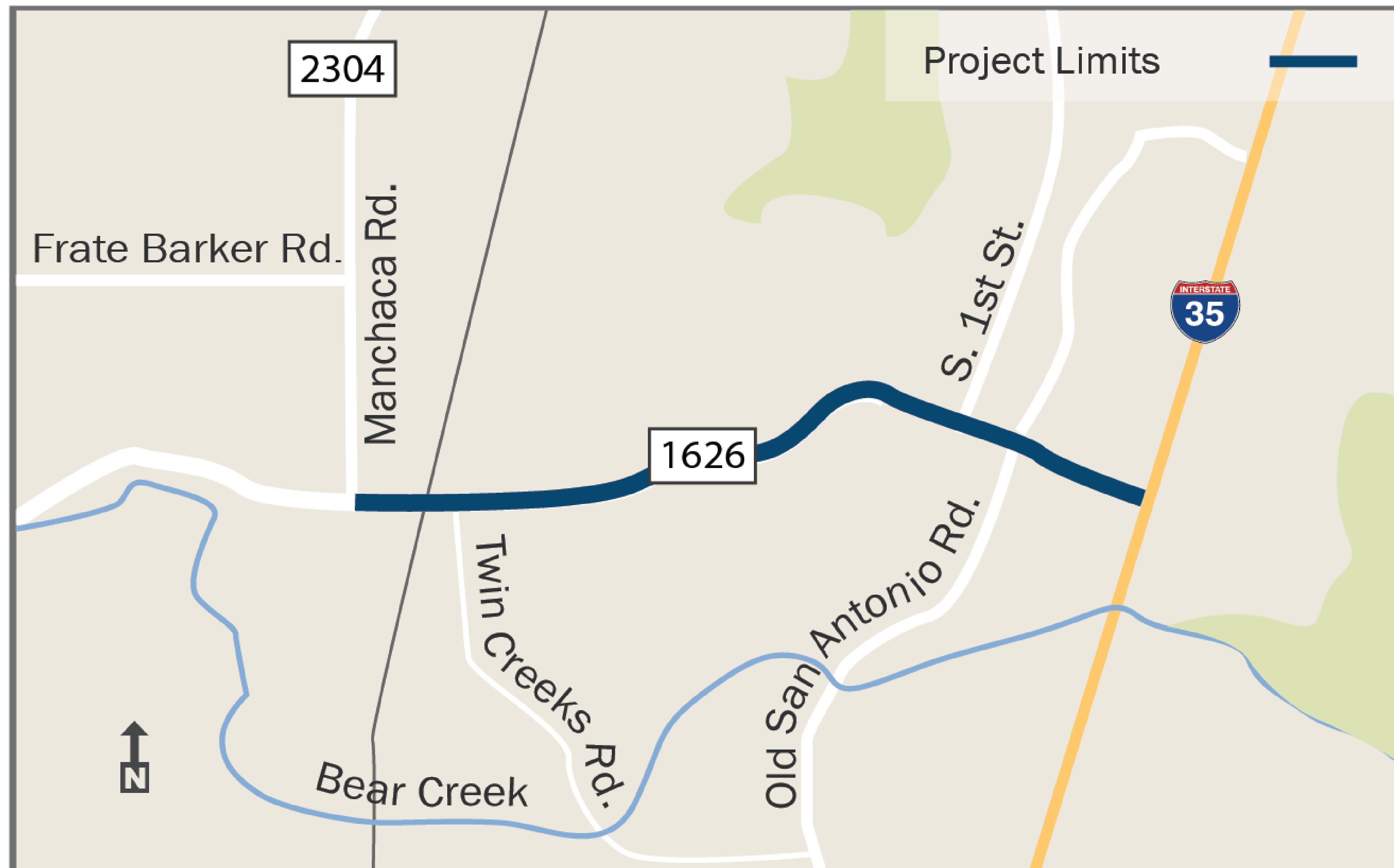


# PURPOSE

**The City of Austin** is analyzing FM 1626 between Manchaca Road and I-35 in order to identify mobility and safety improvement recommendations to be included in a Preliminary Engineering Report. This is part of the 2016 Mobility Bond for substandard streets.



