

I-35 Northeast Expansion (NEX) Program – Elevated Express Lanes

Presentation to Community Members
August 2022



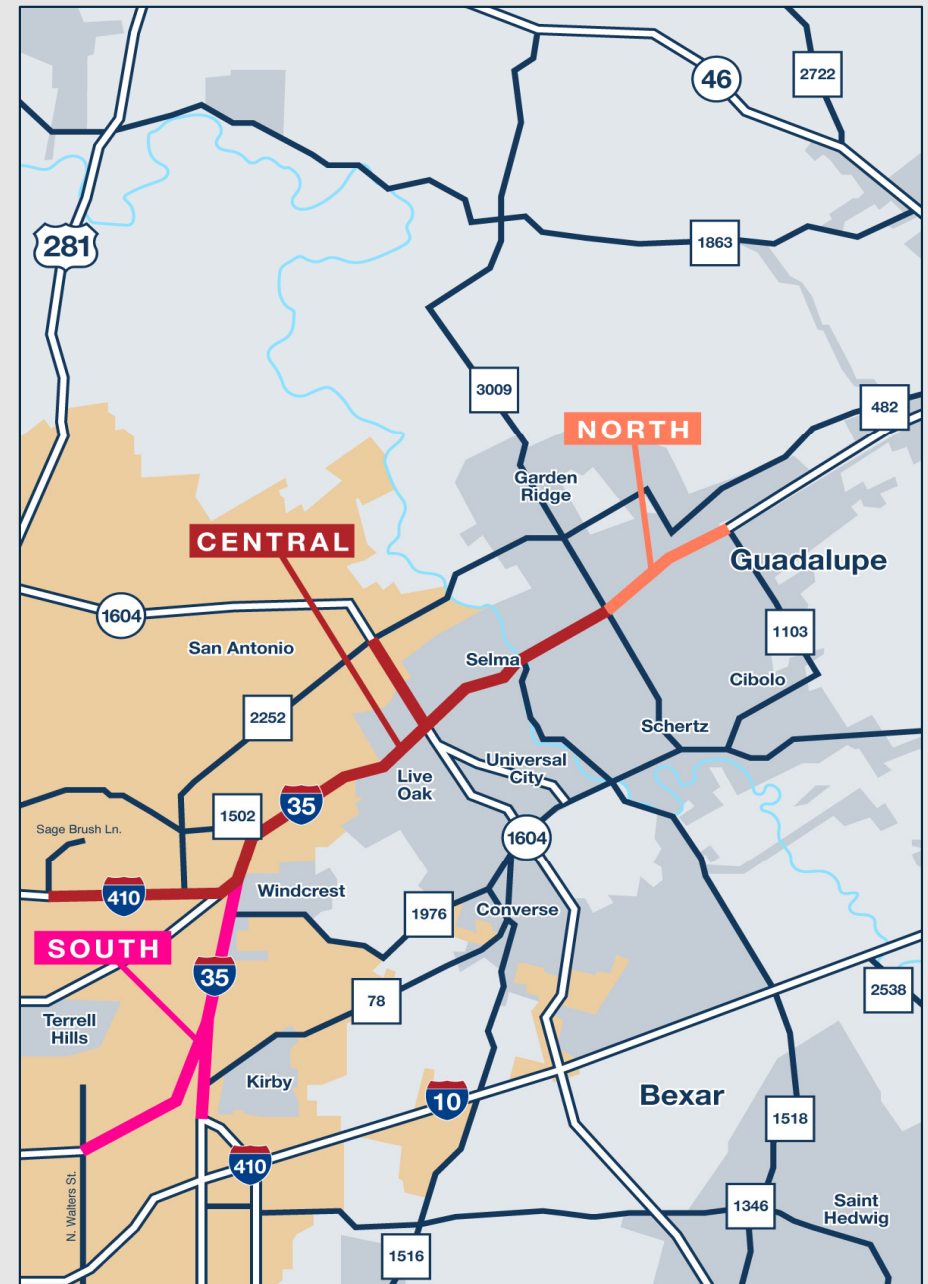
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Program Location



