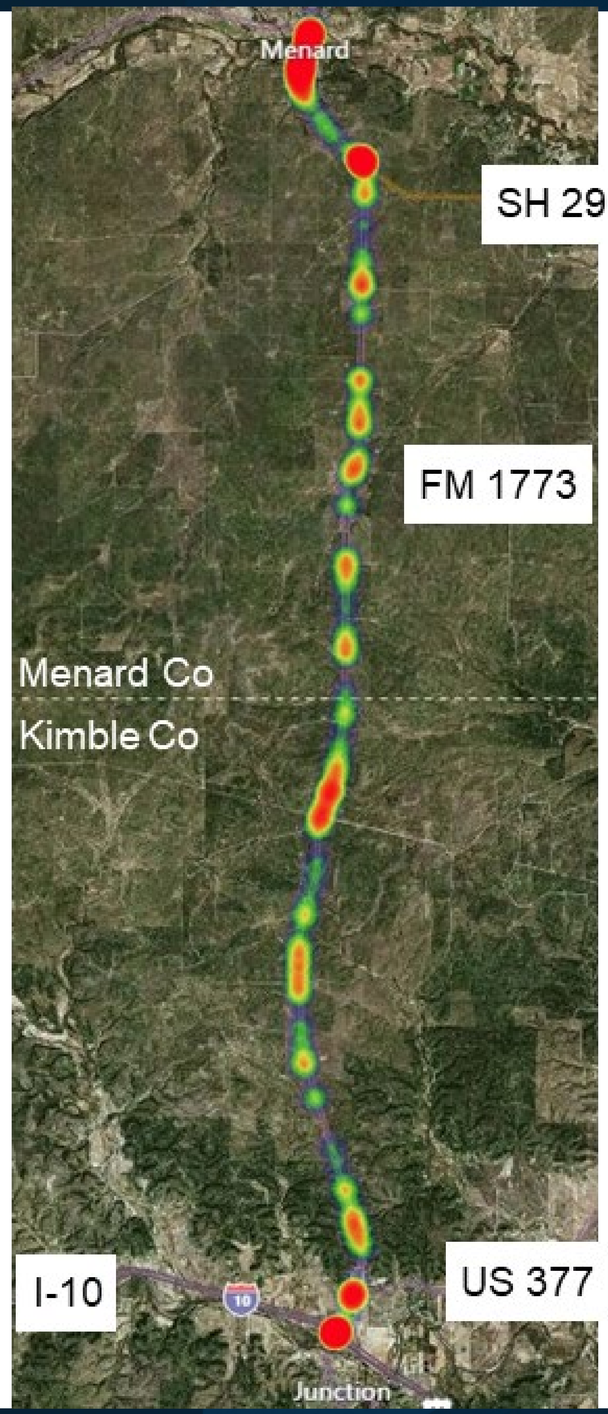
US 83 Crash Data



Crash Year	Crashes	Deaths	Injury Count
2014	36	0	19
2015	28	0	18
2016	23	0	20
2017	32	3	25
2018	25	0	13
2019	21	1	18
2020	23	0	10
2021	22	0	7
2022	32	0	7
2023	21	2	16
	263	**6**	**153**

The addition of passing lanes along US 83 have reduced crashes and saved lives, but the corridor traffic is still growing.

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Environmental Overview

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other federal and state environmental regulations, the environmental process will include an evaluation of potential environmental impacts to the natural and human environment, including, but not limited to:

- Air Quality & Traffic Noise
- Social & Community Impacts
- Hazardous Materials
- Biological Resources
- Water Resources
- Historic & Archeological Resources

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.

Anticipated Project Timeline

April 25, 2024

Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Option

Fall 2024*

Second Public Meeting (if required)

Fall 2025*

Final Approval of Schematic Design & Anticipated Environmental Clearance

2028-2030*

Construction (Pending Funding)

20242025*

Schematic Development and Environmental Documentation

Summer 2025*

Public Hearing

2026-2028*

Right-of-Way Acquisition

*All dates are subject to change

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Comments can be submitted by:

In-Person	Online	Email	Mail-in Comments
Fill out a comment card and drop it in the labeled box at the in-person public meeting	www.txdot.gov and search "US 83 Menard to Junction"	US83MenardtoJunction@icf.com	Fill out a comment card and mail to: ICF Attn: US 83 Menard to Junction 5 Lakeway Centre Court, Suite 200 Austin, TX 78734

While comments are always welcome, they must be received or postmarked by **Friday, May 10, 2024** to be included in the official meeting documentation.