# 2016 MOBILITY BOND

- **\$720 million for transportation and mobility improvements citywide**
- **Corridor Mobility Program - \$482 million**
- **Regional Mobility Program - \$101 million**
- **Local Mobility Program - \$137 million**
  - Sidewalks - \$37.5 million
  - Safe Routes to School - \$27.5 million
  - Urban Trails - \$26 million
  - Bikeways - \$20 million
  - Intersection Safety/Vision Zero - \$15 million
  - **Substandard Streets/Capital Renewal - \$11 million**

Substandard streets are publicly owned roadways within the City of Austin's jurisdiction that do not meet current City of Austin requirements because they may have pavement widths that are less than 24 feet and typically lack some curb and gutter, drainage, bicycle accommodations, and sidewalk infrastructure.

# LOCAL PUBLIC TRANSIT

## MetroBus Routes

Neighborhood routes with frequent stops - the workhorse of public transit, count on these routes to get you just about anywhere you need to go. Route 201 is a feeder route that provides service between neighborhoods, transit centers, and Park & Rides.

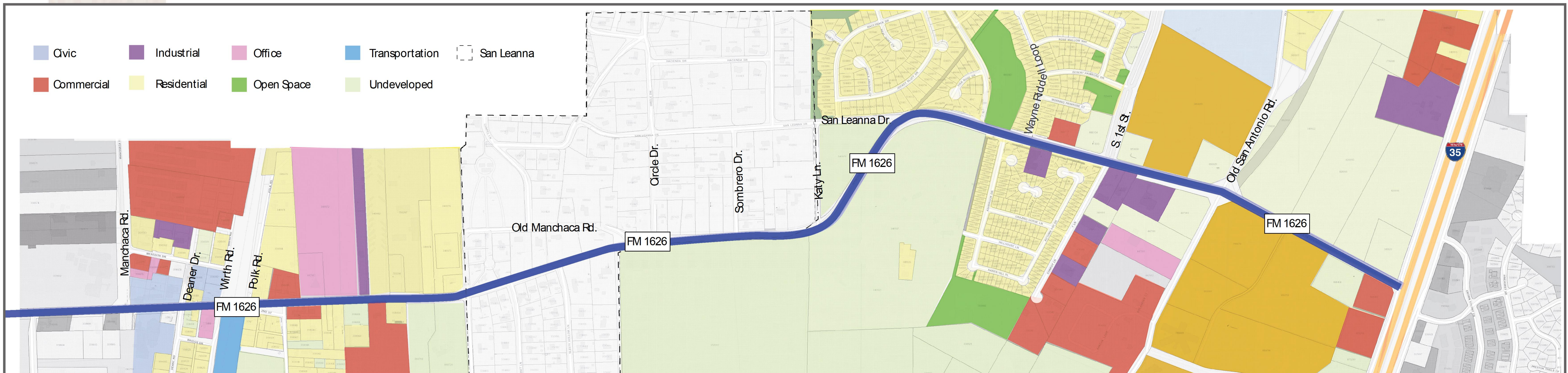
# 201 Southpark Meadows





# FM 1626 EXISTING CONDITIONS

## Existing Land Use





# FM 1626 EXISTING CONDITIONS

## Traffic Volumes (2016) Crash Statistics (2012-2016)

Manchaca Road to Circle Drive

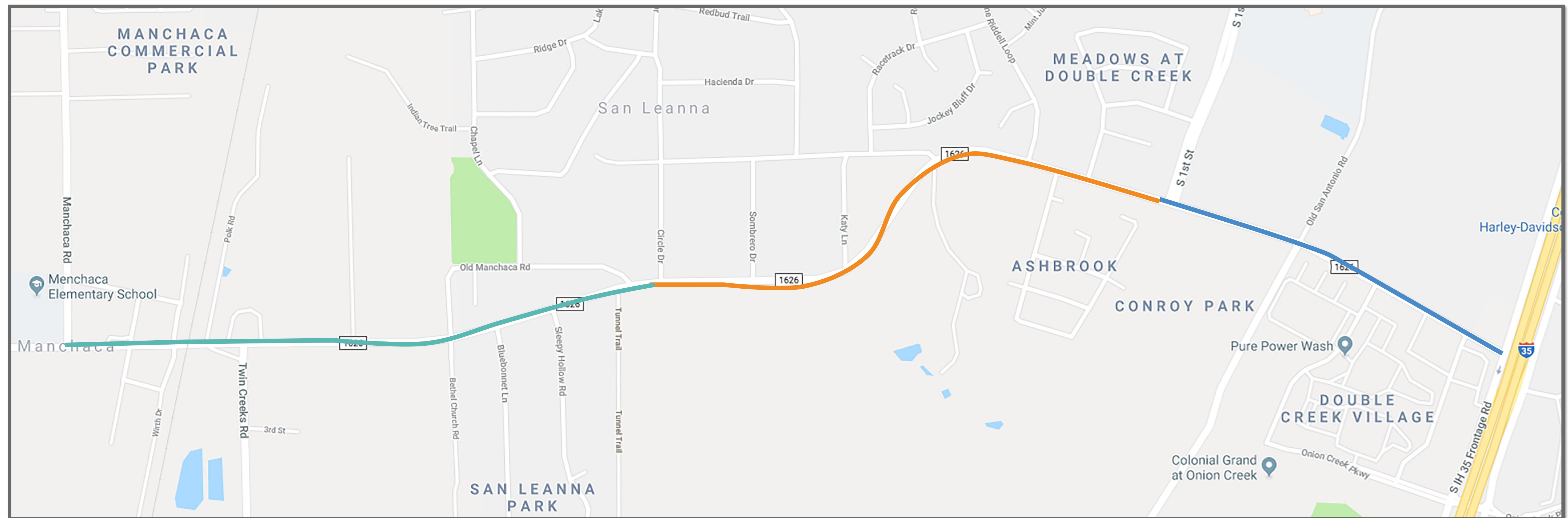
**19,664** DAILY TRIPS **24** Crashes

Circle Drive to S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street

**15,645** DAILY TRIPS **22** Crashes

S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street to I-35

**12,648** DAILY TRIPS **14** Crashes

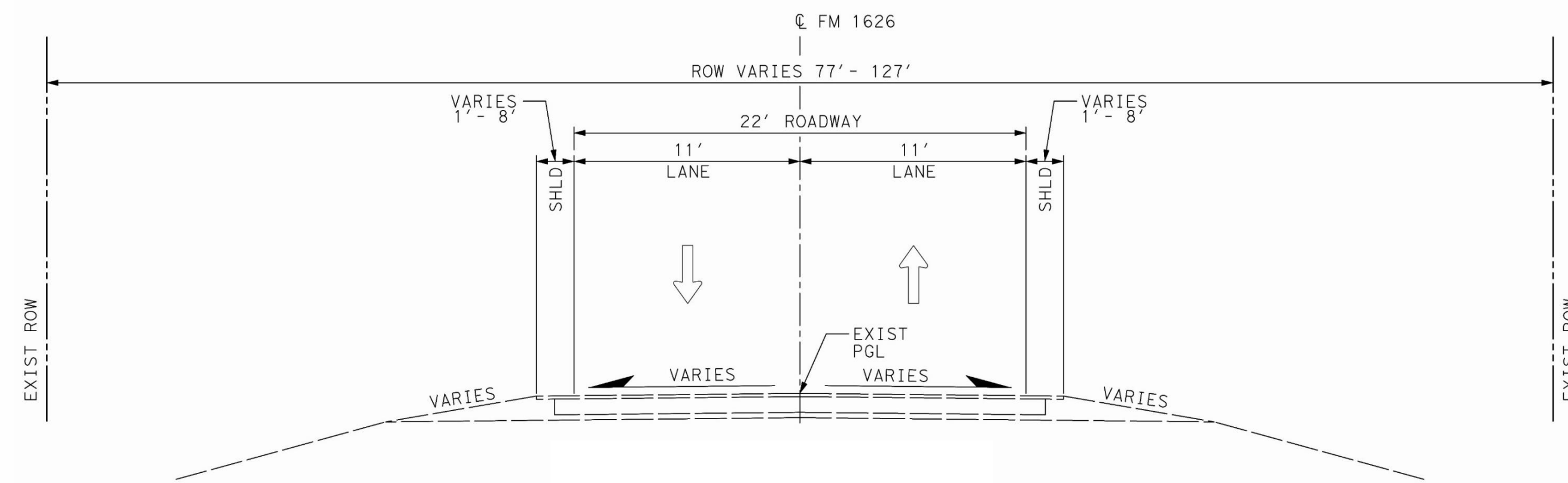


Traffic volumes obtained from TxDOT's annual average daily traffic maps.