- Program Length: 20 Miles
- Construction Limits: N. Walters St. to FM 1103
- Program Location: Bexar, Guadalupe, and Comal counties





2013: Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Study Completed

- Need and Purpose
- Traffic demand study
- Recommended additional capacity to I-35 and improve 410 and 1604 interchanges
- Analyzed ROW impacts at grade expansion

2015: Schematic/Environmental Effort

- Proposed two tolled elevated lanes in each direction
- Environmentally cleared through an EA
 - Public Hearing February 2015
 - FONSI issued July 2015
- ROW acquisition began

2019: EA Re-Evaluation

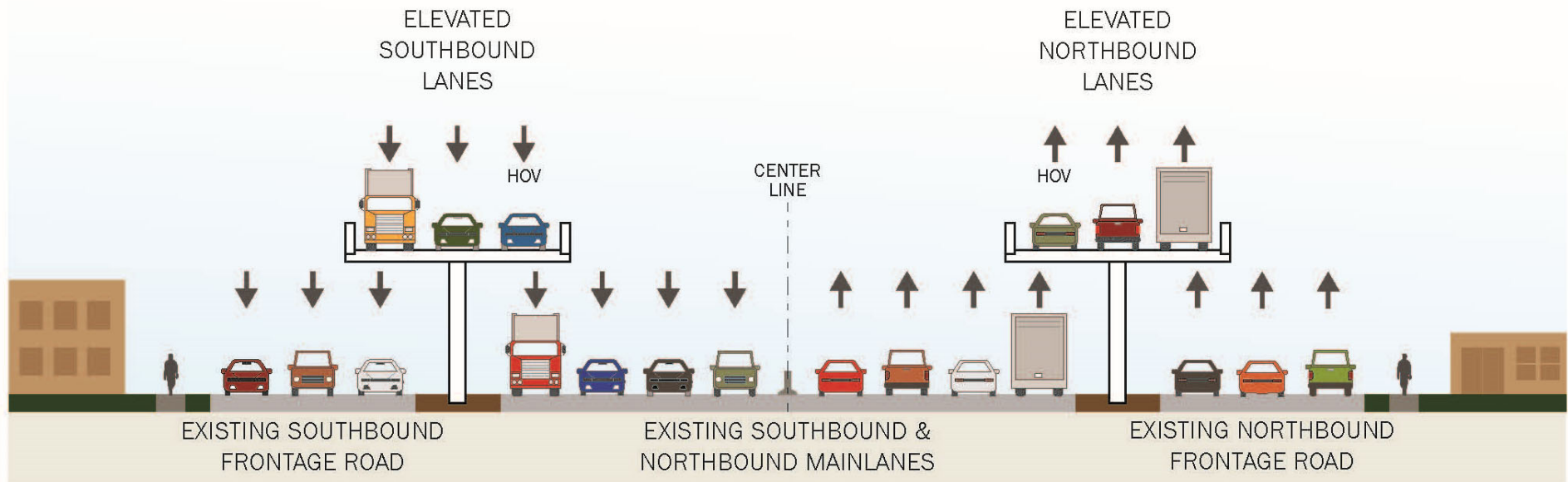
- Due to TX no-tolls focus, eliminated toll component
- Traffic studies: one additional lane needed in both directions (HOV)
- HOV provides flexibility for future alternatives
- Scope: add elevated lanes and retain existing capacity and access
- EA Re-Evaluation approved September 23, 2019

The I-35 NEX will:

- Improve safety and mobility
- Address an increase in traffic growth on I-35
- Reduce travel time
- Serve regional traffic



