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Bexar County Commissioners Court moving transportation projects forward

This morning Commissioners Court voted to approve two Local Project Advance Funding Agreements with the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) to contribute $52,000,000 to advance the expansion of Loop 1604 in Bexar County.

Bexar County Commissioners Court through the 825 Plan, previously identified $100 million of Advanced Transportation District (ATD) funds to be contributed to certain transportation projects in Bexar County. Of the $100 million, $52 million is dedicated to the non-tolled expansion of Loop 1604 from US 90 to FM 471 (Culebra Rd). An additional $70 million in funding comes from the Alamo Regional Mobility via the vehicle registration fee as well as Federal and State funding.

The Loop 1604 segment from US 90 to FM 1957 (Potranco Rd) is approximately 4.5 miles long and will expand Loop 1604 from a 4-lane divided roadway to a 4-lane expressway, with frontage roads for a total of 8 lanes, 4 in each direction. It will also include new overpasses at Marbach Rd and Dove Canyon/Falcon Wolf Rd. The total cost for this segment is approximately $93 million.

The Loop 1604 segment from FM 1957 (Potranco Rd) to FM 471 (Culebra Rd) is approximately 4.1 miles long and will expand Loop 1604 from a 4-lane divided roadway to a 4-lane expressway, with frontage roads for a total of 8 lanes, 4 in each direction. It will also include new overpasses at Wiseman Blvd, Military Dr. and Potranco Rd. The total cost for this segment is also approximately $93 million.

Construction is expected to begin in the Fall of 2016 for both segments. “These two projects continue our commitment to addressing traffic concerns with our local transportation partners,” stated Bexar County Judge Nelson Wolff. “By working together, we’ll be able to bring some congestion relief to this rapidly growing and developing area.”