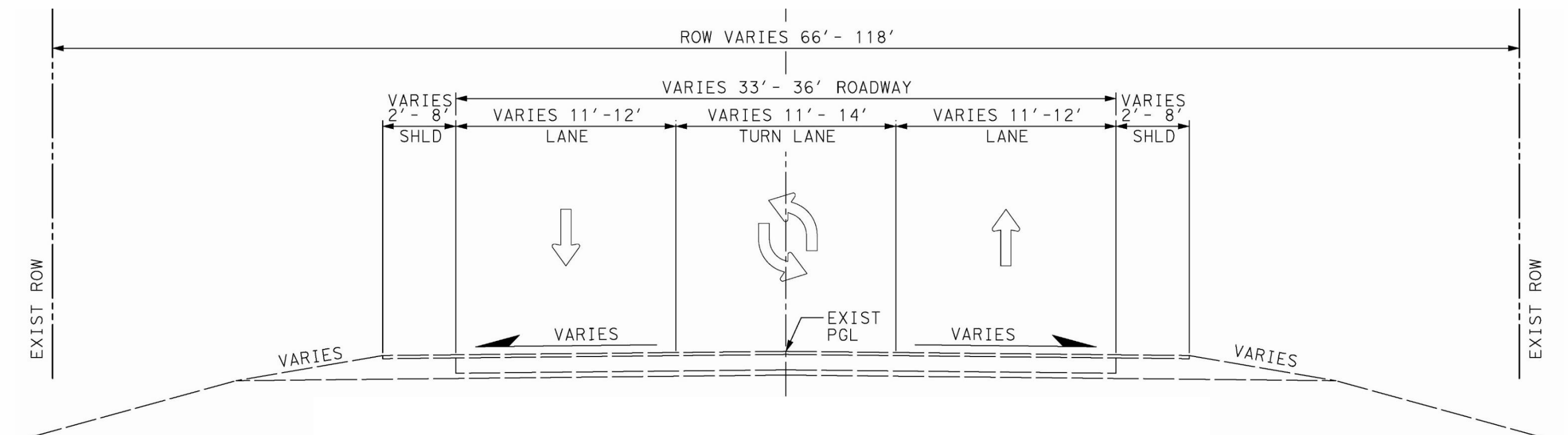


# FM 1626 EXISTING CONDITIONS

## Roadway Cross Sections



Near I-35



Near Manchaca Road



FM 1626 near I-35

- Narrow roadway width
- Rutting at edge of shoulder
- Missing sidewalks



FM 1626 near Wirth Road

- Existing at-grade railroad crossing
- Existing center-turn lane
- Missing sidewalks

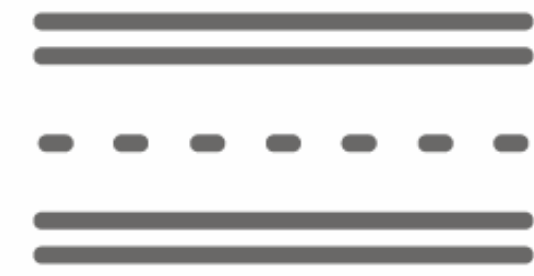


FM 1626 at Manchaca Road

- Signalized intersection
- Broken sidewalks
- Existing crosswalk



# IMPROVEMENTS UNDER CONSIDERATION



Travel lane upgrades



Drainage to reduce standing water or flooding



Pedestrian crossings



Improved accessibility to and from transit locations



Continuous sidewalks



Intersection improvements



Bicycle accommodations

# PROCESS

- This project includes a review of existing conditions and constraints
- A Preliminary Engineering Report will be developed to address substandard elements of the street
- There are no design or construction funds allocated for improvements, but having a plan ready allows the City to move forward quickly, if funding is identified
- Community engagement will be coordinated throughout the project to share information and collect feedback

## WINTER 2017/2018

- Project begins
- Collect data on existing conditions
- Hold public meeting to gather input

## SPRING 2018

- Analyze public input
- Develop recommendations
- Review design options and impacts

## SUMMER 2018

- Share recommendations
- Hold public meeting to get feedback

## FALL 2018

- Share updates
- Present the final Preliminary Engineering Report