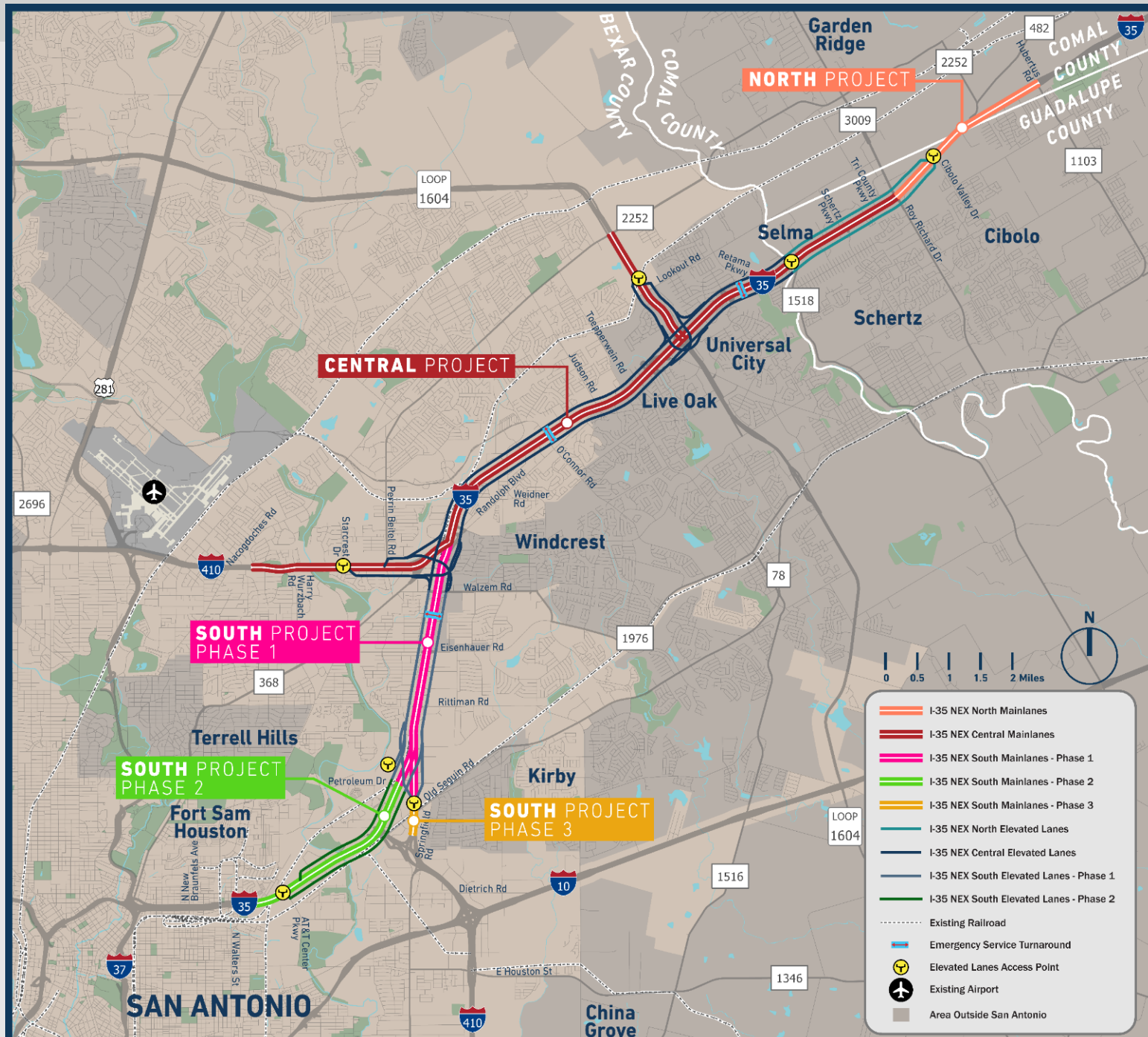
- Added capacity via elevated lanes due to lack of available right of way
- Elevated lanes will be built between existing main lanes and frontage roads
- Elevated lanes will serve regional traffic
- Existing I-35 facility will remain as is



I-35 NEX Central
Typical Section

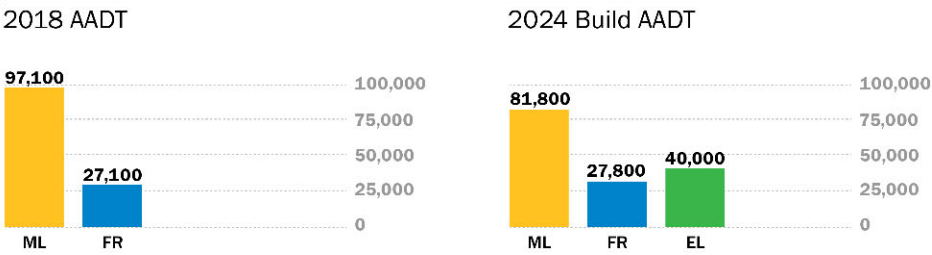
- An HOV lane is a lane reserved for carpools, buses, motorcycles, or emergency response vehicles
- HOVs work to:
 - Reduce congestion
 - Promote mass transit services
 - Improve road safety
 - Establish corridor reliability



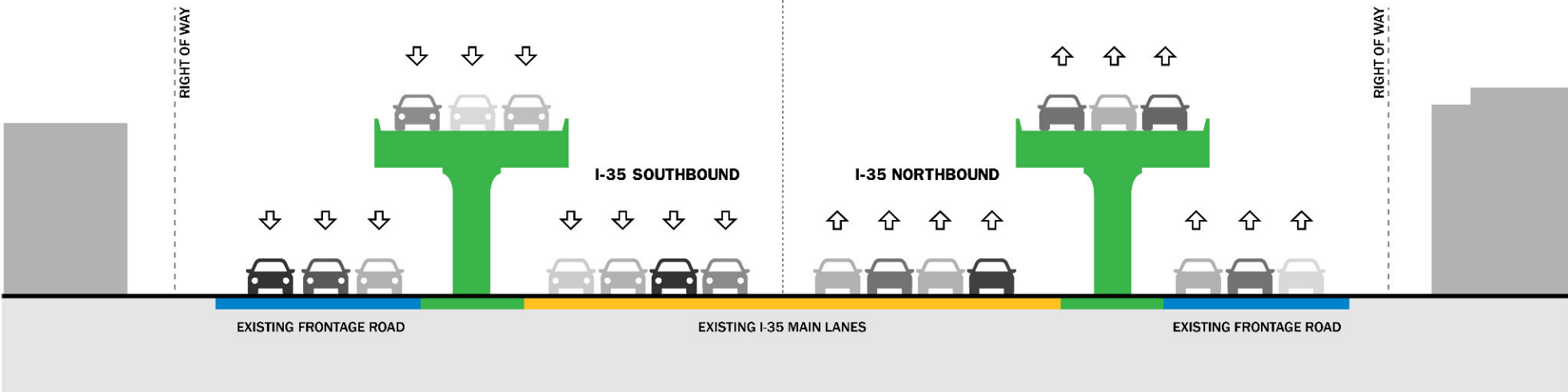
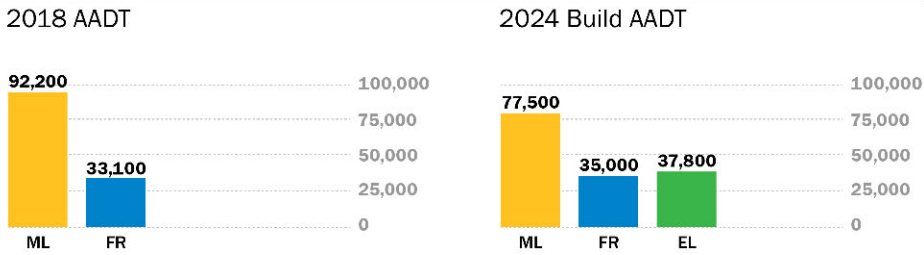




I-35 SOUTHBOUND



I-35 NORTHBOUND



KEY

- ML = Mainlanes
- FR = Frontage Roads
- EL = Elevated Lanes

NE of the I-410N interchange

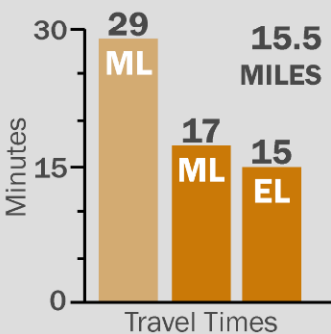
Program Benefits – Expected Travel Time Savings



FUTURE YEAR

I-35 SB

FM 3009 TO AT&T CTR



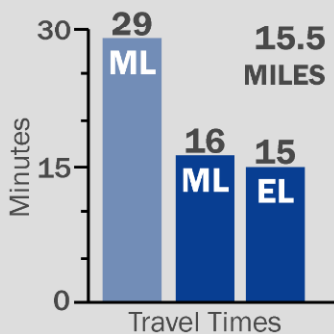
Without the project
With the project

41% - 48%
Travel Time Improvement

ML Main Lane
EL Elevated Lane

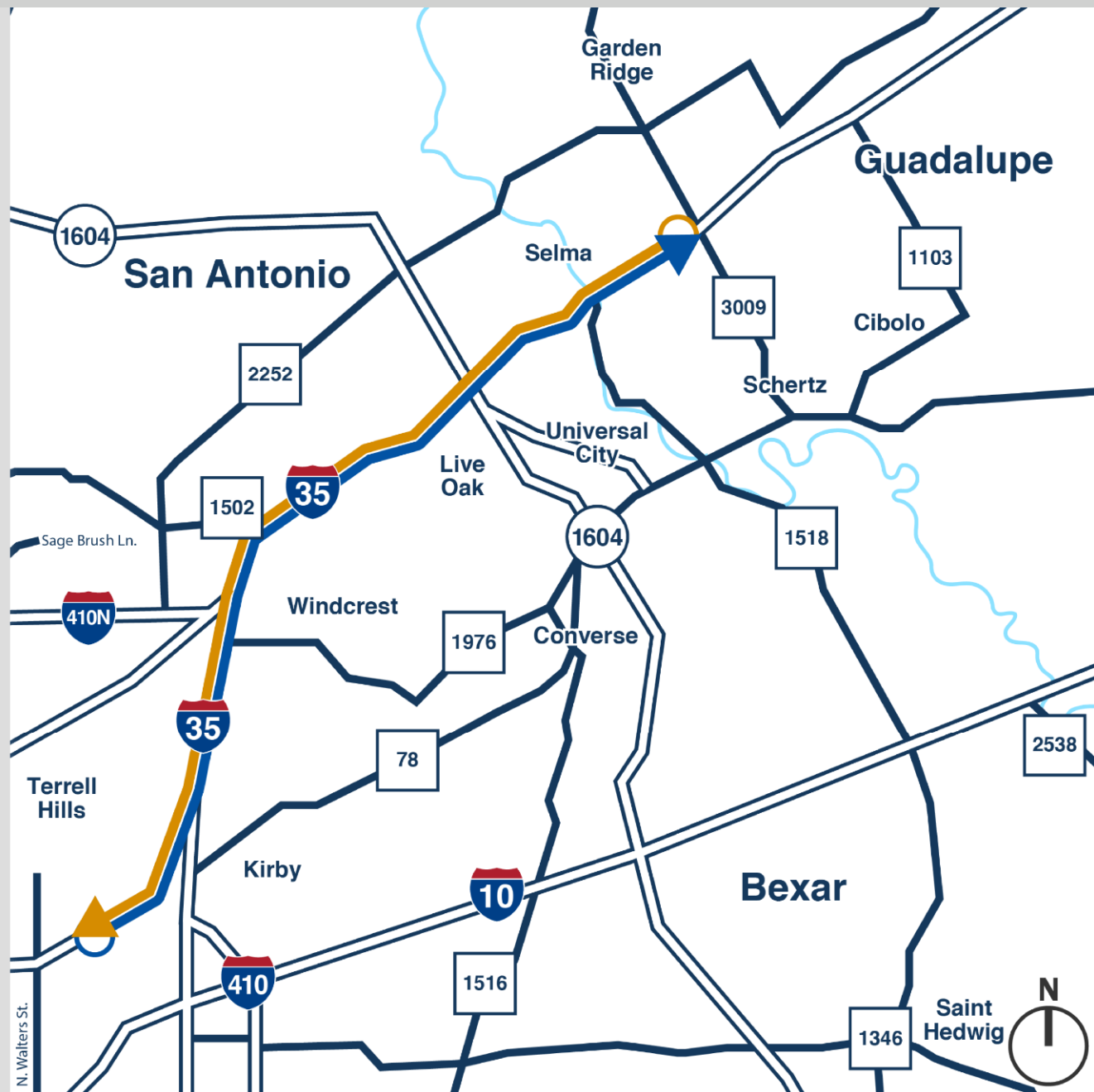
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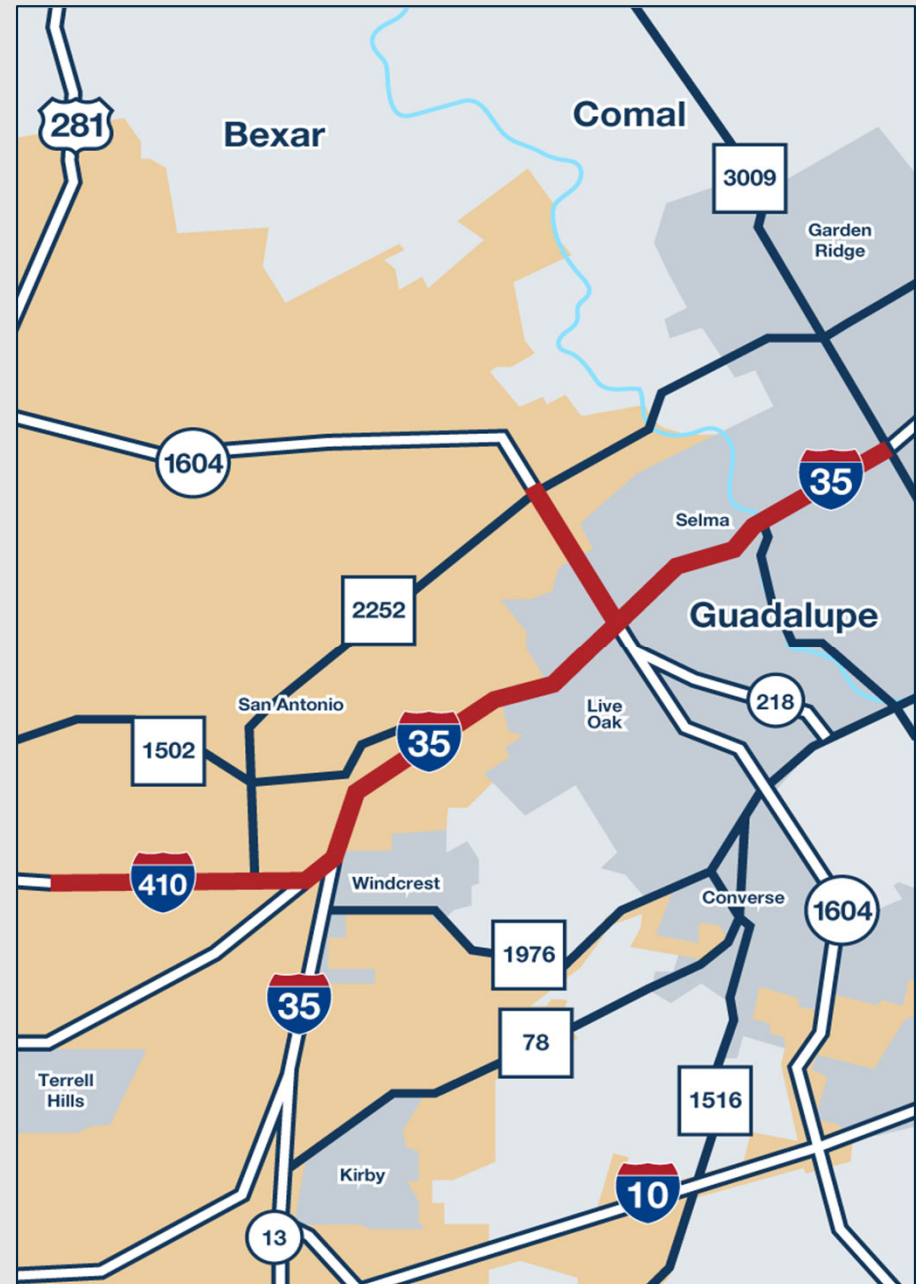
45% - 48%
Travel Time Improvement



I-35 NEX Central Project



- Project limits: I-410 N to FM 3009
- Design-Build Contractor: Alamo NEX Construction, LLC
 - Ferrovial Construction US
 - Webber
- Start of Design: October 25, 2021
- Construction Started: June 27, 2022
- Anticipated Project Completion: Late 2027
- Total Project Duration: 6.5 years
- Design-Build Cost: \$1.5B



I-35 NEX project to offer drivers relief along congested corridor

TxDOT officials broke ground on the highly anticipated project, which aims to tackle traffic congestion



May 11, 2022 Groundbreaking



Spring 2021
Contract
Award

Fall 2021
Start of Design
&
Start of
Stakeholder
Outreach

May 2022
Groundbreaking

2022
Construction
Started
June 27, 2022

2026
Opening of
SB Elevated
Lanes

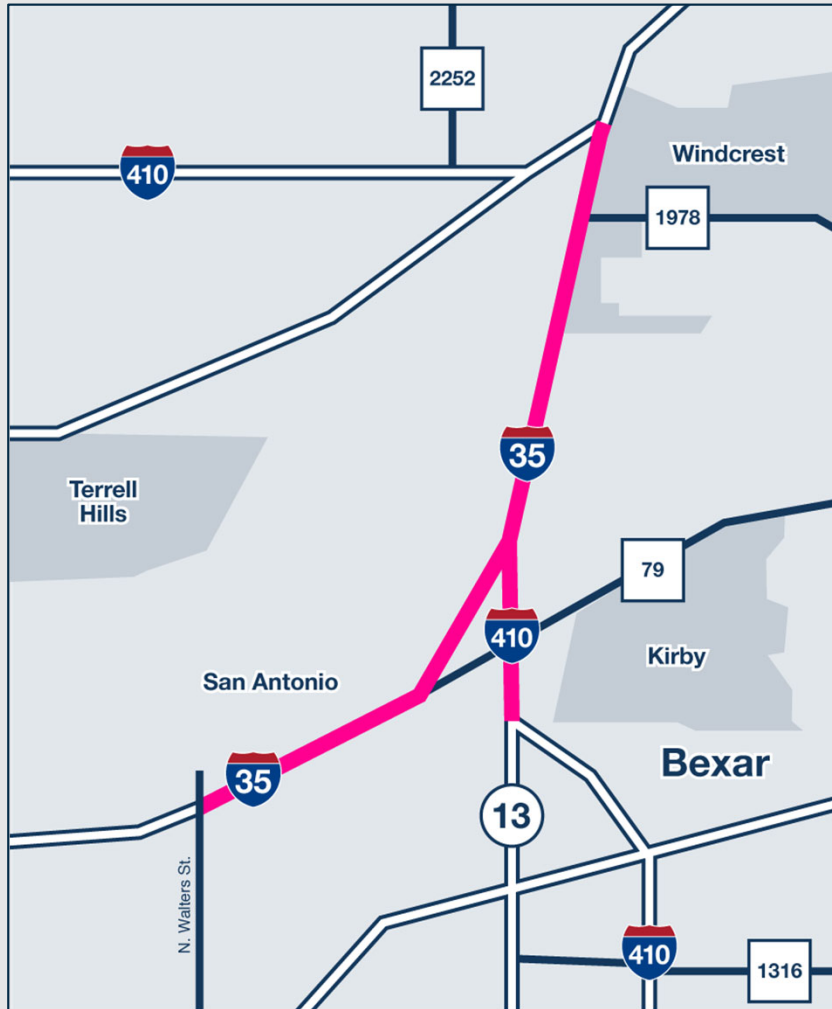
Late 2027
Project
Open to
Traffic


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I-35 NEX – South Project and North Project



I-35 NEX South



Limits: N Walters St to I-410 N

I-35 NEX North

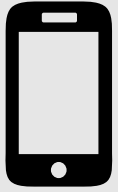


Limits: FM 3009 to FM 1103





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